

2008

# Herald of Good TIDINGS

*“Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good tidings; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings, lift it up, fear not; say to the cities of Judah, ‘Behold your God!’”*

## Interfaith Hospitality Network

The First Congregational Church will host homeless families through the Interfaith Hospitality Network beginning Sunday, July 13th through July 20th. We are in need of overnight chaperones, volunteers to prepare evening meals, volunteers to visit with our guests, miscellaneous items for snacks and lunches and/or small monetary donations or gift cards to defray the weekly costs associated with the program.

If interested in helping out, please contact Pat or Alyse at (508) 798-8765, and thank you for any assistance you may be able to give these homeless families.

Pat and Alyse Bukoski

## HELP THE HOMELESS



### FIRST CHURCH CHOIR NEWS

The First Church Choir CD was successfully recorded on Saturday, May 17th. The CD's should be available in mid June. We would like to take this opportunity to express our gratitude to everyone who supported us, helping to make our vision a reality.

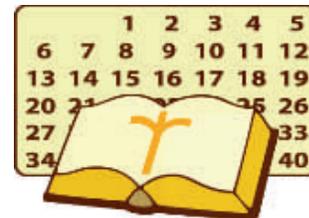
Please mark your calendars:

**First Congregational Church's  
7th Annual Golf Tournament  
Saturday, September 13, 2008  
1:00 p.m. tee-off**

Look for more information (including registration and sponsor forms) to come in future bulletins and the September *Tidings* !

### Pulpit Schedule

- June 1st Children's Sunday (the service will be led by the Board of Christian Education)
- June 8th Rev. John Shaw - Communion Sunday
- June 15th Steve Hill
- June 22nd Reverend John Shaw
- June 29th Reverend Janice Wilcox
- July 6th Reverend Janice Wilcox  
Communion Sunday
- July 13th Ron Klaucke
- July 20th Cliff Peterson
- July 27th Reverend Susan Tarantino



**PLEASE NOTE: There will be no July/August Tidings. Submissions for the September Tidings must be in by 8/17, as we plan to mail it by 8/25. This mailing will cover the end of August and all of September. Thanks!**

Summer Birthdays include:

- Alyse Bukoski - June 16th
- Lisa Rockwood - July 21st
- Sue Anderton - July 30th
- Pat Bukoski - August 5th

Happy Birthday to all!



Birthdays

### EQUAL EXCHANGE COFFEE

The coffee shop is closed for the summer and we will resume selling equal exchange coffee during coffee hour in September.

In the meantime, you may call Nancy MacLeod at (508) 865-9691 to purchase coffee over the summer months. Thank you.

### STRAWBERRY PICKING

Do you remember how good those strawberries tasted this past January? Well, it's time to go strawberry picking again so that we can enjoy those fresh-tasting strawberries next January at our "June in January" event.

Why not come out and join in the fun?! We are planning to go picking some time around the 18th of June (depending upon the weather). You can call Cindy Dube at (508) 832-6646 for more info, and look for updates in future bulletins.

We would like to thank all of the people who have contributed to our "Box for the Troops" in Iraq.



We have been able to send Fred Orcutt and his unit a care package every month. It is a small way for all of us to show how much our troops are appreciated. They sacrifice every minute of every day so that we are able to live free, happy lives.

Thank you, and we look forward to sending the next box.

Diane Moore  
Avis Britton

### SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE AWARDS

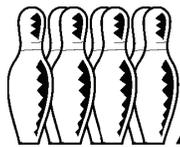
In April three high school seniors submitted applications for church scholarships.

Scholarships were awarded to:

- Chelsea Fant
- Eric Pranaitis and
- Lee Premo

On behalf of the church family we extend to these recipients our warmest congratulations and our prayers for their success as they embark on their college education.

The Scholarship Committee  
Phyllis Hardy  
Marilyn Plue  
Carol Luther



### First Congregational Church Bowling League



The Church bowling league is in need of 2-3 full-time bowlers for the fall bowling league. The league will be starting up Friday, September 5th. If you are interested, please contact Nick or Lori Stockhaus at 508-865-6439 for more details.



