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Cindy's Chalkboard

Will wonder's never cease? Many of you know the past several weeks have been spent in recruitment of a new part-time Director of Youth Ministries here at NHUMC. We've placed ads in the Tulsa World, the UMC Contact, and even spread the word throughout the Oklahoma Conference and beyond.

Several qualified candidates answered our ad! This past week the SPRC committee, representatives of our awesome Youth group, and me gathered to begin the interview process, seeking to find out who God is sending our way.

As the SPRC committee and your youth can tell you, we had some wonderful candidates apply. With an interview team of 9 people, we narrowed the field to three candidates—and oh, they had some challenging questions to answer. Let me just say, I'm glad I was not the one in the hot seat that night!

Of all the candidates interviewed, the person that the team (unanimously!) felt most closely fit our needs... was none other than **Patrick Grafton!**

Now, I know that many of you know Patrick is no stranger to New Haven church, or to the Havlik household. I am proud to say he is one of my beloved son-in-laws—who has a heart for God and a deep passion for youth.

In fact, with any discussion about youth, his eyes light up—Nicole's (our daughter) exact words were "I have never seen Patrick more excited about a job in his entire life!" Indeed, that says a lot.

All of this came about as a surprise to me, but I am certain it was not a surprise to God. As biased as I am toward one of my own family, I want to share with you what Patrick shared with the committee: that "something much bigger than himself is at work!"

Ever since he began being our Interim Youth Director, Patrick has grown to simply love our youth. He's excited about this new journey, and already has some new ideas in mind to enhance this vital ministry in the near future.

Won't you welcome Patrick and if you don't already know him,



Patrick Grafton

New Haven UMC's

introduce yourself? He's looking forward to meeting you!

Let's offer our prayers and blessings toward Patrick and his new ministry with us, and to our awesome Youth, who will grow in their faith and love of God through our support and prayers for each of them.

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord. "Plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart."

- Jeremiah 29:11-14

With gratitude to God,

- Pastor Cindy

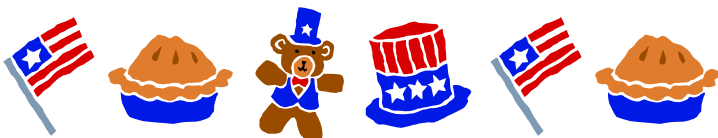
**OUR ANNUAL 4th of JULY CELEBRATION
DINNER FOR OUR HOMELESS BROTHERS
AND SISTERS WILL BE ON
MONDAY, JUNE 30TH**



On Monday, June 30th, we will serve a Bar-B-Q meal at the Day Center with our extended family. Our menu will be BBQ sandwiches, baked beans, coleslaw, and pies. We would like your help making chopped or sliced beef, baking a pie, or serving the meal. You may bring the BBQ warmed and the pies to the main kitchen by 4:00 pm on the 30th. Please stop by the outreach table if you want to help.

**NEW HAVEN ANNUAL 4TH OF JULY
PARADE AND FESTIVITIES
10:00 AM ~ NOON**

If you've never attended our celebration on the 4th of July, you should definitely consider coming this year! We have decorations for your bikes and trikes and wagons, so you'll have 30 minutes to give a festive look to your "wheels", then everyone lines up in front of the church where the police have blocked off our route.....and off we go! We'll walk and ride just about 4 blocks. The neighbors have encouraged us to "Please, don't ever stop having these wonderful parades!" Invite your friends and family to join us! The children love the water slide and Jupiter Jump when we return to the church, so be sure they wear their swim suits under their shorts and shirts. Your well behaved pets are also welcome. After the parade, stay and enjoy music, lemonade, and popcorn on the lawn and get acquainted with someone new! For those who don't want to walk the route, just bring a lawn chair or blanket and relax on the lawn while the parade is taking place. You'll be sure to find a friend to visit with! What an awesome way to celebrate our Independence Day!!!



PLEASE PRAY FOR. . .

Members:

Ron Cunningham	Debbie Green
Greg Gotcher	Dorothy Koons
Don Gregory	Nick Nicholson

Friends & Family of New Haven UMC

Dodie's son-in-law, Mark Baggetto; Nick & Sandy Nicholson's son, Mark and his wife, Linda; Mary Ann Cunningham's mother and sister; Danny Hall's sister, Lily; Carolyn Toalson's dad, Elson Cook; Don & Linda Gregory's family; Syble Gale Aumiller; Elizabeth Havlik; Regina LaGrone's mom; the homeless; our country, city, & leaders.

