

The Trumpeter



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PRESIDENT'S VOICE

By now, most of you know what happened at the annual meeting for the **Manchester Area Senior Citizens Council, Inc.**, held on February 11, 2015. Some exciting things happened. Some not so exciting things happened. We saw the election of a new Board and officers for the 2015 year. New **Board members** are Phyllis Baker, Betty Cummings, Mike Helton, Margaret Jacob, and Shirley Porter. Each will serve a two year term. Both Howard Parr and Doreen Birnie, whose terms were up, chose not to be on the Board again. We thank them for their many years of service, for their leadership and guidance.

I'm excited about the **new officers** for our board. Margaret Jacob is to be our **Vice President**. Phyllis Baker will continue as **Treasurer**. Betty Cummings will continue as **Secretary**. Board members serve a term of two years. Officers are elected every year.

I am excited that Doreen has decided to be our **Transportation Chair**. She attends the meetings and makes sure all the "I's" are dotted and the "T's" crossed when it comes to transportation issues. I am excited about having Diane Schwab as our **Representative** to the **Community Resource Center Board**. I, also, am excited about being our Representative on the **Wellness Coalition Board**. All three of these positions can and do affect our funding. Good luck to all as we forge forward.



Now, to the things that trouble my soul: We did **not** elect a **President**. In order to maintain our 501(c) 3 status, we **must** have a **President**. Being a 501(c) 3 (nonprofit status) affects much of our funding. It is imperative that we maintain this status. Without it, we will cease to exist. In my book, we must exist. The organization has been in existence for about 60 years. That's a lot of history to give up, a lot of good memories, a lot of changes, a lot of people giving their hearts and souls to the organization. I hate to think all this hard work is going down the drain for lack of a President.

For personal reasons, I will not be President again. I labored hard and long before making my decision. But, I will help the new President get his/her feet wet as he/she moves forward making progress for the seniors in the area.

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ONE SENIOR PRESIDENT
COULD THIS BE YOU?

The other sad reality for the Board: the people serving on the **Activity Committee** decided to **resign**. Both Norma Stautz and Wilma Lentz have done a superb job planning and executing a monthly activity for us. We have had so much fun. Love those "White Elephant" activities and all the parties they furnished. I once asked if volunteers can retire. Well, they can. Not that I want them to. But, they can. It's time for new people to take the reins and plan more activities for us. To volunteer to work on the Activity Committee, see any current Board member. It's as simple as that.

Since this is my last article for the Trumpeter, I want to say what a wonderful organization we have. It has been my pleasure to serve as our President. And it will be my pleasure to be our liaison on the Wellness Coalition. Together we can move forward into the future, a future full of sound accomplishments.

News from the February Board Meeting

The **2014 Annual Report** will soon be available for all to read and anyone can request a copy.

The new **Senior Board** looks like this:

Incumbent members: Ruth Adams, Margret Heckaman, Doris Hough, Jan Steinhauer, and Rosemary Whelan.

Two year term members are: Phyllis Baker, Betty Cummings, Mike Helton, Margaret Jacob, and Shirley Porter.

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Diane Schwab, past **CRC Director**, and now our Representative, brought us news of the last CRC meeting. Diane was full of accolades for this group. The following supports, among others, are available:

For anyone who needs **free income tax assistance**, it will be available beginning February 9th. Call 734-428-7722 for information. See the flyer on the round table at Emanuel Church during lunch.

Their **Food Pantry** is ready with food and, perhaps more importantly, with products that cannot be purchased with a Bridge Card (food stamps). The CRC also has nutritional supplements such as Boost, Ensure, etc. These are available to community members who qualify for free food.

USDA income guidelines are:

200% poverty level:

Household size of 1=annual gross earned and unearned income of \$23,340 or less.

Household size of 2=annual gross earned and unearned income of \$31,460.

Please call the CRC at 734-428-7722 for more information and days and times of operation.

See the flyer concerning the pantry needs on the round table at Emanuel Church during lunch.

The **Manchester Wellness Coalition** asks us to participate in the **2015 Health Improvement Plan Survey**. If you receive a landline or cell phone call from **734-544-6700**, please answer it and participate in the survey--this will be a huge help to our community and volunteers who develop our local health and wellness programs. See the flyer at our lunch at Emanuel Church for more information.

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Sharing Autumn Memories

Wed., Mar. 4th 10:00-11:30a

At the Senior Center

Sing a song, dance a jig, read a poem

Tell a story

Manchester Kiwanis is hosting their **16th Annual Crazy Ca\$h Night** on Saturday, March 7th at the Legacy Reality Center (f.k.a. American Legion Hall) on Duncan St. Doors open at 5p. Since \$2500.00 of the proceeds is slated to be given to the Senior Citizens Council, they are asking for **volunteers to assist that night**. There are several **"sit down" jobs** available. Please let a Board member know if you can lend a hand. Kiwanis has given us 5 tickets to sell. Doreen Birnie is "beating the bushes" to sell 3. The Seniors are selling 2 tickets on shares. **Francis Heckaman** won the use of the 1st ticket and the 2 dinners. Francis will share in any winnings from that ticket along with the other buyers. At press time, the 2nd ticket lacks \$10.00 of being sold. Thus, the winner of the 2 dinners has not been drawn.

