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## **Being Received into the Episcopal Church**

On Sunday, **January 3**, St. Paul's will officially welcome three new members who already have solid ties with our congregation: Iris Erickson, Kris Mowafy and Sandy Purrington. This will be a special occasion as our beloved retired bishop and now assisting bishop, Tom Ray will preside.

As we state in our Sunday Bulletin, there are many paths into God, all of them sacred, and each emphasizing something different and beautiful. St. Paul's stands within the Christian path of the Episcopal Church. As followers of the way of Jesus of Nazareth, we are a community of people on a journey – we hold as sacred the questioning mind and the searching heart. We worship in the presence of a God whose love knows no bounds. The table around which we gather and are fed is open to all, for this table is the face of a bountiful God.

Our invitation is open to all who stand in the presence of God with us. We invite those who find that their experience with the Episcopal Church offers a life-giving path to prayerfully consider being received into our church family. Anyone who would like to discuss this possibility and the process may contact Sandy Purrington, 225-5453 or [spurring-ton1142@charter.net](mailto:spurring-ton1142@charter.net); Barb Carpenter, 226-7571 or [bandcarpenter@charter.net](mailto:bandcarpenter@charter.net); or Kevin Thew Forrester, 226-2912 or [kevingtf@gmail.com](mailto:kevingtf@gmail.com). As we state each Sunday, "ALL are welcome at God's table."

## **Room at the Inn Returns to St. Paul's in January**

*by Pat Micklow*

St. Paul's will again host the Room at the Inn program for the homeless beginning **January 24** through **February 1**, 2010. This will be the third time we've been a host church since the program began two and a half years ago. St. Paul's volunteers have also unselfishly donated their services to RATI on many occasions in different churches over the past several months. And we have had more and more St. Paul's parishioners take the volunteer training and participate in this special ecumenical ministry this year. (I wish there was enough room here to list all of our members who so graciously give of their time and talent on behalf of those within our community without adequate food and shelter.)

This past week the number of guests has varied between eight and ten per night. Given our climate in January it is likely that those numbers may increase despite the Herculean efforts of RATI manager, Robin Roy, who has found housing for many former guests.

So watch for Iris and me and in January with our sign-up board at coffee hour or contact either one of us (Iris at 226-3260 or Pat at 249-3479) if you are able to help again with our next host week beginning January 24!

## **The Vestry is Open for Your Concerns - By Dan Carpenter**

A regular part of the Vestry agenda each month is an item called Open Forum. This item invites anyone from the church to come to a monthly Vestry meeting and address any cares or concerns to the group as a whole.

Open Forum is scheduled at the beginning of each meeting so that anyone coming to the meeting doesn't have to sit through the entire meeting, although you are welcome to do so if you choose. If you have a care or concern and don't want to come to the Vestry meeting, you can address your issue to any Vestry member. Your Vestry members are listed in the bulletin every Sunday.

# **LIFECYCLES REFLECTIONS ON THE CROSS: POWER AND WISDOM CORINTHIANS**

*Kevin G. Thew Forrester*

## Anselm: Jesus Sent by God to Die – Cross Satisfies God’s Need for Satisfaction

Since the twelfth century, almost all of western Christian theology of the cross has been deeply influenced by the thinking of one brilliant theologian – St. Anselm. Living in a feudal world of medieval Europe, where social order and honor were of paramount importance, Anselm drew upon his culture, as Christians do in every age, to try and make sense of Christ crucified. Richard McBrien, a Roman Catholic theologian who studies the church, describes the theory Anselm created in this way:

Anselm’s theory is to be understood against the background of the Germanic and early medieval feudal system. There is a bond of honor between the feudal lord and vassal. Infringement of the lord’s honor is tantamount to an assault upon the whole feudal system. A demand for satisfaction, therefore, is not for sake of appeasing the lord’s personal sense of honor but for the sake of restoring order to the ‘universe’ (feudal system) in which, and therefore against which, the ‘sin’ was committed. The feudal lord cannot simply overlook the offense, because the order of his whole economic and social world is at stake. So, too, with God.

For Anselm, the original sin of Adam had offended God – the Great Feudal Lord – and separated humanity from God (ripping apart our at-one-ment). The cross was God’s response to this offense and breach of at-one-ment. Using Paul’s language, we could say that for Anselm, the power and wisdom of God made manifest in the cross was that through the crucifixion of Jesus we were once again made at-one with God.

