**Presbyterian Church of the Roses** 

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Rose Clippings

# Shower of Stoles ALL CHURCH PICNIC

#### DON'T MISS IT! PIC The Shower of Stoles Project will be on display Sunday, June 14th, in our sanctuary. The Rev. Dr Jane Spahr will be preaching! The All Church Picnic is after worship.

NIC The Shower of Stoles is a collection of over a thousand liturgical stoles and other sacred items representing the lives of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender people of faith. This extraordinary collection celebrates the gifts of

LGBT persons who serve God in countless ways, while also lifting up those who have been excluded from service because of their sexual orientation or gender identity.





## A Spiritual Spring has Sprung at the Church of the Roses!

Our church is experiencing a spiritual revival! I can feel it and many church members have expressed their affirmation of this as well! We are revitalizing and feeling so hopeful for the future!

To keep this flow of the Spirit going it takes EVERYONE's participation! There are 4 ways YOU can help us continue to grow and flourish:

1. We need prayers from all but especially from our homebound who don't make it to church much or at all. Praying for the blossoming of our church will make a big difference in our future growth and ability to meet the needs of our community!

2. By giving an extra boost to our budget YOU will help us greatly! We have so many exciting Spirit-led ideas for new programs and projects and ways to sustain our current successful programs, but – we need your financial help to help expand our church's reach into the community and to our church family in need. Christ's love is powerful but we

need finances and participation to follow through with our ministry.

3. Showing up to worship, Bible studies, and programs AND offering to help in some way through phone calls, making food, putting out fliers, working in our front office, or other creative ways of volunteering, gives us all hope and happiness. The more we get together the happier we will be!

4. Nominating yourself or others for leadership in the church. This church has a history of great leaders but we need YOU, too! If you haven't served as an elder or a deacon, please think of it as part of your stewardship giving. Give of YOURSELF for the future of our church.

Second Corinthians 9: 13-14 says that your "giving of yourself" on behalf of Christ's love to the church enhances God's grace and is an indescribable gift to God!

*"Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, others will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else.* <sup>14</sup> And in their prayers for you their hearts will go out to you, because of the surpassing grace God has given you. <sup>15</sup> Thanks be to God for this indescribable gift!"

May you find a way to participate in the flow of the Spirit and participate with your church family in any way possible. I look forward to seeing you here!

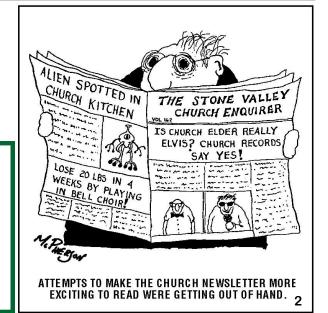
God bless you and keep you!



Love and peace,

Pastor Cindy

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Come out and help in the Community Garden! <u>Saturdays at 9 am!</u>



# **The Spirit is Here!**

Right: The **Chancel Choir** was ablaze on Pentecost Sunday! Below: **Buildings & Grounds** takes a much needed donut break. **Gwen Christiansen and Connie Norris** take food over to the Boys & Girls Club. **Presbyterian Women's Group** are gathered in the library after their luncheon. The **Sewing Group** poses with their gorgeous quilts for a wonderful cause.

Thank you all for the time & effort you give! You are appreciated!









These are the leaders of the **Hispanos Cristianos** church congregation who worship in the Presbyterian Church of the Roses on Sundays at 2pm.

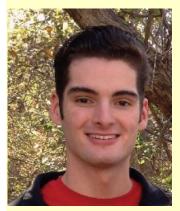


Dear Church Family, The memorial celebration of charter member, Sally Henderson's life will be held here on July 25th at 2:00 pm. Reception to follow. Please mark your calendars for this very special service in honor of our precious mom, an amazing lady, an angel of grace. Her daughters, Kathy and Vicky. You may

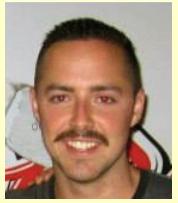
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# **Congratulations Graduates!**



Jacob Frisch Grandson of Nita Pinney Waco, Texas Vanguard College Preparatory School Graduate will attend Texas Christian University.



Kevin Londerholm Grandson of Nita Pinney San Diego, California California Polytechnic State University



April Melendez Grandaughter of Randy and Diane Pierce. Graduated from Mills College with a degree in Dance and Urban Studies with honors. Next up, accepted into credential program at Sonoma State College for her teaching degree.



Megan Melendez Grandaughter of Randy and Diane Pierce. Graduating from Sonoma State College with a degree in Business Accounting and was accepted as a lifetime member of "Scholastic Honor Society" Beta Gamma Sigma. Next up taking boards to be a CPA.



**Daniel Bauer** *Grandson of Jim and Jeanette Bauer*, graduated from the University of Arizona with a Bachelor of Science degree. His future plans are to apply to dental school, become a dentist and work with his Dad.



Amoura Grace Deering Great Granddaughter of Nita Pinney Forestville, California El Molino High School

#### Do you have Active Duty Military in your immediate family such as grandchildren and would like their picture in the new photo directory?

Please contact Cindy Goede by June 10th. She may be reached by email *cjgoede@gmail.com*.



The Borchers family thanks all of you for the time and talent that was so generously given at the memorial for Art...Pastor Cindy, Chris Rhodes, The Deacons, the choir singing 'Ava Verum' and Bill Morgan's solo 'Ava Maria'....Jim Spahr, the

Sound, Carole and Gene Michel, greeting guests and Karen Bowles our 'Guardian Angel'...and all the love and support from all of you. We really appreciated the friendly and kind members of this church family... *Dolores Borchers* 

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**Prayer Requests:** Please include in your prayers Those mourning the loss of a friend or family member



- Please pray for the family of Amy Tompkins as they mourn her mother, Mary Deaver Slater, who passed away on April 18<sup>th</sup>.
- Please pray for the family of Ted Crouch as they mourn his passing on April 8<sup>th</sup>.
- Please pray for the family of Jack Gaffney as they mourn his passing on Mar. 31<sup>st</sup>.
- Please pray for Dave Nelson as he mourns the death of his brother in Oregon.
- Please pray for the family of Sally Henderson as they mourn her passing, Mar. 13<sup>th</sup>. Her memorial service will July 25 at 2:30 pm.
- Please pray for the family of Thomas Peugh as they mourn his recent passing.
- Please pray for the family of Art Borchers who passed away on February 8, 2015.

Robert McNutt	Please pray for these facing health issue Lorraine Nichol	s Sharon Sorani
Pamela Sage	Lorraine Nichol	Helen MacKenzie
Judy Bello	Brooke Smith	Dan Christian's family
Albert Reil	Ed and Fay St. John	Krissy Healy
Alan Reil	Bob and Marge Snater	Randy Pierce
David Downard	Marie Patchin	Steve Cairns
John Baker	Mary Olson	Helen Burns

*Those serving in our military:* Sgt. David A. Dickens, USAF Jason Morse, US Navy Jason Imbimbo, Coast Guard Lt. Ian Alloway Culver, Lt. Col. David Trowbridge, U.S. Army, Fort Lewis, WA. David continues to serve in the Army as Chief of Cardiology at Madigan Hospital.

Congregation.

rounding community.



Roses Health Ministry Promoting Health, Healing, and Wholeness

*nistry* **Wholeness** Christie works at the State level to develop policies related to the

care of older adults. Christie and Deborah bring their love of Health, Healing, Wholeness and Older Adults to share with this

the Pastor, Session, Deacons, and other caring committees of

the Church to develop programs and projects that promote the

health of individuals, families, the congregation and the sur-

The Health Ministry Team will work in conjunction with

We will be contributing to the monthly newsletter and

providing monthly BP screenings during coffee hour the 4th Sun-

May is Melanoma/Skin Cancer Detection and Prevention Month. June = Cataract Awareness Month. These are just a couple of the National monthly health related themes bearing important information for healthful living.