**BOWLING LEAGUE**

**FINAL RESULTS**

Results from Week # 32

**April 25, 2008**

Place	Team #	Wins 1st Half	Wins 2nd Half	Place	Team #	Wins 1st Half	Wins 2nd Half
1	6	78	68	4	1	72	54
2	5	55	81	5	3	52	66
3	2	65	68	6	4	62	47

Men's Records						Women's Records					
<b>High</b>	1st	Bill Kwiatkowski			390	<b>High</b>	1st	Lori Stockhaus			316
<b>Triple</b>	2nd	Joe Pranaitis			375	<b>Triple</b>	2nd	Phyllis Gallant			304
	3rd	Nick Stockhaus			364		3rd	Linda Hardy			295
<b>High</b>	1st	Bill Kwiatkowski			163	<b>High</b>	1st	Lori Stockhaus			135
<b>Single</b>	2nd	Joe Pranaitis			152	<b>Single</b>	2nd	Phyllis Gallant			122
	3rd	Eric Judice			151		3rd	Linda Hardy			120

High Average	Bill Kwiatkowski	109.1	High Average	Lori Stockhaus	94.7
	<b>High Single</b>	<b>High Triple</b>	<b>Total Pins</b>	<b>Games</b>	<b>AVG.</b>

Team # 1	Team # 4
Don Aker	Jenn Lueth
Will Johnson	Harry Wojciak
Eric Pranaitis	Nick Stockhaus

Team # 2	Team # 5
Tori Stockhaus	Carissa Lueth
Adam Pranaitis	Phyllis Gallant
Tim Lueth	Joe Pranaitis

Team # 3	Team # 6
Carol Mangiacotti	Linda Hardy
Lori Stockhaus	Pete Richardson
Eric Judice	Bill Kwiatkowski

Spares											
Bob Blozie	81	228	1278	18	71.0	Rachael Dumas	87	234	666	9	74.0
Pat Moriarity	118	274	796	9	88.4	Steven Dumas	90	232	573	9	63.7
Phyllis Hardy	90	251	925	12	77.1	Steven Koopman	87	230	449	6	74.8
Christa Navedo	108	277	531	6	88.5	Dave Lawrence	66	162	162	3	54.0
Malinda Brown	96	273	273	3	87.0	Allison Dyberg	55	133	133	3	44.3
Patty Dyer	110	290	807	9	89.7	Brian Blozie	87	248	468	6	78.0
Travis Delay	91	237	237	3	79.0	Ben Allaire	141	347	8133	81	100.4
Rose Mary Dyer	97	282	282	3	94.0	Jen Pupka	83	244	244	3	81.3
Mike Donaghy	107	274	1448	18	80.4	Chris Kosak	66	167	167	3	55.7
Karen Dyberg	96	279	554	6	92.3	Krystin Kosak	67	184	184	3	61.3
TJ McCracken	90	260	721	9	80.1	Eric LeBouf	83	232	232	3	77.3
Donna Lueth	71	202	202	3	67.3	Bob Palkovich	108	265	5621	72	78.1
Cassie Stockhaus	47	115	219	6	36.5	Lee Palcovich	95	245	4450	63	70.6
Amanda Cooper	60	172	172	3	57.3	Carl Sandberg	89	238	238	3	79.3
Anthony Judice	71	182	489	9	54.3	Rebecka Babcock	57	138	398	9	44.2



June is Myasthenis Gravis Awareness Month, National Scleroderma Awareness Month, Home Safety Month, National Scoliosis Awareness Month, and June 1st - July 4th is Fireworks Safety Month. June 1st is National Cancer Survivors Day. The 1st -7th is National Headache Awareness Week. June 8 -14 is Sun Safety Week. The 9th -15th is National Men's Health week.

July is Hemochromatosis Awareness Month, Group B Strep Awareness Month, and UV Safety Month.

August is Cataract Awareness Month, National Immunization Awareness Month, Children's Eye Health and Safety Month, and Psoriasis Awareness Month.

It was just brought to my attention that many children sleep through smoke alarms due to their sleep patterns. I just spoke with an Auburn fireman and he told me that there are voice activated alarms available from electrical stores. The alarm has the parent's voice recorded and it yells to the child to get up. The children respond to the voice and wake up in seconds.

I hope everyone has a happy healthy summer. I will be available most of the summer even though this is the last *Tidings* until September.

Debbie Pranaitis, Parish Nurse

**The Tools & Blankets Program**, through Church World Service, is an offering to help people who have been devastated by tragedy such as the tens of thousands of people in Myanmar (Burma) who are struggling in the wake of Cyclone Nargis. Villages in the Irrawaddy Delta have been completely flattened. Overall one million people may be homeless.