Covenant Care (prayers & visits appreciated)

Lois Bailey; Maxine Loyd, Fran Palm, Marjorie Stewart, Rosemary Tarr, Vetus Vanderwiele; Dot and Kelly Haynes; Dorothy Koons; Bob Schwartz; Bob & Dorothy Thacker; Laurie & Mahcoe VanDyke

VOTER HOSPITALITY TIME IS HERE!
**PLEASE SIGN UP (OR CALL THE CHURCH) TO
LET US KNOW YOU WILL BRING COOKIES
OR LITTLE MUFFINS, ETC. TO SHARE
WITH OUR VOTERS ON TUESDAY, JUNE 24.**
**This is part of our Radical Hospitality we began
several years ago and people LOVE it!!! You may
bring your goodies to the parlor kitchen the Sun-
day or Monday before the election. Thanks so
much!!!**

**PROJECT TRANSFORMATION
JULY 14-17**

The calendar to share your love with a child by helping them read still has openings. If you'd like to have one of the "reading spots", stop by the Outreach table during the next two Sundays and we'll answer any questions you may have. We'll serve again at Southern Hills UMC. Your life will be transformed! Just ask Cathy Amos, John Stutsman, Becky Puryear, Betty Fine or Kay Garwood. They are just a few of the many who have helped in the past 11 years. Our dates to read are Monday, July 14-Thursday, July 17 from 10:00 am until noon. Watch your Spire for more details as the dates get closer. Our Children are our future!

God's Speed, Adriann

**THE UMPTEENAGERS ARE TOURING THE
BRADY ARTS DISTRICT ON JUNE 17TH.
MEET AT THE CHURCH AT 11:00 AM AND
WE'LL BE BACK AROUND 3:00 PM. SEE
LAST WEEK'S SPIRE FOR DETAILS.**

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL WAS AWESOME!!!



Look for many more pictures of VBS on our lobby screens.



Opportunities of the Week June 22 ~ 29

SUNDAY, June 22

- 8:45 am **Contemporary Worship** and Children's Church
 9:45 am Sunday School
 11:00 am **Traditional Worship** and Children's Church
 1:30 pm Finance Committee/Parlor
 2:30 pm "A Disciple's Path" Class/185
 4:00 pm Liturgical Dance/Sanctuary
 5:00 pm Jr. High Bible Study
 7:00 pm Sr. High Bible Study

MONDAY, June 23

- 6:00 pm Writer's Group

TUESDAY, June 24

- 7:00 pm Boy Scouts/Gym
 7:30 pm AA/ 185,205,209,210

WEDNESDAY, June 25

- 6:00 pm Youth Group
 7:00 pm ACOA/206

THURSDAY, June 26

- 6:00 pm Covenant Bible Study/Chapel
 6:00 PM Christianity & World Religions/Parlor
 6:00 pm Praise Band
 7:30 pm Yoga/210

FRIDAY, June 27

- 7:30 pm AA/Gym

SATURDAY, June 28

- 10:00 am Tulsa People First SAB/Gym

SUNDAY, June 29

- 8:45 am **Contemporary Worship** and Children's Church
 9:45 am Sunday School
 11:00 am **Traditional Worship** and Children's Church
 12:00 pm Mission Sunday Committee/Parlor
 2:30 pm "A Disciple's Path" Class/185
 4:00 pm Liturgical Dance/Sanctuary
 5:00 pm Jr. High Bible Study
 7:00 pm Sr. High Bible Study



June Birthdays

1. Kelly Haynes
Bob Jones
2. Joel Roberts
4. Greg Hart
Carla Hefley
6. David Roberts
Audrey Quinalty
Carson Russell
7. Ron Cunningham
8. Jean Roberts
Jone Friesen
11. Pat Thomas
12. Stacey Schifferdecker
Bill Gotcher
15. Tonya Ford
Deena Smith
17. Mekenzie Blanchard
Nicole Grafton
19. Patty Lewis
Machoe VanDyke
20. Joseph Stevenson
Barry Puryear
22. Katie Standlee
23. Melba Turner
25. Marjorie Hughes
26. Stevi Smith

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

June 15, 2014

8:45 am— 66

11:00 am—86

Total: 148

**Sunday School Attendance:
55**

**Adult Sunday School
Come join us at 9:45 am!**

Room 185: Discovery Class
Galatians

Room 209: Fellowship Class
Jesus's Fulfillment of Scripture

Room 210: New Friendship Class
"Revival: Faith As Wesley Lived It"
By Adam Hamilton

Parlor: Christian Living Class
Adult Bible Study Curriculum

Room 161 Interlude Class
"Making Sense of the Bible" by
Adam Hamilton

Room 205: Journeys Class
"God is Closer Than You Think" by
John Ortburg

**THIS WEEK IS YOUR LAST
CHANCE TO ORDER YOUR
BERRIES FROM OUR UMW.
ORDER BLANKS ARE IN
THE LOBBY OR ASK AT
THE OFFICE FOR
ONE! ORDERS
ARE DUE THE END
OF THIS WEEK!**



You may email articles for the Spire (no later than Sunday evenings, please.) Sending your article on a "Word" document as an attachment works best. Please email your article to pat.bates@newhavenumc.org. Please note "Spire Newsletter" on the subject line. While we make every effort to include your request, we reserve the right to edit or delete articles due to space

New Haven Staff Members

Rev. Cindy Havlik	Senior Pastor
Rev. Suzanne Davis	Associate Pastor
Paul Mabrey	Music Director
Allyson Cauthon	Children's Director
Patrick Grafton	Youth Director
Pat Bates	Adm. Assistant
Ann Martin	Financial Secretary
Mary Ann Cunningham	Nursery Director
Teresa Roberts	Organist
Rev. Jeanette Boyd	Retired Deacon
Tonya Ford	Day School Dir.
Joan West	After School Care
Oscar Sturgeon	Custodian

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