



# *Saint John's* **SENTINEL**

June 2007

## *Something to Think About Over the Summer*



bishop's visitation is always awaited with great anticipation in any parish. It is a day filled with ceremony as the bishop performs baptisms and confirms or reaffirms members of the parish in their commitment to the church. The nature of a bishop's visit began to change in recent years as it became an opportunity for a bishop to get an idea about the health and well-being of a parish. In return, the parish and its leadership had a greater chance to know the bishop on a more personal basis.

When our own bishop, The Rt. Rev. John Bryson Chane, arrived to lead this diocese in 2002, he altered the format of the visitation. For example, when he last visited St John's in 2005, the vestry and clergy had an informative question and answer period with him on a weekday evening preceding his Sunday visitation, a gathering that had not occurred in the past. Further, the bishop noted that in future, all confirmations would be performed at The National Cathedral Church of Saint Peter and Saint Paul rather than at the local parish.

The bishop explained that this change would underscore the fact that in the Episcopal Church our singularly most important association (other than communion with God) is with our diocese and its bishop. And so this month on June 23, one of our parishioners, Georgina Warren, will be confirmed at the cathedral with hundreds of other people from around the diocese under the banners of their respective parishes.

In preparation for the November confirmations scheduled at the Cathedral, the vestry decided at this year's retreat that **St. John's would introduce an intensive Adult Inquirers' Class on two Saturdays this fall, to run from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and be held in the Chapel of the Carpenter, with refreshments served in the Addison Conference Room.**

**T**hese classes – which I will be teaching – will have a two-fold purpose. First, they will give parish members an opportunity to learn more about Christianity in general and the Episcopal Church in particular. Second, they will prepare those attending for confirmation in the Episcopal Church.

Topics discussed will include: **Church History, Liturgy, Theology, Anglican Spirituality, The Bible, The English Reformation, and Governance in the Episcopal Church.** My plan is to have ample time for questions about other spiritually related topics.

These classes will prepare participants for **confirmation at the Cathedral service in November**, when the bishop may perform one of three actions upon those *(Continued on page 2)*



Father Albert

### **HIGHLIGHTS THIS MONTH**

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# Worship and Church Family



## Lay Servers

### Ministers of the Word

Should you need to reschedule, please call **Dustin Cole** at 202-338-2360 to give the name of your replacement.

9:00

11:00

June 3	Rob Johnston	Jane DeWeerd
June 10	George Stutteville	Mildred Henninger
June 17	Sam Sussman	Ron Ivey
June 24	Jocelyn Dyer	Mary Meyer
July 1	Suzon Cameron	Martha Wilson

### Acolytes/Crucifers

June 3	A Kristinus	John Dussault
June 10	C Osborne	Georgina Warren
June 17	E Deeley-Wood	Jane Volkema
June 24	Qwan Smith	John Wise
July 1	Hannah Bristol	Sam Sussman

### Greeters & Ushers

June 3	Tom Morgan & K Youngert	Mildred Henninger & Sarah Michels
June 10	Sarah Michels & Kate Tabor	James & Stephanie Warren
June 17	Tom Cooke & Laura Scanlon	John Wise & Carol Cameron
June 24	Wilbur Wright & Suzon Cameron	Tim & Mary Jane Bennett
July 1	Landis & Arnita Jones	Martha Lewis & Carol Cameron

## Church Family Events

We celebrate the baptisms of:

Jackson David Watts

Emilia Hunter Cartwright

We rejoice in the marriages of:

Christin Klassen & Robert Soly Jr.

Blakeslee Potter & John Crumbliss

We mourn the death of:

Oliver McKee

## Something to Think About

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presented: **confirmation, reception, or reaffirmation.**

– **Confirmation** is an adult commitment to the faith that was made on behalf of an infant or young person at the time of his/her baptism.

– **Reception** is the means by which someone who has already been confirmed in the Roman Catholic Church, Eastern Orthodox Churches or Swedish Lutheran Church (long story) are received as members into The Episcopal Church.

– **Reaffirmation** is available for those who have been confirmed or received in the past but who want to make a renewed commitment to Christian service. Therefore, this cathedral service is available for anyone in the parish who wishes to participate.

During the summer, I urge everyone in the parish who has not been confirmed or received to give serious consideration to doing so. This is a vital step in Christian growth and commitment to the church. To those who wish to rededicate themselves to Christian mission, please consider reaffirmation.

