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VESTRY'S VIEWS

Summer is here and it's time for family and picnics and vacations and celebrations. On August 11th from 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. Church of Our Saviour will be hosting a BBQ with members of the Christ Church Coxsackie and the *Just As I Am* ministry. Mark the date on your calendars and join us. July 4th marks the 242nd birthday of the United States of America. It's a good day to remember all who have served this nation and to keep her in your prayers. For me and my family the summer brings birthday celebrations for children and grandchildren. I hope that your summer is sweet, happy, and many memories will be made.

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VESTRY

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PRAYER CONCERNS

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Kristen Lepore	Nancy A.
Carol Lukas	-

U.S. Military – Evan, KI and families Vestries and ministries of Christ Church Coxsackie and Church of Our Saviour

JULY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Heather O'Grady
- 8 Alexander Haley
 - 8 Judy Tallet
- 9 Richard Dauchy
- 10 Eugenia Browning
 - 11 Molly Allard
 - 12 Neil Haley
 - 15 Joanne Haley
- 22 Alora Allard Walsh

JULY ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 Fred and Janet Haley
- 2-Edward and Anne Wever

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 7 Abby Allard
- 7 Evelyn Paulo
- 8 Susan Darcy
- 12 Franco Spoto
- 13 Phyllis Howard

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

- 22 Michael and Caitlyn Williams
 - 26 Franco and Dianne Spoto

DOLLAR\$ AND \$EN\$E

I've been traveling again and had the opportunity to attend an event down on the Connecticut shore. Having lived by the ocean for most of my pre-college days, I am always struck by the awesomeness of the sea.

I was again amazed by the colors, sound and smell of the ocean. I wished I had some talent to capture the spectacular beauty of the location and the sea. An osprey was circling, looking for a dinner catch – the clouds were so white and puffy against the bluest sky. I just wanted to sit back and find the pictures God paints with the clouds.

Of course, the sailboats with their racing spinnakers made dabs of bright colors against the grey/green/blue of the water. In the far distance, a large ship was on the horizon going to some exotic port.

The gulls were running and squawking along the beach searching for their next meal while the sandpipers were looking for bugs at the water's edge. Again, I was mesmerized at God's handiwork. Just imagine if the gulls weren't around to 'clean' the beach or the sandpipers to keep the sand fleas down. God definitely has the BIG plan.

Sometimes, I think we forget about it in our everyday life. We seem to be so busy – unable to take a minute – look around – see the magnificence of God's handiwork. But maybe what we can do is start the day with a simple prayer of Thanks. My prayer is very simple: Thank you, God for this day and all the gifts and blessings you have given me. I will try to be a blessing in all I do today. Amen.

Remember, come and join us some Sunday and celebrate with your parish family!

God's Love and Blessings to All! Susan Darcy

CHURCH CONVENTION REPORT

I will again report over several months as I could talk and write for hours about this most uplifting mountain top experience. I am slowly returning to ground level and a new way of life. Each year when I go, I grow and develop so much in my walk with Christ. I try to share it with you but there is nothing like experiencing it yourself. The format is the same - registration, lunch, group sessions and the opening service and first business session on Friday night and then Compline. Saturday - Morning prayer at 8:00 a.m. and the business meeting or group workshops every hour all day long with a break for lunch. The first Eucharist is at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, then dinner, then a healing service and Compline or choose listening to music by bands from the churches in the diocese. Sunday - Morning prayer at 8:00 a.m., workshops every hour from 8:30 to 11:00 a.m.. Youth Mass is at 11:00 a.m., followed by lunch and then home or spend the rest of the day at Camp of the Woods enjoying the recreation there. It sounds so dull as I write it, but from the moment you pull into the driveway of Camp of the Woods it is anything but dull. I am warmly greeted and respond in kind by all who are coming and going into the registration Hall. Those outside and inside stand in awe as I unload my car with 16 boxes of diapers and Randy has more in his car coming. The people of the Diocese know who we are and that we are small but with a VERY BIG HEART, as I have been told. After I register and unpack in my cabin, I go for the step-up from tent camping deal, I do like an indoor toilet now but enjoy the memories of camping in the Adirondacks with my family, then have lunch and on to the first workshop. I have updated my Safe Guarding God's Children certificate - this is to be done every two years for anyone who is on the Vestry and does any children's ministry. If anyone else needs to update let me know and I will have Fr. Thompson, our Dean, set you up. I chose to sit and read for an hour before supper and see what I planned to do for the weekend. The fresh air, sunshine and friendship of smiling faces, laughing children and splashing water from those bold enough to challenge the icy waters of Lake Pleasant in June made for a most relaxing and enjoyable afternoon. At 7:00 p.m. we joined together for Bishop Love to open the annual convention, give us the state of the Diocese report and start some business. I will tell you that even though I wasn't "with Randy, Carol, Fr. Frank or Joanne" I was with family every where I went and no matter what I did. Worshiping with 1000 people is an awesome experience. I can only imagine what worship in heaven will be like. I will leave you this time with our theme Hebrew 13:8 "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today and tomorrow." Watch the Diocesan Web site for video and reports. I will give more of a report in the September Trumpet.

