



BETHANY BUGLE



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Council presents the following members as nominees for office bearers. If there are no lawful objections, elections will take place following the worship service on Sunday, 4 May 2014 with a service of installation planned for Sunday, 1 June 2014.

Elders (3 to be elected)

Zach Beldman
Peter Glasbergen
Albert Janssens
Ed Slappendel
Andy VanDriel
Richard VanLochem

Deacons (2 to be elected)

John Enzlin
Don Terpstra
Dan VanGeest
John Wierenga

Searching for new Stated Clerk:

Classis Niagara is seeking a new Stated Clerk. The current Stated Clerk has indicated his plan to leave the position this summer. The Executive/Classical Interim Committee (ECIC) is seeking expressions of interest from potential candidates, to fill the position initially for a one-year period while Classis considers a possible new vision as a follow-up to its recent retreat. Applicants should have an understanding of the structure of the Christian Reformed Church, have a working knowledge of its Church Order, and be available to attend meetings of Classis and the ECIC. Candidates should be able to embrace and support a tentative mandate for Classis as proposed at the recent retreat: "To encourage, equip, and empower churches and ministries to engage God's people in mission". Further information can be found on the home page of the Classis Niagara web-site (www.classisniagara.ca); look for "What's New". Expressions of interest can be forwarded by e-mail to statelclerk@classisniagara.ca, prior to May 1.

Wheels for Van Driels

**Fundraising
Craft, Plant and Bake Sale**

**May 3, 2014
9am-2pm
1040 Balfour Rd, Fenwick
ON**

**Includes: Free Kids Fun Zone,
20+ Craft Vendors, Outdoor Plant
Area, Silent Auction, Quilt Raffle,
and More!!!**

Free Will Donations Welcome!!

Volunteers Needed! We are in need of a few "Kid Zone" volunteers who can supervise children while their parents shop inside for the May 3rd "Craft, Plant & Bake Sale". If you can help, please contact Lindsay Janssen 905-899-2205 or Rachel Scholman 905-933-8112.

School News **Covenant Christian School**

Christian Education Week at Niagara Association for Christian Education (NACE)

Covenant Christian School (6470 Reg. Rd. 14, Smithville) celebrates Christian Education Week April 13-17th with the following events:

- We are welcoming our pastors on Tuesday, April 15th, starting at 9:30 a.m.
- We are welcoming our grandparents & senior friends on Wednesday, April 16th, in the morning and our Open House in the afternoon (from 2:15 to 3:15) for parents, friends and others who are interested in seeing our school in action.
- On Thursday, April 17th we will present our Spring Program: "The Race" at 7:00 p.m.

Questions? Call Mrs. Wendy Colyn at Covenant Christian at 905-957-7796.

Get Ready - Get Set - Read . . . is an introduction to literacy for children who will be of Junior Kindergarten age in September 2014. This program will run for approximately 2½ hours in the morning the first 4 Thursdays in May at John Knox Christian School in Stoney Creek and approximately 2 hours all the Tuesdays in May at Covenant Christian School in Smithville. The Thursday at John Knox are May 1, 8, 15, 22. The Tuesdays at Covenant are May 6, 13, 20 & 27. If you or a friend would like to enrol in this program or if you'd like more information, please call either school. Flyers/Registration forms are available in the school offices. JKCS – 905-643-2460 or CCS – 905-957-7796.

SMITHVILLE CHRISTIAN HIGHSCHOOL

Smithville Christian High School proudly presents:

"Leaving Iowa!", a comedy about family vacations that is both laugh out loud and poignant. This is a play that we will all be able to enjoy, because we've all been there. 'Getting lost ... again', 'kids arguing in the back', and 'being endlessly stuck behind RVs' ... are just a few of the memories that this play presents with true hilarity, and at times, touching sensitivity. The heart of the play is a son coming to terms with memories of his father, and recognizing the values of family and love.

May 2 and 3 (Friday and Saturday)

May 8, 9, and 10 (Thursday, Friday, and Saturday)

Tickets: \$12.50 in advance, \$15.00 at the door

All performances: 8 p.m.

For tickets:

In Person: Office of Smithville Christian High School

Phone: 905-957-3255

Email: office@smithvillechristian.ca

REDEEMER UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

Church in the Box is a monthly worship service dedicated to uniting Redeemer University College and the surrounding community through music, prayer, and drama. All are invited to join us in worship! The next service is on Sunday, April 13 at 7:00 pm in Redeemer's Auditorium.

Baroque Lenten Service: The Redeemer Alumni Choir, directed by Dr. Christiaan Teeuwsen, presents an evening service styled after worship during the time of J.S Bach. The service will take place at First Christian Reformed Church in Hamilton (181 Charlton Ave. West) on Sunday, April 13 at 7:00 pm.

