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## RECTOR'S CORNER

*The following letter provides information on how our Episcopal Diocese is helping Episcopal Relief and Development with relief efforts in Haiti. Please remember our benefit concert this Sunday, February 28 at 4:00 p.m.. Our own UVA doctors and nurses need our support.*

The Diocese of Virginia, responding to a special request from Episcopal Relief and Development (ERD), has embarked on a campaign to supply 10 small pickup trucks to ERD for its relief efforts in the Diocese of Haiti. In the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, Diocese of Virginia churches responded by providing trucks to aid in the relief efforts. Katie Mears, co-coordinator of Haiti disaster relief for ERD, contacted the Diocese of Virginia to ask for a repeat performance of that truck campaign, this time for Haiti.

ERD explained that it currently has a system that is working well to bring supplies, water, food and medicine from the Dominican Republic to the Diocese of Haiti's Port-au-Prince central relief area. But many of the earthquake victims have settled in church communities in hilltop villages outside of Port-au-Prince and Leogane. ERD needs additional trucks to ferry supplies to these remote areas. ERD asked that the trucks be "small and fierce" to handle the rough road conditions.

The Rev. Buck Aiken, who coordinated the truck campaign for Katrina relief victims, has been charged by Bishop Johnston with responding to ERD's request. Mr. Aiken commented, "ERD and the Diocese of Haiti need these trucks yesterday to distribute much needed emergency supplies. We hope to raise the money, buy the trucks and drive them to the port in Miami by the end of next week – there is no time for delay." A team of drivers hopes to leave Richmond on Thursday, February 11.

Ms. Mears explained that normally ERD would simply buy the trucks in the Dominican Republic. But supply and demand pressures have caused the price of vehicles in the Dominican Republic to skyrocket, making it more cost effective to ship the trucks from the United States.

The goal is to raise \$175,000 for the 10 trucks, especially because ERD and Haiti have asked that the trucks be "almost new." We have already received over \$85,000 in donations toward that goal. The Diocese of Virginia will coordinate the fundraising and transportation logistics. Initially, the trucks will be titled and insured by the Diocese of Virginia. ERD will take over in Miami, and ultimately ownership will transfer to the Diocese of Haiti for its long-term use.

We recognize that many churches and individuals have already made generous contributions. Thank you so much for that support. We hope that this truck campaign will be another avenue for all of us to come together and provide additional relief.

Please send contributions payable to the Diocese of Virginia with "Haiti Truck Relief" in the memo line (110 West Franklin Street, Richmond VA 23220). The Diocese also is continuing to collect funds for ERD generally and to assist the Diocese's missionary, Lauren Stanley, when she is able to return to Haiti.

Contact: Buck Blanchard, Director of Mission & Outreach  
800-DIOCESE x16, [bblanchard@thediocese.net](mailto:bblanchard@thediocese.net)

## **PRAYER JOYS & CONCERNS**

WE OFFER PRAYERS OF HEALING FOR: Ann Sommers (friend of the Jackson's with cancer), David Nowak (Bob's brother suffering with cancer), Dreama Travis, the Canosa family, Scott Lafontaine (friend of the Landolt's with a broken back), Taylor Davis, Jo Ann Houston (friend of Molly Sanford with cancer), McKenzie Love, Ilsa Bargmann, Alice & Walker Jones and Cathy Fort (members living at Westminster-Canterbury), Shelvia Richards (friend with cancer), Connie Mahoney (cancer). Jacqueline Smith, Hailey Vannetta, Nicky Bourgeois (Doris Lackey's friend has cancer), Sara Parmenter, Gail Bowers (cancer), Sara DeLaurentis (relative of Sue Burnett with an eating disorder), Janet Davis, Peter Castillo (friends of Susan Kennedy with cancer), Cheryl Tompkins and Janet Chrismore (friends of the Henken's who have cancer), Lanee Butler (neighbor of Beverly Young with cancer), Martha Law (Hardie Newton's sister), Karen Vinson (Mike's wife), Becky McCaffery (Mike Vinson's sister-in-law), George Novak, Marianne Krause, Dorothy Mudd, Ray Lackey (at Orange Dogwood Center), Jens Clausen (Helle's brother has cancer), Robert Ullrich, Tommy Kendall (Kathe's son), Jeff Yowell, Scott Collier, Nelson Lamb, Mary Haley, Patrick Fohner (child suffering with eye problems), Lorraine Sandifer (Vera Griffin's sister, degenerative vertebrae), Jeff Laffond, Maria Kohl & granddaughter Jessica McCoy, Leila Clark, Ruby Minick (grandmother of a friend of Kay Johns), Burton Stapp (Ginger Strait's brother), Charlie Britten, Sue Lam, Edith Golden & Joyce Smith (Joe Hilliard's sister & niece), Betty Thomas (friend of Barbara Straightiff), Travis Beckner (18 yrs old friend of Ed Webster in auto accident), Wallace Carmen (Bethany Craig's father), Paul Longerbeam, Miriam Terninko (friend of Birkhofer's suffering with cancer), Ted and Rene Hinds, Elsie Hubbell (Jean Kane's step-father & mother), and Sandra Clore (Waltine Robinson's niece has M.S.).

