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Special Issue

Appreciation For Community Service

So many people contributed to church and community life during the past several months. This issue catches up on recognizing their generosity.
Thank you. Thank you. Thank you.

Moving Forward

Nancy Rogers led this new support and fellowship program for widows. They met on six Wednesday evenings ending Sept. 1. In October the women will begin meeting monthly. Thanks to Nancy for seeing a need and initiating Moving Forward.

August Worship

Many thanks to Elaine Howe who planned, led and gave readings at the last four August worship services when Pastor Jenny was on vacation. Two were in South Tunbridge Methodist Church and two were at the North Tunbridge Baptist Church.

Don Hilts gave readings and prayers at three of the services, Nancy Rogers did the same for the last one. Nancy Howe gave a message at each service. The bulletins included old photos, including of a quilt patch showing the Baptist Church. Thanks to office manager Geoff Hansen for working with Elaine on the weekly bulletins.

Sue Wood and Helen O'Donnell provided the music for the Methodist services. Rob Howe and Marybeth Lang were soloists. Jacque Norris and Elaine hosted the fellowships after the services. Judy Howe cleaned the Methodist Church which Elaine and Nancy got ready for services including putting out displays.

Shirley Boles was the greeter and served fellowship for the two Baptist Church Sundays. She also cleaned and got the church ready. Thanks to Shirley who is a neighbor and keeps an eye on the church all year.

Nan Frost provided music and accompanied soloist Rose Terami for the Aug. 22 service. Elaine led the singing on Aug. 29 and Lauren Mabie sang a solo.

Super Senior Luncheon

Thanks to the volunteers who cooked, set up, served, cleaned up and delivered several meals for the Aug. 28 first sit-down Town Hall lunch in more than a year. During Covid, the Outreach Committee delivered several meals to seniors' homes in lieu of the lunches.

Nancy Chapman chaired the meal, helped by Elaine Howe, Nancy Howe, Kay Jorgensen, Marybeth Lang, Dawna Neron, Jacque Norris, Jean Parker, Margaret Rogers, Nancy Rogers and Judy Tucker.

Community Food Shelf

As reported in the May newsletter, Mariah Cilley is the new food shelf manager, supported by a committee. They have set up a produce stand at the creche where people can leave or take fresh vegetables at any time. The bountiful garden on the lawn near the playground is the source of some of the produce.

Thanks to Jerilyn Zaroogian and Peter Guy who installed four raised beds and volunteers from Gardener's Supply who help tend the beautiful and productive garden. The food shelf is staffed by volunteers on Fridays from 4-6 p.m. for pick-up of canned and boxed items in the Parish House.

Annual Meeting

After two postponements, the Annual Meeting that is usually held in February took place June 6 in the church after the worship service. Nancy Rogers and Amy Frost were elected to the Parish Council. Many thanks to Rob Howe for his years of service on the council and to Bunchie Angell who served for a year.

Longtime Recording Treasurer Elsie Farnham, who retired, received a gift card and plant in thanks for all she has done. Jerilyn Zaroogian and Dawna Neron later resigned from the council. Their support of the church is also appreciated.

Memorial Day

Memorial Day was observed Sunday, May 30, at the fairgrounds worship service planned by Pastor Jenny. Thank you to flag bearers Warren Baldwin and Judy Tucker; Don Hilts, who carried the wreath; Steve Morello, who fired a volley; vocalists Nan Frost, Marybeth Lang and Lauren Mabie; readers Warren Baldwin, Jenny Cook, Don Hilts, Elaine Howe, Nancy Howe, Kay Jorgensen and Nancy Rogers; Tony Welch, who rang the church bell, and his prompter, Brian Cook.

July 5 Parade

The town postponed Memorial Day until July 5. At Pastor Jenny's suggestion, the church took part in the parade.

Portia and Barry Wampler carried the banner. Heart-shaped lollipops and microwave popcorn packets, all marked with church information, were given out along the route by Jenny Cook, Kay Jorgensen, Linda Lazaroff, Nancy Rogers and granddaughter Whitney McClain, Judy Tucker and Liz and Vinnie White.

