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Council Report

COUNCIL MEETING: WEDNESDAY MAY 06, 2015

In Attendance: Pastor Colin Vander Ploeg, Richard Van Lochem, Ray Van Huizen, George Gritter, Albert Janssen, Rudy Boverhof, John Enzlin, Mark Vahrmeyer, Jerry Kiers, Tim Van Hoffen, Louis Dam, Kevin Twomey, Zach Beldman

Professing Member Candidates: Mitchell Van Hoffen, James Slappendel, Noah Van Soelen, Julia Glasbergen, Mackenzie Kremer, Sierra Kiers

Absent with Notice: Nate Anjema, Peter Wierenga, Don Terpstra, Peter Bulk
Chairperson Tim Van Hoffen opened the meeting in prayer and meditation based on Matthew 22:36-40.

The Elders and Deacons then had the privilege of interviewing six youth desiring to publicly profess their faith. Following these interviews and individual discussions with the youth, Council seconded and carried a motion to invite these Youth to publicly profess their faith and welcome them into full fellowship and membership at Bethany. Public Profession will take place on May 24, 2015.

Pastor Colin closed the meeting with a prayer of gratitude and Council members were given an opportunity to say a word of blessing and encouragement to Mitchell, James, Noah, Julia, Mackenzie, and Sierra.

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Rose City Kids Community Garage Sale on May 16!

Location: Clarence's Service Centre

Time: 7:30 am-12:30 pm

Household items, toys, lots of apple crates for DIY projects, Willowbrook Plants, Baked Goods, Lunch Barbecue
Were still collecting items if you have any.

All proceeds going towards RCK

Please contact Sonya if you have any items to donate.

Thanks!!

WORSHIP WEDNESDAY

Wednesday, May 27 @7:00 pm

Worship with Keri Cardinale, Brett Larson & Andrew Thompson

Rose City Kids Theatre, 99 East Main St, Welland

A love offering will be taken to benefit the ministry of Rose City Kids

For more information WDCXRADIO.COM

School News

Great Food, Fun and Fellowship - Thank you!

It was truly a community building evening on Saturday, April 25 at the NACE Spring Fund-raising Dinner! Thank you to all who were involved - to our kitchen team, to our serving

Board, and especially to our event sponsors and our guests! Together we raised \$17,450.00 in support of Christian Education at John Knox and Covenant Christian Schools! What a blessing!

NACE FUNDRAISER - GET READY TO CELEBRATE!

Friends, Grandparents, supporters of NACE. . . .can you help?

This week we are set to roll out TWO locations from which we will sell fireworks for the Victoria Day Long Weekend. We will have our original site at Covenant, and a second one at the New Again Construction Essentials Store location in Beamsville. Double the opportunity to raise funds for NACE! Cheapest prices in the area, and no tax! What do we need from you?? We need double the number of customers and double the number of volunteers to sell fireworks!

Hours for both locations:

Tues. to Friday 3:30-8:00pm

Saturday, May 16th 10am-8:00pm.

Monday, May 18th - Victoria Day -from 10am to 4pm.

Please consider this urgent request, and let us know if you can help! (ccs@nace.ca or call 905 957 7796) THANK YOU!



Please update your Church Directory for Nellie Scholman's phone number to—905-380-6799.

Other News

Shalom Manor & Gardens May Sale – Saturday, May 30th

It's that time of year again – Annual May Sale time at Shalom Manor & Gardens! You are invited to our Annual May Sale on Saturday, May the 30th from 8:00am-12:00. In great tradition, we will be having a full pancake breakfast; HUGE outdoor plant sale; cut flower sales; food market complete with raisin buns, eggs and croquettes; and marketplace full of interesting vendors! There is sure to be something for everyone! Save the date – Saturday, May 30th! Proceeds of the sale will support recreational programs and services. (Additional parking available at Mountainview CRC with a shuttle bus service)

The Robert Wood Singers under the direction of Andrew Carruthers will present "Faith, Hope & Love" in two concerts with participation by The Wood Kids and the band. Concerts are scheduled on Friday May 22 7:30 PM at the First Grantham United Church in St. Catharines and Sunday May 24 2:30 PM at Central United Church in Welland. Tickets are available from Frank Dam or Andy Van Driel, \$ 15 for Adults and \$ 8 for Children. See the poster in the Fellowship Hall for more details or visit the web at www.robertwoodsingers.com

Open House for Pastor Fred VanderBerg: Shalom Manor

With sadness, we announce that Pastor Fred has resigned from his position as the Chaplain of Shalom Manor and Gardens, effective June 15. He has accepted a position with Mountainview Christian Reformed Church as the Pastor of Community Life. All residents, families, volunteers, staff and community members are invited to attend an open house to celebrate the contributions he has made to Shalom over the past 8 years. Please come and express your thankfulness to Pastor Fred and wish him well as he prepares to serve his new church.