Church World Service is initially providing emergency relief assistance - particularly clean water, medical supplies, and shelter materials - and is coordinating with its partners in Myanmar on plans for long-term recovery. Your offering will go towards items like tools needed to plant gardens, build shelters and provide materials for blankets and clothes to those in need.

**Rainbow of  
Caring**

Church World Service

**TOOLS &  
BLANKETS  
PROGRAM**

There are Rainbow of Caring offering envelopes included in this issue of the *Tidings*. Please make your check out to First Congregational Church, and note "Tools & Blankets" in the memo section and mail it to the F.C.C., 128 Central St., Auburn, MA 01501. This collection runs from May until the end of June with a designated church offering on Father's Day, June 15th. Thanks for your support!

### **Here We Grow** Preschool June Tidings



Once again I'd like to thank Denise for reminding me that I needed to submit *Tidings* for June.

**Here We Grow** will be graduating on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, & 6<sup>th</sup>. It is always a busy yet exciting time of the year for everyone associated with **Here We Grow**. With graduation just around the corner, we approach it with a bag full of mixed emotions. It is a time when we will be saying good-bye to some families we have known for 6 and 7 years. But with that it is also a time when we know we'll soon be bringing in a group of new families and returning families. Whatever feelings we have at this time, we all would like to say thanks for the support and memories which we have received.

On May 6<sup>th</sup>, the 2-day program classes visited Noodle Noggin N' Bean for their end-of-year field trips. Once again it was clean, organized, and fun for all. On May 9<sup>th</sup>, the 3-day program classes visited Giguere's Gym. It was a new experience for everyone, but all in all it was fun for the children. I was not brave enough to try out the balance beam, but many children did. The staff at Giguere's did a great job.

At the closing of this school year we are left with only one opening for next year, ('08-'09). It just became available. It is in the M-W-F extended day program. If you know of anyone looking for a 3-day program, send them our way.

Our two week summer program is just about filled. Week 1 (16<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>) we have 2 spots left, with week 2 filled. The teachers working summer camp are Michelle Mulcahy, Helen Ethier, Anne Coyne, Jean Marhefka, Karen Banks, Sherri Leonard, & myself. Wish us luck, we get soo tired each and every day.

In closing, I'd like to wish all church members and their families a safe and fun-filled summer. See you in the fall.

Until September,

Dawn Murphy

**Here We Grow** Director

### **HEIFER INTERNATIONAL**

#### **Overlook Farm 2008 International Fair**

**June 28th 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.     June 29th 12 noon to 5 p.m.**

Walk the Global Village with sites representing countries around the world and immerse yourself in the sights and sounds of different cultures. Learn about Heifer's global development efforts. Enjoy Dale Perkins' Horse Show, great international food, hayrides, musical entertainment, and browse our gift shop featuring fair-trade Global Goods. \$5 parking fee per vehicle; no admission fee.

LEDGER  
1773-1786

A few years ago I read and copied a ledger that was stored in the town hall basement. I don't believe this book has been read in the last two hundred years. It is a complete record of the step -by-step decisions made by our men in building our meetinghouse and forming our town.

The following are excerpts from these writings.

George DuHamel  
Church Historian

**The foregoing Votes Passed at S' meeting.**

**Attest. John Chandler, moderator**

**Worcester, July 27, 1773**

Jacob Stevens precinct Clerk, Comfort Rice, Alexander Nichols, Benjamin Carter, John Hart, Assessors and Jonathan Stone, Treasurer & Thomas Baird, Journ. Collector were legally sworn to the faithful Discharge of the Respective offices.

John Chandler, Justice of the Peace

Entered from the Original of Jacob Stevens, S' Clerk

**Worcester July 27, 1773**

To Jacob Stevens, Parish Clerk, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitation of a Parish lately Set to from Worcester, Sutton, Oxford and Lestor qualified by law to vot in Parish affairs to meet at the hous of Thomas Drury Jonyour inholder in Worcester in the said parish in Tuesday ye 27 Day of August to Act on the following articals, to choes a moderator for Said meting, 2 to se what matters Said parish will com into to provide preching for the present, 3 to see what Said parish will toward a meting hous or act thereon a building, said Parish se fit. Hearof feall not and make due return of your Doings here in hous of the Subscribers on or before the Said 27 Day of August.