Community Yard Sale

Thanks to everyone who supported our first fundraising event since February 2020. Nancy Howe headed up the sale, laid out vendor spaces on the Parish House lawn and brought multiple tables for church wares. The sale, which was by donation for all but a few items, brought in \$608.53.

Nancy Rogers headed up the food, from morning hot drinks with baked goods to lunch and snacks. Her grandchildren John and Whitney McClain and cousin Marie Ford helped. Warren Baldwin grilled the hotdogs, Shirley Boles put them in buns and added condiments, and John Holder

handled the money. They made \$227.50 before expenses.

Sale hours were 7-2, so setup and cleanup volunteers were there well before and after. Helping with setup, sales and/or cleanup were Shirley Boles, Nancy and Randy Chapman, John Holder, Elaine Howe, Kay Jorgensen, Jacque Norris, Fred Pond and Portia and Barry Wampler.

Flag Stands

Warren Baldwin put his talents to work on his new lathe – it took four men to carry it into the shop and assemble it – to make two handsome wooden stands that now hold the American and Christian flags in the sanctuary.

Groundskeeping

Thank you to these volunteers who do so much to make our properties look good.

Potash Road neighbor Lenora Kimball deserves the credit and many thanks for the beautiful flower bed in front of the Parish House, which she keeps pruned, weeded and mulched.

Baxter Doty does double duty, using his mower both in Tunbridge Village at the Parish House and church and at the South Tunbridge Church. We appreciate his service. Shirley Boles's daughter Cheryl Densmore maintains the North Tunbridge Baptist Church lawn.

During last winter Gordie Barnaby plowed the back entrance and parking to the Parish House.

Pastoring

In addition to leading weekly worship services and composing mid-week Refrigerator Pages, Pastor Jenny was on the road and on the phone during the summer, visiting families after a death and others and keeping in touch with those who were not leaving home.

Outdoor Sunday worship at the fairgrounds, which began on Easter, continued through the Memorial Day. We appreciate the fair directors allowing use of their space.

Indoor worship services resumed for June and July with fellowship being served on the deck. Highlights included the church's first Men's Day on June 20, when men showed off crafts and hobbies from woodworking to model trains. Thanks to Portia and Barry Wampler for hosting a month of fellowship.

Recent Deaths

After a shocking and sad April that saw the unexpected deaths of Ed Howe, Bob Rogers and Sue Barnaby, the church lost two additional members, Euclid Farnham and Byron Angell, during the summer.

Euclid D. Farnham

Euclid, an eighth generation Tunbridge resident, died June 21 at age 87. He enlisted in the U. S. Army in 1955 and served in the Signal Corps in Germany. In 1958 he was discharged and returned to the family farm which he operated until 1996. He served The Congregational Church and The Tunbridge Church for decades as a Parish Council member, treasurer, choir member and sexton.

He was a founding member of the Tunbridge Historical Society (1961), serving as president for 45 years. For years he led history walks, gave slide programs and freely shared his love of history. He was the town and school moderators for 37 years, World's Fair board member for nearly 50 years and president for 32 years. He also conducted the town's annual Memorial Day program and ceremonies.

Euclid's many interests in history included the American Civil War. He usually portrayed a Civil War character at the historical society's annual Ghost Walk and supported battlefield preservation efforts. He also published two books: *Tunbridge Past, A Pictorial History of Tunbridge, Vermont*, and *The Tunbridge World's Fair*, part of Arcadia Publishing's Images of America series.

Euclid is survived by his wife Priscilla, the Wolfe family—Jean and David, Ben and Michaeline Kadlub and Kellyann and Tim—and a niece, great-nieces and nephews and cousins. Memorial donations may be made to the Tunbridge Historical Society and to the Friends of the Tunbridge Library. A full obituary can be seen at www.boardwayandcilley.com.

Byron H. Angell

Byron Angell died on July 25 at age 92. A native of Randolph, he grew up in Massachusetts, returning to Vermont for college at UVM. That's where he met Olive "Bunchie" Parkhurst whom he married on Aug. 23, 1951.

He had participated in ROTC and was commissioned a 2nd lieutenant upon graduating in 1951. He trained troops in Japan during the Korean War and was

honorably discharged from the Army Reserves in 1956.