We pray for the peoples of Zimbabwe, Darfur/Sudan, Afghanistan, Iraq, Israel, Burma, Haiti, and the Gulf Coast.

We pray for our missionaries Sarah & Gary Greenwood and their baby in Peru and Robbinah Kobusingye in Uganda.

We pray for our service men and women: Justin Poage, Christopher Martin, Nathan Gray, Christopher Miller, in Iraq; William Warner, Carl Plum, Greg Gehring, Hugh Wingate, Mathew Strecker in Afghanistan.

We pray for our presiding bishop, Katharine Jefferts Schori; our bishops, Shannon Johnston and David Jones, the churches of the Diocese of Virginia, the Episcopal Diocese of Haiti, and for our brothers and sisters in the Anglican Communion's 38 churches.

We pray for the families in Barbara's House; for the work of Madison Emergency Services Association, Habitat for Humanity, Madison Free Clinic, Literacy Council of Madison County, Boy's and Girl's Club of Madison, Senior Nutrition Site.

We pray for our college students: Staesha Walker, Isabelle Puryear, Willie Dale, Josh Zarambo, Katie and Michael Parker, Claire Jackson, Kim Henken, Julia Craig, Julie Eaheart, Grace Pastore, Haley Bader, and Nathan Young. We also pray for Synda John at Howard Law School.

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Holy Communion Rite I
	9:30 a.m.	First Sunday of the Month Brunch at the Breedings
	9:00 a.m.	Journey to Adult Groups for all ages
	10:00 a.m.	Holy Communion/Morning Prayer (nursery downstairs)
	10:00 a.m.	Preschool to Grade School age Sunday school classes meet in the Parish House for stories, music, and crafts!
	11:15 a.m.	Fellowship Hour in the Parish House
Monday	7:00 p.m.	Adult study group at the McDowell's home
Tuesday	9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer
Wednesday	10:00 a.m.	Adult Study: <u>Interior Castles</u> by Theresa of Avila
	10:00 a.m.	Lenten Bible Study on Roman at Hebron Lutheran Church
Thursday	9:30 a.m.	First Friends Preschool Chapel
	6:00 p.m.	Parish Potluck Dinner
	7:00 p.m.	Piedmont Church Choir rehearsal
	7:00 p.m.	Bible Fellowship
Friday	6:45 a.m.	Young Life in Parish House
	9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer 1 <sup>st</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup>
	11:00 a.m.	Holy Communion at Autumn Care 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup>

Regular Office hours are Tuesday through Friday from 9:30 to 12:30.

## MARCH SPECIAL EVENTS CALENDAR

Sunday the 28 <sup>th</sup> at 11:15 a.m.	Soup luncheon by our youth for Haiti relief
Sunday the 28 <sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m.	Service of Evening Prayer at Graves Chapel
Sunday the 28 <sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m.	Community-wide Choral Concert at Mt. Carmel Baptist Church, Haywood – free will offering to help our doctors and nurses working in Haiti.
Thursday the 4 <sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.	Troop Support meets at the Parish House
Friday the 5 <sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m.	Holy Communion at Autumn Care
Sunday the 7 <sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m.	Brunch Bunch at the Breeding's home
Friday the 12 <sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m.	World Day of Prayer at Madison U.M.C.
Saturday the 13 <sup>th</sup> – 9 to 2 p.m.	Vestry Day Retreat in the Parish House
Tuesday the 16 <sup>th</sup> at 10 to 3 p.m.	Region I Clergy on Retreat at Sophia House
Sunday the 21 <sup>st</sup> at 10:00 a.m.	Folk Group leads music for worship
Tuesday the 23 <sup>rd</sup> at 12:00 p.m.	Madison Ministers meet at 'Pig n' Steak'
Friday the 26 <sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m.	Holy Communion at Autumn Care

