



Mardi Gras on Mulvey

Monday, February 20th

3:30 – 6 p.m.

(with optional supper to follow)

An event for all ages

On Monday afternoon of the Louis Riel weekend, Harrow will be hosting a Mardi Gras themed event featuring renowned United Church musician and storyteller Linnea Good. Lots of fun for all ages - and a great lead-in to the season of Lent which begins the following Wednesday.

3:30 p.m. — Fun and games begin (masks, dancing, puzzles, a parade, a piñata)

4:15 to 4:45 Special session with Linnea for children ages 0-12 years.

Concurrent activities for teens and adults.

5 - 6 p.m. "A Telling" - scriptures leading into Lent and the holy season told anew ... interspersed with Song ... deepened with Prayer - for all ages.
- led by Linnea Good and Teresa Moysey

For those who want to extend the evening, there is an optional meal to follow - or just come for the meal at 6:15!

Tickets available through the church office. \$10 for Telling; \$10 for Dinner
Family deal: \$25/two adults & up to two children for either telling or dinner
Please e-mail: secretary@harrowunited.ca or call 284-0079.

See Bulletin Board for details on these exciting events:

✚ Take a copy of the posted letter to **Salisbury House** on Mondays or Thursdays Feb 6—Mar 1 & they'll give 20% of the bill amt to **Block Parents Winnipeg**. (Initiated by Windsor Park U.C.)

✚ Food, fun & prizes at annual **Bridge Luncheon at Charleswood UC, Tues Feb 28th, 12-4pm**, tix \$13. Contact their church office at 832-3667 or Lori Sproule at 837-6285 for tickets. Please come as a table of 4, if possible.

✚ **Spaghetti Dinner at St. Andrews River Hgts UC, Sat Feb 4th at 6pm**, karaoke contest, & silent auction. Tix \$10 at the door. Proceeds to the Youth Group's Guatemala Mission Experience 2013.

✚ **Services of healing prayer** will be offered at **Windsor Park United Church**, 1062 Autumnwood Drive, **Sunday evening February 12, 2012 at 7:30 pm**

✚ **Westminster Concert Organ Series**, Westminster and Maryland presents organist **Scott Dettra** from Washington Cathedral in concert on **Sunday, February 12 at 2:30 PM**. Tickets at the door.



Harrow Happenings ~ February 5, 2012



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Connecting our faith, our passions, our church, our community

TODAY - February 5th

~Over the next few weeks, the Sunday School will be exploring the theme "Growing up with Jesus" and doing activities that Jesus might have done as a child. Today's focus is on traditional Jewish celebrations.

Mondays

~Yoga—9:30 am in the Upper Hall
\$7/class drop-in; bring blanket & mat

Tuesdays

~Zumba—9:30am in the Upper Hall
\$10/class drop-in

~Choir practice—7:00pm in Sanct.

Fridays

~Rhyme & Storytime—9:30am in the Lower Hall (free program, 0-6 yrs & parents/caregivers)

Tuesday February 7th

~Choir meeting after practice

Saturday February 11th

~Digital Photography Club 9am, Parl

Sunday February 12th

Communion Sunday

Tuesday Feb 14th

~Visitation Ctee hosts Valentine Tea at Sterling House. See details inside...

Sunday February 19th

~Pancake Brunch with Sunday School

Monday February 20th

~"Mardi Gras on Mulvey", featuring Linnea Good. See details pg 4...

Sunday March 4th

~Worship, Brunch & Annual Meeting

Saturday March 17th

~Annual Irish Stew Dinner

Prayer Concerns

- ✚ Oak Table Community Ministry
- ✚ Debra Kowlessar
- ✚ Mehret Tedla
- ✚ Mary Young
- ✚ Fumi Okumura



Assisting at today's service:

Greeters:



Scripture Reader:

Phil Calver

Collection of Offering:

Pat Deally, Nadine Calver,
Phil Calver

Coffee & Clean-Up:

The Calvers, Dorothy Pontifex

Caring and Sharing since 1916

Thank you to January's House Group!

February group:

Nadine & Phil Calver; Korey & Raymond Catellier, Owen; Pat Deally; Derek May; Verna Nowicki; Dorothy Pontifex; Violet Rumsey; Jeryllyn & Chris Scharer, Addison; Laura & Aaron Thomas, Ben; Norman & Berna Young.



Our House Groups help with tasks such as greeting, refreshments & clean-up, collecting offering, reading scripture, serving communion, and generally helping the services run smoothly. **For more information or if you'd like to get involved, please call us at the office 284-0079.**



The Journeys of Black Peoples

February is Black History Month. Here is one of the ways Mission and Service supports anti-racism work in the church.

