



THE CATHEDRAL SUMMER NEWSLETTER

Rummage Sale to Support Haiti

By Judy Beane

Our commitment to Haiti and the village of Cazale continues and we need your support in order to continue to feed and educate the children there. Our next fund raiser will be a Rummage Sale to be held Saturday, **August 28**, at the Cathedral.

In order to make this a success, we need lots and lots of stuff to sell – so please take the time to clean out those closets and the garage and let all those unwanted treasures do some good for the people of Haiti.

Youth Group Retreat August 24-25

We will meet at the Cathedral at 9:30am on Tuesday to caravan to Spirit Lake. We will return to the Cathedral by 7pm on Wednesday.

Please bring sleeping bags, pillows, \$10 spending money, toiletries, clothes, swim suits, towels, sunscreen, Prayer books and Bibles!

We will play games, hike, swim, kayak, tube, wake board and enjoy fellowship. Please join us for a great time!

Cost: \$10 per person to cover the cost of food.

For: All youth in 7th –12th grade.

Registration packets are available at the Cathedral office. For any questions, more information or to have registration information emailed to you, please call Michelle Klippert 838-4277.

We are asking that you bring good quality household goods, recreational equipment, children's clothing and toys, small electronic items that are in good working order, yard and garden equipment and anything else that will fetch some much needed money to go towards hot lunches and to pay teacher's salaries.

Items may be dropped off inside the triple-door entrance to Jewett House, by the Haiti sign on the east side.

If you need help getting items to the church, please call Doug Beane 991-6588 or Trish Newton 838-0121 and someone will make arrangements to pick them up.

Thank you for your help and support of this Cathedral outreach project!

Mustard!

By Becky Brown

The St Catherine/St Frances Guild will begin Mustard Making very soon! If you have any spare 4 oz or 8 oz mason jars, please feel free to drop them off in the marked bin in the hallway outside the Great Hall. The jars will be re-used for 2010 mustard! (No lids or bands are necessary.)

Also, if you would like to join us in the kitchen, we would welcome your help! We have a few days set aside for mustard making, and would love to see you.

- Thurs, Sept 30, noon-7pm
- Sat, Oct 2, 9am-2pm
- Tues, Oct 12, noon-7pm

Please contact Becky Brown for more info, to sign up, and to place pre-orders: 844-8856, rebeccabrowndesign@gmail.com

Mad Hatter Tea Party—August 20

By Karen Byrne



Come to a Mad Hatter Tea Party on the Paulson House grounds on Friday, August 20, 2-4 pm.

This activity is for kids of all ages, including those of us who sit sedately to watch the activities of kids. Features include flamingos; games, including croquet; face painting; tea and cakes; and a wine bar for adults. This is a fundraiser for the Haiti partnership, and a kick-off

for Haiti Week. Watch for details in future church bulletins.

The Mad Hatter Tea Party needs worker bees and kings and queens (including a Queen of Hearts and Games) to help! We are looking for game organizers, tea servers, croquet masters, wine servers, actors, and reactors, hat contest judges and a plethora of non-traditional job holders. Join us to be silly in the name of a wonderful cause! Please call Karen Byrne 535-3181 or Trish Newton 838-0121. The kids of Cazale need your help!



The Church and this diocese lost a remarkable priest and, more important I think, a really good human being when the Rev. Jackie Dickson died of cancer on July 13th. I didn't know Jackie as long as many people did. Even though our paths crossed ever so briefly when she was assisting The Rev. Doctor Charles Taylor in his pastoral care class my first year of seminary, I didn't get to know her until Beth and I moved here in September of 2006. She quickly became not just a good friend but my *de facto* spiritual director.