## **VESTRY NOTES**

The Piedmont Church vestry met Tuesday, February 24 at 4:00 p.m. in the Parish House. Highlights of the meeting include the following:

Treasurer, Roger Schreiner explained to the new vestry the purpose of the different accounts and funds as listed on the report and their current balances. The Outreach Offering for March will go the Madison Free Clinic and Madison Habitat for Humanity will be contacted about their current needs prior to our next vestry meeting.

The Rector's report was spent primarily on a discussion about the need for us to shift out responsibility for Graves Chapel to the community at Graves Mill and the owner, Jack Gerstein.

The Jr. Warden's report centered mainly on a need to take action this spring on the Mahoney/Paris memorial for our children's playground and for the Agnes Puryear Memorial Garden as a part of our columbarium's setting.

## **A PIEDMONT CHURCH WELCOME**

It is wonderful to welcome new people to Piedmont Church. Please take time to introduce yourself to Valerie & Alfred Gossens who live in Syria and attend the 8:30 a.m. service, Katie Murray and her family who attend the 10:00 a.m. service and live in Rochelle, and Graham Davidson, husband to Waltine Robinson's granddaughter, Jessica.

## **A NOTE OF THANKS**

We offer thanks to the youth of our church and their leaders for the festive Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper and Mardi Gras that was enjoyed by all. The evening began with a reading of the Exhortation from the Book of Common Prayer and burning last year's Palm Sunday branches during the singing of "This Little Light of Mine". This eclectic beginning to the evening was followed by a yummy pancake supper, and ended with our tradition of breaking the piñata.

## **SUNDAY MORNING BRUNCH BUNCH**

The Sunday Morning Brunch Bunch invites you to dine with them on the first Sunday of each month following the 8:30 a.m. service. You are invited to bring a breakfast dish to share and an offering for the MESA food closet. March 7<sup>th</sup>'s brunch will be at the home of Neil and Barbara Breeding. Neil and Barbara live on 2317 Poorhouse Road just off highway 231 north between Banco and Etlan. More details about hosts and location for future brunches are posted on the bulletin boards.

## **GRAVES CHAPEL NEWS**

There will be a service of Evening Prayer offered Sunday, February 28 at 4:00 p.m. by Susan Hull, officiant and Carolyn Lamb, music leader. The next service will be March 28 at 4:00 p.m. The local homeowner's organization had their winter meeting at the chapel, and sent us a donation of \$400.00 for their use of the building in 2010. Thanks to Kathryn Morris, treasurer.

## **LENTEN COTTAGE MEETINGS**

Every three or four years we gather together and reevaluate our ministry in church and community. It is a time to remember what we enjoyed and thought was successful. It is also a time to share the new needs that have arisen. Ministry we might address. We ask you to join a cottage or home group to meet three times during Lent for a simple meal, informal worship and reflection, and a time of sharing ideas about (1) the gifts that we have been given, (2) the mission that Christ has given the church, and (3) the mission and ministry of Piedmont Episcopal Church. It will be fun just to get together in peoples' homes, share food, and good laughter. But it will also give us a better sense of who we are as Christians and where our congregation is being led by God.

### **LENTEN BIBLE STUDY**

The Lutheran women of Madison County invite you to a Lenten Bible Study each Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. to noon, February 24 to March 24 in the parish house of Hebron Lutheran Church. A different pastor from Madison County leads each session, and a break for refreshments half way through gives time for fellowship. This year's study is on the book of Romans. How wonderfully Lutheran to pick Romans!!

