

BELL'S MESSENGER



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Graduation Sunday

Graduation Sunday this year will be June 3 during Worship Service. There will be a Covered Dish Meal Immediately Following in the Fellowship Hall.

This year our graduate is Kyle Wade.

Special Singing

Special Singing Sunday, June 3rd at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary. If you would like to sing let Gene Farlow know.

Fairview UMC VBS with Mt. Vernon

Fairview UMC will have Vacation Bible School with Mt. Vernon UMC from Sunday, June 24 through Thursday, June 28. It will be held at Mt. Vernon UMC on Archdale Road. The theme is SKY: Where everything is possible with God! When I get more information on times, I will put it in the Bulletin.

Service Time Change

It is that time of the year again!!! We will be changing Service Times on Sunday, July 1. Worship Service will be at 9:45 am and Sunday School will be at 11 am.

New Pastor

We will welcome our new Pastor on Sunday, July 15. Her name is Nancy Krall. She will be living in Fairview's Parsonage. She is an Elder of the United Methodist Church. She will be coming to us from the New Home-Shady Grove Charge in East Bend which is in Yadkin County.

Relay for Life

Praise God!! You know your church family is true when you want to reach a new goal. We sold tickets for a homemade quilt from our Sophia Ladies who worked extremely hard on a beautiful quilt. Then Sunday I counted all the money and we were short, low and behold God's people came together and we got \$2,702.00

This the most Old Union has collected for a cure for Cancer. Thanks to all of GOD's people.

History of Old Union UMC

Trivia Question

May's Question: What Pastor was here from 1984 until 1988?

Answer: Donnie Durham

June's Question: What funds were used to purchase the benches in the Sanctuary in 1977?

(Answer will be in July's Bell's Messenger)

United Methodist Women

The Ladies meet at 6:30 pm on the 1st Tuesday of every month.

Our next meeting is this Tuesday night, June 5th in the Fellowship Hall. All ladies that are looking for good fellowship and work for the church, come out and fellowship with us.

United Methodist Men

The United Methodist Men would like to thank everyone that helped out in any way with the Country Breakfast on May 19th. We raised a little over \$1000.00.

The next Country Breakfast will be Saturday, September 22.

There will be no meeting in June since it is Father's Day.

United Methodist Youth Ministry

The United Methodist Youth Ministry went on a outing on Sunday, May 20th to the Greensboro Grasshoppers Game.

We will be having a "Lock In" in the Fellowship Hall for our next meeting on Friday, June 15th at 7 pm until Saturday, June 16th at 10 am.

We are continuing to sell the Rada Knives etc. If you would like to purchase see any of the Youth Ministry members.

Missing You Mission

Please remember that if there is any people that you have noticed that are not at church and would like a card sent to them to write their name on paper provided in the pews and give them to Linda Byrd or place them in the offering plate.

Golf Tournament

There will be a Golf Tournament on Saturday, October 6th at Blair Park in High Point. Tee off time is at 12:40 pm. All golfers need to be there at 12 Noon. The price per Golfer which includes a meal ticket to the grill is \$50 a piece or \$200 for a team of 4. Hole Sponsors are \$100 a piece. If anyone would like to donate can drinks or any prizes for the golfers please let any of the United Methodist Men know. There are Hole Sponsor Sheets and Flyers on the table in the Sanctuary.

Regular Scheduled Board Meetings

Sunday, July 15 at 2:00 pm

Sunday, October 7 at 2:00 pm

Christmas in July Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School Theme this year is Christmas in July. The dates of VBS are Friday, July 13 and Saturday, July 14. The Closing Program will be Sunday, July 15 during Worship Service.

The next meeting will be Sunday, June 3 right after the Graduation Covered Dish Meal. Anyone, that would be willing to help please be at this meeting.

Stroke Clinic Aims at Prevention

(This was in the Winston-Salem Journal Last Sunday)

A stroke two months ago nearly cost Keith Auman his life.

Auman, 56, of High Point, is on the road to recovery, though it will likely be about a year before he can return to work.

After being treated for three weeks at Forsyth Medical Center, part of Auman's rehabilitation effort brought him back Wednesday to the hospital's Stroke Bridge clinic. There, Auman is working on his balance and memory and regaining his strength.

"It's very frustrating to be where I am now because I'm used to being very athletic," Auman said. He said he had no symptoms before the stroke on April 3.

"My memory is tanked. I have to look up everything," Auman said.

"Yet, I'm hopeful that over time this clinic will help get me back to normal health and keep me from having to go through this ever again."

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The clinic and a similar effort at Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center represent a piece of the changing health care environment as hospitals nationwide transition to a preventive care model being driven by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

Medicare plans to provide lower payments to health care systems with rates worse than the national average for readmission and infection and other categories.