Jackie was clear in her funeral plans that she wanted the service to be a "celebration of God's promise of new life, not a eulogy for me." That is good and sound theologically, but too bad for her, she gets eulogized anyway, even if in this different venue. I have been to a lot of funerals, obviously, and conducted a good many of them, so I am well aware that one of the dangers of the funeral sermon is that it all too often becomes the moment when the apotheosis of the deceased begins. I agree completely with Jackie that this isn't good either for the theology of the church or for the memory of the person being memorialized. Nevertheless I think it does glorify God and celebrate life to notice how individuals in the midst of suffering, and facing death embodied the theological values the Church embraces and proclaims. And therefore that tiny part of the world that is paying attention to this moment needs to hear that Jackie remained profoundly grateful for her life, for those who loved her and those she loved right to the very end. Certainly she didn't like having cancer, and certainly as well she underwent every reasonable treatment medical science provided

in an effort to control the malignancy and extend her life as long as possible. But none of that affected her love of life and her gratefulness for each day and each moment. She may have had her "why me?" moments, but I never heard one; what I saw was a person fully engaged in using her gifts of discernment, understanding and pastoral insight right up to the end.

It was, to be sure, not always easy to sit in the presence of her discerning powers. For Jackie could be, shall we say, "direct" and was consistently not so much unwilling as entirely unable to hide her insights in soft words that obscured, rather than revealed her meaning. More than once she showed me to myself in ways that forced me to learn things I didn't really want to learn, and I can imagine that this gift might have made her at times at least a bit difficult to deal with. That clarity of thought and expression which characterized her over the four years I knew her never changed. Her disease did not affect her interest in people, her dedication to uncovering the truth of the human situation, or her ability to express that truth as she found it. She wasn't always right, no one is, but she was right an awful lot of the time. It sounds weird to say this, but it gets to the heart of the matter: cancer did only one thing to Jackie Dickson, it killed her. It did not rob her of her joy, destroy her sense of purpose, deprive her of meaning in life or diminish her love of God. Jackie Dickson exemplifies the truth of John Donne's tenth sonnet as clearly as anyone, and no has more right than she to say with him "Death be not proud, though some have called thee mighty and dreadful, for thou art not so." Thanks be to God for her witness, both as she lived and as she died.

~ *Bill*

Can you hear me now?

By Ken Beck

Sounds are different in the Cathedral. Federal regulations and aging equipment are bringing changes to the Cathedral sound reinforcement system.

Some may recall a mysterious hum, first noticed at the Northwest Boychoir concert in April, the "death rattle" of a '70s-era component.

We learned in June that changes in radio frequency spectrum allocation, regulated by the Federal Communications Commission, require replacement of the Cathedral's wireless microphone equipment (but not the wireless hearing-assist devices or wireless microphones in the Great Hall of Jewett House).

Dallas Hawkins and Ken Beck, in consultation with Dean Bill Ellis and Property chair Joe Dunn, consulted local contractors to determine the most economical way to comply with the revised regulations, and replacement gear has been ordered.

But these developments are only the most recent. Interested parishioners including Ron Morissey, Stan Fergin, Bill Rafferty, Jon Holloway, Mike Southworth and others have since 2007 been investigating incremental upgrade options to replace aging components and improve sound quality.

Equipment has been cataloged, wiring traced, loudspeaker performance tested, and there was even a consultation with the Cathedral Architect and a contractor to determine the best way to access the suspended speaker cluster if necessary.

Stay tuned.

Wednesday, August 25 is the deadline for material for the September issue of *The Chimes*:
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Music at the Cathedral

By Janet Ahrend
Organist / Choirmaster

It is summer, at last! The weather is warm, schedules are a bit more relaxed (?), and there is time to think and plan ahead. The Choir has “finished” for the season, but wonderful solos, duos, trios, and other ensembles are happy to provide music for our Sunday worship services. The Choir, however, misses being together, so will regroup to provide Coffee Hour refreshments on August 22, and then will spend part of Saturday, August 28, in a workshop to work on vocal techniques and begin preparation for the season ahead. Note that this date is the same date as the Haiti Rummage Sale; we did this deliberately so that we made sure we were at the Cathedral to buy things in support of our Haiti efforts.

The Second Sunday concert series will resume in September, with organist Chris Nelson playing on September 12. In October, classical guitarist Paul Grove will present a varied program. Plans for the year include a recital of Finnish organ music, probably in March, played by Anders Forsman, who is in Spokane for two years while his wife

does post-doctoral work in Physics at WSU Spokane. Anders has been singing in our Cathedral Choir and playing in the bell choir. He recently passed the Associateship Examination for the American Guild of Organists. Other plans for the year include a second appearance by the popular group Wind-song (Andrea Dawson, Max Mendez, Carolyn and Larry Jess), a recital by members of the Spokane Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, and our own Cathedral Choirs’ Lessons and Carols.