Original sin separated humanity and creation from God. Simple human beings could not repair the breach, because mere mortals can not reach out and touch the divine. Only the death of a divine one – Jesus (because he was both divine and human) – could heal the division caused by Adam and compounded by every human being since.

Anselm proposed that *Jesus was sent by God to suffer death on the cross for our redemption (which is to say, heal the breach).*

Human beings themselves could not restore the order and give God the honor to the divine name, because we are sinful and broken, unable to offer a perfect sacrifice to a perfect lord. God is a perfect Lord who demands a perfect sacrifice. Like a feudal lord, God could not simply overlook our offence. According to Anselm’s feudal worldview, things had to be made right again – God’s holiness and honor had to be satisfied. For this reason, God became incarnate in Jesus Christ, to heal our sin by offering up the perfect sacrifice of his complete obedience – even obedience to accept God’s will that he be unjustly and horrifically crucified by the Romans.

Jesus alone (who is utterly innocent) was the perfect sacrifice both demanded and accepted by God, thereby wiping the slate clean. Wiping the slate clean – for Anselm, this is the power and wisdom of the crucifixion of which Paul speaks. The crucifixion restores order and make us once again at-one with God.

## **Abelard: How Could Anyone Demand the Shedding of Innocent Blood?**

Peter Abelard, one of Anselm’s peers, was perhaps the first of countless faithful who have questioned this understanding of the power and wisdom of the cross. Abelard’s own words are quite moving:

Indeed, how cruel and wicked it seems that anyone should demand the blood of an innocent person as the price for anything, or that it should in any way please him that an innocent man should be slain – *still less that God should consider the death of his Son so agreeable that by it he should be reconciled to the whole world!*

Abelard’s perception is indeed remarkable, given that he is part of the same medieval feudal culture as Anselm. What is perhaps so tragic in Anselm’s theory of atonement, is that God can *only* be satisfied by blood-revenge. God, who is love, and whose mercy knows no bounds – even if we were to make our bed in hell (as the psalmist writes) – is reduced by Anselm to a vindictive and petulant parent. God’s thirst for satisfaction can only be slated by the killing of his own child. *God is no different than any other person*

*or feudal lord.* Instead of God's ways not being our ways, God's ways have been reduced to our ways – at least the ways of the bruised ego and its need for social order and honor.

Power and Wisdom of the Cross: Path of Life is in Forgiveness, Not Revenge

But if the power and wisdom of the cross do not lie in its capacity to *make* us one with God, where are they to be found? If God does not demand or will the crucifixion, what else might Paul be referring to when he speaks about the cross's power and wisdom? What might the cross have to say not only to Christians but to all human beings?

The cross looms before humanity at the crossroads. Will we choose the path of death or the path of life? The crowd, John's gospel tells us, chooses Barabbas. They choose to be sons and daughters of violence. They, like the high-priest Caiaphas, think it better that one person die than have the Romans discipline all the Jews. Jesus is the perfect scapegoat, just like every other perfect scapegoat human beings have offered-up thru the ages. And yet, Jesus says, "*Abba forgive them. They don't know what they are doing.*" There is not even a hint from Jesus that his honor is being violated and that, in time, he will demand a satisfying repayment in someone's blood.

The crowd seeks a scapegoat, but Jesus does not. *He willingly accepts the cross as the consequence of his life committed without reserve to including all within the loving embrace of God.* Jesus' table excludes no one – rich, haughty, poor, destitute, women, men, children. Jesus' company of companions excludes no one – tax collectors, prostitutes, zealots. Jesus' forgiveness is withheld from no one who accepts it. *He is willing to die, not because God has sent him to be crucified, but because he is unwilling not to love whoever is before him, behind him, beside him*

Jesus offers redemption, not Barabbas. Love is the path of life, not vengeance. God could not have sent Jesus to be crucified because it would contradict who God is: Love Unbound. Any power or principality (human or otherwise), which dares to offer violence as the path of life and of God is exposed by the cross as false. Jesus is not crucified because God wants him to be killed, or God needs him to be killed. *Jesus is publicly executed because he will not compromise the love of God, even if it costs him his life.*

## Women's Winter Respite

by Coralie Hambleton

January 29 - 31, 2010

at Marygrove Retreat Center in Garden, Michigan.

