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Is This a Concert, or WHAT?

Kirk Mariner will sing ~~for his supper~~
to benefit the restoration of the
rose window
at Market Street UMC
on Friday, May 7, 2010
at 7:30 p.m. at Cokesbury Church.



Photo by Anne Nock

Selections will include songs from his CD *Church Basement Songs, Route 13: The Oratorio* (never before heard) and other more legitimate, but fun, music!
Admission is free, however, donations are needed to leave! Refreshments will be served following the concert.

You are invited to worship and celebrate the licensing, commissioning, and ordaining of
Rev. Rachel Gene May
in the Virginia Conference of the United Methodist Church on June 14 at 7:30 p.m. at the Norfolk Scope.

Kits needed for Annual Conference

It is time, once again, for Annual Conference (June 13-16) and kits are needed! All kits need to be brought to the church Assembly Room by June 6. A list of items for health kits and school kits can be found at the church in the front Narthex and back entrance near the Social Hall. **If you have questions, please contact Outreach Ministries Chair, Laurice Hohlt at (757) 787-7314.**

College Scholarships available; applications due June 6

Once again, three church scholarships are available to ALL college students of Market Street. Scholarships are open to Freshman who will be attending school this fall, as well as currently enrolled and returning college students and those seeking Master's degrees, licenses, certifications, etc.:

*Pam Riemerth Finney Scholarship:

A \$500 scholarship for a student wishing to attend nursing school.

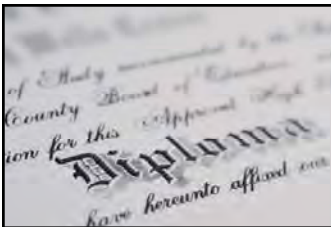
*Kappes Scholarship:

A \$1,000 scholarship for a student wishing to attend college, trade or nursing school.

*Hilda Belote West Scholarship:

A \$500 scholarship for a student wishing to attend college.

Applications are available in the church office and are **due June 6, 2010**. Recipients will be recognized in June.



NAMES OF GRADUATES NEEDED!

Please contact the church office with the names of students graduating from high school and college this year, as they will be recognized in June. (Office phone, 787-4873 or email mktstumc@verizon.net).

May Birthdays!



- 1 Julie Evans
- 1 Liz-Mariah King
- 3 Kathryn Lilliston
- 3 Sue Whelan
- 6 John Harris Kellam
- 10 Dave Towles
- 11 Sherry Pruitt
- 12 Lorraine Martin
- 14 Nichole Manetz
- 14 Patsy Young
- 16 Ryan Olmsted
- 16 Jordan Penland
- 16 Beth Perry
- 17 Virginia Belote
- 19 Jeanette Berryhill
- 19 Hilda Bishop
- 21 Martha Kilmon
- 22 Page Young
- 29 Morgan Byrd
- 29 Joyce Lassiter
- 31 Ben Bowers
- 31 Bob Chapman

Let us wish you a "Happy Birthday"! Call the church office (757-4873) to have your birthday added to our monthly list! Only month & date are needed.

Plant Sale at the Hermitage - May 7

submitted by Jo Johnson

Rain or shine, the Hermitage Guild will hold a plant sale in front of the Hermitage on Friday, May 7, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., offering many great plants and shrubs donated by local nurseries and cuttings tenderly nurtured by some of the Guild members and friends. All plants will be priced at whole sale prices so there will be bargains galore! This is the perfect time to pick up a Mother's Day gift or a few extra plants for your own yard. This year the proceeds from the plant sale will go toward fixing the stairs and walkways and providing seating for the interior courtyard so that residents will have a safe place to walk and sit outside without fear of wandering off. If you have separated your spring plantings and don't know what to do with the extra bulbs or if you have some cuttings you wish to donate to the plant sale, they can be brought to the Hermitage Thursday afternoon, May 6, or call Jo Johnson, 442-3533, to arrange for pick-up. Be sure to come Friday, May 7 to shop for new plants for your yard.

Bazaar Time *submitted by Martha Joyal*

It is time to prepare for jams, jellies, pickles, relish and other food items. As you plant your gardens think about some fall vegetables to share with us.

Berry picking season will be starting in a few weeks. Strawberries will be available at road side stands and the "pick your own" blueberries, blackberries and raspberries will be ready at the farm in Hack's Neck.

You can also help by recycling the preserve jars from last year. Just place them in the used jar box in the Assembly Room.

Because we will not receive the "veggies by the truckload", we need to fill our Country Store with other items such as: cookies/brownies in a jar, dry mixes for soups, dips, etc. or anything you can create that we can package for customer appeal.

Help us out! Put on your thinking cap - make this the best Country Store ever!

