



MARANATHA NEWSLETTER

4/25/2016

Boston Avenue United Methodist Church

Jim McCann, President

Today: 24 April 2016
<u>Birthdays:</u>
<u>Anniversaries:</u>
<u>Prayer this week:</u> Jim Embrey
<u>Speaker this week:</u> Dr. Lisa Davison
<u>Snacks this week:</u> G = Peggy Lewis H = Dana & Stuart Solomon
<u>Boston Avenue UMC:</u> http://www.bostonavenue.org/

Next Week: 1 May 2016
<u>Birthdays:</u> Brenda Worthington (1) Susie Butterworth (4) Kirk Place (5)
<u>Anniversaries:</u> Margaret & Dave Been (1) Charlotte & Roger Rowe (6)
<u>Prayer next week</u> Paula Scott
<u>Speaker next week:</u> Darlene Tegeler
<u>Snacks next week:</u> G = Carol & Dave Grim H = Susie & Mark Butterworth
<u>Maranatha Class:</u> http://maranathaclass.org/

MINUTES:

Thank you for the snacks and refreshments. Thank you Dr. Lisa Davison for two great weeks of purposeful and insightful messages.

GUESTS:

Logan, Wanda, Debbie Shriner, Janice, Cindy and Rick

FINANCE:

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

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The paintings that David Cooley generously donated are still up for auction/bid. They have been listed on the following sites:

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

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

Ed Payton is encouraging everyone in our class to mention these on their social media sites and emailing the information to friends who might be interested in the paintings.

Here is a blurb about them: 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. 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; Labyrinthus, 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.

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

SOCIALS:

Road Trip to the Coleman Theatre – Brought back by popular demand, this event is beloved by many people in our class so the Social Committee is happy to organize the tickets and make available a trip to Miami, Oklahoma, to see the spectacular Coleman Theatre. This year, we will go on **Sunday, June 12th, at noon**, to hear Resident Organize Dennis James play the Mighty Wurlitzer pipe organ while we watch Buster Keaton star in the 1928 silent film *Steamboat Bill, Jr.* Can't you smell that popcorn now?

MISSIONS:

Upcoming Maranatha Mission Events:

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

25 December: Serving Congregational Brunch to whole church before worship

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.

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PRAYER VOLUNTEERS:

5/1: Paula Scott

5/8: Jerry LeDoux

5/15: Meredith Davison-Wansley

5/22: TBD

5/29: TBD

SPEAKERS:

5/1 & 8 Darlene Tegeler

5/15: Rabbi Charles Sherman (Pilgrimage class will join us)

5/22: Rev. Susanna Southard

5/29: Brunch with Horizons Class (Memorial Day weekend)

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CLASS PRAYER REQUESTS (Joys):

Please give thanks for the following:

Daniel Reck will be receiving his Doctorate degree (Economics) this May. He will be accepting a one year term with UC of Berkley with a follow up job at the London School of Economics.

Paul Staat will be hearing about when he can start his white cell transplant this coming week.

Pam Sherman's grandson (Ford Wilson) was selected as the US Army's Cadet of the year. Bethany is doing well in recovery from back surgery.

CLASS PRAYER REQUESTS (Concerns):

Please keep the following in your prayers:

Judith and Ed Payton's daughter-in-law Nikki received discouraging news at M.D. Anderson regarding potential treatment for her stomach cancer and is currently working with physicians at KU to determine how to respond.

Mary Bundren is undergoing another lengthy back surgery today and asked for prayers that it would be successful. She emailed recently that she misses everyone and hopes to be back with us in three months if this surgery reduces her pain level.

Suzan and Nancy Morgan's father has pneumonia and they will not be seeking treatment.

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Please email our Caranatha 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.

CHURCH WIDE PRAYER REQUESTS:

04-24-16

Boston Avenue United Methodist Church Prayer Ministry: "To hear the Spirit, we need to silence other voices that clamor for our attention. When we turn off the TV, fold up the newspaper, and find a quiet spot to meditate and pray, then we realize how loud the clamoring within us really is. Conflicting claims threaten our communion with God and our loving care for others." Susan Muto Jacques Cunningham, 812 2258, cunnij6@cox.net

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 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 Hayley St. John Jennifer Solis
for Merri Whitaker and the Cookson Mission the Burroughs Elementary students, teachers and staff.

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Prayer Requests Received on 04-24-16:

- for the Boston Avenue families who have lost these loved ones: Chris Kaufman, Jo Avis Moore, Pat Bond, Ruth Johnson
- for these Boston Avenue members who are or have been in the hospital: Willa Elliot, Cleve Wamsley, Deborah Fontana
- for first time visitors
- Pray for Michele Myhand recovery from fall and removal of basal carcinoma.
- Cathy Crowell back pain; Marty Walton stage 4 pancreatic cancer; Cindy Harmon lung cancer; Carolyn Todd (my twin sister) bladder infection
- Pray for Cindy Harmon for quick healing of her lung cancer. She will get a big chemo this Friday & hopefully won't make her sick. She also appreciates phone calls. Thank you.
- Pray for my business. May it grow in service to others and success. I need wisdom, guidance and courage to make the shifts needed to succeed in the future. I believe I will follow God's leading. Pray that I do.
- Alcott Ministries is experiencing growth. Thank you & please continue your prayers. Pray for the ministries, staff & members of Boston Ave. May we do our assignments well and point people the Jesus.
- Pray for Vicki Cunningham. Aggressive breast cancer diagnosis. Chemo weekly treatments
- Pray for Ta'shawna who is a single mom of 3 and pregnant with twins. She is struggling to raise her kids amid addiction & poverty. Pray that she can find the strength to make better choices and see a way out.
- Pray for Cindy's recovery from knee replacement surgery.
- Pray for Katherine Parker having gall bladder surgery tomorrow.
- Pray for my brother, Sammy Lewis, and my cousin, Gina Jones, as they are suffering a lot from their surgeries.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Hot Diggity Dog Party will be served this coming Saturday, April 30. This Great and Historic event starts at 6:30 PM. The address is:

Kitchen Concepts
5936 South Lewis Avenue
Tulsa, 74105

See separate attachment for all of the church announcements

A PATH APPEARS: *TRANSFORMING LIVES, CREATING OPPORTUNITY*: The Joy Circle of Boston Avenue UMW is sponsoring an opportunity to screen the movie "*A Path Appears*" on **May 1, 2016 from noon to 3:00 p.m.** The movie is a powerful film about gender-based oppression and human rights violations, as well as the effective solutions being implemented to combat them. Lunch is offered for \$10.00 and childcare is available, but reservations for each are needed by April 27th. Contact Rev. EvaMarie Campbell at (918) 699-0120 or evamarie68@gmail.com

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.

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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

Social: Angelyn Dale/Karen Campbell/Sarah Maldonado/Jeanie Payton/Judith Payton

Auction: Judith and Ed Payton

Attendance taker(s)/Secretary: Sharon Earley

Refreshments: Debbie and Scott Morgan

Reporter: Meredith Davison-Wansley

Caranatha: Carol and Dave Grim

Chili Supper: Jim & Julee Embrey

Historian: Pam Low

Treasurer: Susie Butterworth

Web Master: Barbara Meehan

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