Saturday, June the 6th from 10:00am-12:00pm, Shalom Manor & Gardens Auditorium

Interim Chaplain Needed at Shalom Manor & Gardens

Interim Chaplain needed to preach and make pastoral visits at Shalom Manor and Gardens, a long-term care and retirement home in Grimsby, Ontario beginning June 15th. The person is expected to preach one service on Sunday morning, one adapted service on Wednesday mornings and make pastoral visits with residents during the week. The Shalom Manor Chaplaincy is a ministry of the Christian Reformed Church (CRC). Please signal your interest by sending your resume by May 19, 2015 to: Karen Plantinga, Manager of Recreation & Environmental Services - kplantinga@shalommanor.ca OR 905-945-9631 ext. 1159 OR Pastor Fred VanderBerg, Chaplain of Shalom Manor & Gardens - chaplain@shalommanor.ca OR 905-945-9631 ext. 1147. Only those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.

Make this summer a memorable one – In July and August, cyclists will take to the roads to raise awareness about global poverty and encourage Christians to become part of the response. Will you join them? Volunteers are urgently needed to make two 10th anniversary Sea to Sea rides possible. For more information about how you can get involved, call 1-888-272-BIKE or visit seatosea.org. If you'd still like to ride, the registration deadline for the East event in Southern Ontario has been extended to May 15. Sign up today!

Dana Marie, GMA Covenant Awards Canada winning artist from Kitchener, Ontario will be our featured guest at a benefit concert on May 30th at Cedar Creek Community Church in Ayr, Ontario. All the proceeds from this event will be used for the Stand in the Gap program enabling marginalized children, youth and individuals with "special needs" to attend camp this summer. We are so excited to have both these choirs bless our ministry in this way. Mark your calendars as you will not want to miss this wonderful evening. The Dessert Social starts at 6pm with the concert at 7pm. For more information check our events page at www.countrysidecamp.com.

CRC Announcements

FREE WEBINAR - Join us May 13 for "Spiritual Care for Alcoholics, Addicts and Their Families" presented by Tom Kragt, Minister of Congregational Life & Recovery at Evergreen Ministries. This webinar will explore various aspects of addiction, recovery, and how the church can be a place of healing for individuals and families impacted by alcoholism and addiction. For details and registration for this free, one-hour event visit crcna.org/webinars

FAITH AND WORKS - The Christians James was addressing in his letter seem to have forgotten what real faith was. We study James 2 to discover James' description of real faith and to discuss how it applies to us. Tune in and join us each week: subscribe for free weekly email notifications at ListenToGroundwork.com or visit GroundworkOnline.com to find a local radio station or listen now.

TRUST IN THE LORD – HEROES 5 - Rescuers finally find Liz and Morrie, and they are turned in to headquarters. Liz feels like a failure – not a rescuer, but rather someone who had to be rescued. Follow the adventures of Liz and his pals every week: subscribe for free at getkidscorner.com. Be sure to download this special song, "Leap of Faith," at kidscorner.net/offer.

FAMILY FIRE - is an online community exploring Spirit-led family, marriage, parenting, in-laws, blended families, and intimacy. Find encouraging articles

and devotions at familyfire.com. Subscribe for regular email updates and connect with our Family Fire community on Facebook.

Philosophy vacancy - The King's University, Edmonton, Alberta, is seeking applications and nominations for a tenure-track Tier 2 Canada Research Chair (CRC) in philosophy. The chair-holder will be part of a dynamic Christian university committed to undergraduate education in the liberal arts tradition. For information, see www.kingsu.ca/about-us/careers.

Today is Maternal & Child Health Sunday! - As we celebrate our own mothers, we also remember the men and women around the world who are forced to say goodbye to their children at too young an age because of preventable causes. Today's offering will be sent to World Renew and used for community programs that improve women's access to health-care, train birth attendants, and improve the health and nutrition of young children. Please give generously. For more information, visit worldrenew.net/mother-child.

ENJOY HISPANIC CULTURE? - ¿y habla bien español? If you love to write and share inspiring stories through various forms of media, World Missions partner ministry 'Seeds of a New Creation' in El Salvador invites you to communicate stories of transformation to North American supporters and assist in some office tasks. More details for this minimum 1 year volunteer cohort opportunity are at www.crwmm.org or volunteer@crcna.org.

POVERTY AND POOR HEALTH - often go hand in hand. Share your skills and experience at a Christian hospital in Tanzania. Three 6-12 months positions are available

for medical volunteers to assist the African Inland Church Hospital in treating patients with quality care. More information on this rewarding opportunity is available at www.worldrenew.net/gvp or volunteer@crcna.org.

SUMMER IS COMING! - Are you a youth/young adult still looking for a unique opportunity to serve somewhere this summer? ServiceLink has some great ideas for you including a camp lifeguard, cabin leader, family retreat camp volunteer, SWaP participant, VBS in Asia and more. Check our website www.crcna.org/servicelink or contact us at volunteer@crcna.org for details.

New Climate Resource Available - Have you heard about the new climate and creation care resource available to churches? Climate Conversation: Kenya is a four-part video series featuring on-the-ground footage and interviews from Kenya highlighting issues of climate change and environmental stewardship. It's a chance to meet people, not statistics; to hear stories, not arguments. It is an invitation to a conversation. Engage your church or group in a discussion about climate change and the role of the church in raising awareness and finding solutions. Visit Climate-Conversation.org.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES ARE LOCATED ON BULLETIN BOARD BY THE BACK STAIRS

We're on the web!
www.bethanycrc.ca