The Women's Ministries Council of the Diocese of Northern Michigan invites you to attend the second annual Women's Winter Respite.

Come join us for a weekend to refresh your body, your mind and your spirit; to retreat from the hectic pace of your lives, rejuvenate yourselves and return home renewed! This weekend will be what you create it to be. Once again there will be NO AGENDA!

Once again there will be opportunities to participate in, if you wish:

- *Time apart from your daily routine.*
- *Time for yourself, for quiet solitude and/or fellowship.*
- *Times for worship and music.*
- *One or more optional workshops. (Last year opportunities included making prayer beads, coloring Mandalas, hand quilting, & knitting, watching movies.) This year we are going to explore shawl ministries.*
- *Make your own! If you want to read, bring your books or select from Marygrove's shelves. If you've read something wonderful, bring it along to share the resource.*
- *If you want to sew, knit, stitch, or paint, bring those projects.*
- *If you want to sleep late or nap, please do so without guilt or interruption.*
- *Last year several women walked or skied trails at Marygrove and at Fayette State Park, which, that weekend, was offering candlelit trails. They loved it.*

You are invited to participate in as few or many opportunities as you wish. NO GUILT!

The Marygrove Retreat Center is located in the Village of Garden on M-183, nine miles south of the US-2 intersection, which is 17 miles west of Manistique and 25 miles east of Escanaba. Rooms come complete with bed linens, feather pillows and towels. Bring only your own toiletries, and clothes. All meals are included. This is a smoke-free facility.

For Retreat Schedule and registration, please contact the church office.

Please send completed registration form and a check for \$105 made payable to Marygrove Retreat Center to Judy Andersen, 8605 Schaawe Lake, 24th Lane, Rapid River, Michigan 49879. If you have questions, call Coralie Hambleton (906) 869-2046.

Registration Deadline is **January 20, 2010.**

Bring a friend! This retreat is open to all women in search of refreshment.

## **From the Gentlemen of the Pans**

*by Dan Carpenter*

The annual “Clyde’s Kitchen” Soup Luncheon was another great success thanks to all who donated soup, time, and talent.

We had an array of gourmet soups that rivaled, if not exceeded, anything available in Marquette County, the U.P., or the State, for that matter. They were all delicious beyond description and it showed as we sold out of almost everything that was in the pots.

As always, the response for the call for soups was amazing and exceeded our wildest expectations.

The Girl Scouts who functioned as servers and “bussers” were absolutely wonderful. They did such a great job and have become very adept at handling the temperamental chefs in the kitchen and are real pros at serving our customers. Add in Phyllis “Count the Money” Schultz who handled the cash desk, our experienced group of wait staff, and all the other personnel that an establishment of our size could ask for.

Thanks to all who purchased bread (we made over 150 loaves!) and to the young men of the church, Ross Johnson, Michael Edwards and Ben Cole who worked very hard mixing and kneading for two days.

Again, to all who made this endeavor another success, we thank you!

## **Our Little Roses Offering**

**December 27**

*by Pat Micklow*

On Sunday, December 27, our outreach offering for the month was for Our Little Roses, the residential home for abused, neglected and impoverished girls in San Pedro Sula, Honduras. Mary Kelsey recently visited the home in early December and reports that it is continuing to provide an oasis of loving support and education within a country beset by severe economic and political strife as well as crushing poverty.

OLR is entirely dependent on contributions from churches and individuals to operate their home for these special girls. St. Paul’s continuing sponsorship for Ismelda Cruz has been especially important during these difficult times. OLR reports that 10 year old Ismelda is doing very well in school and shows a great motivation to learn. Contributions are always welcome, at any time.

## **Almoner’s Gifts of Love**

Thanks to the generosity of our St. Paul’s family, we have been able to assist over 50 people with emergency needs this past year. One of our recipients received help with her GED tuition. Last week we got an official notice that she passed her GED exam with flying colors. Congratulations to YOU for enabling her to do this!

