

Church News

Novena celebrated

The Novena to Saint Anthony of Padua is celebrated at 6:30 p.m. each Tuesday, in Saint Rita's Church and continues for nine consecutive weeks until the Feast of Saint Anthony in June. All are welcome.

Scholarships offered

Conn-Area Catholic School is awarding tuition scholarships provided by the Amerikohl Mining Corp. Scholarships are now available to new and/or transfer students entering kindergarten through sixth grade. The scholarship is open to Catholic students. If you have any questions, please contact the school office at 724-628-5090. Visit the school's Facebook page and its website, www.connareacatholic.org.

Rummage buildings open

The rummage buildings at Fairview Church of God, Route 982 between Laurelville and Kecksburg, will be open from 9 a.m. to noon every Friday through October. Lunch and baked goods will be available on the third Saturday of each month only.

Strawberry festivals scheduled

• Christ United Methodist Church, 201 Market St., Scottsdale, will hold a strawberry festival from 4-7 p.m. Friday. Cost is \$6 for dessert (shortcake or ice cream sundae) and a drink. Hot dogs, ham barbecue, macaroni salad, coleslaw, and baked beans also will be available for sale. Takeout and sugar-free options will be available.

• Reunion Presbyterian Church, 769 Main St., Mt. Pleasant, will hold its annual strawberry festival from 4-7 p.m. Saturday, June 9. Cost is \$6 for adults and \$4 for children ages 12 and younger. Sandwiches will be available. For advance tickets, call the church office at 724-547-2980.

Tea Time hosted

Albright United Methodist Church, 1626 S. Pittsburgh St., will host Tea Time from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, June 6. Tea and crumpets will be served. The public is welcome.

Also, the women of the church will sing during the morning worship on Father's Day, June 17. A picnic will follow the worship service. Bring a covered dish and join the congregation.

Rummage sale held

Vanderbilt Church of Christ, 218 Walnut St., will hold its annual rummage sale from 8 a.m.

to 2 p.m. Saturday, June 9. Lunch will be available, and a bake sale will be held. Donations of new or gently used items would be appreciated. To donate, call Kay at 724-529-2676, Barb at 724-628-1789, or Faith at 724-323-7200.

CDA to meet

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court Lambing #314 will install new officers at 6:30 p.m. June 12 at St. John's RC Church. A meeting will be held at the church school hall immediately afterward. If you have any questions, please contact Dolly Glowacki at 724-887-7884.

Luncheon slated

The local Christian Women's Club will hold its June Luncheon from noon to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 13, at Mallard's Landing, Duck Hollow Golf Club, 374 Duck Hollow Road, Uniontown. The cost is \$20 inclusive. Wreath Making with Tammy Boyle of Uniontown will be featured. Tammy VanNosdeln of Farmington will be the vocalist, and Robin Gilbert-Luftig of Enola will speak. Reservations are necessary and must be honored. Please call Janice at 724-437-6205.

Christian center lists activities

The Christian Family and Children's Center at Champion Christian School has a number of summer programs and activities scheduled.

The center will sponsor a bus trip to the Altoona Curve's Faith Night on Sunday, June 17. The Curve is the double-A affiliate of the Pittsburgh Pirates. There will be a pre-game Christian concert and testimonies, followed by the game and fireworks. Cost is \$30 and includes transportation and terrace level box seats. The coach bus will leave the North Campus, 1076 King's Way, Donegal, at 2:30 p.m. Register by calling 724-593-9200 or emailing info@champion.org.

A trip to the Museum of the Bible in Washington, D.C. is slated for Tuesday, June 26. Cost is \$55 for adults and \$50 for children ages 11 and younger if paid by June 1; payments made after June 1 will be an additional \$10 per person. The coach bus will leave the North Campus at 7:30 a.m. and return that evening. Call 724-593-9200 or email info@champion.org.

Faith Night at PNC Park will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, July 27. The Pittsburgh Pirates play the New York Mets. After the game, hear players share about their faith in Jesus Christ. Cost is \$45, which includes a \$10 value at park concessions. Seats are on the first base side, section 105, Rows X-AA. The coach bus will

leave the North Campus at 4:30 p.m. Call 724-455-2122 ext. 104 to reserve your spot.

A bus trip to the Sight and Sound Theater production of "Jesus" will be taken Aug. 1. The bus will leave the North Campus promptly at 6 a.m. There will be one stop along the way, where you can purchase food. The show will begin at 11 a.m. and followed by dinner at 2:15 p.m. at Miller's Smorgasbord. The cost for the play, transportation and meal is \$130 for those ages 13 and older and \$70 for children 3-12. Adults who make their reservations before June 1 will pay only \$120. Sorry, there are no refunds, but tickets can be transferred. The deadline for reservations is June 18. For more information, call 724-593-9200, ext. 105.

Sign your kids up for fun and educational camps in rocketry, sewing, and science, held at the North Campus. Visit www.champion.org/summeractivities and click the links to learn more about each camp and how to sign up.

Champion Christian School and Preschool will be open for a wonderful time of fun and learning through the summer. There are daily or weekly openings. Call 724-593-9200.

Piano and voice lessons for beginner and intermediate level students in grades 1-12 are available.

Tutoring is available for students in all subjects. Call 724-593-9200 or 724-455-2122 for information about session length and cost, or to schedule a session.

