

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Each year the T. Lamar and Martha T. Robinson, Sr., Scholarship Fund Committee receives applications from members of Pisgah A.R.P. Church who meet the following requirements:

1. Less than twenty-five years of age;
2. Graduated from high school;
3. Attending or plan to attend an accredited two or four-year college or trade school;
4. Actively pursuing a college degree or trade school diploma;
5. Maintaining a "C" average or better;
6. Applicants are restricted to two-year, four-year, or trade school degrees.

Application forms are available in the church office. The forms must be completed and returned to the church office on or before July 15.

The Scholarship Trust is open for contributions from anyone.

2011 PISGAH ARP YOUTH MISSION

THE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

GENERAL FUND RECEIPTS FOR THE MONTH

Envelopes	\$ 28,230.00
Honorariums/Memorials	\$ 1,570.00
Plate Collections	\$ 230.50
Sunday School Offerings	\$ 121.50
Initial Offerings	\$ 4.00

TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE MONTH	\$ 30,156.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE MONTH	\$(33,235.84)
RECEIPTS LESS DISBURSE. FOR THE MONTH	\$ (3,079.84)

2011 ANNUAL BUDGET \$416,729.00 or \$34,727.42 per month

GENERAL FUND YEAR-TO-DATE RECEIPTS & DISBURSEMENTS

Total Contributions	\$ 68,192.01
Disbursements	\$ (63,655.09)

YEAR-TO-DATE G/F RECEIPTS vs DISBURSEMENTS \$ 4,536.92

BLDG./CAPITAL IMPROVE. FUND RECEIPTS FOR THE MONTH

Envelopes	\$ 2,595.00
Honorariums/Memorials	\$ 100.00
Sunday School Offering (First Sunday)	\$ 48.00
Interest Earned	\$.09

TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR THE MONTH	\$ 2,743.09
DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE MONTH	\$(4,180.88)
BCIF RECEIPTS LESS DISBURSEMENTS (for the month)	\$ (1,437.79)

DESIGNATED RECEIPTS FOR THE MONTH

Bonclarken/Carson Cottage Maintenance Fund	\$ 782.00
Cemetery Trust Fund	\$ 160.00
Souper Bowl Offering for CAM	\$ 283.33
Crisis Assistance Ministry (Designated)	\$ 50.00
Upward Basketball Program	\$ 100.00
Benevolent Fund	\$ 85.00
Appalachia Mission Trip Fund	\$ 370.00
Church Officers Training Fund	\$ 300.00

TOTAL DESIGNATED RECEIPTS FOR THE MONTH \$ 2,130.33

GOLF TOURNAMENT

Friday, May 20

11:00 - Registration

1:00 - Shotgun Start

Linwood Springs Golf Course

\$50.00 Per Person

(includes greens fees, cart, lunch, and prizes)

Survivor kits are available for \$15.00

(includes 2 mulligans, 2 red tee, and 1 throw/toss)

**We need hole sponsors. If you are interested
in sponsoring a hole, please contact the
church at (704) 865-7611, ext. 2.**

Hole Sponsorship - \$100.00

All proceeds will go toward our Appalachia Mission Trip.

HAPPY APRIL BIRTHDAYS!!

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| 4 - Wesley Reynolds | 19 - Erin Farmer Davis
Ruth Hunt |
| 6 - Judy Craig | 21 - Rachel Hanes |
| 8 - Alan Teague | 22 - Megan Carson |
| 9 - Logan Keplinger | 23 - Seth Jenkins |
| 11 - Bill Hall | 24 - Suzanne Elliott
Henry Oates |
| 12 - Karen Richardson | 25 - Helen Boyd
John Ormand
Carolyn Ashworth
Myra Stewart |
| 13 - Alice Stewart
Katy Ratchford | 26 - Rebecca Gardner |
| 15 - Gina Thompson | 28 - Sandra Sanders |
| 16 - Jeff Gale | 29 - Josh Adams
Kathy Metcalf |
| 17 - Norman Bumgardner
Mark Lowe | |
| 18 - Dan Ratchford
Gwen Crutchfield | |

HAPPY APRIL ANNIVERSARIES!!