**Witness our hands & seal this 27 Day of July 1773.**

Comfort Rice

Alexander Nichols  
Benjamin Carter

Parish

James Hart Jr.  
John Hart

Committee

Said Precinct and made a part thereof agreeable to the order aforesaid,  
Given under the hands this thirteenth Day of August Anno Domi 1773.  
To the Honor Thomas Flucker, Esq.

Samuel Holman	William Phillips
Israel Stone	Joseph Gleason
William Parker	Elisha Livermore
Joseph Phillips	Jonas Bancroft
Samuel Learned	Gardner Chandler for my land within the limits
Jacob Work	Nathaniel Scot
Jonathan Cutler	David Bates
David Stone	Nathan Patch
John Harwood	David Richards
Thomas Gleason	Gershom Rice Jr.
Isaac Putnam	

I certify that the above was lodged in the Secretary's office this 15 day of March 1774  
agreeable to the order of General Court passed the 23 Day of June last for erecting a  
Precinct out of Worcester, Leicester, Oxford and Sutton.

Jona' Cotton

A true copy  
Attest Thomas Flucker Sec't  
Entered from the Original Jacob Stevens, Clerk

Due to the overwhelming amount of requests for my family's traditional Apple Cake recipe which I served as dessert at a recent monthly dinner, I've decided to include the recipe in this month's *Tidings* for all to bake and enjoy. Please let me know how yummy it turns out! It's a very simple recipe...(easy for me to say, I've been making it for years!!) Enjoy!

*Michele Schillinger*

### Liard Apple Cake

Preheat oven @ 350 degrees.

#### *Ingredients:*

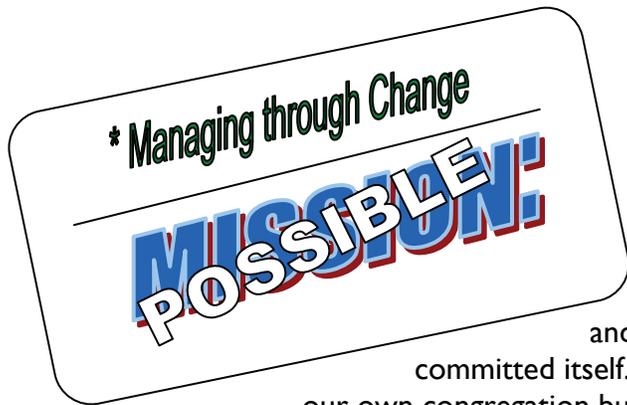
3 Cups Flour	3 Eggs
½ tsp Salt	2 Cups Sugar
1 tsp Baking Soda	1 Cup Oil
2 tsp Cinnamon	2 tsp Vanilla
3 Cups Unpeeled, Cored, Chopped Apples	1 Cup Chopped Nuts (optional)

Sift dry ingredients into large bowl. Mix in apples & nuts.

Beat eggs into sugar, one at a time until fluffy. Add Oil; beat well; add vanilla.

Stir mixture into dry ingredients. Blend well. Batter will be stiff.

Pour into 13x9 pan or tube pan. Bake for 40 – 60 minutes until inserted toothpick comes out clean. Enjoy!



## Managing through Change.... MISSION: POSSIBLE

Prior to Rev. Knox's departure at the end of April, a couple of us from the Stewardship Committee sat with him and reminisced on the various ministries to which our Church has committed itself. Throughout the years, we have served not only those within our own congregation but those within our immediate community and even to the broader world beyond our town line as well.

Our Stewardship message to you last month reminded us to "Walk with Jesus," that Christians are "created in Christ Jesus for good works." (Eph 2:10). All of these ministries we have participated in both prior to and during Rev. Knox's time with First Congregational, and those we will continue to serve in the future, are all in an effort to keep us good stewards for our Lord and Savior. We have helped our own shut-ins, offered fuel assistance to our neighbors during the colder months and sent blankets, clothes and other needs to those less fortunate around the world. These are but a few of the ways in which we have served those around us.

Over the next few months, through the *Tidings* as well as weekly bulletins, the Stewardship Committee will be taking you on a journey through the individual ministries of First Congregational Church of Auburn. We do this in an effort to remind us all why we are here. We face many challenges ahead. Being constant in our Faith and serving others through our ministries is one way in helping us to keep in step with our Lord.

Whether you have been with First Congregational for a long time or are a relative newcomer, if a ministry our Church has been involved with comes to mind which you would like us to share with everyone, please see one of us on the Committee and we will be more than happy to add your thoughts to ours. Please help us on this journey.