Mary Young Diocesan, delegate

CHURCH HAPPENINGS

Bible Study

Bible Study is taking the summer off and will resume Saturday, September 29th at 5:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Boy Scouts

Boy Scout troop 166 from Nassau includes boys from New Lebanon. They are collecting shoes to send to a church in Uganda through the Methodist missions program. They are accepting useable shoes/sneakers of all sizes and types until September 2nd. Mary will put a box in the back of the church, if you would like to donate.

Church Get – Togethers for Church of Our Saviour and Christ Church Coxsackie

August 11th – from 3:00 – 6:00 p.m.BBQ with at Church of Our Saviour with ChristChurch Coxsackie and the Just As I Am ministry

Look on the Town of New Lebanon website and at posters at the library and post office about what is going on in town on the weekends.

Prayer Request

Fr. Lockwood has asked us to prayerfully consider Church of Our Saviour's mission and how we might grow into that and how he can help. Do you know what the mission is? It is written on the back of the bulletin cover.

"The mission of the Church of Our Saviour is to spread the Gospel and inspire a renewal and commitment to living the Christian life through the love of Jesus Christ as expressed by His people."

You can use this to start your prayer and see how the Lord guides you to say how we do this.

Convention

National Convention of all parts of church will be held during the month of July in Austin Texas. Pray for peace, unity and healing of divisions and guidance from our Lord.

Town Bicentennial events

Saturday, July 7th -

 $12{:}00-2{:}00$ p.m. Church of Our Saviour open for tours and questions. Saturday, August $4^{\rm th}-$

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Newsletter Deadline

The newsletter deadline for the September issue will be *Wednesday, August 15th.*

If you have any news to share, please send it to Susan Darcy at <u>susan@darcy-systems.com</u>

or

Kris Smith at pioneer03@aol.com.

JULY CALENDAR

Sunday, July 1 –			
8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist		
Saturday, July 7 –			
12:00 noon -	- 2:00 p.m. Church open as part of the 200 th Anniversary		
	Celebration for tours and questions.		
Sunday, July 8 -			
8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist		
Sunday, July 15 -			
8:00 a.m.	8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist		
Sunday, July 22 – 8:00 a.m. Deacon's Mass (Fr. Lockwood will be away)			
Sunday, July 29 –			
8:00 a.m.	Deacon's Mass (possible)		

AUGUST CALENDAR

Saturday, August 4 –				
12:00 noon – 2:00 p.m.	Church open as part of the 200 th Anniversary Celebration for tours and questions.			
Sunday, August 5 -				
8:00 a.m. Holy Euchar	ist			
Saturday, August 11 th –				
3:00 – 6:00 p.m.	BBQ with at Church of Our Saviour with Christ Church Coxsackie and the <i>Just As I Am</i> ministry			
Sunday, August 12 –				
8:00 a.m. Holy Euchar	ist			
Sunday, August 19 –				
8:00 a.m. Holy Euchar	ist			
9:00 a.m. Vestry meeti	ng			
Sunday, August 26 –				
8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist				
Coming up:				
Saturday, September 1 - 12:00 noon – 2:00 p.m. Church open as part of the 200 th Anniversary Celebration for tours and questions.				
Sunday, September 2 – 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist				