



MARANATHA NEWSLETTER

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Boston Avenue United Methodist Church

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Today: 27 March 2016	Next Week: 3 April 2016
<u>Birthdays:</u> Suzy Morgan (27) Linda Morrissey (27) Suzan Morgan (29)	<u>Birthdays:</u> Rob Reck (7)
<u>Anniversaries:</u> Ginny & Jerry Walker (27)	<u>Anniversaries:</u> Martha & Dan Blevins (7) Sherry & Jim Griffen (7) Judy & John Harkins (9)
<u>Prayer next week</u> Jim Embrey	<u>Prayer next week</u> Lynn Jesse
<u>Speaker next week:</u> Dave Grim (Finance) & Jim Embrey, MC	<u>Speaker next week:</u> Angela Hooper
<u>Snacks next week:</u> Brunch	<u>Snacks next week:</u> G = Julee & Jim Embrey H = Sarah Cisco Maldonado
<u>Boston Avenue UMC:</u> http://www.bostonavenue.org/	<u>Maranatha Class:</u> http://maranathaclass.org/

MINUTES:

Thank you for the snacks and refreshments. What a great brunch, even with so many out for vacation or in the 9:30 choir.

GUESTS:

John and Sarah Young, Kevin Hood (Andrea Davis bother) and Steve Schnitzer

FINANCE:

**Donation fund recommendations: See attachment to this newsletter for our first \$10,000 donation submission. Dave Grim briefed the class on the recommended donations, March 2016. We determined that we had a quorum, Richard Wansley motioned for approval and seconded by Scot Morgan, all in attendance voted yea.*

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***For any requested class expenditure**, please contact a member of the Finance Committee: Dave Grim, Susie Butterworth, Bob Russell, Jim Embrey, or Karen Campbell (Emeritus) & Jim McCann.

The paintings (by acclaimed Santa Fe artist Anthony Corso) that David Cooley generously donated are still up for auction/bid. Please read the below (edited) from Ed Payton:



"Below are two links, one is for EBay and the other is for Craigslist. These two links will connect you to the listings on those websites, respectively. They are the original oil paintings which were donated to Maranatha."

<u>Website</u>	<u>Reduced hyperlinks:</u>
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EBay	Ebay Anthony Corso Oil Paintings
Craigslist	Craigslist Anthony Corso Oil Paintings

The source hyperlinks are as follows:

<http://www.ebay.com/itm/Oil-Paintings-by-Santa-Fe-Artist-Anthony-Corso-/162012155089?ssPageName=ADME:L:LCA:US:1123>

<http://tulsa.craigslist.org/art/5498867047.html>

***Hopefully the reduced hyperlinks can be used by everyone*

We would like to urge everyone in our class through the newsletter to mention these in their Face Book auctions by posting information, posting the photos and posting links to these two

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sites. Maybe they would want also to email the information to some of their friends who may be interested in the paintings.

Here is the blurb about them as published on the before mentioned websites:



Two stunning oil paintings of the New Mexico landscape by acclaimed Santa Fe artist Anthony Corso. One is 24" x 36"; the other is 23" x 15". The larger work depicts buttes jutting up from the floor of a valley into mesas with a distant mountain range in the background. The smaller work is of clouds hovering over a distant mountain range. Both paintings features the colors of the high desert; gold's, rose, turquoise and green. Using the rich colors of the southwest, Corso captures the stark beauty of a New Mexico landscape. Corso's work has been featured in solo shows, group exhibitions and at numerous galleries including: The Empire Collection, New York, NY; La Galleria at La Mama, New York, NY; Hankook Gallery, New York, NY; Robertson Gallery, Beverly Hills, CA; Riggs Gallery, La Jolla, CA; Labyrintus, Budapest, Hungary. His work in public collections includes those of the United Nations, the Port Authority of New York, Chemical Bank and the American Broadcasting Company. More information about the artist, who is presently living in New York may be found at his website.

These paintings were donated to Maranatha Ministries by the original owner. Proceeds will be used for community service work in the Tulsa, OK. area.

Like it on Face book: Search for "santa fe artist anthony corso"

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SOCIALS:

Minute to Win It! Our next social event promises to be an evening of great fun and frolic! On **Friday, April 1st**, we will gather at the church for a potluck dinner and a **Maranatha Minute To Win It Tournament!** It should be loads of laughter for those participating in the crazy challenges and even more hilarity for those watching! Don't miss out on a wild evening! If you won't be in class to sign up, please email Karen at k.brownlee@sbcglobal.net to let her know that you are coming and what you will bring as your potluck item. We will definitely have more fun if YOU are there!

