

The Communicator

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Rush-Henrietta Youth return to CSA June 12

On June 12th Calvary St. Andrew's will again host the youth orchestra from the Rush Henrietta School district under the direction of Don Tirabassi.

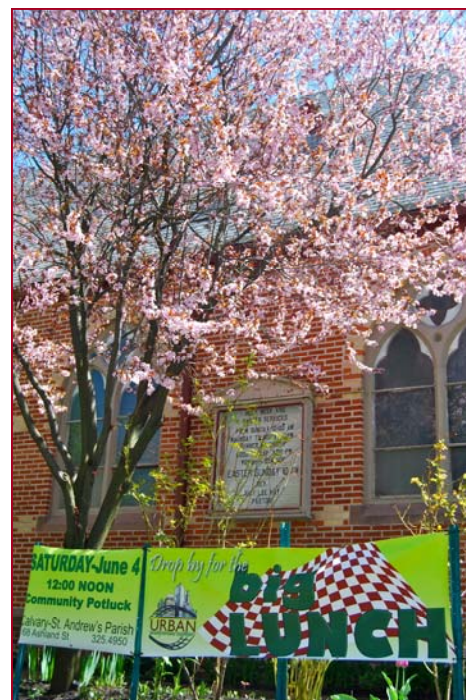
Church-goers will remember the outstanding performance last year by the orchestra and the joy they brought to our congregation.

Spread the word—their presence in worship is a joyful gift to God.

UPT Opens Doors and Takes to the Streets

Urban Presbyterians Together (UPT), the ten congregation network of Presbyterians in the city of Rochester, is offering two related projects – “The Big Lunch” and “Boots on the Street” – that will build community, connect neighbors and serve the community.

CSA is hosting our **Big Lunch** gathering for neighbors and church members on June 4th from 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. We'll have hot dogs and hamburgers, and veggie burgers. Bring a dish to pass. Clowns, live music from JAVA, games and networking followed by a kickball in the park are among the activities slated for the day. We're encouraging all CSA members to attend to get to know our immediate neighbors on Averill, Ashland, Hickory St, Gregory Park and Gregory Park Commons.



Boots on the Street

Through our Urban Presbyterians Together consortium “Boots on the Street” is a collective effort to make a difference – to serve the city and its neighborhoods and build community among Presbyterians. While what happens inside each congregation matters, “Boots on the Street” will demonstrate that “the church has left the building!” We can make a difference in our community through hands-on mission opportunities.

The boots will be on the

streets from Monday, June 6 to Saturday, June 11. We encourage each member and friend to join the effort by volunteering to participate in any one or more of the following mission foci: Habitat for Humanity in the JOSANA neighborhood, food ministries, neighborhood cleanup and visitation, Sunday School painting. A complete listing can be found on page 6.

Volunteers from the entire Presbytery and beyond are welcome. Contact

Roderic Frohman (271-6537, ext 106 or rfrohman@thirdpresbyterian.org) for information or to volunteer. For more information, contact Rev. Hay at 325-4950 or judylee-hay@unidial.com.



Pastoral News and Notes

The **Reverend Kit Robison** was installed as pastor of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Baldwin, NY on May 22nd. Congratulations to Kit on his journey! His parents Marjorie and Gary Robison were in attendance as well as Kit's wife Crista and their girls.

St. Boniface Catholic Church will celebrate its 150th anniversary on June 5th and cordially invites you to their Jubilee Mass at 10:30 followed by a picnic on the church grounds. We celebrate with our sister church and its pastor, the Reverend Richard Brickler, on this anniversary.

Winston Cuthbert is recuperating from prostate surgery in May, so please continue praying for him.

Congratulations to **Paula Brennick** on the birth of her daughter **Gabrielle** (photo right).

On June 19th Reverend Hay will baptize **Livia**, the daughter of **Reverends Russ and Marjorie Roth** at the Huron Presbyterian Church.

Jim Willmott was admitted to Strong Hospital with internal bleeding which resulted in a crucial surgical procedure. The doctors were very clear that if Jim did not have the surgery that night he would not live. Thanks be to God's grace, Jim is recovering at home and on the mend. Thank you for the prayers and support.