The evidence shows, prevention is key to good health and aging well. Healthy aging includes staying active, staying connected, maintaining a healthy diet, exercise, promotion of continuous learning, managing stress and the routine maintenance of any existing health conditions.

In line with this and the Mission of our Church as a sanctuary for healing and wholeness, faith and life in the community of Santa Rosa, we have begun a new Health Ministry. Our Health Ministry team is composed of Christie Page and Deborah Baker. They are both Master's Prepared



RN's who have each worked in the field of Nursing for over 30 years. Deborah is a Board Certified Family Nurse Practitioner with a speer cialized fo-

Deborah Baker MSN, ACHPN, FNP-BC HOW TO SELECT A SUNSCREEN 1 in 5 Americans will be diagnosed with skin cancer in their lifetime. SPF 30 OR HIGHER BROAD SPECTRUM WATER RESISTANT (40 to 80 minutes)

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day of the month. Each month we will incorporate a health related theme that will give information that empowers individuals to take charge of their health and well-

being. Home and hospital visits will also be made upon request—either from individuals, the pastor, Session or from community



Christie Page RN, MSN

## **COMMITTEE UPDATES**



Through the month of April, expenses are right on target with the budget, but income is approximately \$7,000 below budget, mostly due to a

shortfall in non-pledged income.

The Santa Rosa Suburban Kiwanis Club will present their Distinguished Service Award to Pastor Cindy in honor of the Montgomery Breakfast Program. This presentation will occur at the Kiwanis luncheon on June 20th at Charlie's Grill. Other members are encouraged to come to support Pastor Cindy and the work of the church and admission is \$30 to cover the price of the luncheon.

We have received two grants totaling \$2,200 for the Community Garden, which will allow reimbursement to Pastor Jonathan Bravo for the drip system he installed. Congratulations to the youth leaders for their effort to make this happen.

An anonymous donor has pledged \$4,800 funding for one year to cover the daily treats we are supplying for the Boys & Girls Club members. Congratulations to Gwen Christiansen and Connie Norris for the work they have done to make this possible and a sincere thanks to our donor.



Church of the Roses Breakfast program to be honored by Kiwanis at local event. The Reverend Dr. Cynthia Alloway, "Pastor Cindy" has been invited to accept a Distinguished Service Award in

recognition of the Montgomery High School Breakfast program. Now in its 15th year, the program regularly provides a variety of free healthy food for approximately 100 students each day school is in session. Staffing is accomplished entirely with volunteers.

Awards presentation is a key part of Kiwanis Governor Alan Guire's Official Visit to Northern California. The event takes place June 20 at Charlie's Restaurant, Windsor from 9:30 to 12:30.



We have reached the end of our regular school year. We are getting ready to say goodbye to many of 😼 our friends, some for just the

summer, but many are leaving us to start kindergarten in the fall. We held our Pre-K celebration and celebrated the achievements of 25 children. We look forward to welcoming new children and families when we start our summer program after our one week break. Over the break, we will be cleaning, reorganizing and redecorating so that we are ready for a summer of fun and learning.

June 14th will be the "all church picnic". Donations of salads and desserts would be Pellowship appreciated. Please contact the church Committee office, Fellowship committee or Jean Leuty. In May this committee provided food for the Spring Fling. A memorial was served for the family of Rev. Dr Ted Crouch.

As a result of the Deacons' SDEACONS Buddy Program, we have identified a real need for

transportation help in our membership. If you are willing to pick someone up on your way to church and deliver them home again afterward, would you please contact either Ellen Marks (539-8390) or Cindy Goede (544-3974) so that we can connect you with a rider. This isn't an every-week commitment, but an occasional ride so that those without transportation can still attend church and worship with their friends. If you need a ride, please call Ellen or Cindy.

#### Church & World

Please keep the Haiti Mission trip team in your prayers as they go to serve the orphans in two orphanages. They will be building a chicken coup, doing a Vacation Church School Program, playing with kids and helping repair a school. (Kathryn Culver, Kay Webb and Dieph Domingue)

## **COMMITTEE UPDATES**



What a wonderful spring season of music we have enjoyed! We all praised God with song through Lent and Easter; and continue to lift up

our voices to the Lord. The Chancel Choir and Bellissimo will be singing and playing through the end of June. During the summer, we will enjoy various solos, duets and ensembles. If you would like to participate in the summer music, please contact Barbara McElroy through the church office or on Sunday mornings.