A summer lunch program will be offered Monday through Friday, June 11 through Aug. 10, at the North Campus. Adult meals are \$3.50, and those ages 18 and younger can eat at no cost.

Bible schools planned

• Christ United Methodist Church, 201 Market St., Scottsdale, will sponsor a Vacation Bible School, "Shipwrecked - Rescued by Jesus" from 6-8:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, June 11-15. Ages 3 through Grade 6 are invited, and admission is free. To pre-register, call the church at 724-887-6724 or email pastorcumc@zoominternet.net.

• Faith Bible Church, 425 S. Arch St., Connellsville, will host Vacation Bible School from 6-8:30 p.m. June 18-22 for preschoolers through teenagers. Join them at "Camp Moose-on-the-Loose" for a wilderness trail adventure that includes stories, songs, games, crafts, and snacks. For more information, call 724-628-7055.

• The United Methodist Church of Mt. Pleasant will host a pet-themed weekend Bible school, "Pets Unleashed, Where Jesus Cares 'Fur' You," from 6-8:30 p.m. Friday, June 22,

9 a.m. to noon Saturday, June 23, and 9:30-11 a.m. Sunday, June 24. The Bible school will include Bible stories, music, crafts, games, and snacks. Children ages 3 through the completion of fifth grade are welcome. Registration is available online at www.umcmp.org or at the church office from 9 a.m. to noon Monday through Friday. Deadline to register is June 18. For more information, please call 724-547-2288.

Calendar ticket sold

Conn-Area Catholic School is selling a calendar ticket for June. There are 30 chances to win in June, with a total of \$2,500 in cash prizes awarded. Each ticket has two 3-digit numbers and is drawn on the Pennsylvania Pick 3 evening number. Tickets are \$10 each and can be purchased by calling the school office at 724-628-5090.

Street fair set

St. Rita R.C. Church will hold its annual street fair from 5:30-10 p.m. July 12-14 on the parish grounds on First Street in Connellsville. Italian food, fried dough and pizza will be sold, and a bake sale will be held. There will be a basket raffle, Chinese auction, entertainment, and more.

Cookbook on sale

"Carpathian Cookery," a 330-page cookbook featuring traditional Rusyn and Slavic recipes, other ethnic dishes, and recipes from the parishioners of St. John Byzantine Catholic Church in Uniontown, is on sale for \$14. Postage and handling is an additional \$4. To order, please send a check or money order to Ethnic Craft Club, St. John Byzantine Catholic Church, 201 E. Main St., Uniontown, Pa. 15401 or call 724-438-6027 between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday through Friday and leave a message. You also may send an email to carpathiancookery@gmail.com.

Addiction help offered

HEAL for Women and HEAL for Men will hold group meetings designed to help those who have a desire to overcome addiction.

Women's meetings will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesdays, while men's meetings will be held at 7 p.m. on the first, second and fourth Thursdays of each month.

The meetings will be held at Eagle Ranch Ministries, Inc., 1579 Pleasant Valley Road, Mt. Pleasant.

To register, women should call 724-244-5261 or 724-887-3258. Men should call 724-542-7243 to sign up.

Champion Christian School holds graduation ceremonies



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Champion Christian School held its graduation ceremonies recently. Top left, nine preschool graduates wore a rainbow of colored caps with tassels, and their diplomas were presented by their teacher, Miss Jen Pizer (far right). They were escorted by their mothers. Graduates were (from left) Jude Mummert, Levi Richter, Nellie Brown, Sydney Harhai, Harper Stout, Albert Zelasko Jr., Jakob Keefer, and Yedyhel Correa Aleman. Absent from the photo was Kayla Martin. Top right, four kindergarten graduates in white caps and gowns received diplomas from their teacher, Mrs. Ann Mathews (center). They were escorted by their fathers. Kindergarten graduates were (from left) Trevor Grisenthwaite, Tabatha Marker, Oliver Brown, and Michael Romesburg. Above, high school graduates were (from left) Yavriheliz Cintron Gonzalez, Sarah Bupp, Emily Sinsley, Yeajung (Jaslyn) Heo, and Zachary Tooker.

Champion Christian School (CCS) recently held its graduation ceremonies at Abundant Life Church in Uniontown, PA. Five seniors graduated.

Sarah Bupp was named valedictorian. Bupp is the daughter of Shawn and Donna Bupp of Hopwood. Sarah was co-president of student council, a member of the honor society, was on the basketball and soccer teams, ran sound for the worship team, and sang in the choir. She attends the Abundant Life Church and is active in their youth group.

She plans to attend Penn State Fayette Campus to become a physical therapist assistant.

Yeajung (Jaslyn) Heo was the salutatorian. She is the daughter of Junghyun Heo and Eunju Jeon of Suwon, South Korea. She resides with Pastor Josh and Kathy Halagan in Somerset. She was on student council, played the piano for worship team, sang in the choir and was on the soccer team. She plans to study at the Fashion Institute of Technology in New York City, majoring in illustration and art history.

She hopes to be a museum curator or exhibition director.

Speaker for the evening was Pastor Josh Halagan of Freedom in Christ Community Church Somerset. Honorary stoles were presented to the four graduates with a 3.5 grade point average or above.

The Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI) Distinguished Christian High School Student Awards were presented to Sarah Bupp for Academics, Emily Sinsley for Leadership, and Yeajung Heo for Fine Arts.