Keep this prayer in your hearts and minds through the upcoming months:

Loving Creator, the challenges before us seem enormous as we strive to serve you. Help us to remember that we can courageously meet every test through Christ our Lord. Amen.

In His Love,

Your Stewardship Committee:

Michele Schillinger (Chair), Todd Dube, Mike Dube, Steve and Sandy Landry, Ron Klauke

### A Message from the Treasurer

The Trustees have begun placing purchase orders with contractors for the Sanctuary renovations beginning in early June. This project will require the church to expend large sums of money starting in June and continuing throughout the summer. To cover all of the costs of this large project, the church will be required to borrow money. To help reduce the interest payments on the borrowed money it is very important that we keep our Sanctuary Pledges up to date. The more funds we have in hand by July 1st, the less money we will need to borrow. If you have any questions about your Sanctuary Pledge or if you would like to make a donation to the Sanctuary Fund, please speak with Nick or Lori Stockhaus. Thank you for your continued support of this historic project.

Nick Stockhaus

## YOM News

YOM had a lot of fun bowling on May 4<sup>th</sup>. We had two teams, the “Witches” and the “Misfits.” One of the teams **did** have to resort to putting up the bumpers in the last string to avoid complete humiliation on the score sheet. We also discovered some rather unusual bowling styles such as the “diaper shot,” the hail Mary and backwards bowling.

☺ We look forward to a rematch sometime in the near future. We extend a sincere thank you to Bessie Morgan for going along as back up and being such a good sport.

YOM has a busy couple of months coming up in preparation for our mission trip this summer. We still need to raise \$2,500 of the original \$10,000 goal. However, I'm getting **really** nervous about what we're going to be seeing for gas prices by the end of the summer. So we REALLY need everyone's help on these remaining fundraisers.

### Summer YOM Meeting Dates & Activities

June 1<sup>st</sup> 11:00 am General Meeting

June 8<sup>th</sup> **Bottle and Can Drive**  
Immediately following church, (pick ups can be arranged **prior** to June 8<sup>th</sup> by calling Randy at 508-612-6798)

June 12<sup>th</sup> We have made arrangements with UNO Chicago Grill (Pizzeria Uno) at the Blackstone Valley Plaza in Millbury for a fundraiser on Thursday, June 12<sup>th</sup>. **Enclosed in this month's Tidings is a form that you need to present with any order you place** (dine-in or takeout) and YOM will receive up to 20% of the total bill. Why not give one of the forms to a friend or neighbor?!

Saturday  
June 14<sup>th</sup> **CAR WASH**  
9:00 am – 1pm @ The Auburn Fire Station

June 22<sup>nd</sup> 11:00 am General Meeting

### **SATURDAY JUNE 28<sup>TH</sup> WHACK-A-CAR**

All day during Auburn's 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration at Lemansky Field

July 13<sup>th</sup> COOK OUT at the Bohns' 1:00 pm  
(SUNDAY) **bring a parent and a dish to share**

*\*\*\*This will be the last meeting before our trip. We'll be filling out permission slips, medical forms, etc. and discussing what to expect.*

### **Saturday July 19<sup>th</sup>- Sunday July 27<sup>th</sup>** **MISSION TRIP TO ASHEVILLE, NC**

Friday August 22<sup>nd</sup> – Sunday August 24<sup>th</sup>

**CAMP BERA** – speaker Sam Bhatt

(This is **tentative** based on how many deposits are received by June 15<sup>th</sup>)

The Bohns' home phone 508-832-0428

Randy's cell# 508-612-6798

## Library Tidings by Gloria Whitehead

**THE CHURCH LIBRARIES ARE NOT TAKING A VACATION THIS SUMMER**

Instead, they're sending out a message that when "the livin' is easy" and "the fish are jumpin'" it's time to forget the "slippin' and the slidin'" and the "gasin' and the ridin'" AND start "travelin' by readin'" some of the great books - ADULT and CHILDREN'S - in the children's library. Remember that it's at the end of the hall from the vestry where church services are being held during renovations of the sanctuary.

The following books being reviewed will be on display in the temporary library corner (TLC).

Bud Not Buddy by Christopher Paul Curtis is a book that Ron and Connie Hanks have been recommending lately for adults to read. It's listed among books for children 8 and up. We reviewed this book several years ago and everyone says it's a good book.