Other News

Coffee Break: Hi everyone. Next Tuesday we will be having our usual Bible study morning. We are continuing our study of the book "Hospitality" Jane's group will continue with lesson 8 and the other groups will study lesson nine. This will be the last week before our pancake breakfast at Open Arms Mission. Coffee and snacks will be ready at 9:15, and we start promptly at 9:30. See you there. Snacks: Alice Zwier

Open Arms Pancake Breakfast: April 22nd will be a special morning for our Coffee Break Ladies.. This is the morning we will be at Open Arms Mission serving a pancake breakfast for their special people. Those who will be cooking should be there at 7:30, All the others should be there by 8:30. Remember to arrange carpooling as parking is limited and street parking is only available on the right side only. This is one way we can show what we have learned in our study of hospitality and put it to work, Pray for open hearts to see God's love through us.

Easter Concert: Easter celebrates the death and resurrection of our Lord. This marvelous gift given to us is majestically recorded in music. Come and celebrate

with us in a benefit concert that will support McNally House Hospice in Grimsby. Concert to be held at Mountainview Christian Reformed Church, 290 Main Street East, Grimsby, on April 17, 2014 starting at 7:30 p.m. The Concert will feature the Mattaniah Male Chorus under direction of Herman DenHollander, Organist André Knevel, and Soprano Suzanne Schaafsma. Tickets are \$10.00 per person or \$25.00 per family (with children under 15 years of age) and will be available at the door on the evening of the concert, or at the Dutch Shop in Grimsby.

Wholehearted Men's Conference – Saturday, May 24 at Mountainview CRC: It's not a men's retreat- it's an advance! Sons, brothers, fathers and husbands – are you experiencing all the life that Jesus has for you? Understand the epic adventure you've been called into. For further details and to register, go to www.wholeheartedmen.com.

Sing Glory to Our Creator - Mass Choir Concert -The date is set and you can now purchase your tickets! May 24th, 2014 will be an unforgettable evening of praise to our Creator God. One mass choir of over 300 voices will shake the ground at Ham-

ilton Place, accompanied by organ, piano, trumpets, flutes and strings. Also making a special appearance is the Anchor Band and Choir. Ambassadors Christian School cordially invites you to join us! Tickets are now available for purchase at the FirstOntario Box office between 9am and 5pm (101 York Boulevard, Hamilton), by phone (905-546-4040) or online at ticketmaster.ca (search for Sing Glory to Our Creator).

Proceeds of this event will benefit Anchor Association and Ambassadors Christian School in Ottawa. For questions, please contact Evelyn at 613-823-9141 or ev.nieuwenhuis@gmail.com. We can't wait to see you there!

Mountainview Performing Arts presents the Uplifted Voices Choral Festival on Saturday, May 3, 7:30pm at Mountainview Christian Reformed Church in Grimsby. Come to the music performed by To the King Male Chorus, the Ambassadors, the Crusaders and special guests Momentum Choir! Only \$15/person and children 12 and under are free. Proceeds to benefit Grimsby Life Centre, the OneDay Foundation and Monentum Choir. To reserve your tickets today, email info@totheking.ca.

ROSE CITY KIDS NEEDS MORE VOLUNTEERS!

At Rose City Kids, we have the incredible privilege to watch faith, hope and love, transpire each week.

We see **faith** in our volunteers and in our staffs commitment to love God and to love people. It is found in our volunteers belief that simply showing up bi weekly or even once a month can make a difference in the life of a child. We see faith in action, when our volunteers seek to meet the needs of our kids. When they give of their time, energy and talents so selflessly.

We witness **hope** when we send out 5 big buses, filled with dedicated people ready to serve. People who are willing to jump on that bus, knowing there are kids waiting at the other end. Come rain, snow or shine, they are there. They are carriers of hope. When they ride the bus, when they mentor a jr. leader, when they tutor a child, when they assist with office work, when they clean our facilities, prepare meals, they deliver hope in every word, in every action.

We see **love** in one of its most purest forms. In a way that is selfless, sacrificial and serving. It is shown when we see a volunteer hold a child's hand or give countless hours of their time to help fundraise. When we see a volunteer continue to serve, to show up even when we know they have full time jobs, families, other commitments. We are in awe of their ability to show unconditional love.

Whether they are helping behind the scenes, or on the front lines, they are world changers, difference makers, heroes. They are the heartbeat of Rose City Kids. Without each and every one of them, Rose City Kids could not function.

Rose City Kids continues to need volunteers as the program grows and the personal needs of some of our children increases. If you are interested in volunteering and would like to hear more about what area you could serve in, please contact Sonya @ sonya@rosecitykids.com Thanks!!



CRC Denomination

WORLD MISSIONS - Called to teach overseas? Visit www.crwmm.org/teaching to learn more about partnering with Christian Reformed World Missions and international teaching opportunities for the 2014-2015 school year. Have questions? Contact Brenda DenHouten at bdenhouten@crcna.org.

