

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
BROOKVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA
MAY 2006

NEWSLETTER

A NOTE FROM SESSION:

Our church has purchased an AED (automated external defibrillator) to be used in an emergency. The purchase of this equipment was made possible through donations given in memory of Robert D. Matson. On Tuesday, May 16th, there will be training for those interested in learning about the use of this instrument. The course will be CPR/AED taught by the American Red Cross. It will be from 6-10 p.m. If you are interested in taking this training, please call Judy at the church office (849-2413). The church will cover the cost of the training for church members. If anyone from the community is interested in taking the training, there will be a \$20 fee.

**If you are already certified, please call Judy so your name can be on the list of people that can use the AED.

The following new books have been placed in the Lucille Richards McKinley Library in memory of Juanita Lingenfelter given by Cub Scout Pack #64. The books are: **"It's Not About Me"** written by Max Lucado and **"The Chronicles of Narnia"** written by C.S. Lewis.

Presbyterian Women will meet Thursday, May 4th, 11:30 a.m. in the education building. Betty Grunstra will lead the devotions. Sharon Curll and Ann Watt will act as hostesses. The Bible study will be Lesson 8 - "Easter: A Time to Weep, and a Time to Laugh" based on scripture from: Ecclesiastes 3: 4a; Mark 16:1 - 8; Luke 24: 1-12; and John 20: 1-18. Please bring a sack lunch.

REMEMBER - ALL WOMEN are welcome to attend!!

The **Birthday Offering** is now 84 years old. In 1922, to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the Woman's Auxiliary (PCUS), it was decided that an offering should be made for a definite cause. That year, Hallie Paxson Winsborough, superintendent of women's work, visited Miss Dowd's School for Girls in Kochi, Japan. Realizing its needs, she challenged members of the Woman's Auxiliary to give one penny for each year of their lives (or a dollar if a woman preferred not to reveal her age) as a birthday gift to the school. The Woman's Auxiliary became Women of the Church in 1948, and when Presbyterian Women was formed in 1988, it was decided to continue the meaningful tradition of the Birthday Offering. The offerings enabled a long succession of new and often innovative mission projects both overseas and in the United States. Enclosed is a listing of the 2006 Birthday Offering recipients. The Offering will be received on Mother's Day, May 14th.

CONGRATULATIONS to Betty Grunstra recipient of the Women of Faith Award . Women's Ministry presents the Women of Faith awards during General Assembly. The six winners (over 100 nominations were received) from diverse backgrounds, heritages, and callings exemplify the diversity of the Presbyterian Church (USA). Of the recipients, two are Euro-American, two are African-American, one is Korean-American and one is Hispanic-American. This year's recipients have lived their calling from God in the ordained offices of deacon, elder and clergywoman. The women were chosen for their unique gifts of leadership. The theme for 2006 "Tending the Flame: Women Called to Lead" highlights women working quietly and humbly.

In the beginning of July, Juliet and T.J. are expecting an addition to their family. They are very excited about another boy joining Grafton and the two boys growing up together. If you would like to help welcome this baby boy, there will be a cradle in the vestibule on the Sundays of May 28th and June 4th. You are welcome to put a gift there to help welcome this new addition. On June 4th, we will have a reception in the education building, during coffee hour, for them.

Congratulations to Heather Hulse and Clifford Whitcomb on the birth of their son, Aiden Connor, born April 26, 2006. Aiden is the grandson of Karen and Bob Hulse and the great grandson of Jean and Devere Chitester.

Nursery workers for May:

May 7 th	Ann Himes and Amanda Ray
May 14 th	Brigette Matson
May 21 st	Lisa Chandler and Family
May 28 th	Kristie Taylor and Juliet Parlette

Sunday Morning Adult Education

May 7 th	"A Treasure Worth Seeking" Men's Class Women's Class	Proverbs 2: 1-5; 3: 1-6, 13-18 Bill Kutz Judi Paden
May 14 th	"Wisdom's Invitation" Men's/Women's Class	Proverbs 8: 1-5, 22-31 Paul Gray
May 21 st	"The Path of Integrity" Men's Class Women's Class	Proverbs 11: 1-14 Ed Kelso
May 28 th	"Living Out Wisdom" Men's/Women's Class	Proverbs 31: 8-14, 25-30 Allen Hoffman

An Adult Bible Study will be held again this summer beginning on May 28th in the W.P. Jenks

Classroom.

There will be a time of fellowship at 9:30 a.m. Bible Study will begin at 10 a.m.

LOOKING AHEAD

Beginning **Sunday, June 4th**, (continuing through, and including, August 27th) we will go to our summer schedule. Worship will begin at 10 a.m.

Graduation time is approaching. We will honor our 2006 high school graduates for their academic accomplishment on Sunday, June 11th. Parents are asked to call the church office (849-2413) with the name of their graduate. We would also appreciate information about those graduating from college or trade schools so that we may share their accomplishment with our church family in the next Newsletter. Thank You!!!

The **Church Picnic** will be Sunday, July 9th, at the Memorial Park. Worship will begin at 10:30 a.m. Please bring a dish to share and come hungry for some good food and good fellowship.

Vacation Bible School will be held July 31st - August 4th. The theme is "Fiesta - Where kids are fired up about Jesus."

IN MEMORY

Frank Greeley - Lyddie Summerville

Dorothy McMahon -Bob Stuntz

Gene Richards - Karen & James Allgeier; Mr. & Mrs. Paul Blake II; Corrine & Mike Helt; Don & Maxine Galbraith; Mary & Bill LeRoy & Family; Helen Rockey & Family; Barbara Kay Simpson; Andra Snyder; Randy Weiclau.

Arlene Schuckers - Alan & Betsy Reitz and Lyddie Summerville

IN SYMPATHY

Eugene V. Richards
A Member of our congregation from
January 1, 1923 to March 28, 2006