The Truth From The Garden of Youth

submitted by Carolyn Olmsted

This April we started off our first meeting cleaning the church yard for Easter! In all we weeded, mulched, raked, pruned, planted flowers, and had fun! Afterward the church yard looked beautiful, so thanks for everyone who helped! We had the Easter Egg Hunt at the Olmsted's house and hid over 1,000 eggs! See some pictures on page 3.

After the hunt, only the youth group was left so we went kayaking, had unexpected swimming, climbed a great tree, and had tons of fun! Thanks especially to the Tyson's for procuring and cooking the meat, Laurice Holht for helping with food for the table, Nick Gibb and Ryan Olmsted for parking cars, Diane Bowers for getting the prizes, Walta Pruitt for the paper products, everyone who brought food, and the Mid-High Youth Group for filling, hiding, and helping find the eggs!

We went to Camp Occohannock on the Bay (OOTB) on April 17 to clean up the camp grounds. We worked hard raking, picking up pine cones and gigantic sticks, clearing woods, and learned about tractor driving and flat tires!

Our first meeting in May will be Sunday, May 2, from 6:30-9 PM at church. Then on Saturday, May 22, all those who worked at OOTB will return for fun to climb the wall and attempt the challenge course!

April 3, 2010 Easter Egg Hunt at the Olmsted's home

Pictures courtesy of Diane Bowers



Shannon & Jordan Penland



"Grillmaster Nick"
Olmsted



William Hollandsworth



Hot off the grill!



Allie
Penland



Jr. High UMYF members,
Robin Mosher, Amy Omps
and Carolyn Olmsted, take
time for a quick picture.



Travis Northam



Saylor
Saunders



Ah yes.... Ryan Olmsted & Nick Gibb
pause to take a moment and bask in the
glow & satisfaction of a job well done!

Church Council Meeting Minutes from April 5, 2010

submitted by Mary McKenna, Recording Secretary

The April 5, 2010 Church Council meeting had 11 members present. Jean Kranich opened with prayer. Laurice Hohlt led devotions. The minutes were approved with corrections of plant sale (not bake sale) the Friday before Mother's Day and Hermitage projects being special guild projects (not construction).

Finance: A new quote for the Rose window is being prepared. John Fiege will be sending out a letter by the end of next week for the G-3 campaign to all church members.

S/PPR: Betty Martin reported (via Jean Kranich) that Bethany Parks was hired for the Nursery position. Also, all of the work was done to decorate one guest bedroom in the Parsonage for \$2,000 and it was all donated.

Outreach/UMW: Laurice Hohlt announced that the retreat at Nandua this month was excellent and provided many resources. Conference Kits are needed by June 6; they leave the following week. May 2 is the older adult recognition Sunday. She encourages everyone to visit the UMC website. New slogan: "Rethink Church".

UMM: Wayne Parsley announced that April 24 and 25 are "Change the World" days to make our communities more aware that we are more than a building on the corner. Take on a project.

Clergy Report: Bob Chapman announced that he met with the Trustees two weeks ago and they voted to approve the Church shingle contract from Gladden. The motion to approve the shingle contract was moved, seconded and passed unanimously. The Confirmation class trip to Washington, DC with Wayne Parsley, Ruth LeMoyné, Susan Olmsted and Bob Chapman to the National Cathedral and Dulles Space Museum was wonderful. The class will be Confirmed at the 11:00 service on Sunday, April 11. The Church Council Retreat one week ago helped to identify and develop areas we as a church can work on. The discussion ranged from assignments, communication (primarily around the Sunday worship services) and also discussed outreach to the local community and how we can improve. Many good ideas were generated. On April 18, after the 11:00 service, a Called Charge Conference with the District Supervisor will be conducted for Cori Vincent to continue her path towards Ordained Ministry as an Elder. All Council members are asked to attend and to vote. Bob is starting a Bible Study on Wednesday night at 7:00 p.m. People can still enroll to attend.

Hospitality: The Sunday "social time" between services, 9:30-10:00 a.m., need more participation. There will need to be someone appointed to take over the coordination. Please volunteer.

New Business: Wayne Parsley thanked Bob Chapman for excellent Easter Services. The 8:30 a.m. attendance had 123 people and 11:00 a.m. had 173 people with a total of 296 for Easter Sunday! Thank you to Nick and Susan Olmsted for the Easter Egg Hunt. Susan Olmsted thanked the Youth Group for their participation. Get the word out for Kirk Mariner's May 7 concert at Cokesbury.

The meeting was closed with prayer.

Brochures & applications for
**Summer Camp 2010 at
Camp Occohannock**
are available at the church.

BEAT THE RUSH —
REGISTER EARLY!!!