These classes, the cathedral service, and the sacramental action involved are ways in which we as a community can learn and grow together into the full stature of Christ. Please take time over the summer to consider this possibility prayerfully.

In Christ's love,



# Worship and Education



## Anglican Communion Explored

Two Adult Forum seminars have been added to the Adult Christian Formation schedule to explore the turmoil that is agitating the Anglican Communion.

On **Sunday, June 10** and **Sunday, June 17**, there will be a lecture and a discussion series on *“What is happening in the Anglican Communion, Parts I and II.”*

These seminars will take place, as usual, in the Chapel of the Carpenter at 10:00, between the 9:00 and 11:00 o’clock services.

**The Rev. Dr. Ronald P. Conner** will lead these sessions. If enough interest is generated, there may be a third session.

With all that is happening in both the philosophy and the politics of the Episcopal Church today, this is an opportune time to have such a discussion. We encourage all who are interested to attend.

## Planning for the Fall

Last Saturday, June 2, the Adult Christian Formation Committee met in the Addison Conference Room to plan next year’s Adult Education series.

In addition, Father Albert is soliciting suggestions via e-mail, so it’s not too late to add your suggestions for a lively and thought-provoking Adult Christian Education program beginning in September.

Some suggestions that have been made include a possible discussion on the importance of the Dead Sea Scrolls, or on the importance of the reputed bones of James, brother of Christ.

When making suggestions, it would be helpful if you included people who could lead the forums or sources of information for them.

Contact **Tierney Viteri**, Vestry member in charge of Adult Christian Formation at [tierney@viteri.net](mailto:tierney@viteri.net) or **Father Albert Scariato** at [fatheralbert@hotmail.com](mailto:fatheralbert@hotmail.com).

## Summer Sunday School

Sunday School, also known as Youth Christian Formation, for all St. John’s children ages from about 3 through teens will continue until the end of July. The summer program will be more in the format of a Vacation Bible School with games, activities and field trips.

**Christine Deeley-Wood**, Youth Christian Formation Director, is considering trips to the Franciscan Monastery in northeast Washington where children can explore replicas of Roman Christian catacombs and to the Bible Museum in Bethesda, site of facsimiles of Old Testament Bible stories.

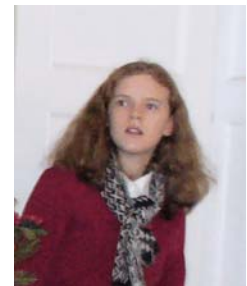
Christine welcomes other suggestions for activities and also parental participation as drivers and chaperones. Her e-mail address is: [cmdeeley1@verizon.net](mailto:cmdeeley1@verizon.net).

On Pentecost Sunday, May 27, the children celebrated the coming of the Holy Spirit with red balloons. They made the connection between the colors of the church year and the color vestments that Father Albert wears. They talked about the coming “long green season” of Trinity.

## Georgina Warren Confirmed

On Saturday June 23, **Georgina Warren**, daughter of **James Warren** and step-mother **Stephanie Bothwell**, will be confirmed by the Rt. Rev. Bishop John Chane into the Episcopal church during a 10am ceremony at the Washington National Cathedral. All are welcome to attend.

There will be send-off prayers for Georgina during the 11 o’clock service on June 17. Parishoner **Jamie Hoops** has been preparing Georgina for confirmation.





# celeBRations



## parish and preschool celeBRate together

Sunday June 3 was a day of celebration as the parish and the preschool came together for one service at 10 o'clock, with more than 200 worshipers in attendance.

After the service, the parish celebrated the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of St. John's Parish Preschool. The event was held concurrently with the church's annual picnic. It was held in Blake Hall because of heavy but much needed rain.

The Preschool had arranged the picnic and offered grilled foods with all the fixings. The day was a great success, with children carroming around Blake Hall while adults walked upstairs to the preschool class rooms to take part in a sing-along and enjoy a show of shadow puppets.

There was a large celebratory cake provided by the Preschool with Happy Birthday written across it.

Gifts were presented to members of the Preschool Founders Committee – **Laura Scanlon, Jean Rainey, Julie Cooke and Julie van Steenwyck**. It was a brilliant occasion on a rainy day, a lovely indoors picnic.

The last day of the school year is Friday June 8 with a Farewell Chapel in the church.

