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# The Scroll

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One of the great joys of parenting is watching your children become more independent and figuring out how to do things on their own. Some of Charlotte's newest tricks include opening and closing screw on lids, opening doors, and reciting many of her favorite storybooks from memory. "I do it myself!" she'll assert proudly, or maybe defiantly, when she wants us to stand back and give her the chance to use her own adorable little skills. I love seeing her develop in this way, and do things for herself that she couldn't do last month or even last week.

At the same time, one of the great frustrations of parenting is watching your children become more independent and insist on doing things on their own when they aren't quite ready yet. Charlotte sometimes wants very badly to dress herself, or feed herself a messy meal, or manage her own seatbelt in the car. If it's something important that we need to make sure is done right, or if she hits a roadblock and we step in to offer help, that same phrase pops up again: "I do it myself!" There's been more than one tantrum as a result of her fiercely believing she didn't need our help when really she did.

I don't know if this is an attitude we ever fully leave behind. We probably don't express it in quite the same way, but we can be very insistent that we have things under control. "Honey, I know what I'm doing! Don't you think I know what I'm doing? I can handle this!" How many of us have a hard time admitting that we've bitten off more than we can chew? It might be we feel our pride is at stake, or maybe it's just a simple matter of "we don't know what we don't know." Still, we can cause a lot of unnecessary struggle for ourselves and the people around us when we won't accept the help we need.

I think this issue is relevant to our faith life, too. Perhaps the most common misconception I hear about Christianity is some variation of the phrase: "God helps those who help themselves." By this I take people to mean that we are responsible to earn God's assistance by giving "the righteous life" our best shot, and God will only recognize us once we've demonstrated the appropriate level of effort. Salvation is, by some accounts, a "do it yourself" project. But this directly contradicts what Paul asserts in Romans 5 that "at just the right time, *while we were still sinners*, Christ died for the unrighteous." It contradicts the way Jesus himself explains his sacrifice to his disciples in John 15 as the willingness to lay down his life for his friends, even when they didn't understand what he was doing.

God's story throughout Scripture is of a God who makes the first move, and whose grace alone gives us the opportunity to come home. We can't get there on our own merits, and yet, how often do we insist on doing it ourselves, and refuse God's offer of help? The issue with salvation isn't like Charlotte's or any other toddler's, where with more practice and determination she will eventually master the new skill. The issue is that we are seeking something we can never grasp on our own. We *have* to depend on our divine parent for help. So rather than "God helps those who help themselves," the best thing we could say is "God helps those who know they cannot help themselves."

Pastor Dave



## EASTER BREAKFAST

Grady Parker and his team will serve breakfast during the Sunday School hour (10 a.m.) on Easter Sunday, April 16th. You may bring a treat to share (pastries, muffins, donuts, fruit, juice, etc.) or you can just come by for fellowship. Everyone is welcome! We welcome all who would be interested in assisting with set-up on the 15th at 10:30 a.m. You may also contact Karen Shuman at 434-660-8486 or [simspeech@aol.com](mailto:simspeech@aol.com), if you have questions.



## WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP

A women's book group will begin meeting on Monday, May 15th at St Andrew at 7:00 p.m. Those who would like to attend should read Shane Claiborne's book The Irresistible Revolution. Future books will be decided on at that meeting. The group will meet every three months. If interested in joining this group please contact Heidi Lang at [hlang37@verizon.net](mailto:hlang37@verizon.net) or call her at 509-9492.

## PUAH CIRCLE

Puah will meet at church on Wed. April 12th at 12:30. We will continue our discussion of The Road to Character by David Brooks. A salad lunch will be provided. Hope to see you all there!