Please keep **Mary Neitzel** in prayer as she recovers from knee surgery,



and **Shirley Bowen**, who also had surgery to repair a torn quadriceps tendon just above her knee cap.

Patty Singh's grandmother died unexpectedly, so keep the Singh family in prayer.

The **Rev. Anne Wassdorp** is continuing to recover from the serious infection and pools of blood that resulted from her shoulder surgery after a skiing accident. The good news is that Anne is finally back in New York and settled into her home in Penn Yan.

Baby Shower Thanks

Dear All –

Thank you all so very much for being a part of our joyous occasion! We appreciate all the well wishes and support that you have provided to us over the past year. Your generosity has touched our hearts!

We love all of the outfits and stuffed animals for the little one. The monitor is great too; it will come in handy at 2 in the morning! Gavin loved being included in the celebration as well, and has been playing with his new toys all afternoon.

Thank you again for all of your thoughtfulness. We are so blessed to be part of a wonderful and caring community. God bless!

Crystal, Jill and Gavin Lowell



Norma and Andy "Drop By" Across the Pond

As the royal family in England prepared for the wedding of William and Kate, two folks from England decided to leave the country. Andy and Norma Kennedy chose Rochester as their preferred place for a two week vacation. (However, they did rise at 4 a.m. to watch the royal proceedings on television.) Rochester is a second home to the Kennedys, so it was a natural choice to see friends and to attend church at CSA. The choir was pleasantly surprised as Norma came on Easter to sing with them and then did a follow-up gig the next week.

Ginny Dekin, JoAnn O'Neill and Sue Porter organized a pot luck dinner in honor of Norma and Andy. It was a terrific way to share in fellowship and to get caught up with one another. To add to the surprise, Linda McLean and Katherine Pantlind dropped by on Sunday May 1st to see them which was another joyful reunion with dear friends. Some things never change—and for the good—Norma and Linda pitched right in to help clean-up after the scrumptious coffee hour. Laughter, hugs and Christ's warm Spirit have been flowing throughout our community.



Norma Kennedy (left) and Linda MacLean...old friends and visitors taking on coffee hour duty!

News from the Emergency Food Cupboard

During the past month, the Emergency Food Cupboard has made some changes based on our involvement with Foodlink. First, several of us attended Foodlink's annual conference. Robert Lauterbach traveled to Clifton Springs as a representative of Foodlink's Agency Council to the Wayne/Ontario Counties' food cupboards to tell them about the thought process behind the changes. Barbara Mitchell and Joan Hendrick went to the Monroe Country Foodlink annual meeting to hear a similar presentation.

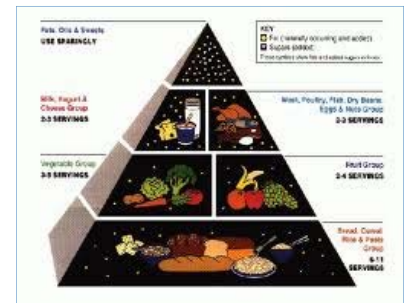
The biggest change is that all food cupboards need to follow the "client choice" model guidelines. What that means is that our clients who come to the food cupboard will have a choice as to the food we give them. There are four models available to use, and what works for us is for the clients to receive a form of available food and they check off the food that they want and need. We then adjust the bagged food to conform to their wishes. We began using the model about May 1st. What we have learned is that many clients do not want all the types of food we offer. That is the purpose of Client Choice....to eliminate food waste...and it works! I am astounded that so many people do not want baked beans, canned vegetables, cereal, peanut butter or even tuna fish. We now have another step in our food cupboard process....restocking the shelves with products not wanted.

Robert Lauterbach posted in the church's hallway the USDA food pyramid to show people how important it is to eat many different food groups. We will also try to have some nutritionists from Foodlink talk to the clients on a produce Tuesday to get people more familiar with this concept.

The other big change from Foodlink is that they are asking that Emergency Food Cupboards pay \$300 per year to Foodlink to help cover the costs of their operations.