LIBERTAS MALE CHOIR IN CONCERT - With director and organist Martin Mans and guest organists and pianists Mark Brandwijk, and Andre Knevel. June 27, 7:30 p.m., Rehoboth United Reformed Church, 77 Glancaster Rd., Ancaster; June 28, 8 p.m., Cathedral of St. Catherine of Alexandria Church, 67 Church St. St. Catharines. Order tickets online www.libertasvoices.com or call 905-522-0001. Email: info@libertasvoices.com. Adult \$18, Youth 10-14, \$10, under 10 free.

GROUNDWORK - Jesus Comes to Jerusalem: The day has come: Jesus arrives at sacred Jerusalem riding a colt to begin his crucifixion week. Christians know this day as "Palm Sunday" or "The Triumphal Entry". But as we will see, Luke does not have any palm branches, and Jesus hardly looks triumphant. So what is really going on in this story? Join the Groundwork conversation—find a local radio station or listen online at www.GroundworkOnline.com.

KIDS CORNER - Risen Indeed: Kids Corner tells the Easter story in a way you surely won't want to miss. Terrene turns into Capernaum quickly, and Chamy begins to

think that denying Christ's resurrection may indeed be impossible. Check out the program at KidsCorner.net. Then contact Kids Corner at P.O. Box 5070, Burlington ON L7R3Y8 or go to kids@kidscorner.net for your very own Bible study.

FREE WEBINAR - Join us on April 23 for "Choosing Children's Curriculum" presented by Jolanda Howe. If your church is considering a change in Sunday school or children's curriculum, this webinar will provide practical tips on finding a curriculum that fits your theology and your context. For more details and registration for this free, one-hour event visit crcna.org/webinars.

DISABILITY CONCERNS - If you are a deacon, elder, pastor, church disability advocate, or if you or a loved has a disability, this conference is for you! Speakers at this Disability Concerns Canada conference will focus on "Strategies for Cultivating Deep Welcome" at the Perkins Centre, Hamilton, on May 3. Check with your church's Disability Advocate for more information, or see www.disabilityconference.org to register.

POSITION OPENING - World Renew, an agency of the Christian Reformed Church in North America (CRCNA), has a full time opening for a Staff Developer. The position will be located in either Grand Rapids, Michigan or Burlington, Ontario. The position is responsible for the development and management of all World Renew's learning systems and processes that enhance program

and partner consultants' work with partners and communities. Visit www.worldrenew.net/careers for more information; to apply, send your resume and a cover letter to Ichia-rot@worldrenew.net or submit online at www.worldrenew.net/careers. Application deadline is April 21.

WORLD RENEW - World Renew has been awarded \$1.4 million from the Canadian Government's Department of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development (DFATD) for its response to Typhoon Haiyan, which struck the Philippines in November. These funds will enable World Renew to expand its livelihood recovery, shelter construction and psychosocial support work to

assist over 2,400 households. The Canadian Government provided a 1:1 match for all private donations received for Haiyan through December 23. World Renew applied to receive some of these funds and was successful. We thank God for this opportunity to serve His people with longer-term recovery and reconstruction work in the Philippines. For more information, visit worldrenew.net/haiyan.

BLOG ABOUT MINISTRY - Now, anyone can blog about church ministry on the newly-redesigned Network site. Including you! If you've got something to share, visit crcna.org/Network, select the ministry area, and write a post that will help others doing church ministry. Join us online for a conversation about the 'nuts and bolts' of church ministries.

AROUND-THE-CLOCK SUMMER CAMP - We sometimes call it an Evangelistic English Camp. Sports, crafts and camp activities are great vehicles in helping youth learn English and introduce them to our God who loves them. Come to Hungary and Romania for a 24/7 exciting camp leadership experience for the month of July, and impact young people for Christ. Additional details available at www.crwmm.org or volunteer@crcna.org.

A Vegetable Garden Ministry in the City? - Volunteer as an urban agriculture coordinator or assistant from mid-May to mid-October with Mission Montréal. With an emphasis on ministry to youth at risk, you can help develop missional communities close to university and college campuses, where multiculturalism abounds and less than 4% of Montréalers attend church. More details at crcna.org/servicelink or at volunteer@crcna.org.

Come Experience SWAP - Serve With A Purpose in Uganda for 4 weeks this summer. SWAP is more than just a mission trip! It's a program for youth and young adults (age 14 - 24) who are looking to plan, learn, grow and serve both globally and locally. Do More, Be More with SWAP! Date: July 27-August 25, 2014 See details at www.worldrenew.net or contact volunteer@crcna.org.

STUDENTS! WORK FOR US THIS SUMMER! - EduDeo Ministries is excited to announce two great intern opportunities this summer - Assistant Program Developer & Assistant Communications & Marketing. Job descriptions and information can be found at www.edudeo.com/blog. Application deadline is Monday, April 21, 2014.

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