A very special organ recital will take place not at our church, but at St. Mark’s Lutheran Church, 24th and Grand, on Sunday, September 19, at 4pm. The organist will be Gail Archer, Senior Lecturer in Music at Barnard College, member of the faculty at Manhattan School of Music, and College Organist at Vassar College. She is an internationally known concert organist, lecturer, and recording artist. This will be a splendidly exciting concert, so put it on your calendars now. Next month’s article will include more information about the program.

Your music department wishes you all a most wonderful, relaxing, and rejuvenating summer!

St. Monica’s Guild Lends Support to Habitat for Humanity

By Judy Beane

On two days, June 18th and 19th, during the 2010 Habitat for Humanity Spokane Blitz Build, St. Monica’s Guild showed their support for this community ministry by serving lunch to the volunteers working to build a 5-plex unit on Boone Ave. This is the fifth year that St. Monica’s has supported this community project by providing meals for the workers. It is always a fun day doing what we do best – cooking and serving others. We hope to be involved for many years to come!

Passages

Emanuel George “Sonny” Marks, 5/29/1925—6/17/2010; funeral service on June 24, John Hay, officiant

Jean Smith, 3/19/1920—7/5/2010; memorial service will be July 29

The Rev. Dr. Jacquelyn Dickson, 7/30/1939—7/13/2010; memorial service on July 19; Bishop Waggoner and Bill Ellis, officiants

Memorial Day Remembrances

Many thanks to those whose donations help beautify the Columbarium for the summer!

- Martha True; in memory of Paul L. True
- Judith Anderson; in memory of her husband Ted Owen Anderson
- Nina Beegle; in memory of David Beegle
- Karen Byrne
- Peter & Joyce Castillo; in memory of family members
- Sandra Duffy; in memory of Al Gunderson
- Ellen Ferris; in memory of Harry H. Ferris
- John D. Grabner
- Harry Green
- Mary Hedrick; in memory of her parents Patricia and James Connor
- Sally Latenser; in memory of Virginia C. Latenser, James S. Latenser, Stephen J. Latenser
- Sandy & Doris Nelson; in memory of Janice D. Nelson, and their parents Bruce & Omega Nelson and Sidney & Grace Greer
- Betsy Parson; in memory of The Rev. E. Finch Parsons, MD
- Andy Shields; in memory of loved ones
- Jeanne Tefft Tarter; in memory of Jean Morton & Wayne H. Tefft, Mabel Morton & John H. Tarter
- Carolyn Terry
- Barbara Thaler
- Virginia Whitehouse; in memory of her husband Bruce Whitehouse

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through liturgy, outreach, hospitality and education
we all discover what it means to be beloved children of God*

Looking Ahead

Our program-year Sunday worship schedule will begin on September 20.

We will continue to offer 8am Holy Eucharist Rite I and 11am Holy Eucharist Rite II. In addition, we will again offer a Children's Eucharist at 9:30am. The 10am Education Hour will continue to have offerings for all ages.

The Saturday 5:30pm, and Wednesday 10am and 5:30pm, Eucharists will continue throughout the program year.

Save the Date: November 21 at 4pm

Spend a magnificent afternoon in the beauty of St. John's Cathedral with the NW Bach Choir under the direction of Dr. David Brunner, performing Advent Music with **Paul-Gordon Chandler** reading from his book, *SONGS IN WAITING: A Celebration of Middle Eastern Canticles*.

It promises to be an inspirational event, incorporating choral music and spoken word.

For ticket info, call 720-4827

Summer Worship Services

Through September 12

Sunday

8am Holy Eucharist Rite I
10am Holy Eucharist Rite II

Wednesday

10am Holy Eucharist Rite II
5:30pm Holy Eucharist

Saturday

5:30pm Holy Eucharist Rite II