## the reggio emilia philosophy

St. John's Preschool follows the Reggio Emilia system which was begun after World War II by the people in the town of Reggio Emilia, northern Italy.

After the war, although the town's people had very little, they desired an educational system which would stimulate children by using all their senses.

In Reggio Emilia the school system is used for all the public preschools in the school district and serves as both school and day care for the students.

In the next column, Vestry Member **Joan Bristol** describes what she has learned about the Reggio Emilia system from Preschool Director **Marley Joyce** and Faculty Member **Jocelyn Khalifa** during their presentation at PAC night.

## “Reggio Emilia, Reggio Emilia ....

For four years, I have heard these two words spoken, somewhat with awe, whenever St. John's Preschool was mentioned but I never really knew what they meant. Marley Joyce and Jocelyn Khalifa went to Reggio Emilia last spring and spent a week being immersed in the Reggio Emilia educational philosophy.

“I cannot begin to explain to you the complete philosophy, but it works to interweave awareness of the total environment in which preschool children learn by using artwork, music, books, nature and group interaction as tools.

“The playground behind the Rectory was designed almost as a laboratory to facilitate the curriculum. In addition the children cook and serve lunches for the Seniors as a part of our Outreach program and participate in a chapel program with Father Albert on a regular basis.

“I strongly recommend that everyone try to visit the school and the playground, talk to Marley and look at the work that is displayed on the walls. Make a note to learn more about the program as I know it will make you very proud of our Preschool.”

– Joan Bristol

# Christian ————— Formation

## Parish Action Committee Night – May 23, 2007

May's PAC Night was attended by about fifty people. We gathered in Blake Hall for Southern-style barbecue and other culinary pleasures prepared by Sgt. Major Brown. As always, we were a little late starting to eat because we were all having such a great time in conversation.

As dinner was ending, **Marley Joyce, Head of our Preschool**, and **faculty member Joci Khalifa** gave a presentation on their trip to Reggio Emilia, Italy during their "spring break." These two dedicated educators spent their vacation time in daily ten hour sessions on the much acclaimed teaching philosophy of our Preschool for one week. Their presentation was very informative and generated a good and helpful discussion.

During our "open mike" session, a few announcements were made, one about our Outreach Grant Meeting to be held on 2 June at 9:00 a.m.; the other about the situation in the Anglican Diocese of Jerusalem.

Then, we broke into committee meetings.

– There was a lot of energy at the **Property Committee** as the needs for roof repairs and the possible replacement of the boiler were discussed further. More opinions will be sought in the coming weeks.

– **Christian Youth Formation and Adult Christian Formation Committees** both ended the evening with exciting plans for the next program year which will be discussed further.

– At the **Outreach Committee** meeting, **Ron Ivey** had arranged for Liz Liptak, executive director of the Washington Literacy to speak about the woefully low literacy rate in some of the poorest wards in the District and to recruit people from Saint John's to help reverse

that trend which keeps so many mired in poverty and joblessness. (See page 8 for full discussion by Ron Ivey of literacy situation in the District.)

– **Stewardship and Planned Giving** really go into full swing in the fall.

It was apparent, though, that two committees are in need of recruits to help with two very important aspects of what we do at Saint John's: **Welcoming and Newcomers** and **Parish Life**.

Members are needed for both committees. They serve to provide hospitality and initiation to those first coming through our doors as well as to build up community through social events sometimes in conjunction with other Parish Action Committees.

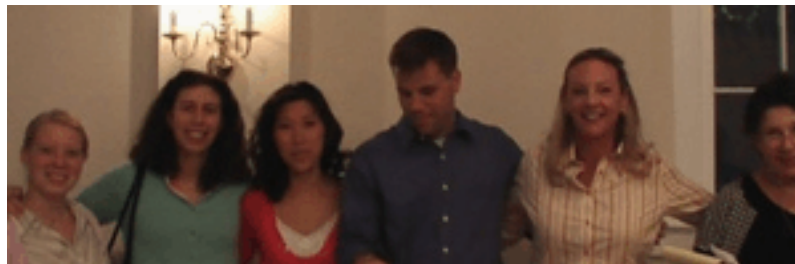
All of those interested in participating in that work please contact Allen Cameron [Allen.cameron@verizon.net](mailto:Allen.cameron@verizon.net) (Welcoming and Newcomers) or Patrick Supanc [patrick.supanc@pearsoned.com](mailto:patrick.supanc@pearsoned.com) (Parish Life).