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MORE INFORMATION FROM THE CRC

Breaking News from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services:

CMS announced on 2-20-2015 a **special enrollment period** for those who did not have health care coverage in 2014 and are subject to a fee when they file their 2014 taxes. You may be eligible to enroll in healthcare coverage for 2015. The dates to enroll are: from March 15 through April 30.

Call the CRC at 734-428-7722 for more information and assistance.

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MARCH ACTIVITIES

2-Legion Cards	6:30p	Bus \$2.00	
6-Pittsfield Cards	6:00p	Bus \$4.00	
	Or		
6-Tecumseh Fish Fry	5:30p	Bus \$4.00	
	Or		
6-Sharon Fish Fry	4:30p	Bus \$4.00	
9-Legion Cards	6:30p	Bus \$2.00	
13-Saline Cards	6:30p	Bus \$4.00	
16-Shopping-Jackson	10:00a	Bus \$5.00	
16-Legion Cards	6:30p	Bus \$2.00	
17-Chelsea Concert	7:00p	Bus \$4.00	
See Concert Name in the Trip Book.			
20-Sharon UM Fish Fry	4:30p	Bus \$2/\$3	
and Manchester Cards			
21-Bridgewater Cards	7:00p	Bus \$4.00	
23-Legion Cards	6:30p	Bus \$2.00	
27-Dinner Out:			
	JR's	Hungry Wolf	Applebee's
Time:	5:00p	4:00p	5:00p
Bus:	\$5.00	\$2.00	\$5.00
30-Legion Cards	6:30p	Bus \$2.00	
<i>Look in the Trip Book for more Activities.</i>			

Cambrian's Megan Porter will join us for lunch and **Horse Racing** on **Thursday, March 26.**

Medical runs on Tuesdays and Thursdays must be scheduled after 3p.

Attention: All those needing Bus service for any reason: your **DRIVEWAY** and **WALKWAY** must be **cleared of ice and snow.**



Pam is **unable to assist you** if you do not have a safe place for her to drive and for her assistant to walk up to your door.

Board Voted-NO ASSIGNED SEATS ON THE BUS.



Happy Birthday

March Birthdays

- 3 Rita Townsend *
- 5 Wilma Lentz
- 11 Adeline Stone *
- 11 Arlene Walter
- 16 Jim Emery
- 17 Michael Gibbons
- 20 Sharon Domingoni
- 26 Nancy Stockwell
- 26 Howard Poley, Jr.
- 29 Betty Suhre
- 29 Dorothy Moore *
- 30 Eve Selewski *

**complimentary birthday meal Thurs., March 5*



Yoga Classes Resume Weekly

When: Tues., Jan. 6-Tues., March 24 at 9:30-11 a.
Where: the United Methodist Fellowship Hall.
 Classes are free for Seniors.



Emanuel UCC's monthly meal will be served on Wed., March 11th from 4:30 until the **Turkey, Dressing, and more** are gone!



The Lenten Friday Night Fish Fries continue at the **Sharon UM Church** thru Fri., March 27th at 4:30p.



St. Mary's Taco Dinners will be enjoyed on Thursday, March 12th at the Church Hall from 5-7p.




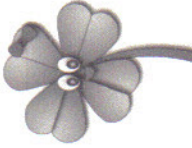


Boy Scouts' Coney Nite is on Thurs., March 19th at **Manchester UM Fellowship Hall** from 4:30-7p



Our sincere condolences to the family of:
 Virginia Widmayer

MARCH 2015

EMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, BASEMENT HALL
 SENIOR MEALS AT NOON
 Transportation and Meals call – 734-385-6308
 Delivery call by 10 am of day you wish the meal delivered

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
***** At all meals, there vegetable, rolls, These are subject depending on	***** will be a salad, and dessert. to change what is in season.			◀◀ BIRTHDAY MEALS ▶▶ ARE ALWAYS ON THE FIRST THURS. OF EVERY SERVING MONTH.		
1	2 "0"	3 HAM & ESCALLOPED POTATOES	4 "0"	5 BIRTHDAY MEAL MEAT LOAF MASHED POTATOES	6 "0"	7
8	9 "0"	10 REV. DAVID BUCHOLTZ OF BETHEL UCC AFTER LUNCH BBQ PORK, ROASTED POTATOS, BKD BEANS	11 "0" BOARD MEETING 9:30 AM.	12 BEEF STEW & DUMPLINGS	13 "0"	14
15 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME	16	17 BLOOD PRESSURES WITH KATHY BENEDICT  ST. PATRICK'S DAY BEEF AU JUS	18 "0"	19 FISH-COD BAKED POTATOES	20	21
22	23 "0"	24 SHEPHERD PIE	25 "0"	26 CAMBRIAN'S MEGAN PORTER WILL HOST HORSE RACING CHICKEN & BISCUITS	27	28
29	30 "0"	31 POTATO CASSEROLE BURGER	MARCH 10 TH REV. DAVID BUCHOLTZ OF BETHEL UCC AFTER LUNCH	MARCH 17 TH BLOOD PRESSURES WITH KATHY BENEDICT  ST. PATRICK'S DAY	MARCH 26 TH CAMBRIAN'S MEGAN PORTER WILL HOST HORSE RACING	DAYS MARKED WITH "0" ARE AVAILABLE FOR MEDICAL RUNS

Meal Prices for 55+ are: Dine in or Pick-up \$4.00; Birthday Meal is \$2.50; 90+ FREE Birthday Meal;
 Under 55: \$4.50 Dine in or Pick-up. Delivered Meals \$5.00.