This year's Roses Signature Concert Series came to a rousing close with "Song of Sonoma" (a Sweet Adelines Women's Barbershop Choir). Thank you to all that have supported the Series over the years. We continue to look for new and exciting groups to perform here. If you have any suggestions for next year's Series, please contact Leslie Pillsbury, Anita Pinney or myself.

We are happy to announce that John Bell, preacher, teacher and composer from Scotland will be presenting a weekend of workshops July 10th, 11th and 12th. On Friday the 10th, he will be presenting a workshop on "Spiritual Imagination" at First United Methodist. On Saturday the 11th, John will be at St. Andrew Presbyterian in Sonoma presenting "God's People Sing" followed by dinner and worship. On Sunday the 12th, we will enjoy hearing John Bell preach at Church of the Roses. Please go to the Church of the Roses website to read more about this fabulous weekend and to register.

"Sing to God, with joy and gladness, hymns and psalms of gratitude; with the voice of praise discover that to worship God is good." Refrain from "Sing to God, with Joy and Gladness" by John L Bell.



The new raised beds have been planted for the community garden! Thanks to Emily and Pastor Cindy, we received grant money to do this, so the project

was completed without any cost to the church. Thanks to everyone who built, planted, and installed the beds and drip system.



We are busy preparing for the VCS program Living Waters for the World June 8-12. There are plenty of opportunities to volunteer in any number of capacities. Look for signup

sheets after worship service or call Anita Pinney or Kay Webb to find out how you can help.

We are also anticipating John Bell's Imagination In Faith event July 11, 12, 13, a combined event with First Methodist and St Andrew churches. He will be preaching at Sunday worship at Church of the Roses.

The Grief Share program continues through July, perhaps into August; the Monday evening class will take a summer break and be back in the fall with a video series on the Apostolic Fathers. The Sunday Morning Bible study, the Film series and the Book Group will all take a respite before resuming at the end of summer or early fall. Some summer activities are possibly in the offing. We will keep you informed!



The Worship Committee has enjoyed the seasonal art and variety of liturgists provided under the direction of letta Sabaroff the

Worship Committee the direction of Jetta Saharoff, the outstanding music under the direction of Barbara McElroy, and Pastor Cindy's creativity in developing engaging sermons and adding dramatic scripture readings and video clips. Ellen Marks and Bob Flandermeyer set up the communion elements each month and Diane Pierce provides communion servers. Nancy Taylor is scheduling ushers and will be setting up a training in June to make sure all ushers understand their many responsibilities. Jim Spahr and Ray Alden are looking for a few good men and women to help augment our projection and sound team. We really appreciate all those who participate in making worship a meaningful experience and invite any other interested folks to join us. We look forward to the preaching of Dr. Jane Spahr and a display of the Stoles Project, scheduled for June 14th.



This is Emily, the Youth Director here. I've been here now for about nine months, from the beginning of the school year until the end. I've had the great privilege of working for Church of

the Roses and I am deeply appreciative of that opportunity. However, it's time for me to move on to new beginnings, which means that I

will be leaving the church. I will always be grateful to have been a part of this church community, gotten to know some great students and church members, and really got a feel for who you all are and what amazing things you do to help this community as a whole.

I thank you all for what you do and for giving me the opportunity to help out. Pastor Cindy and I are already working on finding a replacement for me and redefining the position to include some more things.

You all are precious children of God and I am sad to be going, even though I know it is what God has intended for me.

Thank you all for your support, kindness, and loving compassion.

#### THE LIVING ROOM

This month we want to highlight the needs of "The Living Room". It is one of several community agencies that this church, through the Deacons, has chosen to support. We have long supported this charity since our own Dolores Borchers was one of its first Board Members.