To further support our Almoner’s Program, reusable canvas bags (designed by Kai Carrigan) are available for \$3.00 in the church office during the week or see Kai, Pat, or Iris after church any Sunday. All of the proceeds from the sale of these bags go directly into our Almoner’s Fund.

## **Honoring Our Elders**

*by Sandy Purrington*

To everyone in the St. Paul’s Family:

Your Welcomers/Hospitality Committee is looking forward to interviewing long-term members of St. Paul’s over the next several months. St. Paul’s has been a significant part of the Marquette Community since 1856, and we are hoping, with your help, to better understand and appreciate our past, build our community and plan for our future. This is also a way to honor the dedication and contributions of those who have been part of our St. Paul’s Community for many years.

To our Elders and Long-Term Members:

You have been a part of our community for many years; your story is important, as are you. We hope that you are willing to be interviewed so that we can know you and ourselves better. Sometime over the next several months, a member of the Welcomers/Hospitality Committee will contact you to sit down and talk about how we can record your part of our St. Paul’s story. We hope to publish excerpts in *The Messenger* and also plan to compile a booklet to help honor our elders and our rich history.

## **Learn to Make Baklava**

Have you ever wondered how Mary Mikhael produces such wonderful Baklava? Mary has offered to share the secret of her Baklava Extraordinaire including her recipe, a demonstration of Baklava construction, and how to bake this delicious treat to perfection. Coffee and baklava sampling will follow our class.

Please join us on Saturday, **January 23**, from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. in the Great Room to learn how to make Baklava that will wow you, your family and your friends. For any questions or for more information, contact Iris at 226-3260.

## Liturgical Leadership

Sundays:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Preside</u>	<u>Preach</u>	<u>Deacon</u>
January 3	Christmas 2	Kevin	Kevin	Pat
January 10	Epiphany 1	Vince	Ben B.*	Coralie
January 17	Epiphany 2	Bob	Vince	Pat
January 24**	Epiphany 3	Rise	Youth Min	Coralie
January 31	Epiphany 4	Marcia	Marcia	Pat

\* *Guest preacher here for diocesan workshop January 9*

\*\* *Youth Sunday*

Holy Days (combined with Wednesday Evening Prayer):

<u>Date</u>	<u>Holy Day</u>	<u>Preside</u>	<u>E.P. Official</u>
January 6	Epiphany	Bob	Marcia
January 20	Confession of Peter	Marcia	Bob
January 27	Conversion of Paul	Bob	Mary S.

*The liturgy group will meet Thursday, January 14 at noon.*

## January Birthdays

Marcus Arnett	1
Jane Ryan	2
Bertha Loehde	3
Margaret Jajich	10
Jane Barnes	11
Dan Carpenter	11
Peggy Sheehan	28
Betty Lynd	29

*We are attempting to update our birthday list. If you would like to be included, please call the office and let us know your birth date! 226-2912*

## The Haiti Mission: Gifts from the Young - by Burt Purrington

Once again, our International Crafts and Alternative Gifts Fair was a smashing success thanks to the gift of thousands of volunteer hours by members of the St. Paul's and Unitarian families. This year, however, there was a new and very special contingent of volunteers -- our young people. For the past four years, both St. Paul's and our local Unitarian Fellowship have been active in missions and partnerships with our sisters and brothers in Haiti -- a meeting and collaboration between the richest and poorest nations in the Western Hemisphere. Our churches have been especially active in supporting Lespwa Timoun (Haitian Creole for "Hope for Children"), a health and nutrition program for severely malnourished children, and mobile medical clinics to people with virtually no other access to medical care.

Last year when I spoke to our children's Sunday School class, many of our young people were moved by the difficulty of life for the majority of Haitian children -- and two of them decided to take action. Grace and Ginger Randall, 10 and 7 years old respectively and the daughters of Michelle and Jamie Randall, saw the Craft Fair as an opportunity to raise money to buy food for hungry children, and so, in the Great Room beside the bread bakers and soup makers, they held a bake sale. Thanks to the sale of lots of delicious cookies, brownies and bars plus some donations from customers who were moved by their compassion and dedication, Grace and Ginger raised \$107 which they donated to Laurie's Fund for Haiti's Children. With this amount of money, a severely malnourished Haitian child can be in the Children's Nutrition Program for 11 months and receive monthly food supplements, vitamins, worm medicine and vaccinations. Through their hard work and generosity, Grace and Ginger have helped restore a child to health and perhaps even saved a life. Because of their efforts there is one healthier child in Haiti who has been given a far better opportunity for a healthy and successful future.