The year is '36 i.e., 1936. The place—Flint, Michigan. His age - 10. His momma? He's motherless and his father is a mystery man but Bud thinks there is a clue in flyers his momma left him on Herman Calloway and his Dusty Devastators of the Depression. Bud's suitcase holds his treasures and NOTHING is going to stop him from finding this band leader - his dad? It's an adventure and amazing lesson wrapped up in one award recipient that you won't want to miss.

You've probably heard of the author Deepak Chopra, M.D. whose book, The Seven Spiritual Laws of Success, sold well over a million copies. Following this, he received so many letters from people, he was inspired to write The Seven Spiritual Laws for Parents. It's an effective translation for children of the first book. He begins with the fact that success depends on who you are, NOT on what you did. His concern is that parents must nourish their children's spiritual needs in this world of chaos and instability. We are responsible for as many children as possible to grow up in a civilization that has been transformed by love and compassion. There's a listing of 7 laws for success and the following is a listing re-phrased so that children will be able to understand and use them.

- 1st law - Everything is possible
- 2nd law - If you want to get something - give
- 3rd law - When you make a choice, you change the future
- 4th law - Don't say no - go with the flow
- 5th law - Every time you wish or want, you plant a seed
- 6th law - Enjoy the journey
- 7th law - You are here for a reason

Every child has a spiritual life already. How come? Because we are born into the space of creativity and unspoiled awareness that is spirit.

Is it getting complicated? Not really. You might need to read some sentences twice but the understanding becomes 2 x's as clear.

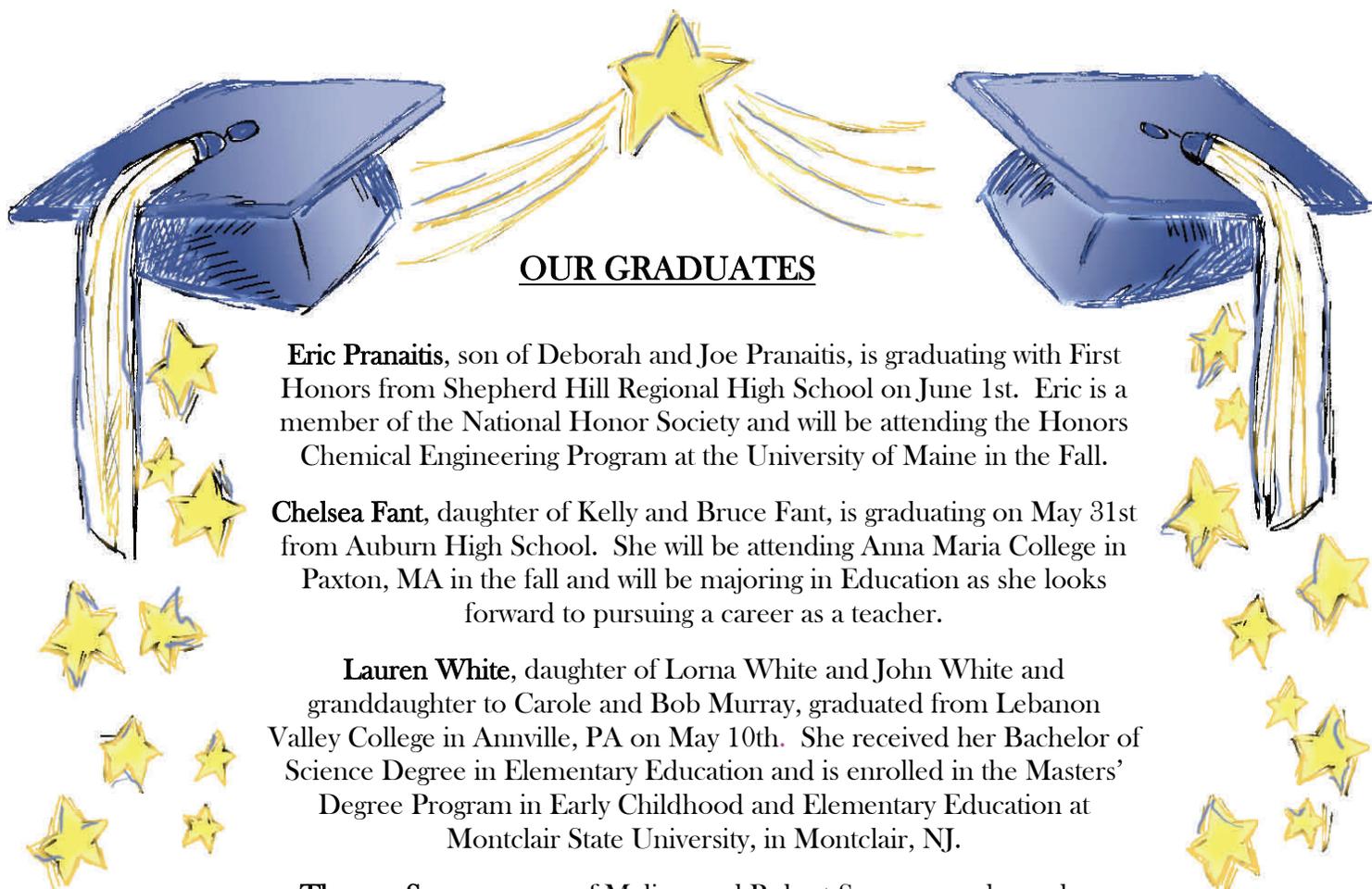
Our thanks to Bob and Dot Koopman who gifted this book before moving.