The evening ended with a service of Compline (nighttime prayer) in the Chapel, where our Organist and Choirmaster, Dr. W. Dudley Oakes, played the organ. Many thanks to him and to all who helped make the 2006-2007 Parish Action Committee Program a successful start to a brand new venture at Saint John's.

Our next PAC Night will be in mid-to-late September when we will "kick off" our new program year. Our 2007-2008 calendar will be available by mid-summer so people can start marking their calendars. These committees are ways in which everyone at Saint John's can participate in making the parish grow spiritually

and socially as we make closer bonds with one another and the laity takes on greater and greater roles in steering the future of their parish.

– Albert+



Some parishioners at first PAC Night St. John's, held Sept. 20, 2006



## 2007 House Tour Breaks Records for Third Straight Year

**T**he 2007 House Tour on Saturday, April 28, set records for the third straight year since transitioning in 2005 from a two-day weekend event to a one-day event on Saturday. New highs were set once again in attendance, revenue, and number of events.

About 1,750 people came to the House Tour, a large gain that was attributable in part to joint-marketing with Book Hill's French Market.

Because lines were long last year, we added two more houses to the tour for a total of ten. All the houses received wonderful compliments. The added number of houses and tour-goers was a special challenge because a larger number of docents was necessary. **Liza Lowe** and **Susie King** did a great job coordinating with St. John's parishioners and adding Junior Leaguers to fill in.

**O**ver 400 attended the Patrons' Party on Thursday, May 26. We attribute this to the increased number of invitations sent as well as to the new "Host Committee" formed to encourage broader Georgetown participation. We were so fortunate to have host **Bill Dean** who opened his beautiful home, not only for the Patrons' Party, but also for the Tour itself.

The tea on Tour day was a huge hit, serving over 800 people. The sandwiches were the best ever – so many compliments on the variety served. **Mary Meyer** and her team are amazing! I must mention the flowers at the church and Blake Hall. They were absolutely beautiful – thank you **Stephen McLeod** and **Laura Scanlon**.

Our corporate sponsor, **Doyle New York**, very generously increased their sponsorship to include a book-signing for Hugh Newell Jacobsen's newest book. Held Tuesday, May 1, 150 people bought tickets that included a talk by Mr. Jacobsen and an autographed book. We are hopeful that next year Doyle will work with us again with another very well-known author.

Revenue was excellent. Ticket Sales - \$66,500; Advertising - \$27,500; Patrons' Party - \$70,000; Corporate Sponsors - \$13,500; Book-signing - \$10,300. This gave us a gross of approximately \$188,000. Expenses were just under \$26,000, making our net revenue \$162,000. Expenses are somewhat higher than last year as we nearly doubled the number of invitations sent for the Patrons' Party. The printing of nearly 600 more tour books than last year also added to expenses.

**P**arishioner participation is perhaps the best part of the Tour. St. John's Parish truly is a family and the House Tour is a family event and commitment. The committee couldn't do enough to help – "no" was just not in anyone's vocabulary! **Frida Burling**; Vice Chairs, **Jocelyn Dyer** and **Colleen Markham**; Advisory Chairs, **Stephanie Bothwell** and **Denise Cunningham**; **Tim and Mary Jane Bennett**; **Sgt. Major Brown**; **Teresa Burt**; **Carol and John Cameron**; **Arleen Cheston**; **Dustin Cole**; **Tom Cooke**; **Dan Corbin**; **Ron Ivey**; **Sandra Jerez**; **Martha Lewis**; **June Libin**; **Frank Randolph**; **Jean Smith**; **Martha Wilson**; and **Edith Wooten**.

A truly wonderful, generous, kind, hard-working group of special friends. My heartfelt thanks for the opportunity to work with you and the St. John's Parish family.

**Jenny Mottershead**  
Chair 2007



## Church Mouse Chit Chat....

*(This is a regular feature in The Sentinel, highlighting happenings we shared the previous month and noting ones yet to come.)*

### June Art Event

The monthly outing for June will be a visit to the National Museum of Women in the Arts to view their exhibit **Italian Women Artists from Renaissance to Baroque**.

Although these periods are mostly famous for their male artists, one woman who stands out is Artemesia Gentileschi whose realistic depictions of "Judith Slaying Holofernes" speaks to her own rape as a young girl by her art tutor. A good read about this most famous baroque female artist is "The Passion of Artemesia" by Susan Vreeland.