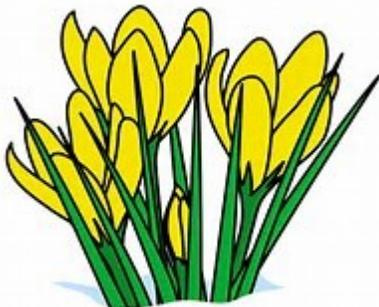
## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

*Congratulations to David & Darlene Etheridge on the birth of their granddaughter, Caroline Virginia Etheridge, who was born on March 16, 2017. Baby Caroline weighed 6.14 lbs., and was 19.5" long. Calvin & Meredith Etheridge, of Lynchburg, Virginia, are Caroline's parents.*



## DONATION REQUESTED PICNIC TABLE

Because of the high volume of visitors to our playground, we are in need of 2 more picnic tables. If you would like to make a donation of a picnic table or a financial donation, please contact the church office, 239-2788. THANK YOU!!



## APPRECIATION

*David and I would like to thank you all for your kindness following the death of my father. Every message, phone call, card, gift of food and journey to Danville meant so much to us. Saint Andrew is truly a wonderful family!*  
*Susan Hildreth*

## EASTER FOOD BASKETS

Items needed for food baskets are available on the Easter Eggs on a poster in the Commons Area. Feel free to take as many eggs as you want and return the items to shopping cart no later than APRIL 9. We are assembling 14 Easter baskets again this year."

## FLOWERING THE CROSS

As part of our Easter celebration, we will have the opportunity to "flower the cross." You are welcome to bring flowers from your own yards to place on the cross, located in the Commons, as you attend church on Easter Sunday. Flowers will be provided for those who need them.

## EASTER LILIES

Easter lilies may be purchased to honor or memorialize loved ones. The cost of lilies is \$20 each. The lilies will adorn the window of the sanctuary on Easter Sunday. Forms are available in your Sunday bulletins or you may call the church office to place your order, 239-2788.

## EASTER WORSHIP SCHEDULE & EVENTS

|                           |                                  |  |
|---------------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| <b>Sat., April 8th</b>    | 2 p.m.                           | Children's Egg Hunt<br>(rain date: Sun., Apr. 9th)   |
| <b>Sun. April 9th</b>     | 9 & 11 a.m.<br>10 a.m.<br>2 p.m. | Palm Sunday - Worship Service<br>Music around the Labyrinth<br>Youth Activities - Great Egg Race |
| <b>Thurs., April 13th</b> | 7 p.m.                           | Maundy Thurs.<br>Worship Service   |
| <b>Sun. April 16th</b>    | 9 & 11 a.m.<br>10 a.m.           | Easter Worship Service<br>Easter Breakfast   |



## CHILDREN'S EGG HUNT



Our annual Easter Egg Hunt on April 8th at 2:00 PM (rain date: April 9th) is quickly approaching and the Welcoming Committee is **requesting donations of items like stickers, erasers or other knick knacks that can fit in a standard size egg**. The Welcoming Committee will provide the candy this year. You may place items in the box in the Commons labeled "Easter Egg Fillers"

## LABYRINTH OPPORTUNITIES

Now that the weather is warmer and the days are longer, take a few minutes to draw closer to Jesus by walking the labyrinth. In the Prayer Room and Narthex are some suggestions for your walk.

On Maundy Thursday there will be additional lighting for walking after the service. Please walk in silence

On Palm Sunday during the Sunday School Hour bring a chair to the labyrinth and sit or walk. Trish Belcher and Matt Hildebrand will provide music during this time. It will be a time to step out of the busyness of our world.



## PRAYER CLOSET

During Lent we remember Jesus' journey to the cross, His resurrection, and its relevance in our lives. It is also a time for us to pause the hectic life we live and journey closer to Jesus. Through the ages Christians have made pilgrimages to holy places to draw closer to Jesus. Often those who could not afford a distant pilgrimage, would walk a labyrinth to still themselves and dedicate time to being in communion with Him. May we pause and deliberately and mindfully set aside time to spend in company with Jesus.