- 2 - Mr. & Mrs. Kent Keplinger
- 12 - Mr. & Mrs. Chris Spencer
- 14 - Dr. & Mrs. Ty Robinson
- 15 - Mr. & Mrs. Claude Clark
- 17 - Mr. & Mrs. Henry Oates
- 18 - Mr. & Mrs. Chuck Pendleton
- 18 - Mr. & Mrs. Gordon Pearson
- 20 - Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Adams
- 20 - Mr. & Mrs. Alan Teague
- 21 - Mr. & Mrs. Everette Mooneyhan
- 23 - Mr. & Mrs. Titus Greene

DEACONS' DILEMMAS

Present for our March meeting were twelve Deacons, Curtis Hopper, Session Representative; Rev. Rick Lewis, and Ed Carson. Carolyn Ashworth gave our devotional and had our opening prayer. The topic for our devotional was "Lent Gives Us A Time To Reflect On Our Soul." The scripture was Acts 13:38-39.

Kay Robinson, Vice-Chairman, presided in the absence of our Chairman, Gus Anthony. Gus' father, Tony Anthony, passed away on March 12. Gus and his family are in our thoughts and prayers.

Ed Carson gave the following report on our finances at the end of February, 2011: Against expected receipts of \$69,454.84, we have received \$68,192.01, or \$1,262.83 under budget. At this same time last year, we had received \$62,767.85, making us \$5,424.16 over last year. Against expected expenses of \$69,454.82, we have spent \$63,655.09, or \$5,799.73 under budget. Our General Fund expenses in February, 2010 were \$62,671.44, or a difference of \$983.65. Our available General Fund balance was \$15,575.86. The available General Fund balance last year at this same time was \$14,494.05, or a difference of \$1,081.74. Our BCIF payment for February was \$4,180.88, and our receipts were \$2,743.00, or a difference of -\$1,437.88. The Week Day School receipts were \$4,881.34, and the expenses were \$4,360.30, or a difference of \$521.04.

The Building and Maintenance team has been working with a roof leaf and a kitchen leak in the manse, getting the entrance door to the Chapel area replaced, lights fixed in the gym, etc. A clip board will soon be available in the hallway near the church secretary's office for anyone to list a building and maintenance item that needs to be taken care of. We hope this will enable us to be able to take care of some items without having to wait until our next meeting date to find out about them.

The Cemetery and Grounds Committee has had the tough task of restructuring our grounds contract in order to cut expenses. We are looking at April 16 as a possible work day to help get the church grounds in order for Easter and the spring season.

Another item on our agenda is moving the water cut-off valve at the Bonclarken House from the outside to the inside to make it easier for those using the house to cut off the water supply when they leave.

Our Upward Basketball program finished up on March 5, 2011. Many thanks go to Kevin Adams, Director, and to all the volunteers who worked so faithfully to make the program a success. There were 90 participants from 71 families involved.

Carolyn Ashworth closed our meeting with prayer.

CIRCLE NEWS

THE RACHEL BOYCE CIRCLE met March 6 in the lounge of the Elliott Center. Circle leader, Diane Starnes, welcomed the members.

Rebecca Howe had the devotional, and reviewed **The ARP** magazine. Rebecca also had our Bible Study using Hebrews, chapters 3 and 4, "Where Are You Going?" She closed with prayer. The treasurer's report was given by Belinda Lewis and the minutes were read by Edith Falls.

Diane reviewed the PWM newsletter. Circle members were asked to make pies for Pie Day on April 9.

Refreshments were served by Rebecca Howe.

Edith Falls, Secretary

THE SUZANNE ELLIOTT CIRCLE met at 7:00 P.M. on March 7 in the lounge of the Elliott Center. Tracy Adams, Circle Chairman, welcomed the 12 members who were present. Suzanne Elliott gave our devotions from **Stories From The Heart**, using the theme, "Doing The Best That You Can." The third chapter of our Bible Study of Hebrews, "Where Are You Going?" was presented by Ann Teague.

Suzanne Elliott presented the treasurer's report.

Ann Teague will remember our Sunshine Friends this month, and Barbara Oates will remember our college students.

Kathy Spencer's newsletter was reviewed.

A motion was made and passed that the Suzanne Elliott Circle give a memorial for Mr. Sam Crawford.

Elaine Bursleson will have our devotions and serve as hostess for April, and Julie Mooneyhan will have our Bible Study.

Following our meeting, Suzanne Elliott served delicious refreshments.

Ann Teague

THE MARY KENNEDY CIRCLE met March 7 in the lounge of the Elliott Center. Circle Leader Donna Forbes welcomed the twelve members and two guests who were present. She then opened the meeting with a prayer.