St. John's parishioners and friends will meet at the museum at **11am on Saturday, June 16**. The museum is on the corner of New York Avenue and 13<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, two blocks north of Metro Center. Metered parking is minimal although there are several lots nearby.

There is a \$10 entry fee. Father Albert will pay for all with the church credit card and you may repay the church. Please let him know if you are coming at [fatheralbert@hotmail.com](mailto:fatheralbert@hotmail.com) or 202-338-3294.

### House Tour Connection

The fire on April 30 which largely destroyed the Georgetown Public Library also extensively damaged the Peabody Room where much of Georgetown's history was cataloged.

As an historical note, the House Tour for many years depended on the Peabody Room for research and writing the histories of the houses on the tour.

**Bob Lyle**, St. John's Parishioner, moved to Georgetown in the 1960's and began to use the Peabody Room to research the house histories. His hobby became a vocation when he was named curator of the Peabody Room.

Several years before Bob's death in early 1996, parishioners **Fran Lide and Sara Revis** began researching and writing the house histories for the Tour Book.

Presently house histories are mostly written by the owners who, of course, used the Peabody Room.

### "Grate" Help Needed

There is an urgent need for help with the Grate Patrol on Monday, June 11. If you can work that evening contact **Megan at Maxmermaid@aol.com**.

### Virginia Allen Honored

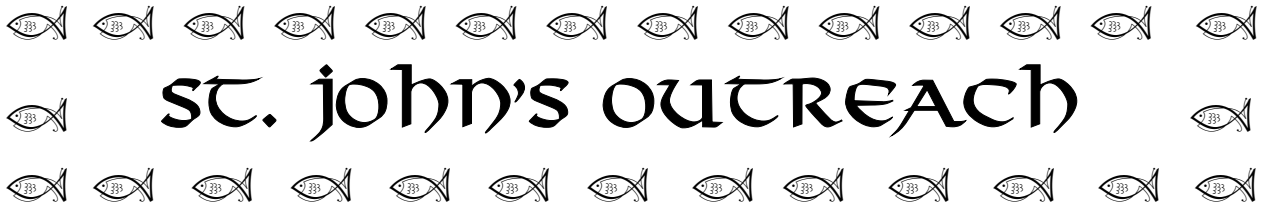
**Virginia Luce Allen** found funding to continue the Georgetown Senior Center and found a home for it at St. John's when the city cut funding in 1981. She has served lunches and managed programs in our Parish Hall for more than 25 years.

Virginia will be honored at a gala reception that will present Washington's first Leadership in Aging Awards on Thursday evening June 7. "Magical Moments 2007" will be held in the Homer Building at 601 13<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, from 6:30 until 9pm.

Tickets range from \$125 each and are available from the Episcopal Senior Ministries at [www.esm.org](http://www.esm.org) or 202-414-6315. Vestry member **Jean Smith** is our liaison with ESM

### Congratulations to Two Former Parishioners...

Long time 9am acolyte **Timothy Chaplin** graduated from Penn State University in three years this spring with a degree in computer science and a minor in Japanese. Tim is the son of **Therese and Pete Chaplin** and the grandson of Marty and Harvey..... Former parishioner **Colleen Dykema**, a teacher at Swanson Middle School, is one of 20 teachers in the area to receive the Agnes Meyer Outstanding Teacher Award.



## MISSION HONDURAS

This summer, the Diocese of Washington has again organized a one-week mission trip to Honduras for 13 adults and youths. From St. John's Georgina Warren, daughter of James Warren, Tom Cooke and Julie Van Steenwyck and her father John Van Steenwyck will participate, arriving Sunday, July 29, at the airport in San Pedro Sula.

From there, about half of the group will travel to the small rural community of Proteccion where St. John's of Georgetown, St. Paul's K Street and St. Margaret's have invested funds and labor in the construction of a rural health clinic.

This mountainous hamlet will be home for Georgina and six other travelers from Monday through Thursday, while the others will work in a forestry, tree planting project in the slightly larger and nearby town of Trinidad. This environmental project is led by a dynamic agronomist who has worked on this community building project for nearly a decade.