## From the Storytellers of Children's Worship

**...to all parents of Kindergarten - Second Grade students**



Children from PreK-2nd Grade are invited to join us for a special Children's Worship session during the 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. services. Using a Montessori style curriculum, we share the stories of the Bible with the children in our "Children's Sanctuary" located in the Preschool wing. We hold Children's Worship Sessions on the Second through Last Sundays of each month. The teacher, or "storyteller" will greet the children in the back of the sanctuary immediately following the conclusion of the Children's Sermon. **On the 1st Sunday of the month we DO NOT have a separate Children's Worship Service** as we would like families to be able to participate in the sacrament of Communion together! This also gives your children the opportunity to see the "big church" for the length of the service at the beginning of each month, enabling them to identify components of the worship service that are mirrored in our "Children's Sanctuary" during the remainder of the month. If you would like to observe a Children's Worship session or are interested in becoming a Children's Worship Storyteller, please speak with Erin Kane.

Thank you from the CW Storytellers,  
*Erin Kane, Jennifer Beeker, Tonya Fortune*  
*Jennifer Birnschein, Betsy Smith & Ashley Miller*

**Centering Prayer and Praying the Labyrinth Join us for the remaining Thursdays of Lent at noon in the Prayer**

**Room for an opportunity for centering prayer or**



**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING  
APRIL 9, 2017**

The Session calls a Congregational meeting for Sun., April 9, 2017, immediately following the 11 a.m. worship service, for the purpose of approving the Pastoral Terms of Call.

# SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

## EASTER FOOD BASKETS

Saint Andrew is once again preparing food baskets for Easter. If you picked an egg from the poster in the Commons, please return your food items to the shopping cart in the Commons by April 9th.



## SOCIETY OF SAINT ANDREW COLLECTION BOXES

If you picked up a coin collection box, please return them to the church by April 16th. If you did not pick up a box and wish to contribute, you may pick one up in the Commons or drop a check made out to Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church in the collection basket indicating it is for the SOCIETY OF SAINT ANDREW (see page 6 for description)

## CAMP KUM BA YAH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - APRIL 8, 2017



Volunteers are needed at Camp Kum Ba Yah. We will be pressure washing and staining the camp's "Art Shelter". We are planning for **April 8<sup>th</sup>**. It would also be helpful for anyone that could provide a pressure washer to use for this project. On Wed., May 17th, we have another opportunity for adults to supervise young volunteers.

## DAILY BREAD:

If you can help serve a meal at Daily Bread soup kitchen downtown Lynchburg on May 27th, please contact Kristi Moon, or call the church office



## APPRECIATION & THANK-YOU'S

*We express our appreciation to the following individuals:*

- To Judy Davis, Malachi Davis, Karen Conrad, Esther Hammond, Wendy Moon, Kristi Moon for setting up for the Soup & Sandwich Supper;
- To Diann Arthur and Karen Shuman for organizing the Soup & Sandwich Supper; and to all who provided soup and sandwiches;
- to Judy Williams for placing roses on the Baptismal font in celebration of new babies;
- To Vic Fleet & Dallas Scott for continuing to reorganize and clean out storage areas;
- To Diann Arthur for making displays for Easter activities;
- To our SAGG (Saint Andrew Garden Group) volunteers: Beth Groover, Peggy Gilbert, Mertle Akers and Esther Hammond;
- To Mertle Akers, Esther Hammond, Jennifer Birnschein, Judy Davis, and others for reaching out and assisting visitors;
- To Boy Scout Troop 45 for providing a pancake brunch;
- The "Connect" organizers: Beth Groover, Shonda Roberts, Suzanne Raine;
- To the "Connect" volunteers, cooks, teachers, table leaders, child care providers, etc.