However, systems would receive higher Medicare payments for measurably improving and maintaining the health of the populations they serve.

Liz Sweeney, a health care analyst with Standard and Poor's, said the shift from a fee-for-service business model to one focused on preventive measures and reducing unnecessary care likely will bring fewer federal and state reimbursement dollars.

The Forsyth clinic aims to reduce the readmission rate of stroke patients through better communicating post-hospital treatment and medicinal regimens and connecting patients to primary physician care. It has assisted patients ranging in age from 26 to 98.

The Forsyth Stroke and Neurosciences Center, which oversees the clinic, said last week that the clinic has contributed to a reduction in 30-day readmission rates from

8.3 percent in 2010 to 2.6 percent in 2011 and 0.8 percent in the first quarter of 2012. The data measure only patients who are released to their home.

Forsyth discharged 335 stroke patients in the 10 months before the clinic opened in October 2010. It discharged 516 stroke patients from October 2010 through December 2011, and 13 required readmission in that period.

By comparison, a study published in Stroke magazine in 2010 found that 20 percent of patients discharged from U.S. hospitals after suffering an acute stroke either died or were readmitted within 30 days.

Another Forsyth program aimed at lowering readmissions of patients with heart failure has reduced the rate from 7.6 percent to less than 1 percent.

Auman said he felt normal when he went to bed the night before he suffered the stroke on April 3. His wife, Debi, recalled most of their recent experience because of voids in his memory. "He woke up with an excruciating headache, throwing up violently."

After going to High Point Regional Medical Center, he was diagnosed with bleeding in his brain and transferred to the neurosurgical unit at Forsyth.

"They said bacteria had gotten into his heart and moved to his brain, causing an

aneurysm," Debi Auman said. "After his surgery, he took a turn for the worse on Easter, and the doctors asked for the family to be brought in. "He survived a six-hour procedure and has been doing better since."

Keith Auman said he's been told by his doctors he stands a good chance of returning to his pre-stroke level of health "as long as I do what I'm told."

Chere Gregory, Forsyth's medical doctor for neurosciences, said heeding that advice is pivotal to stroke patients because there are avoidable scenarios that contribute to readmission:

- incomplete instructions for their post-hospital care requirements;
- patients and support people not understanding instructions;
- not making necessary changes in the home to accommodate the limited mobility of a recovering stroke patient; and
- high cost of medication.

"It's frightening enough having to go to the hospital with a stroke," Gregory said.

"Having to go back within 30 days of being sent home can be even more frightening.

"A sizable part of our adult population understands instructions verbally much better than they do those that are written down."

The stroke center at Wake Forest Baptist began its readmission-prevention program in September. Its goals are similar to those at Forsyth. Wake Forest Baptist also has programs for reducing readmissions for heart failure, pneumonia and heart attacks.

"The readmission rate for stroke patients, like many conditions, is directly related to socio-economic factors," said Dr. Cheryl Bushnell, director of the Wake Forest Baptist stroke center. "Those patients who have access to health insurance and can better afford care tend to do better. One of our goals is to bridge gaps to help provide everyone with access to care."



Shut Ins Addresses

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Dustin Spillman's Address

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Dustin would like to thank everyone for the letters and postcards. He says to keep them coming.

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Directory Pictures

Pictures will be taken for our new Directory on Friday, September 7 and Saturday, September 8, which is Homecoming weekend. More information will be given in later Newsletters

July:

7/1: Fonda Johnson
7/3: Debbie Hill
7/7: Nikki Hale
7/8: Loretta Smith
7/13: Brian Troxel
7/20: Marie Robbins

Church Cleaning Schedule

June: Ronnie Hale

July: Gene Farlow and Family

August:

We need someone to volunteer for August Please.

Anniversaries

June:

6/2: Carsie & Debbie Hill
6/11: Ron & Linda Byrd
6/17: Darrell & Beverly Spillman
6/22: Clarence & Patty Knight

July:

7/7: Ron & Doris Abee

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Please forgive me if your Birthday or Anniversary has not been included in the Newsletter. I only publish the ones that I have been given. If you would like yours to be included please give all your family's birthdays and anniversary on an index card or piece of paper. Thanks.

Special Anniversary

Wish From Beverly to Darrell

God put you in my life when I was 14 years old. We molded together then you married me on the 17th of June.
Happy 23rd Anniversary Darrell!!!

Birthdays

June:

6/13: Gene Farlow
6/19: Delbert Spillman
Ronald Godbey
6/28: Jennie Frazier
6/29: Hunter Gladden

Newsletter Submissions

Please have all newsletter submissions for the May edition of the Bell's Messenger to me by Sunday, June 23. Remember my email is jws13@northstate.net.

Country Breakfast



Youth Ministry Grasshoppers Game

