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MARY'S WELLNESS CORNER

Exercise for Better Living will resume on July 10 at 10:00 a.m. Blood Pressure and blood sugar screening will be done between 10 and 12 noon on that same day. Come and bring a friend or two and tone up your heart and body. See you there.

Mary Peris, Parish Nurse

MEMBERSHIP

On July 21st, there will be a Dessert Social and Sing-Along at Fellowship Center. Bring your favorite dessert and choose your favorite hymn to request at the sing-along. It should prove to be an evening of Holy Fun!



7:00 p.m. in the Center. Bring your dessert and choose

For August we plan to go to the Rocky Hock Playhouse in Edenton, NC on the 4th and 7th. Sign-up sheets will be in the Gathering Area. Put September 25-26 on your calendar as the HOME-COMING CELEBRATION at West Side. We will be inviting everyone who has ever been involved with our church, including the Pre-school, to come home to celebrate what West Side has meant in their lives. There will be a Fellowship Dinner and Praise Service on Saturday evening and it will hopefully spill over into next morning's worship service. Spread the word to those you know who may not receive the newsletter because we want to include everyone. Forty-seven people attended the baseball game on June 18!

Fran Gray, Membership

West Side Members and Friends have received an invitation to attend the wedding of Michael Hunt and Cynthia Woodard on July 31st in Hardinsburg, Ky. The invitation is posted on the bulletin board.

CWF NEWS

CWF General Meeting and Salad Supper will be July 11 at 6:00 p.m. Executive Board, old and new, will meet at 5:00. We will be installing the following officers: President, Wilma Ingram; Vice President, Cheryl Jarvis; 2nd Vice President, Theresa Honeycutt; Secretary, Myrtle Henderson; Treasurer, Maud Hemby; Worship, Debbie Tibbits; Study, Mary Peris; Service, Brenda Hayth. We will have our salad supper provided by the Rebecca Group and then have an installation service. Plan to attend this special meeting. All women of the church are welcome at our meetings.

GROUP REPORTS

Lydia Group had 10 members and 1 visitor present. Offering was \$94.00. They read 7 books, 5 Daily Devotions, 2 Disciple magazines, 2 Regional Papers, 1 teacher and 1 leader magazines, made 64 calls and spent 6 hours making crafts.

Rebekah Group had 9 members present and 5 guests. Offering was \$73.00. They read 15 books, 7 Daily Devotions, 3 Disciples, 5 Regional Papers, 2 teaching and 1 leading magazines. They made 18 calls. July meeting will be with Maud Hemby.

OUR SHUT-INS: Hazel Jarvis, Sentara, Greenwood; Leona Brodie, The Heritage, 515 S. Warley, Florence, SC 29501; Mary Mingis, 4107 Heritage Rd., Richmond, 23227; Ruth Blackman, 1 Bon Secours Way, Cedar Pt. #241, (P); Martha Gray, Maryview Care Center, (S); Sandy Cotton, Sentara Nursing Center, 4201 Greenwood Dr., (P); Sylvia Dickens, Autumn Care, 3610 Winchester Dr., (P); Oleta Cook, Parsons Assisted Living, 1005 Deep Creek Blvd., Chesapeake, 23323.

OTHERS ON OUR PRAYER LIST: Betty McCrickard; Sid Price; Amy Rider; Beverly Baker Jones; Evelyn Thomson; David Stevens (Janet Parreria's son); Linda Britt (daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Mullins); Ellen Nelson and Adean Wyatt (sisters-in-law of Mary Wyatt.); Otis Mullins.

ARTICLES FOR AUGUST

NEWSLETTER WILL BE DUE JULY 13!
Secretary will be on vacation last week of July so articles are due early. Thanks!!!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

JULY

- 7 Jake Widener
- 8 Aleph Baker, Dennis Davenport
- 10 Joy Wikoff
- 14 Debbie Ripley
- 18 Martha Gray
- 19 Bobby Beal, William Brown, Jr.
- 25 Joyce Thornton
- 28 Billy Powell, Doug Jenson
- 29 Hervy Gray, Jr.

LECTIONERY TEXT

July 4: II Kings 5:1-14; Psalm 30; Galatians 6:(1-6) 7-16; Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

July 11: Amos 7:7-17; Psalm 82; Colossians 1:1-14; Luke 10:25-37

July 18: Amos 8:1-12; Psalm 52; Colossians 1:15-28; Luke 10:38-42

July 25: Hosea 1:2-10; Psalm 85; Colossians 2:6-15 (16-19), Luke 11:1-13

WHO SAID . . .

1. "I wonder why I spend the lonely nights thinking of you"
 2. "Fore"
 3. "If one morning I walked on top of the water across the Potomac River the headline that afternoon would read, President can't swim."
 4. "It's finger-lickin' good."
 5. We have grasped the mystery of the atom and rejected the Sermon on the Mount . . . We know more about war that we know about peace, more about killing than we know about living."
- AND
- "As Administrator of Veterans' Affairs . . . day after day as I enter our building I cannot forget that were it not for wars it would not be there. I hope the world will someday have learned enough to put us out of business."
6. "Play Ball"
 7. "Dearest we will be so happy when I can come home to you and chase your sorrows away . . . darling you look dearer and sweeter to me ever time I see you . . . lots of love and kisses to the sweetest little wife in the world."

AND

"Maybe I'll learn some day, dad, that you can't win in this game."

8. "Feelin' good was easy Lord, when Bobby sang the blues/Feelin' good was good enough for me/Good enough for me and Bobby McGee/Me and Bobby McGee."

(All quotes from noted (or notorious) Disciples. Look on back page for the answers.)