Byron taught math and physics at Vermont Technical College from 1958-1992, retiring in 1992, awarded the title of Professor Emeritus. His memberships included the Randolph School Board, American Legion, Montague Golf Club, Randolph Singers and the Ed Larkin Contra Dancers.

He belonged to the United Church of Christ in Randolph Center and Tunbridge. After moving here he sang in the church choir. He enjoyed hunting and fishing, golfing and dancing. From his basement woodshop, he crafted future family heirlooms to mark the milestones and achievements of those closest to him. Survivors include Bunchie, sons James and Timothy, daughter Joan, son-in-law Jack Enos, five grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

The funeral service was held in The Tunbridge Church with the Rev. Dr. Jennifer Cook and the Rev. Deadra Ashton officiating. Memorial donations may be made to the Susan Angell Enos scholarship at Vermont Technical College or The Tunbridge Church. A full obituary is at www.boardwayandcilley.com

Funeral Fellowships

During the first year of Covid most funeral fellowships were limited to bottled water and bagged cookies. Relaxed restrictions this summer allowed a return to plates of cookies, crackers and cheeses and other beverages. Thanks to Funeral Fellowship Committee members who set up and served the refreshments and the many others who baked for these times of remembrance:

April 24: Nancy Chapman served fellowship at Bob and Margaret Rogers's house following the memorial service for Bob at Spring Road Cemetery.

May 2: Sue Barnaby's funeral at the Pavilion Building was followed by refreshments served by Shirley Boles, Nancy Chapman, Elaine Howe and Nancy Howe.

May 15: Shirley Boles, Nancy Chapman and Judy Tucker handled fellowship at the Pavilion following the memorial service for Ed Howe.

July 11: Vivian and David Smith, Judy Tucker and Kay Jorgensen provided refreshments for a celebration of life

gathering hosted by Larry Mengedoht for Ruth, who died last Nov. 12.

July 20: Funeral fellowship after the celebration of life service for Bill Caswell at the Pavilion Building was handled by Elaine Howe, Nancy Chapman and Nancy Rogers.

July 31: Refreshments after the memorial service for Byron Angell were served at the Dodge-Gilman Building by Elaine Howe, Nancy Howe and Nancy Rogers.

Aug. 12: Funeral fellowship for the Ellen Borgardus memorial service at the Pavilion was provided by Elaine Howe, Nancy Howe, Jacque Norris and Nancy Rogers.

Aug. 22: Refreshments at the Dodge-Gilman fellowship time for Richard Howe were served by Elaine Howe, Nancy Howe, Nancy Rogers and her cousin Marie Ford, and Judy Tucker.

Sacred Sound Circle

Karen Eddings of Chelsea, who leads drumming and percussion sessions that help people discover the health benefits of rhythm, brought instruments and led drumming at the Aug. 1 service on the lawn. Everyone enjoyed watching toddler twins with rattles and drums.

Hall Repairs

The damaged plaster on the front wall of the Parish House hall was recently repaired by Peter Chapman. Nancy Chapman repainted that section of wall and also near the stairs. The not-new rug came from the church office. Thanks also to Nancy for seasonally changing the curtains, which she made, to conserve heat during the cold months.

Think Electric Cars

Town Clerk Mariah Cilley recently passed along a query about use of the South Tunbridge Methodist Church for filming a commercial. The Parish Council approved and within a day Nancy Howe and Mt. Mansfield Media had a plan. Nancy assisted with contacts for everything from toilets and horses to food. On Aug. 30 a DriveElectricVT.com commercial set in 1902 was filmed at the Community House next to the church. Elaine Howe was one of the costumed characters. Mt. Mansfield is the company that produced "Tunbridge: A Vermont Town, A World's Fair" for White River Toyota several years ago.

Birthdays

September

17 – Ben Wolfe

October

03 – Randy Chapman

14 - Warren Baldwin

16 – Laura Young

20 - Tom Swahn

30 – Joey Serviss

Anniversaries

September

04 – Bob & Linda Lazaroff

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**Food Shelf donations may be sent to
Treasurer Mary Fisk at PO Box 12,
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