Rebecca Howe, the guest speaker, made mention of the study book by Nancy Guthrie with the message: **Where Are You Going?** She then presented the lesson entitled, "Hoping For Something Better," taken from Hebrews.

Rebecca passed a sign-up sheet for pies for the Pie Day on April 9. The request is for 2-4 pies per person or a donation.

Anne Lewellen, Secretary, read the minutes and they were approved.

Joann Grier gave the Treasurer's report. Easter cards will be sent to the shut-ins and the students. We were asked to remember our Sunshine Friends.

President Kathy Spencer's newsletter was read and reviewed.

The Pie Day will be April 9 from 11:00 A.M. until 1:00 P.M. One member

is asked to help set-up and another to help with the clean up. Tickets are available for \$5.00. There will be a pie toss and a pie tasting as well as pies being sold.

Myra Carson and Kathy Spencer will hang the grapevine wreaths on March 9 for the start of the Lenten Season.

Plans for Super Saturday are well underway. Some of the plans include: a yard sale, breakfast, car show, walk-a-thon, and a gospel sing.

Dates to remember are: March 9 - Ash Wednesday; Desserts from members (M-Z) on March 23; March 27 is PWM Executive Board Meeting.

The meeting was closed with the praying of the Mizpah Benediction.

Anne Lewellen, Secretary

APRIL MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS

- 8 - Nathanael James Moore
- 8 - Elizabeth Grace Moore
- 10 - Mike Riedle
- 12 - Don Schwencer
- 12 - Emma Hammond
- 14 - Greg Williams
- 17 - Gala Coad
- 18 - Jim Shepard
- 25 - Julie Dix
- 25 - Sara Riedle
- 26 - Tara Mitchell
- 28 - Chris Conover
- 28 - Ethan Humes
- 28 - Heiko Burklin

THIS 'N THAT

HOSPITAL PATIENTS... Sheldon Spencer, Johnnie Henry, Martha Flowe Robinson, Lou Bingham

THE SYMPATHY of the Pisgah Congregation is extended to Gus Anthony and family in the death of his father, William A. "Tony" Anthony, Jr.; to Max Wolfe

FOR YOUR INFORMATION...

THE PISGAH WOMEN'S MINISTRIES is sponsoring a "Pie Day" on Saturday, April 9, from 11:00 A.M. until 1:00 P.M. in the Elliott Center. This is a fund raising

and family in the death of his brother-in-law, T.A. Lynn; to the family and friends of Luezetta P. Foy; to the family and friends of Gene Davis. Gene and his wife, Diana, were former members of Pisgah and Diana was Pisgah's pianist.

NEW ARRIVAL... Mary Ann Clemmer is happy to announce the safe arrival of her first great-grandchild, Noah James MacKessy-Lloyd. Noah's parents are Trevor and Rachel MacKessy-Lloyd and his grandparents are Marvin and Mary Clemmer. Noah was born on his late great-grandfather, Dan Clemmer's birthday, March 23.

DID YOU KNOW THAT Our guest pianist on March 6 was Amelia Pritchett.... The flowers in the sanctuary on March 20 were given in honor of Angela Foy for her birthday on March 23 by Robert, Elizabeth, and Rebecca Foy.... The Pisgah Women's Ministries is sponsoring a "Pie Day" on April 9 from 11:00 A.M. until 1:00 P.M. The \$5.00 admission price will cover a tasting of meat, vegetable, and dessert pies.... Jane Falls and Jeanelle Bumgardner had their pictures in the March 27 **Gaston Gazette** with other members of the Gaston County Extension and Community Association as it celebrated its 2010 Year of Achievement.... Gwen Crutchfield has had pneumonia.

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ABOUT PISGAH'S CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Jeffrey Adams was on the A/B Honor Roll at Southwest Middle School for the last grading period.

Preston and Dillon Teague were on the A/B Honor Roll at Chapel Grove Elementary. **Dillon** was also named Citizen of the Month for his class.

Congratulations to Hunter Huss High School for winning the state basketball championship for the third time. **Max Wolfe, III**, is the student trainer for the team.

The flowers in the sanctuary on March 6 were given in honor of **Elizabeth Marie Foy's** 11th birthday on March 8 by Daddy, Mommy, Rebecca, PaPa and Grandma, PaPa and Nana, Uncle Todd and Aunt Tracy.