### **SOUP LUNCHEON HOSTED BY THE JOURNEY TO ADULTHOOD**

The youth in our J2A program and their leaders invite you to a festive soup luncheon during the social hour following the 10:00 a.m. service on Sunday, February 28. Donations will be used to help the people of Haiti.

### **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**

This year's World Day of Prayer celebration will be on Friday, March 12 at 11:00 a.m. in the Madison United Methodist Church on South Main Street in Madison. A practice for the event will be on Friday, March 5 at 10:00 a.m.

### **WEBSITE? WHAT WEBSITE?**

Log onto Piedmont Church's website: [www.piedmontepiscopalchurchva.org](http://www.piedmontepiscopalchurchva.org)

Diocese of Virginia: [www.thediocese.net](http://www.thediocese.net)

### **ASSISTED HEARING DEVICES!!!**

Piedmont Church has purchased an assisted hearing devise system for people who need a little help. Pick up a receiver with its earphone at the back of the church in the church register stand by the balcony stairs, place the earphone, turn the dial to #3 and you will receive a clear amplified tone.

## **PREPARATIONS FOR EASTER**

We will be decorating the church on Saturday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, from 10:00 a.m. until noon or 1:00 p.m. Please bring spring flowers, flowering branches, conditioned greens, and garden clippers if you have them. Everyone is welcome, whether or not a regular part of the Altar Guild. This will be a wonderful opportunity to visit with one another as we prepare for the celebration of Easter.

If you would like to make a contribution for Easter Lilies, please make your check payable to "Piedmont Episcopal Church" and put "Easter Lilies" in the memo section. Please provide Brad or Jean Kane with the appropriate bulletin information.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

No Treasurer related items but a few Piedmont website notes. Remember that much Church information can be viewed on the Church website at [piedmontepiscopalchurchva.org](http://piedmontepiscopalchurchva.org). If you have any suggestions or ideas on how to enhance this site, please contact Roger. In addition, a Piedmont Episcopal Church page has been created on Facebook. If you would like to join it, just search for Piedmont Episcopal Church and join as a friend. As a final thought along this line, if you would like any of your children to receive an electronic copy of the Church newsletter separately from yours', please provide Roger with their email address.

## **MADISON SENIOR CENTER**

Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness. Your recent donation was much appreciated.

Madison Senior Center  
Shirley Workman  
Supervisor

## **AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY SHAMROCK RACE - JULIA CRAIG**

Dear Friends and Family,

Firstly, I'd like to say I hope everyone is in good health and enjoying their winter. As you all know, I am currently attending Christopher Newport University in Newport News. I am very happy here and taking on many new adventures. One of these new adventures is running an 8K in March. I am a member of Relay for Life here on campus, which is affiliated with American Cancer Society. The American Cancer Society is putting on an endurance program called DetermiNation. Within this program, is the Shamrock Race on March 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>. The race is held at Virginia Beach with it finishing right on the Boardwalk.

I am entering this event for a few reasons. I have lost both a grandmother and grandfather to cancer, neither of whom I had the privilege of knowing. I had a very pleasant childhood but would have loved to know my dad's father and my mom's mother. My hope is that by running this 8K I may help some child know his or her grandparent. On a more personal aspect, I am just recovering from mono and am desperately trying to gain my energy and endurance back. Training for this event will do just that. In a way it will be my coming out party or "Yay, I'm all better" party. God has given me this healthy body (besides for the mono part) for a reason, and I want to use it for a good cause. This is my way of giving back.

But I can't do this without everyone's love and support. There are a few ways you can help me. Along with running the 8K, I am asked to raise \$1,000 to be given to the American Cancer Society so they can help families around the country fight cancer. Any amount of donation would be helpful and strongly appreciated. Let me tell you, the dollar bills add up. There are two ways to donate money. One is going



## March PRAYER PARTNERS

Please pray daily as a household or individual for this entire household by name. During the month, please carry your prayer into action by exchanging some token of Christian love. Send them a card with your picture(s), exchange a meal, sit together during church, or visit at the social hour after church. If you keep a regular prayer list, you may decide to continue to pray for your previous month's prayer partners.