The Living Room is a day shelter for homeless women and children. It provides a daytime refuge for homeless women when the night shelters are closed. It also provides a refuge for those living in their cars or on the streets. Everyone is served breakfast and lunch which is provided by many community organization including Presbyterian churches. The clients also are provided with a place to get their mail, make phone calls and use a computer. Personal needs items are also given to them. High on the list of items needed are **socks** and **underwear**, and **small personal hygiene items**. They also appreciate **note cards and stationery**. **Clothing** is provided for the women and children by a monthly voucher for up to 10 items that can be selected from the nearby Heavenly Treasures Thrift Store. Most of these items are provided through the generous donations of members of our community. Clothing can be donated directly to the Living Room, but most of it is distributed through Heavenly Treasures.

Also, through the work of Carole Keiner of First Presbyterian, women who are fortunate enough to get housing are provided with some of the necessities to make their new homes livable. Carole and her team collect suitable items from the Santa Rosa community and distribute them when needed. When you are downsizing, look at the items you have and see if they would be useful for someone who is getting a very SMALL apartment. **Kitchen** and **bed and bath (towels, sheets, blankets, pillows) items** are greatly appreciated.

Any items that you wish to donate may be left in the designated box in Campbell Court. Any larger items (but not too large) Una Skelly will be happy arrange for pick up and delivery. You can leave a message with the church office. Thank you for your continuing support of The Living Room.

#### The Deacons

### MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE UPDATE

We welcomed four new members in May!

**Steve Cairns** is joining us with a confession of faith. Steve is a gardener and landscaper. He was born in Montrose, Colorado and has two children, Oliver and Alyson. Shannon and Steve plan to marry in the next few months.

**Kristen Ervin** (formerly Kristen Matherly) is reactivating her membership with us. She is now married to Jeremy Ervin. Kristen grew up in Santa Rosa and was very active in our youth group. She also sang in the choir and helped with VBS. Liam and Grayson are their twin boys born 8/1/14.

**Chris and Nancy Nelle** recently moved from Sacramento. Chris is a retired banker and Nancy is a children's music specialist. Chris is joining as a reaffirmation of faith from a Catholic background and Nancy is transferring from the Davis Community Church in Davis, CA. In the past she was a Deacon in the Carmichael Presbyterian church. They both love outdoor activities, reading and helping children. Chris is a golfer. Nancy plays the ukulele. They have two grown children: Joanna and Patrick.

**Suzanne Smith** was a member of the youth group here at the PCOR years ago. She lives with her mother. Suzanne is happy to be reactivating her membership with us and looking forward to participating in many of our programs. Her hobbies are reading, music, and knitting.

**James (Jim) Taylor** was born in Culver City, CA, was raised in Maryland. In 1965 came back to CA and moved to SR in 1973. Married with 2 children, 4 grandchildren all living in Santa Rosa. (All 4 attended Rosebud pre-school.) Jim is joining us by transfer of membership from Knox Presbyterian Church in Santa Rosa. His work involves being the lease manager at the Hansel Auto Group and his family has the award-winning Zickefoose winery. Jim has been singing in the choir and enjoys being active.

### JUNE ANNOUNCEMENTS



Lew Gobble and Una Skelly, 7529 Oak Leaf Drive, Santa Rosa. <u>Enter Oakmont at</u> the Pythian entrance and turn right at the stop sign onto <u>Oak Leaf Dr. The house is about 0.4 mile on the right.</u>

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neighborhood market place. See page 11.

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### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **VOYAGERS MINIATURE GOLF**

June 27, 2015 hosted by Gene & Carole Michel 707.542.5572 Join us for a day of

fun at Scandia and Shari's!

#### <u>Scandia</u>

5301 Redwood Dr., Rohnert Park
5:00 p.m. – Tailgate in parking lot (bring your own picnic & chair)
5:30 p.m. – 18 holes of miniature golf \$6.00 entrance fee
Shari's 301 Rohnert Park Expressway, Rohnert Park
7:30 p.m. or so – Dessert & "awards" Callers will be contacting you! **John Bell** 

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July 10-12

#### Workshop Series

# Clean Water for All God's Children Vacation Church School



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