We are also thinking of Jim Willmott who has been a very big help over the past several years taking on several shifts each week in the food cupboard office. He has had some serious health issues and we hope he can recover quickly. Also, Alan Bansbach had to resign from his Thursday morning shift due to continued pain in his legs...we will miss Alan. New volunteers are always welcome. See Robert Lauterbach or Rev. Hay to become part of this important ministry.

—Robert Lauterbach, Coordinator, Emergency Food Cupboard



Adding to the Ranks of Greeters

Maria Stein (*photo right*) prepared for our rush of Easter visitors with a warm smile and a ready bulletin. Greeters are the first people a visitor encounters when attending church. In many cases it's that first impression of warmth that people remember and it influences whether they will return.

Fortunately, CSA has a cadre of greeters and we're looking for at

least two more people. The greeter needs to be at church a half hour before people arrive, be prepared to warmly greet visitors, hand them a bulletin, have them sign the guest registry, and answer any questions such as the location of the restrooms or Sunday school.

If you would be willing to be a greeter once a month please contact Reverend Hay. It is an

easy way to support the church and to be an active participant. Feel free to talk to our present team of greeter to find out first hand what the volunteer job entails: Dorrie DeVito, Jackie Kraus, JoAnn O'Neill, Maria Stein, Joe Buggie, Henry Ehindero, Vera Mascaro and Nancy Straub.

Be a part of this warm group of greeters—sign up today to help.



Auction Team Thinking Ahead

Saturday, September 24th, is the date set aside for our annual church auction. A team has been assembled and several gift certificated have already been donated; including passes to the zoo, Memorial Art Gallery, Rock Ventures, Casa Larga Winery, and area restaurants, to name a few of the gifts.

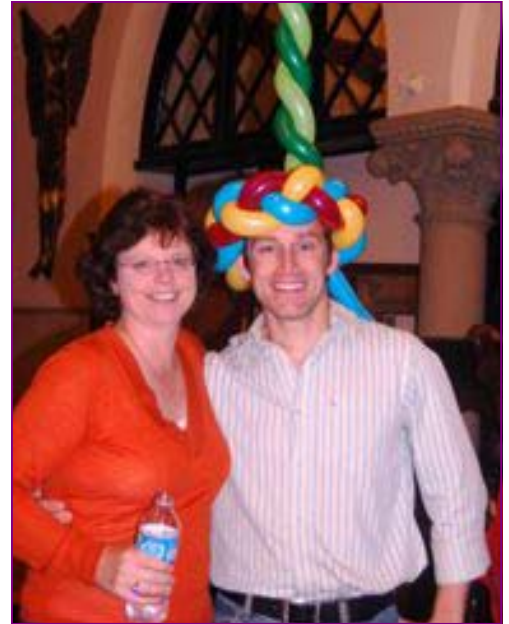
Donations of mac and cheese, fresh baked bread and, of course, apple pies are other offerings.

Think ahead with the team and dare to solicit items from your favorite haunts. And during your spring-cleaning, think auction—we want only good items that will sell. (A garage sale will run simultaneously to sell items that are useful but not auction material.)

Working on the auction is a fun way to meet folks and to help the parish financially. The next meeting is June 15th at 5:30 p.m.----come on

over to the church and become part of this exciting team.

Photo right: Paula Morisey (pictured with Ben Munson decked out in his balloon hat) led the auction team last year that raised over \$4,000 by turning the auction into a Family Fun Day.



Youth Car Washes: Second one coming up June 11

Thanks to Tony and Vera Mascaro, the Youth group has two opportunities to fund-raise for their mission trip. On May 21, the group held one of two car washes at Percon Electric in Gates. If you missed that one, or your

car needs another cleaning, the second car wash will be on Saturday, June 11, from 2-5 pm.

Percon Electric is located at 62 Marway Circle, off Buffalo Road near

the Garden Factory.

Please come and support the youth...and have a clean car to drive to Sunday worship.

Hollidays Return!

David and Beth Holliday made a quick trip to Rochester, bought a house, and have decided to move back to our fair city. Of course, the week they chose to visit was the week we were deluged with relentless rain. We had more rain in that week than they've had in Tucson in 9 years.

The good news is Beth and David will be back permanently by August or September! Several CSA folks gathered for a pot luck dinner to welcome them back. We look forward to welcoming them back in a few short months.



Soul School Reunion

Over 40 years ago the parish operated a program called Soul School, an after school program for over 200 neighborhood youth. The program garnered support from the City of Rochester, churches, the Presbytery of Genesee Valley and the Episcopal Diocese of Rochester. It kept many youth off the street and out of jail.

Adult role models Betty Allinger, George Exley-Stiegler, Mildred

Anderson, Marjorie Robison, Ingrid Overacker, and Judy Hay, along with many other volunteers, made a difference in the lives of the young people who were part of the group back then.

Forty years later the "youth," now parents and grandparents, are having a reunion at Genesee Valley Park on June 18th. Anita Anderson Taylor has been on the planning team.

If you or any member of your family or neighbor participated in Soul School, then you are invited to the picnic. You can hear first hand the testimony of how that program influenced the lives of the young people in a positive way.

Contact Anita Anderson Taylor at 436-7724 (home) or 766-7153 (cell) for more information.

Reminder:
The deadline for the July-August issue of *The Communicator* is Sunday, June 19

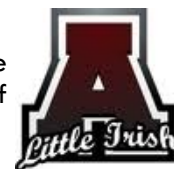
Graduation Celebration



Our parish loves to celebrate achievements, reunions, baptisms and, of course, graduations! James Bansbach will graduate from Aquinas high School in June, so it is fitting that his CSA family pays tribute to his success with a party in his honor.

James has been involved with the Youth Group and almost every church activity since he was a small boy in Sunday School. He's served at the pasta dinner and helped out at the church auction, work days, Mission Madness...the list is almost endless.

After church on June 12th we'll gather in the Dorothy Chapel for a party. If you are interested in contributing to a gift please see JoAnn O'Neill or another member of Partners in ministry.



South Wedge Farmer's Market to Open June 2

Area clergy, including our pastor, will be present to bless the opening of the South Wedge Farmer's Market on June 2nd at 4:00 p.m. at the parking lot of Boulder Café at the corner of Alexander and South Clinton Avenue.

Farm fresh meats, delicious seasonal vegetables, fresh baked breads and cookies, delicious yogurt are among the many items for sale at the market. As with last year, the market will accept Benefits cards.

Spread the word about this wonderful asset in the South Wedge. CSA had a table at many of the markets last year (see Joan Hendrick and Robert Lauterbach in photo right), and we received some wonderful contributions as well as helped to spread the word about our Emergency Food Cupboard. We plan to be there this year June 23, July 28, August 25, September 22, and October 20.



Needed items include tuna fish, canned soup, toilet paper, shampoo and bar soap, kidney beans, and cash donations.

New Urban Living in a Work of Art

The wall raising for the new Erie Harbor Development on the Genesee River earmarked a new chapter in the revitalization of the South Wedge. Reverend Hay gave the invocation for the day. Other speakers included Vice President of Conifer Allan Handelman, Richard Crossed, Chairman and Managing Partner of Conifer, Robert Boyd, Executive Director of South Wedge Planning, Adam McFadden, of City Council, Maggie Brooks, Monroe County Executive, Joseph Robach State Senator, Thomas VanNortwick Regional Director DHCR, Mayor Thomas Richards, Daniel Burnes, Regional Director M@T Bank, and Scott Schmid, Vice President J.P. Morgan Chase.

Anchored on the east bank of the river, this unique luxury rental residence will offer 131 styl-

ish, trendsetting apartments and townhomes in an incredible location. Erie Harbor is surrounded by park land on three sides, many apartments boasting incredible river and city views. Located in the diverse and vibrant South Wedge neighborhood of Rochester, residents will enjoy easy access to the Genesee Riverway Trail, and still be just minutes from work, school or entertainment.

Complimentary club house amenities will include a professionally equipped fitness center and great room with river front roof top terrace. Erie Harbor is being developed by Conifer Realty, with financial support from the City of Rochester, New York State Homes and Community Renewal, and M&T Bank. The community will offer a combination of one and two bedroom apartments, two bedroom flats, and two and three bedroom townhomes. Occupancy will begin late

this summer in the 22-two bedroom flat, the 36-two bedroom and the 6-three bedroom townhome style units. These buildings are three stories tall with the exception of seven units which will feature a unique fourth floor mezzanine.

The 67-apartment style units are located in the four story "Midrise" building made up of 32-one bedroom and 35-two bedroom apartments and will include a parking garage, elevator, rooftop terrace and laundry facility.



Schedule for "Boots on the Street" from p. 1

Monday through Saturday, any 3 hour segment, Weekdays 9 AM to 1 PM Lunch provided, Serve a meal, organize pantry, organize the clothing house, clean up outside, Cameron Community Ministries

Monday, June 6, 9 AM to 4:00 PM Lunch provided, Neighborhood clean-up and neighbor visitation, Trinity-Emmanuel

Monday, June 6, Thursday, June 9, 9 AM to 12:00 noon Lunch not provided, Food Cupboard guest service, Third Presbyterian Church

Tuesday, June 7, 9 AM to 4:00 PM Lunch provided, Neighborhood clean-up and neighbor visitation, Trinity-Emmanuel

Tuesday-Saturday June 7-11, 9:30 AM to 4 PM Bring your own lunch, Habitat for Humanity project in JOSANA neighborhood. Must be 17 years old. Contact John Smalt directly: jhsfalt@rochester.rr.com, or call him at: 924-8624

Wednesday, June 8, 10AM to 3 PM Lunch provided, Light basement cleanup and painting, Brighton Presbyterian Church

Wednesday, June 8, 4:30 PM to 7 PM, Fix a fence for a disabled neighbor, paint a ramp, yard clean-up, Calvary St. Andrew's Presbyterian

Saturday, June 11, 9:30 AM to 1:30 PM. Lunch provided, Dining Room Ministry- prepare and serve lunch, Third Presbyterian Church

Saturday, June 11, 10 AM to 3 PM Lunch provided, Paint Sunday School rooms, New Life Presbyterian Church.

June Coffee Hour

- June 5: Trabert, Stanley
June 12: Megan & Maureen Metzler
June 19: Soule, Yost
June 26: Chicken & Jazz*

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The sun is out; after weeks of rain, it actually looks like spring may be on its way—or we may just skip spring and go straight to summer. Hey, we're optimists at CSA, so it's not too early to plan for an outdoor worship experience and our annual chicken BBQ. Brian Soule will be on hand to offer some jazz music for the day. James Robinson has agreed to coordinate the chicken BBQ part of the day. Set your stomachs and watches for a fine day to be outside and to celebrate the gifts of spring. Bring a friend and a dish to pass.

June Birthday Blessings

1. Leah King Cummings
 2. Helen Robinson
 - 4 James Cuthbert
 - 5 Mary Angerame
 - 11 Sue Porter
 - 12 Hugh Outterson, Kyle Rhone
 - 14 Maisie Reid
 - 17 Cathy Martin
 - 20 Sal Zito; Dallas Anderson
 - 22 Dorothy Barley; Mike Totin
 - 26 Winston Cuthbert
 - 27 Heather Francis
 - 29 JoAnn O'Neill
- JULY
- 2 Reverend Colin Pritchard
 - 3 James Pardee



We're on the web:

www.calvarystandrews.org



Church Yard Overhaul

On April 30th, six yards of double ground black mulch were spread on the church lawns by a hardworking core of volunteers. Originally, youth from Mission Madness were scheduled to help out, but due to a low number of registrants the Presbytery decided to choose only mission groups as work sites. Their decision left us with six yards of mulch to move, as well as hundreds of weeds to pull.

Fortunately, CSA has wonderful volunteers who stepped up to the plate to fill in the gaps.

We recognize the hard work of **Tracy Perkins** (photo top left), **Maureen Metzler** (photo right), **Jim Mattoon**,

Shirley Bowen, Judy Hay, Zachary Bansbach (with Ginny, photo left), **David Junot, Ginny Weisel, and Marsha Reed.**

Please take time to thank the folks who dedicated an afternoon to spruce up God's environment at church. Neighbor **Doug Root** came by to install the Big Lunch banners on Averill Avenue.