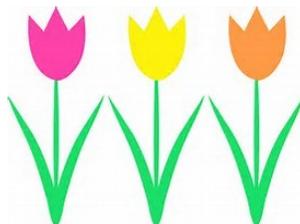
## BENEVOLENCE OF THE MONTH

### SOCIETY OF ST. ANDREW A Gleaning Ministry Bedford, Virginia

*Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church supports the Society of St. Andrew through special collections and as a benevolence in our Church Budget.*

The Society of St. Andrew Gleaning Ministry, Gleaning America's fields, feeding America's Hungry. 2016:

- TOTALS  
32,789 volunteers  
5,624 events  
27,320,172 pounds of produce
- GLEANING  
32,000 volunteers  
16,000,000 pounds of produce
- POTATOES & PRODUCE PROJECT  
11,000,000 pounds of produce  
(donated by agricultural community)



## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### LYNCHBURG COMMUNITY CARE COLLABORATION

Sat., April 8th, 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.  
Salvation Army (across from Miller Park)

#### **Community**

Educational Opportunities  
Employment Openings  
Food Options  
Housing Opportunities

#### **Health**

Dental Care Services  
General Medicine  
Screenings  
(vision, mental health)  
Women's Health Referrals

*Patients are provided with a 30-day supply of medications (as prescribed). Community training initiatives are led by student-doctors, nursing and physician-assistant students.*

Flyers available in the Commons for distribution to those in need

### SENIOR AWARENESS DAY

April 25th, 9 a.m.– 2 p.m.  
FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC  
Timberlake United Methodist Church  
21649 Timberlake Road, Lynchburg

Activities, workshops, morning exercise, community resources, informational booths, pop-up library, food, sing-along and special entertainment. For more information check the commons bulletin board or call 332-9745.

### COMMUNITY LENTEN SERVICES

*Court Street United Methodist Church, 621 Court Street, Lynchburg, 24504, is again offering Lenten Services on Wednesdays at 12 noon. The schedule follows with guest speakers:*

**April 12th:** The Rev. William T. Burleigh  
Court Street United Methodist Church

*Lunch: 12:30 p.m. - Reflectory  
Prepared and served by the United Methodist Women  
\$6 suggested donation*

## APRIL LECTIONARY

### Sun., Apr. 2nd, 5th Sun. in Lent

Ezekiel 37:1-14; Psalm 130; Romans 8:6-11; John 11:1-45.

### Sun., Apr. 9th, Palm Sunday

Matthew 21:1-11; Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29; Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 31:9-16; Phil. 2:5-11; Matthew 26:14-27:66 or Matthew 27:11-54.

### Mon., Apr. 10th, Holy Week

Isaiah 42:1-9; Psalm 36:5-11; Hebrews 9:11-15; John 12:1-11.

### Tues., Apr. 11th, Holy Week

Isaiah 49:1-7; Psalm 71:1-14; 1 Corinthians 1:18-31; John 12:20-36.

### Wed., Apr. 12th

Isaiah 50:4-9; Psalm 70; Hebrews 12:1-3; John 13:21-32.

### Maundy Thurs., Apr. 13th

Exodus 12:1-4 (5-10), 11-14; Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19; Corinthians 11:23-26; John 13:1-17, 31b-35.

### Good Fri., Apr. 14th

Isaiah 52:13-53:12; Psalm 22; Hebrews 10:16-25 or Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9; John 18:1-19:42.

### Sat., Apr. 15th-Great Easter Vigil

Genesis 1:1-2:4a; Psalm 136:1-9, 23-26; Genesis 7:1-5, 11-18; 8:6-18; 9:8-13; Psalm 46; Genesis 22:1-18; Psalm 16; Exodus 14:10-31; 15:20-21; Exodus 15:1b-13, 17-18; Isaiah 55:1-11; Isaiah 12:2-6; Proverbs 8:1-8, 19-21; 9:4b-6; Psalm 19; Ezekiel 36:24-28; Psalm 42 and 43; Ezekiel 37:1-14; Psalm 143; Zephaniah 3:14-20; Psalm 98; Romans 6:3-11; Psalm 114  
Matthew 28:1-10.

### Sun., Apr. 16th, Easter Sunday

Acts 10:34-43 or Jeremiah 31:1-6; Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; Colossians 3:1-4 or Acts 10:34-43; John 20:1-18 or Matthew 28:1-10.