**Locate your name (sorted in alphabetical order by last name) then identify your prayer partner for the month in the opposite column.**

Jack & Heidi Adams	Mary O. Thompson
Emily Amos	Allison Vidal
Brian & Rebecca Bader	Jim & Mary Walker
Robert and Dorothy Bair	Ed & Ginger Webster
Eve Bargmann & Joe Polin	Kavanaugh & Beppy White
Jeanne Bender	Beverly Young
Jim Bernat & Debbie Ball	Sharon Zarambo
Bill & George Ann Birkhofer	Keith & Blair Lonergan
Neil & Barbara Breeding	Dee Dee Lyon
Sue Brown	Ed & Teresa Matricardi
Sue Burnett	Rich & Linda Maurer
Chris & Jessica Burnside	Ralph McDanolds
Susan Cable	Skip McDanolds
Clay Campbell	Nick & Cindy McDowell
Marjorie Cave	Margy McLain
Jack & Martha Cornwell	Marty & Martha Mikula
Arthur & Bethany Craig	Cecil Morgan
Martin Croes	Kathryn & Tony Morris
Reggie & Helle Dale	LTC Doug & Jacqueline Mow
Spencer & Mary Chilton DeJarnette	Paul Munson
Denise Detchon	Hardie Newton
Angela Dodson	George & Margaret Novak
Celia Dollarhide	Bob & Carol Nowak
Jenny Edwards	Jim & Bettie Parker
Joan Edwards	Joe & Vickie Parker
Cathy Fort	Glenn & Deborah Poage
Steve & Shelby Gohn	Dotty Posey
Sam & Susan Good	Betty Pumphrey
Griff & Vera Griffin	Hardie Newton
Kim Griffith	Kim Pumphrey
Mark & Diane Haddon	Beau Puryear
Erin Haggerty	Colt & Katie Puryear
Brad & Lydia Hansen	Jim & Pat Roberts
Dave & Kathy Henken	Carol Robertson
Joe Hilliard	Chris & Jennie Robertson
Dona Hutchinson	Mike & Helen Robertson
Frank & Susan Hyland	Waltine Robinson
Brad & Jaynie Jackson	Adele Baker & Bill Robinson
Betty James	Briarley Rogers
Rose Jenkins	Maria Rosenberg
Norris & Kay John	Doreen Russell
Marcela Johnson	Steve & Molly Sanford
Walker & Alice Jones	Roger & Jill Schreiner
Jean Kane	Charlotte Scott
Kathe Kendall	Justin Scott
Larry & Susan Kennedy	Ellen Searls
Jim & Alma Koontz	Ann Skidmore
Dink Kreis	Anthony Soucek
Ray and Doris Lackey	Nick & Sherry Spencer
Nelson & Carolyn Lamb	Barbara Straightiff
Jim & Bess Landolt	Carolyn Stanley
Sara Loken	Carl and Serena Tendziegloski

## PIEDMONT HELPER LIST

**March 2010**

	7 <sup>th</sup>	14 <sup>th</sup>	21 <sup>st</sup>	28 <sup>th</sup>
	<b>Holy Communion</b>	Morning Prayer	<b>Holy Communion</b>	Morning Prayer
Acolyte	Ben Landolt	Peter Thawngzauk	Sam Landolt	Abbi Griffith
<b>Crucifer</b>	Jacob Good		Aidan Vidal	
<b>Altar Care</b>	Barbara Straightiff,	Waltine Robinson,	and	Beppy White
<b>Chalice</b>	Skip McDanolds		Bob Nowak	
8:30 <b>Lector/ Intercessor</b> 10:00	Dee Dee Lyon	Bill Robinson	Joan Edwards	Denise Detchon
	Reggie Dale & Eve Bargmann Form IV	Serena Imel & Jaynie Jackson Form V	Jim & Mary Walker Form VI	Dave & Kathy Henken Form I
<b>Refreshments</b>	Jill Schreiner, Allison and Aidan Vidal	Cindy and Nick McDowell		Jacqueline Mow and Helle Dale
<b>Usher</b>	Kavanaugh White	Heidi & Daniel Adams	Carol Nowak	Josh Good
<b>Vestry Person</b>	Bob Nowak	Doug Mow	Helen Robertson	Blair Lonergan

*If you are available to be the reader for the noon, Good Friday (April 2) service, please contact Vickie Parker or Brad. Thank you.*

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