GRADUATES HONORED June 13

ANDREW CHERRY
Tidewater Community College
Computer Science Degree

AMY GRAY
Magna Cum Laude
Mary Washington College
Bachelor of Science in Biology

DONALD THOMAS
Old Dominion University
Computer Engineering Degree

KAREN BROWN
Western Branch High School
Will attend George Mason University

ZACH LOWMAN
Deep Creek High School
Will attend Tidewater Community College

KELLY WALLACE
Western Branch High School
Will attend Tidewater Community College
Nursing Program

"TUESDAY TALES"

West Side will again offer a summer program of story time, play time and a light snack for children ages 3-6 from 10:00 a.m. until 12 noon on the following Tuesdays: July 6, 13, 20, and August 3, 10, and 17.

There will be no charge for this program. Invite kids in your neighborhood or children of your family or friends to attend this program.



CALLING ALL KIDS!!!
VACATION BIBLE
SCHOOL
JULY 25-29
6:00-8:00 P.M.

"A SHIP OF TWO FOOLS"

Part Two – The Low Point

Last month our intrepid sailors had finally made it to Carolina Beach where they dropped anchor in anticipation of a good night's rest. The story continues

Somewhere along about 4:00 a.m., all through the boat, not a creature was stirring except for Mother Nature and "Murphy" that is. Up came the winds, down came the tide and "Murphy" said I think I'll push those suckers into the marsh. And so he did. Crash came the sound, followed by several more. "Why is everything sliding off the kitchen table?" they cried. They both found themselves lying up against the starboard side of the boat. They must be paralyzed they reasoned because they just couldn't seem to move. It didn't take them long to figure out they were sitting on the bottom of Carolina Beach. The boat rested at a 45 degree angle. I don't need to tell you Happy wasn't happy and Grumpy wasn't happy. It was a long, miserable wait, but something good did come out of it. They finally got the kitchen sick to drain! "Thank you, Lord," they shouted.

When the one o'clock high tide came in they were still stuck. Time to call for the tow truck. After being pulled free, the tow man advised them to pull into a local marina because of the high winds and the dangers of crossing Cape Fear that day. They thanked him for the information and headed out across Cape Fear. The two fools made it across without getting lost and landed in Southport. They pulled into Dutchman Creek, dropped anchor and called it a day.

They left Dutchman Creek the next morning without the aid of a tow truck and headed south. The sun wasn't up yet when they started and throughout the day they made good time. Everything was working and nothing was breaking down. To their amazement they hit the pontoon bridge right on time, at the top of the hour, and the bridge tender quickly opened it and they sailed through. They arrived at North Myrtle Beach, tied up at the pier and it was only two o'clock. Time to go shopping!

The next day was the start of Happy and Grumpy's third week into the trip. And just to make sure it got started off on the right foot, when they awoke, it was freezing in their tomb. This caused them to jump up and start the motor to see if they could get some warm air into the kitchen area. Realizing this was going to take a while, the boat was untied and they left Barefoot Landing early. The weather started to slowly warm up a bit, and by eleven o'clock they could almost feel their toes. The rest of the day was uneventful. Crossed Winyah Bay, made a very tricky hard right turn at

marker two, and proceeded into Minin Creek. Put on the emergency brakes and said tonight we'll call this home.

It was pitch black during the night and still pitch black in the morning due to overcast skies. But the two inseparables left anyway, heading for the unknown. The seas were very unkind to the boys this day. Ran straight into a headwind that would not quit. There they were in heavy seas, heavy winds, strong tides, rain and spray hitting their faces and the skies were cloudy all day. Sounds like a song, but nobody was singing.

Along the way, Happy and Grumpy never spoke about it, but the thought of stopping passed through both of their minds. Stubbornness kept them moving forward. Arriving in Charleston late in the afternoon, they got themselves turned around in Charleston Harbor and had to crawl their way in the dark to a place to park the boat. Good night, John Boy!

The old codgers spent a very pleasant night sleeping. The weather warmed up and the winds died down. It was their great desire that this was going to be a great day. But nobody cared about their desires as they woke to a chilled temperature. It wasn't a miserable cold, just cold enough to be uncomfortable. There was you might say "a nip in the air." If only the sun would come out, that would add a little cheer to the day. Both thought about praying, but that hadn't worked for them in weeks.

What way—this way, that way, on they went. The cry went out, "watch out, no water, try over there." "No, that's wrong. What way? Don't look at me, slow down." Bump went the boat. "We're stuck, wiggle it, wiggle it." "I think it's moving. Back over there, no go forward." Boy, Happy and Grumpy were really having fun today. Finally they made it out of sandbar row, later docking at Beaufort Downtown Marina at five o'clock in the evening. No candles tonight. There will be real lights and power for the heater. Oh happy day!

By the next morning the decision was made to stop the search for knowledge. The age old question they were hoping to answer will have to wait. At least one question they were able to solve by this journey of two: the reason some men turn back is due to no more reason than the fact that their bodies just wore out.

Now, don't feel sad and don't feel blue for these two. They gave it their all and now sitting back at home in their lazyboy rockers, Happy was happy and Grumpy was happy.

Who Said . . . Answers

1. Hoagy Carmichael (Stardust)
2. Ben Hogan, golfer
3. Lyndon Johnson, President
4. Colonel Harlan Sanders, founder of KFC
5. Omar Bradley, Military General
6. Happy Chandler, baseball commissioner
7. John Dillinger, (letters to his wife from prison, and to his father)
(Dillinger's mother was one of 25 charter members of Hillside Christian Church in Indianapolis)
8. Janis Joplin, rock star.

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