Although half of the health clinic is already built, there will be lots of work in painting the interior and exterior and landscaping the land around the clinic. However, manual labor will occupy only part of our day at either project. For there is a continual demand in Proteccion and Trinidad for people, especially visiting missionaries, to help at local schools. They do this by giving English lessons and by visiting with church families in the evenings.

On Friday, both groups will travel to the Ruins of Copan, one of the best restored pre-Colombian cities in Central America. On Saturday night we will return to San Pedro Sula for a one night stay in a "nice" hotel, with hot showers, abundant soap and soft towels. We return late Sunday evening, August 5.

- Tom Cooke



## LITERACY IN D.C.

On our most recent PAC night, Liz Liptak, executive director of the Washington Literacy Council, presented her program to the Outreach Committee for consideration of funding. The Washington Literacy Council is the oldest group addressing literacy in Washington, D.C. having initiated operations in the late 1960s.

Despite news reports that the highest average academic levels in the country exist in our area, the city population itself suffers from one of the lowest literacy rates in the country.

According to the Department of Education, 37% of the D.C. population reads at the lowest levels of functional literacy. In practical terms, that means a person is unable to fill out a job application, read to a child, or decipher a medical prescription. When one takes a close look at the statistics, half the population of two D.C. wards – numbers 7 and 8 – operate at the lowest level of literacy.

D.C. also has one of the highest high school drop out rates in the country. Literacy achievement in schools is directly correlated with behavior, performance and completing school. In Ward 1, 31% of persons 25 years and up do not have a high school diploma.

The Washington Literacy Council currently serves 200 adult students, supported by approximately 200 volunteer tutors providing one-on-one and computer-assisted training.

The WLC is now expanding its program in terms of numbers as well as geographic coverage, intending to focus more resources in Wards 7 and 8, making their services more accessible to those adults who critically need the help and are looking for assistance from many different sources. Our own parishioner, Wilbur Wright, has agreed to serve on the board of directors of this organization.

- Ron Ivey

Vestry member, Outreach

## !! HAPPY BIRTHDAY !!



Congratulations to **Suzon Cameron** (seen here with son Charlie), who will celebrate her birthday May 26.....

**Betty Geisler's** birthday is June 20.... **Diane Bankoff**

celebrates on the 13<sup>th</sup> ..... **Emma Sutherland** has a birthday on June 15, as does **Kate Tabor**....

**Tim Bennett's** birthday is June 19, while **Meredith Morello** celebrates on the 28<sup>th</sup> .... **Sgt. Major Brown** has a birthday June 12, while **Diane Minshall's** birthday is on June 23.

## !! CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!!

### New Look for Website

There is a new look for St. John's website found at [www.stjohnsgeorgetown.org](http://www.stjohnsgeorgetown.org). It is the work of **Dustin Cole**, Parish Administrator, who recently completed a course on website management.

Now, we can have up-dates to the site done in house with the volunteer help of **Gus Viteri**, a development that will save St. John's about \$2,000 a year.

In addition, an active website allows St. John's to continue reaching out to newcomers and to thousands of people who seek a parish home in the Episcopal church.

Visit the website and discover:

- \*the service participants' schedules and readings
- \* forms for weddings and baptisms
- \* how to contact clergy, staff and vestry members \*
- what organizations Outreach supports
- \* read the *Sentinel* on-line
- \* find links to the Preschool and other websites.

Contact **Dustin** at [dustincole.stjohns@verizon.net](mailto:dustincole.stjohns@verizon.net) or 202-338-2360 with congratulations or suggestions about the site, plus planned parish events you would like to have included in the calendar.

## MEG'S WALKATHON

On Saturday, May 19, about 20 St. John's parishioners took part in a Walkathon to benefit the **Meg Graham Junior League Scholarship Fund**.

The walkers gathered at Waterfront Park in Alexandria, VA, after car pooling from St. John's on O Street. They raised \$6,090. In all, the student recipient, Samrawit Fikru-Belew, will receive a \$10,000 scholarship as a result of the Walkathon for Meg Graham's fund.

**Jill Thorpe**, who was instrumental in gathering families together for the event, called it "a wonderful occasion for St. John's to remember Meg's example of service and outreach."

Those participating in the walk included **Gene Shiro**, **Julie van Steenwyk**, **Mike Flanagan** and **Jocelyn Dyer** with children **Jaspar** and **Hadley**; **Avery Miller** with children **Clarke** and **Avery**; **Trish Peva** with daughters **Violet** and **Fern**; **Vinnie Griski**; **Merle** and **Jill Thorpe** with their children **Merle Jr.** and **Natalie**; **Father Albert**, and **Bill Graham** with daughters **Lisa** and **Jennifer**.