In addition, Aydin Frost, son of Kim and Jack Frost of the Marquette Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, asked the guests at his birthday party to bring soccer balls for Haiti instead of gifts. Thanks to Aydin's thoughtfulness and generosity, we now have 25 new, brightly-colored soccer balls plus some pumps to take to a nation where "football" is the national sport, but many children are so poor they have nothing to play with but socks stuffed with rags.

Children are our hope for the future and it's a blessing when they show us that it's in such good hands.

## News from Bob Railey

### Seasonal Planning

The close date for signing up for the “after-Pentecost” season is **Sunday, January 31**. The display containing the sign-up list and information about the seasonal planning process at St. Paul’s is posted on the sign-up bulletin board in the chapel hallway. The “after-Pentecost” season is the last and the longest (about six months) of the liturgical year. The seasonal planning sign-up display for the 2010/2011 liturgical year will be posted in May.

### 2010 Altar Flower Sign-up Chart

The display is posted on a chapel hallway bulletin board. It includes instruction sheets (which you may take with you) in addition to the sign-up schedule. Because of the large numbers who contribute toward Christmas and Easter flowers, those are always handled separately from this sign-up chart. Greens (rather than flowers) are traditionally used during the seasons of Lent and Advent.

### MGH Eucharistic Ministries

For about two months, flu precautions at MGH have curtailed our two weekly Eucharistic ministries. As of late December, we are being permitted to bring communion to Episcopalians on Sundays and to the drug rehab and adult psych wards on Wednesdays. Be advised that the lifting of flu precautions is a gradual thing. Restrictions on youth visitors may remain in place; this is for the same reason that youth (and those who work closely with them) especially are encouraged to be vaccinated against the H1N1 virus. Because religious affiliation does not always get entered into patient records, we continue to invite you to make known to us the names of MGH patients who you know may wish a communion visit on Sundays.

## Tour of Italy

If you would like to travel to Italy, but it’s not quite in your budget right now, come join us on Sunday, **January 17**, during coffee hour in the Morgan Chapel. Tom and Carol Cappuccio will present a travelogue on their recent trip to southern Italy and on Tom’s return to the city of his birth after a 50-plus year absence. We’ll travel to Rome, Sorrento, Capri, Naples, Campagna, Pompeii, Pasternum and Herculeum. Thank you, Tom and Carol, for being willing to share your wonderful experience with us.

## Bishop Search Committee

### Selection Begins

*by Kathy Lenten*

The process for electing a new bishop was approved this fall at diocesan convention, and the North Central Region will be taking part in January by discerning two members for the Bishop Search Committee.

The convener (Kathy Martindale of Negaunee for North Central) of each region will call two meetings: the first will review the search process and the responsibilities of the search committee, the discerning listening guidelines and the Standing Committee’s document on “Generally Desirable Personal Characteristics,” (available at [www.upepiscopal.org](http://www.upepiscopal.org)). Representatives from the North Central congregations will be asked to reflect on possible candidates and meet with their fellow congregation members to identify up to two names.

Each region will then hold a second meeting, before February 1, at which congregational representatives will consider and vote on the names brought forth.

The bishop search committee will be comprised of two members from each of the four geographic regions, as well as a member from Diocesan Council and a member from the Standing Committee. It will be their responsibility to conduct the search, and their work is scheduled to begin in early 2010. The Standing Committee may also appoint up to three additional members to ensure that the search committee is representative of the diocese.

The search committee will meet twice a month in a central location (Escañaba or Negaunee) for at least nine months, and members will be expected to work between meetings. The committee members will share leadership and use guidelines for discerning listening based on the book “Grounded in God: Listening Hearts Discernment for Group Deliberations” (Morehouse, 1999).

The final roster of the search committee will be announced in February 2010. The committee is expected to issue a call for bishop nominees in the spring and announce a slate of candidates in the fall. For regular updates on the bishop search process, visit [www.upepiscopal.org](http://www.upepiscopal.org).