Payton Clark has had pneumonia.

event, and the \$5.00 admission price will cover a tasting of meat, vegetable, and dessert pies. A recipe booklet will be available for sale. There will also be a pie contest and a big variety of pies for sale.

EASTER CANDY is needed! There is a box in the church office for individually wrapped donations of candy.

ANNUAL TALENT SHOW... We will have our Talent Show on April 20, the last midweek until fall. There is a sign-up sheet in the Elliott Center lobby. Any and all talent is welcome!

A MAUNDY THURSDAY COMMUNION SERVICE will be held at Crowders Creek ARP Church on April 21 at 7:00 P.M. Participating churches in addition to Pisgah and Crowders Creek are Bethany, Clover, and Linden. Rev. Alan Morrow, Bethany's pastor, will be preaching.

PLEASE BRING FRESH FLOWERS to cover the cross on Easter Sunday, April 24.

SUNRISE SERVICE will be held Easter morning, April 24. The time will be announced. Following the service, a light, continental breakfast will be served in the fellowship hall.

OUR ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT is scheduled for Saturday, April 23, at 10:00 A.M. Bring your Easter baskets and join us for lots of fun! We may have a visit from someone special!

IT'S SPRING CLEANING TIME! The Deacons are planning a clean-up day on Saturday, April 16, 8:00 A.M. until noon. We will have something for everyone to do - some inside cleaning as well as outside work. Bring your gloves and favorite tools. Come help us get our buildings and grounds ready for Easter and spring. Our kitchen and the women's storage closet is also on the list to be cleaned. Everyone is welcome!

OLD AND DEAD FLOWERS will be removed from the cemetery on Saturday, April 16.

NAMES OF HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE GRADUATES are needed. **TWO OF OUR MEMBERS,** Bobby Duran and Jon Valentine, will be going on the mission trip to Wales this summer. The trip will cost each of them \$2,000. Fund raisers for the trip are scheduled for May 7 - Car Wash and June 4 - Car Wash. Please keep these young men in your prayers. Thank you for your support.

QUEST AND HORIZON DEPOSITS are due by April 20 - \$40.00 (\$25.00 non-refundable); the cost is \$80.00 plus \$10.00 for a t-shirt plus \$8.00 for Monday's meal. The remainder is due on May 15. Horizon is June 13-18; Quest is June 20-25.

MUSIC CONFERENCE is July 10-15 at Bonclarken. A deposit of \$45.00 (\$25.00 non-refundable) is due by April 20. If you would like to sign-up to go to Music Conference or want more information, please see Linda Valentine. The remainder of the cost is due May 15.

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GREETINGS FROM THE WEEK DAY SCHOOL

Look What We Have Learned!!

The two-year-olds and three-year-olds are working through the alphabet, shapes, and numbers.

Congratulations to our four and five-year-olds! Most of them are reading, and memorizing Bible verses is a breeze. This month we will learn about Easter through our Bible stories and crafts.

The four-year-old class enjoyed a tasty trip to Krispy Kreme Donut Shop and back by Martha Rivers Park for some outdoor fun!

An educational trip to Lowes Foods is planned for the four-year-old class on April 5.

Thursday, April 21, we will have an Easter party and egg hunt, and a special visit from the Easter bunny.

The Week Day School will be closed April 25-29 for spring break.

Our thanks to Rev. Lewis for conducting Chapel for us every week, to our bus drivers, Robert Teague and Roger Whitley, and a special thank you to Kristy Jenkins for her time in teaching the children creative movement.

Happy Easter,
Ms. Annie and Staff

THANK YOU!

Dear Reverend Lewis,

Please share CAM's thanks with your congregation for taking part in "Souper Bowl" Sunday and designating the funds to our ministry. This annual hunger fighting effort has become a great resource for CAM and other agencies in our community.

CAM is proud of its partnership with area congregations. Together, we have made great strides in meeting the needs of the poor. Thanks to your congregation for helping to make our work possible.

Sincerely,

Cathy W. Howell
Executive Director

THANK YOU...Sheldon Spencer would like to thank everyone for remembering him with cards, calls, visits, and most especially your prayers during his recent hospitalization and recuperation. Please continue to keep him in your thoughts and prayers.

UPCOMING EVENT

Mark your calendars for our **MAY MEETING** on May 1. The Reverend Alan Avera will be our guest minister. Rev. Avera is the Director of Outreach North America. Services are 11:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M. A covered dish supper will be at 5:30. Invite your family and friends.