Over a month ago, a beautiful children's book was found in the stand of the adult library. Its illustrations are brilliant and incredibly good in explaining how a stripy, little caterpillar turns into The Butterfly. That's its title and it's written by Anna Melbourne and Cathy Shimmer.

In a note, Norma Card, wrote that she has made the gift (actually 2) in appreciation of having the church library. Her concluding line was so beautifully significant. "Butterflies are a living confirmation of resurrection."

Our thanks to children through seniors who support the library and we're looking forward to new faces.

Happy Summer!



## OUR GRADUATES

**Eric Pranaitis**, son of Deborah and Joe Pranaitis, is graduating with First Honors from Shepherd Hill Regional High School on June 1st. Eric is a member of the National Honor Society and will be attending the Honors Chemical Engineering Program at the University of Maine in the Fall.

**Chelsea Fant**, daughter of Kelly and Bruce Fant, is graduating on May 31st from Auburn High School. She will be attending Anna Maria College in Paxton, MA in the fall and will be majoring in Education as she looks forward to pursuing a career as a teacher.

**Lauren White**, daughter of Lorna White and John White and granddaughter to Carole and Bob Murray, graduated from Lebanon Valley College in Annville, PA on May 10th. She received her Bachelor of Science Degree in Elementary Education and is enrolled in the Masters' Degree Program in Early Childhood and Elementary Education at Montclair State University, in Montclair, NJ.

**Thomas Seymour**, son of Melissa and Robert Seymour and grandson to Dave and Carole Sampson, graduated Summa cum Laude from Bentley College on Saturday, May 17th.

**CONGRATULATIONS & BEST WISHES TO ALL OUR GRADUATES!**

## **CHURCH CAMPING WEEKEND**

**June 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>**

Once again, we will be returning to Oak Haven Family Campground in Wales, MA. If you would like to spend a weekend relaxing and having fun with members and friends from our Church, please contact Lori Stockhaus at 508 -865-6439. **Lori needs a final count so please confirm your plans with her (even if you spoke with her previously).**



### **Pastoral Search Committee**

The following people have been appointed by the Church Council to serve on the Pastoral Search Committee:

Jennifer Bohn, Al Boucher, Patricia Bukoski, Paul Gemme, Ron Klaucke, Rich McPherson, Joyce Ringgard, Ernie Smith, Lori Stockhaus, Bill Storie and Jen Temple.

Please pray for the committee members—that the Lord will lead them and for His will to be done.



### Outreach Farmer's mARKet

We gave free packs of flower and vegetable seeds to the congregation hoping they would plant them in their gardens and share the harvest! So, we encourage you to bring in your harvest of flowers and vegetables and we will accept goodwill donations for them with the proceeds to be used toward our Heifer International Ark. The song "Inch by Inch" came to mind. It goes something like. . .

"Inch by inch, row by row, gonna make this garden grow. All it takes is a rake and hoe and a piece of fertile ground. Inch by inch, row by row, please bless these seeds I sow, keep them safe and warm below, 'til the rain comes a tumbling down."

Outreach will also be selling more Amish Friendship bread throughout the summer as well. Our Ark has bunnies and chicks so far, and we are hoping to have 2 water buffalo after the harvest! So, look for the farmer's mARKet coming soon!

Board of Christian Outreach

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### June 2008

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