MISSIONS:

Boston Avenue Mission Experience (BASE) is this coming **April 10th**.

1. Please **sign up** in **Bishops Hall** (this is for the church to determine how many lunches they need to order/buy) and in **Maranatha class** (starting this Sunday) so we know how many people we can plan on for our work projects at Burroughs Elementary.
2. **Wear your work clothes** to church on April 10th.
3. Eat lunch in Jubilee Hall after the 11:00 service.
4. After lunch **head over (convoy)** to Burroughs Elementary, address: 1924 N Cincinnati Ave, Tulsa, OK 74106. If you need a ride, let Glenna Arnott or Jim Embrey know and they will work that out.
5. Most of **our work consist of** picking up light trash around the property, pulling weeds out of the playground areas and small gardens, replacing the hoops on the basketball court, a little weed eating/whacking.
6. We **will be done** within 3 hours or less. Bring your work gloves, hats, boots and whatever you are comfortable wearing outdoors.
7. We **will have** bottled water there, **no** bathroom facilities will be available on the premises.

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Upcoming Maranatha Mission Events:

10 April – Burroughs Elementary, outside clean up and light garden work

22nd May: St Luke's Redemption Church, serving dinner

June – Open month for mission

24th July: St Luke's Redemption Church, serving dinner

August – Open month for mission

9th September: Day Center for the Homeless, feeding dinner

October – Open month for mission

November – Open month for mission

December – Neighbor for Neighbor, managing families for photos and presents
Christmas Morning Congregational Brunch

25 December - Serving breakfast before Christmas service on Sunday morning.

If you know of a mission opportunity that would fit into Maranatha's scope of work, let Glenna Arnott or Jim Embrey know so they can look into it for a possible opportunity to serve.

<u>PRAYER</u> <u>VOLUNTEERS:</u>	<u>SPEAKERS:</u>
3 Apr Lynn Jesse	3 Apr Angela Hooper
10 Apr Scott Morgan	10 Apr Angela Hooper
17 Apr Pam Sherman	17 Apr Lisa Davison
24 Apr Need someone here!!!!	24 Apr Lisa Davison

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CLASS PRAYER REQUESTS (Joys):

**Kate Staat had a beautiful baby daughter, Lucy, who is doing well. This Mary and Paul's first granddaughter. Congrats!

Kristy Hayes will be a grandmother soon. She is expecting two, one from each of her daughters!

CLASS PRAYER REQUESTS (Concerns):

**From Jeff & Julie Allen: I just wanted to let the class know that my mother, Doris Allen, passed away in her sleep yesterday morning. She was such a wonderful lady that will be missed by many. We do not need anything at this time.

**Please add Nikki (Judith and Ed's daughter-in-law) to your prayer list, she has a serious stomach cancer and will be treated at MD Anderson.

**Paul Staat is waiting to see if he can get a T cell match. Once he does, he will be going back to MD Anderson to start that process of transfusion. If you would like to know more about T cell donations, follow this link to the American Cancer Society (ACS):

<http://www.cancer.org/treatment/treatmentsandsideeffects/treatmenttypes/bonemarrowandperipheralbloodstemcelltransplant/stem-cell-transplant-donor-experience>

**The Klein's are asking for prayers for their 'spec' home to be sold. They have lowered the price and the home has been on the market for a year now.

Please email our Maranatha Chair Carol Grim at cgrim1@cox.net and copy our President at adale@hallestill.com with concerns that need immediate class response or prayer during the week such as accidents, injuries, deaths, etc. For emergencies, please call Carol at (918) 583-5181 (weekday mornings) or (198) 369-6945 (any other time). For Joys and Concerns to be communicated to the class and incorporated into the newsletter, please email our class mailbox at maranathaclass@gmail.com. I will incorporate them into our newsletter and, if time permits, into our class announcements, next week.

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CHURCH WIDE PRAYER REQUESTS:

(Jacques Cunningham, 918-812- 2258, cunnij6@cox.net)

03-27-16

Boston Avenue United Methodist Church Prayer Ministry: The light of your glory and love surrounds us and lifts us up today – the day of your resurrection. Make this be for us a day to rest in that love and let it penetrate our souls to the glory of your kingdom.

