

TRUE VINE TIMES JUNE 11, 2020

OUR NEWSLETTER:

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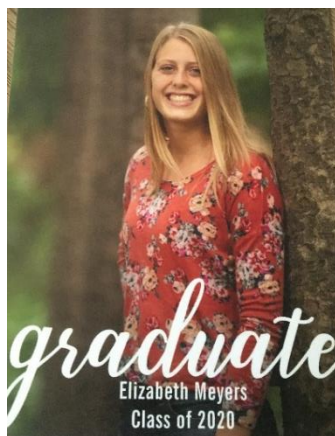
Everyone is welcome to submit something that they wrote or wanted to share. Submissions can be emailed to Ann Meyers-annmeyers2003@gmail.com or Jack Keough-jackkeough@rochester.rr.com. Submissions received *before Tuesdays* will be considered for that week's publication.

GRADUATION PARTY

PLEASE JOIN US TO CELEBRATE!

June 20, 2020 at 11:30-2pm
Zoom Ceremony begins at
11:30am live or remotely.

Take out or dine in lunch served
12-1pm at CCAM. RSVP by
Friday, June 12 to Rachel at
716-949-4048 or
congratstoliz2020@gmail.com



Please RSVP so we know how many lunches to prepare. More detailed information will be made available to those who RSVP.

THE ROMANS ROAD – SUBMITTED BY TREY KIPFER

Have you ever struggled to share the gospel? The Romans Road might help you. The Romans Road is a sequence of verses that breaks down the gospel and, therefore, it helps you walk through the gospel message with someone. If you are familiar with these verses, it will be easier to portray the gospel message. Know where these verses are and highlight them in your Bible. Additionally, it may help you to write at each verse the reference that comes next. At the same time, don't let a list prevent you from following what the Holy Spirit leads you to say.

Here's the Romans Road:

Romans 3:10

Romans 3:23

Romans 5:12

Romans 6:23

Romans 5:8

Romans 10:9,10

Romans 10:13

Romans 8:38, 39

VERSE FOR VICTORY:

Come, let us sing to the Lord! Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come to him with thanksgiving. Let us sing psalms of praise to him.
Psalms 95:1-2

SONG SUGGESTIONS:

- ♪ *Prize Worth Fighting For* by Jamie Kimmett
- ♪ *Be My Shalom* by Evan Craft
- ♪ *When I Say Amen* by Rachel Wammack
- ♪ *Springtime* by Chris Renzema

A LITTLE SAYING – SUBMITTED BY DIANE SCHROCK

“Grateful hearts gather here.”

A JOKEY JOKE:

What do trees wear to Mother Nature's pool party?

Answer: swimming trunks

A PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

BY ANN MEYERS

Thank you, God for your breath in my lungs. My heart beats to the rhythm of your love. Thank you for the peaceful breeze and the songs of the birds lifting your name on high. Thank you for my voice that I can sing and shout your praises. Thank you for your trust and satisfying love. Thank you for placing me in the Clarence Center-Akron Mennonite Church family. Thank you for many blessings and opportunities to serve. Thank you for your promises that I can hold onto. Thank you, God, for loving me just the way I am.

ENCOURAGEMENT ABOUT THE NEWSLETTER

– SUBMITTED BY A CONGREGANT

I really enjoy receiving and reading the True Vine Times. For someone who does not have updated visual electronics, keeping in touch with everyone in this way is a real treat. All I can say is – “bring it on everyone.” Stories, events, dreams, hopes and all the positives are so encouraging, not only for a gloomy day, but for the best and most beautiful days.

AND NOW FOR THE REST OF THE STORY....

BY LOREN MEYERS

Paul Harvey was a radio announcer back in the day. He used to tell a story, take a break, and then come back on the radio with, "and now for the rest of the story..." I appreciate all the kind words from Jack Keough a couple newsletters ago, but I was not the only person who spear-headed the project of repairing the church basement after the installation of the new gas furnaces.

Jack and Matt Keough were a big help. They spent hours matching the paint to use on the box that was built around the pipes. Of course, they had their training from Pam!! Sandi and Lizzy Meyers painted the wood before the box process began. Will Schrock provided much of the wood for the project in re-purposing boxes that car parts came in. Even Jerry Boshart got his fingers in the project until he was "caught." I also want to give kudos to Tamara and Sarah Ferris for their work on the clean-up process (even re-doing some of the areas). It was a "team" effort and many hands made light work. When we are allowed back into the church, you will be surprised at how it looks very natural there.

QUICK CHECKS

BRIEF, BUT INFORMATIVE UPDATES ON SOME OF THE FOLKS FROM CHURCH

The Liss Family - Jeff reported that everyone in the family is doing well. Evan, Ella, and Hannah are finishing the school year online, and have done very well. Jeff notes that he and Kelli are pleased with how the kids have adapted to their "new normal" and are making the best of it. Jeff and Kelli are also in the midst of remodeling their kitchen.

Cheryl Snyder- Cheryl said she is coming along, slowly but surely. She expected her recovery to be much quicker than it's taking but is accepting of the progress. Things around the farm are extremely busy. Cheryl reports Ron put in a 17-hour workday recently!

Vic and Nancy Miller - I was able to reach Nancy by phone while she was out doing some gardening in their backyard. Nancy said that she and Vic are doing well. They keep busy with many activities, including staying in contact with Arlene Snyder. Nancy expressed thankfulness that their circumstances are good, in light of how the pandemic has had a difficult impact on others.

PANDEMIC POSITIVES:

- ✓ An Employer welcomed back 14 employees with a surprise \$1,000 bonus to spend on local businesses.
- ✓ A nurse was reunited with her daughters after 9 weeks of serving in hospitals.
- ✓ A bakery gave away over 1,000 custom-made cakes to the 2020 graduates.
- ✓ A police officer prayed with a protestor in the middle of the turbulent times.
- ✓ Dozens of strangers lifted a vehicle off a woman trapped underneath.
- ✓ A mother and her daughter both graduated from medical school and will work together in the same hospital.
- ✓ Hawaii fishermen donated 220 pounds of tuna to local hospitals.
- ✓ A man took off his shoes and socks to give to a homeless man on the side of the street.
- ✓ Coronavirus infections slow down in Finland despite schools reopening.
- ✓ Thailand's 1 million health volunteers are hailed as coronavirus heroes.
- ✓ The worldwide lockdown has helped endangered seahorses to return to UK waters.
- ✓ China's Wuhan found no new COVID-19 cases in their city-wide testing.
- ✓ Spain recorded zero deaths from coronavirus in the last 24 hours for the first time since March.
- ✓ Egypt reported their first decline in new coronavirus cases for a week.
- ✓ French COVID-19 cases showed further decline.
- ✓ Despite homelessness, a graduate became valedictorian of his class.
- ✓ An 11-year-old boy found a wallet and returned it to its rightful owner.