Other supporters included **Anna Fleming**, the **Bristol family**, and **Pembroke Hart**.

The scholarship recipient Samrawit heads to Purdue University next fall, where she will major in chemistry. She has completed 1,215 hours of community service while attending high school. She was born and raised in a small rural town in Ethiopia and is the first woman in her family to go to school.

"In the future, I plan to teach internationally through UNICEF in order to return the education that I was fortunate to receive," she said.



St. John's parishioners holding banner made by Sunday School on May 13.

# Saint John's Notes & Reports



## Vestry Notes for May 21

The Vestry of Saint John's Church met on Monday, May 21. The meeting began and ended in prayer. The following issues were addressed:

✝ **Martha Wilson** presented a report on the status of the stained-glass window restoration. Two of the windows in most serious need have been repaired. Two others should be next – The Visitation Window (northeast part of the church) and the Window with Jesus and the little children (behind the choir stalls).

The former will cost approximately \$12,000, the latter somewhere over \$30,000. It was decided that restorative work on the Visitation window will begin this year.

The vestry reaffirmed its commitment to the restoration of all the stained-glass windows, possibly having one done each year or as part of a larger capital campaign that will involve other major expenses as well.

✝ **The Head of Saint John's Episcopal Preschool, Marley Joyce**, made her annual presentation on the state of the Preschool. It demonstrated that the Preschool was doing well in terms of enrollment, admissions, and finances. The vestry, priest-in-charge, head of school, and preschool board have committed themselves to improving parish/preschool relations. Great appreciation was expressed to Marley both for her report and all of her hard work.

✝ **A review of the financial statements** demonstrated that we were on track in terms of expenditures. Revenues have been very good due to higher than anticipated revenues both from the auction and the house tour. The Finance Committee will examine how to utilize most prudently any revenues over what was anticipated, keeping in mind the major capital expenditures that are required this year.

✝ **The rectory was been vacated.** The third floor has been repainted and **Jane Volkema** has moved in to commence her role as rectory custodian.

A plan was discussed on how to proceed in conjunction with the Property Parish Action Committee on floor repairs, major cleaning, painting (hopefully on a parish volunteer basis), and developing a list of furniture and other needs for the rectory based on planned interim use.

✝ **Property:** Two roofing companies made presentations concerning repair and replacement of sections of the existing roof(s) at Saint John's. Other proposals will be obtained from companies recommended by parishioners. The boiler needs to be replaced because of continued difficulties and escalating costs incurred on its repair.

A proposal for a consultation evaluating all of the heating and air-conditioning systems was reviewed and felt to be excessively high at \$20,000. Replacement of the boiler itself would cost approximately that amount.

**The next meeting** of the vestry will occur on Monday, June 25. Please contact your vestry with any questions or concerns.

– Albert+

## Marketing Blake Hall

The Blake Hall Marketing Committee, consisting of **Trish Parsons, Chair, Joan Bristol, Jenny Corbin and Jennifer Graham**, have been hard at work planning the Celebration of Blake Hall as a venue space.

On **Sunday, June 24**, event and wedding planners as well as their vendors have been invited to come and discover the venue from **3:00pm to 5:30pm**. There will be a wine and cheese Open House with personally guided tours of the Hall, the kitchen and possibly the Rectory.

The Committee invites all parishioners to submit names of planners, caterers and florists whom they have used and would recommend to **Joan Bristol** at [jhbris@aol.com](mailto:jhbris@aol.com).

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 <h1 style="font-size: 4em; margin: 0;">June</h1>						
					<i>1</i> 11:30–Senior Lunch	<i>2</i> 9:00 – Outreach meeting, Conf. Rm 10:30 – Adult Education 2007-08
<i>3</i> <b>ONE SERVICE AT 10:00 a.m.</b> Annual Picnic and 10 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary party for Preschool	<i>4</i> 11:30–Senior Lunch	<i>5</i>	<i>6</i> 11:30–Senior Lunch  5:30–Centering Prayer with Holy Eucharist, Chapel	<i>7</i>	<i>8</i> 9:30 – Preschool closing chapel 11:30–Senior Lunch	<i>9</i>
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