Standing Prayers:

-for God's peace to rule in the hearts of all his children the Boston Avenue Church & staff the ministries of Boston Avenue - the Prayer Ministry for the ministers of Boston Avenue and their families:

-David Wiggs Eva Marie Campbell Jennifer Solis Audra Fogle Bill Crowell Bill Tankersley Brenda Reed Sheri Nellis Sarah Thornhill
Joel Panciera Susan Panciera Debbie Peterson Paula Gradney
Garner Jose Luis Hernandez-Estrada Belynda Clanton Paul Staat
Hayley St. John

-for Merri Whitaker and the Cookson Mission the Burroughs Elementary students, teachers and staff.

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Prayer Requests Received on 03-27-16:

- for the Boston Avenue families who have lost loved ones
- for these Boston Avenue members who are or have been in the hospital: Kate Staat, Lucy Staat, Ken Southard, Marilyn Carver, Alfreda Rudd, Elizabeth Bartlett, Jeremy Steely
- for these first time visitors: Craig Churchward; Dennis Duchon; Kevin Dunham; Beth & Zoie Gentry; Renee Habibi; Susan Harmon, Chloe & Stella Lashley; David Mason; Joe Parks; Donde Plowman; Halo, Peighton & Sabien Roberts; Marceau Roland; Shanti Thokchom; William Vidide
- Pray for Cindy. Her knee replacement surgery is tomorrow morning.
- Pray for James Farmer. Went to China – teach English as second language. Has been missing for 2 weeks – may be in Tiawan.
- May the joy of Easter last with us throughout the year! Please pray for Alcott ministries and Reverend Vep Ellis. God bless you all.
- Pray that I use wisdom as I have a potential new project. Pray I take care of my existing responsibilities even as I pursue new possibilities. May I choose the right projects and keep God first.
- Pray for Jeessica.
- Pray for Spencer.
- Pray for my brother, Sammy Lewis, and cousin, Gina Jones. They have both had surgery and are in a lot of pain.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

COMMUNICATION SURVEY – Hayley St. John, new Director of Communications for BAUMC, is seeking Maranatha's input regarding how we best receive information from the church and how we would like to get such information in the future. She has created a survey to help her hone optimal communication methods for us. Hard copies of the survey were handed out in class yesterday and blank ones remain on the back table. If you prefer to fill yours out online, the link to do so is <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BostonAveCommunication>

YOUTH STOCK SALE - The largest fundraiser for Boston Avenue Youth missions will be happening April 3, 10 and 17th. Please give to this worthy cause, we extending our love of God through our children; we can make this happen by donating to them.

ALZHEIMER'S INFORMATION MEETING – As part of a campaign to help our church be better prepared by putting a face on aging issues such as dementia and Alzheimer's, BAUMC is hosting a free congregational gathering entitled "Facing Dementia as a Church Family" at **6:30 on Thursday, April 21st**. Will Randolph, Director of Aging and Older Adult Ministries at the United Methodist Church in Nashville will be featured and representatives from the Alzheimer's Association Oklahoma Chapter will be available with resources and information. RSVP to (918) 699-0127, as space is limited for the event.

MISSION TEAM FORMING TO SERVE COOKSON HILLS CENTER ON JUNE 5-10, 2016: Twenty participants are sought to perform mission work in the areas of maintenance, odd jobs and repairs at Cookson facilities. Accommodations include bunk beds, air-conditioning, bathrooms, showers, and laundry. Cost is \$200 to \$250 per person. Sign-ups are in Bishops' Hall.

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CLASS DISCUSSION GUIDELINES - We are a large class with many people who have lots of interesting things to say. In order to give everyone an opportunity to voice their comments, we are incorporating into our weekly lessons the discussion guidelines that Marita Morgan taught us: **(1) Only one comment per person per class. (2) Economy of words. (3). Speak loudly so everyone has an opportunity to hear you.** Thank you for adhering to these discussion guidelines so that we will all have an opportunity to participate in the discussions and benefit from hearing each other.

2016 Maranatha Officers

President: Jim McCann

VP Curriculum: Michelle Place

VP Finance: Bob Russell/Jim Embrey/Dave Grim/Karen Campbell (Emeritus)/Jim McCann

VP Missions: Glenna Arnott/Jim Embrey

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Auction: Judith and Ed Payton

Attendance taker(s)/Secretary: Sharon Earley

Refreshments: Debbie and Scott Morgan

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