*Just
for
laughs!*



"THAT'S A NICE THOUGHT, SISTER IDA,
BUT I'M NOT SURE IT'S BIBLICAL TO INCLUDE A
COUPON 'GOOD FOR \$5.00 OFF YOUR NEXT TITHE'
IN OUR NEWSLETTER"

From the Pastor's Park Bench by Bob Chapman

A FRUITFUL LIFE

John 12:24

"I tell you, mostly solemnly, unless a wheat grain falls on the ground and dies, it remains only a single grain; but if it dies, it yields a rich harvest." - The Jerusalem Bible

When Jesus was preparing his disciples for his imminent death, he shared with them some of his reflections about life, death and life after death. In his sharing with the disciples he basically said to them: "My death is good for you, because my death will bear fruits beyond my death. When I die I will not leave you alone, but I will send you my Spirit, the Paraclete, the Counselor. And my Spirit will reveal to you who I am and what I am teaching you. My Spirit will lead you into the truth and will allow you to have a relationship with me that was not possible before my death. My Spirit will help you to form community and grow in strength." In what is known as the farewell discourses from the 14th chapter of John's gospel, Jesus notes that the benefits of his life or the fruits of his life will grow and mature after his death. In one sense Jesus is saying to his disciples, "It is good for you that I go."

His teaching gives us pause for reflection as to how we choose to live our lives. The late Henri J. M. Nouwen writes: *The real question for me as I consider my own death is not: how much can I still actually accomplish before I die, or will I be a burden to others? No, the real question is: how can I live so that my death will be fruitful for others? In other words, how can my death be a gift for my loved ones so that they can reap the fruits of my life after I have died? This question can be answered only if I am first willing to admit Jesus' vision of death as a valid possibility for me.*

Life is a gift. Live a fruitful life. Give and share your fruitful spirit with others, so that your spirit will live in the hearts and lives of your loved ones today and beyond.



Samaritan Fund by Jo Johnson

It is time, once again for the Samaritan Fund offering that is traditionally received between Mother's Day and Father's Day (appropriately, as this is the time we think more about those older and wiser than us that have been such an influence in our lives.)


Since 1948, Virginia United Methodist Homes (VUMH) has provided benevolent assistance through the Samaritan Program to residents who have outlived their financial resources. Part of that money will come to the Hermitage on the Eastern Shore to assist residents here. The Samaritan Program depends upon support of local churches, organizations, foundations and individuals to provide help. Everything donated to this program goes toward assisting residents, not to administrative expenses.

The Samaritan Fund offering at Market Street UMC will begin on Sunday, May 16 and run through Sunday, June 20. There are envelopes in the pews that may be used to designate your gift in honor of or in memory of a loved one and to indicate which of the VUMH homes you wish to help. Checks may be made to Market Street UMC and designated "Samaritan Fund".



The Samaritan Fund helps provide assistance to residents of Virginia United Methodist Homes (parent company of the Hermitage on the Eastern Shore) who are unable to meet the full costs of their care.

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

On the calendar for May 2010

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>
5/02	Jr. High UMYF Meeting	6:30-9:00 PM
5/03	Church Council Meeting	7:00 PM
5/06	Boy Scout Leaders Meeting	6:00 PM
5/07	Kirk Mariner in Concert @ Cokesbury Church	7:30 PM (See pg. 1 for details)
5/08	Cub Scout Spaghetti Dinner	5:30 PM
5/09	<i>Mother's Day</i>	
5/10	Girl Scouts Mtg. @ Cokesbury	6:00 PM
	UMM Dinner Meeting	6:00 PM
	Carrie Radcliffe UMW Meeting	7:30 PM
5/14	Girl Scout Training	5:30-9:00 PM
5/17	AICC Board Meeting	12:00 PM
	Cokesbury Board Meeting @ Cokesbury	7:00 PM
5/19	Dennis Ayres UMW Meeting	7:00 PM
5/21	Pack Meeting	7:00 PM
5/27	Compassionate Friends Meeting	7:00 PM
5/31	<i>Memorial Day</i>	OFFICE CLOSED

<p><u>Each Tuesday</u> (*NOT ON 5/04) 5:45-6:30 PM, Terrific Tuesday Dinner 6:30-7:00 PM, Joy Bells* 7:00-8:00 PM, Market Street Ringers*</p>	<p><u>Each Wednesday</u> 7:30-8:00 AM, Morning Prayer Group 7:00-8:30 PM, Romans Bible Study led by Bob Chapman (April 7-May 26)</p>	<p><u>Each Thursday</u> 6:30-7:00 PM, Choir Practice (8:30 choir) 7:00-8:00 PM, Choir Practice (11:00 choir)</p>
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