In 2005, The United Church of Canada held a national consultation called The Journeys of Black Peoples in The United Church of Canada. The Journeys of Black Peoples network came into being out of that consultation because of members' concerns and the desire to live out the church's anti-racism policy. That policy states we will participate fully, organize for diversity, act justly, and speak to the world.

The Journeys network continues the consultation's work, aiming to achieve specific goals, including having national gatherings in 2007 and 2010. The Journeys of Black Peoples addresses the unique concerns of Black peoples in the United Church, dealing with inclusion, and advocating for justice to enable Black peoples to make more meaningful contributions to the whole church.

People who attended the 2010 national gathering reflected deeply on what it means to be African-born, Caribbean-born, and Canadian-born, to share a common racial identity, common cultural characteristics, and yet multiple identities. The group also considered relationships between Black and Aboriginal communities. They affirmed that Journeys is indeed intercultural because of the multiple cultures represented.

This network of Black peoples can alleviate some of the isolation and marginalization that many Black peoples express and will help us become a racially just church. The church's policy and the network gatherings and programs are all supported by Mission and Service. Together, we can fulfill our vision for the church.

[matched with a companion video View at www.youtube.com/unitedchurchofcanada
OR download from www.united-church.ca and search for "minutes for mission."]



You are Invited

The Visitation Committee invites you to join them at a special Valentine Tea and visit with our shut-ins.

To be held at Sterling House, 909 Wilkes Ave,

on Tuesday February 14th at 1:30 pm. Please RSVP to Mary Ross 488-0477, (and indicate if you need a ride).

If you missed Kathryn Hofley's presentation on Jan 26th on church finances and how to increase our presence in the community but are still interested in receiving a copy of her presentation slides/notes you can call or e-mail Kerry at the office (284-0079 or secretary@harrowunited.ca).

ALSO, on a different note, there is an updated brochure entitled "Legacy Gifts" which provides information about making bequests, gift annuities, gifts of publicly listed securities, or gifts of life insurance to the church. Please look for this blue brochure in the Narthex/entry.

JOTTINGS from the PAST

by Linda Bish, Harrow Archivist



This Sunday we are continuing reading from Harrow U.C. Annual Report of 1971. We read the Annual Report of the **Memorial Library as submitted by E. Davidson**. "During the past year Five books were added to our Book Library – two of which were dedicated by Rev. W. Moore in loving memory of Mrs. C. J. Mogk and Mr. G.W. Farrell by Unit #4 of the U.C.W. The Library has been updated the addition of two Cassette Tape Recorders. One recorder was given and dedicated in loving memory of Mr. Phillip Stickeny and monies given in memory of Mrs. Bower Heney and also Mrs. Stickney for the purchase of tapes. This Cassette Recorder Fund was established mainly with the concern of the shut-in in mind and is being delivered and picked up by volunteer visitors. The other Cassette Recorder was purchased by the Christian Education and Family Life Committee and will remain at the Church for use of all groups interested." We also read about the **Harrow Hi-C as submitted by Counselors, Sherrill & John Arrell**. "During the winter and spring of our 1970/71 year our executive assumed a great deal of leadership responsibility, and by doing so showed themselves and others just how capable teenagers are. Some of the groups' activities were: bowling with parents, watching a film and discussing with parents, discussing the record, "Jesus Christ Superstar" and planning and participating in a week-end of camp. The fall season began very late due to a lack of leadership. Initially it was a joint Harrow-Oxford group, but very early the Oxfords teens stopped coming. The small group of 5 remaining planned and carried out a wake-a-thon involving 17 teens and the money raised was for new Anglican-United Church hymn books and they will be presented to the church in February, 1972."

Committee to Welcome Newcomer Refugees to Manitoba

Further to our January Newsletter, an unexpected approval of a refugee application from 8 years ago has left a group of churches in Wpg scrambling to get the supplies together to welcome the newcomers from Somalia. They have some of the items they need, but there is **an immediate need for single bed sheets (top, bottom/fitted, and pillowcases) as well as cash donations**. They also need **help settling in to life in Winnipeg** (shopping, community programs, etc.) If you can help, pls contact ret. Rev Ken Anstie 478-6784 (Cres. Fort Rouge), or our own Lynda Metcalfe (284-4429). There will be a **planning meeting** to delineate responsibilities for the refugee committee on **Thursday Feb 9th at 7pm at Crescent Fort Rouge United Church, 525 Wardlaw Ave. Anyone able to help out is encouraged to attend.**