## Treasurer’s Report : Year-to-Date as of November, 2009

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	Over/(under) <u>Budget</u>
Offerings/Contributed support	\$119,549	\$128,898	(\$9,349)
<u>Total Expenses</u>	<u>\$191,342</u>	<u>\$193,822</u>	<u>(\$2,480)</u>
<u>Net income (loss)</u>	<u>(\$71,793)</u>	<u>(\$64,924)</u>	<u>(\$6,869)</u>
<u>Withdrawals from Trusts</u>	<u>\$46,700</u>	<u>\$22,913</u>	<u>\$23,787</u>

## January 2010

Friday	1	Happy New Year!	Office closed
Saturday	2	Episcopal Ministry Support Team, Diocese Office	10 a.m. – 4 p.m.
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>3</b>	Ministry Support Team meeting <b>Holy Eucharist: Christmas 2</b> Receiving of New Members	9:00 a.m. <b>10:30 a.m.</b>
Tuesday	5	Mindfulheart Meditation Yoga	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.
Wednesday	6	Evening Prayer Choir	5:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Thursday	7	Mindfulheart Meditation Yoga	8:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.
Saturday	9	Justice and Peace Conference	10 a.m. – 3 p.m.
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist: Epiphany</b>	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>
Tuesday	12	Mindfulheart Meditation Executive Committee Yoga	8:00 p.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.
Wednesday	13	Evening Prayer North Central Region potluck and meeting Choir	5:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Thursday	14	Mindfulheart Meditation Yoga	8:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.
Friday	15	Ladies' Luncheon	11:30 a.m.
Saturday	16	Diocesan Council meeting, Diocese Office	10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>17</b>	Third Sunday Forum Choir <b>Holy Eucharist: 2 Epiphany</b> "Tour of Italy" with the Cappuccio's	9:00 a.m. 9:45 a.m. <b>10:30 p.m.</b> during coffee hour
Tuesday	19	Mindfulheart Meditation Yoga Finance committee	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.
Wednesday	20	Evening Prayer Choir	5:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Thursday	21	Mindfulheart Meditation Vestry Yoga	8:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Friday	22	Youth Group	3 – 7 p.m.
Saturday	23	"Learn to Make Baklava" with Mary Mikhael	10 a.m. – 12 p.m.
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist: 3 Epiphany</b> Room at the Inn begins	<b>10:30 p.m.</b> 6 p.m. – 6 a.m.
Monday	25	Room at the Inn	6 p.m. – 6 a.m.
Tuesday	26	Mindfulheart Meditation Yoga Room at the Inn	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 6 p.m. – 6 a.m.
Wednesday	27	Evening Prayer Soup Supper Room at the Inn Choir	5:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6 p.m. – 6 a.m. 7:00 p.m.
Thursday	28	Mindfulheart Meditation Room at the Inn	8:00 a.m. 6 p.m. – 8 a.m.
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist: 4 Epiphany</b>	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>

# Late Breaking News

## International Gift Fair

Thanks to tons of support, we have had a very successful fair this year.

Money Deposited	\$20,631
Payment to "SERVV"	\$5,385
Payment to "Ten Thousand Villages" <i>(includes a \$1,000 donation)</i>	\$12,946
Estimated other expenses (state taxes, rental, etc.)	\$2,000

*This fair could not have happened without your support and your labor, before, during and after the event. Thanks go to Girl Scout 5011 who served the soup, the Men's Kitchen (Gentlemen of the Pans!) and the Marquette Food Co-op (for snacks on Friday night).*

*Special thanks to Andrea, Jacy, Audy and Hunter who with Boy Scout Troop 302 brought tons of boxes and wood from the undercroft and assembled the shelving. Boy Scout Troop 302 also disassembled the shelves and took it all back downstairs. Let's hope they all volunteer next year!*

## January

### Ladies' Luncheon

On Friday, January 15, at 11:30 a.m. the Ladies' Luncheon will be held at Coco's Restaurant by the shore of Lake Superior.

If you would like to make a reservation, contact Barb Carpenter at 226-7571 or [bandcarpenter@charter.net](mailto:bandcarpenter@charter.net)

by Thursday at noon.

Mark your calendar and join us for this first luncheon of the New Year.

The deadline for the February issues of the Messenger is January 22, 2010.

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