### Sun., Apr. 23rd, 2nd Sun. of Easter

Acts 2:14a, 22-32; Psalm 16; 1 Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-31.

### Sun., Apr. 30th, 3rd Sun. of Easter

Acts 2:14a, 36-41; Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19; 1 Peter 1:17-23; Luke 24:13-35.



## CONNECT Bible Study

The CONNECT Bible Study for children successfully concluded after an eight-week program on March 15th. Our attendance was averaging **30** children each week and supported by **10-20** volunteers each week. This included church members and visitors. For one of our activities, candles were created by elementary students. Each child made a drawing about what they understood from the Bible lesson. The drawing was then glued to his/her candle each week. The children learned they are created in God's image and what that means in how it relates to themselves, to others and to God/Jesus. We talked about creation, being broken and being a friend. We also learned about choosing friends and what God demonstrates toward being/making friends by trusting, being vulnerable, taking a risk to share ourselves, and the commitment of sending Jesus to us. We learned that being apart from God is darkness while light is shown to us through the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Our prayer has been that these children will continue to grow in the image and light of God. These works of arts (candles), are displayed on a table in the Commons. Come see what your children are teaching US. Thank you to all who organized, taught classes, and lead activities; to those who helped set up/clean up, provide food, child care, transportation and support. This was a wonderful church effort and we look forward to having your support again in the near future. We will have several activities over the next several months so that we can continue our relationship building. We'll begin our next session in October.





## DATE NIGHT RETURNS!

### A Ministry to Strengthen Marriages

Dates: Sat., Apr. 22th  
Sat. May 13th  
Sat., June 10th



Saint Andrew is once again hosting a series of date nights for married couples! This is a ministry targeted at younger couples, but open to all. If you and your spouse are looking for new skills and insights to help make the most of your marriage, or even just a chance to get away for a date together, this is for you! Couples will gather at the church on a Saturday night and receive Biblical advice from experts in the relationship field, and then have a chance to go out with their spouse and practice what they've learned. They might go to dinner, to a fun activity, or even to take care of some errands - our hope is simply that whatever they do, they do it deliberately as a way to enjoy the gift of each other. Childcare (including pizza dinner) is provided at the church from 5:00 to 8:30 p.m. We will divide younger and older children with age appropriate activities for each. If you would like to participate in this program please sign up in the Commons, or call or email the church office. We will be emailing an announcement and asking for reservations so we can plan accordingly. There is no charge (but donations by participants for childcare will be accepted). Strong marriages take time and intentional work to develop. We hope and pray that this opportunity will help you and your spouse along the way!

5-5:15 p.m. Gather and get children situated  
5:15-5:40 p.m. Program  
5:40-8 p.m. Date!  
8-8:30 p.m. Pick up



## APRIL USHERS & COMMUNION SERVERS

*If you are unable to serve, please call a replacement*

|                    |                        | USHERS:  | COMMUNION SERVERS  |
|--------------------|------------------------|--|--|
| <b>April 2nd:</b>  | <b>Jubilee Worship</b> | Jim & Joyce Pittard  | Chris Conrad, Bob Elliott,<br>Beth Groover   |
|                    | <b>11 a.m. Worship</b> | Tracy, Sandy,<br>James & Jennifer Tall                       | Mark Johnson, Dan Lang<br>Randy Birnschein, Butch Cook   |
| <b>April 9th:</b>  | <b>Jubilee Worship</b> | Martha Wiley, Ron Moyer                                      |  |
|                    | <b>11 a.m. Worship</b> | Genevieve Neale, Doug Cook<br>Esther Hammond, Tim Overby     |  |
| <b>April 13th</b>  | <b>Maundy Thursday</b> | Norm & Janet Hopper<br>Jim & Joyce Pittard                   | Jack Lacy, David Hawkins<br>Betty Proffitt   |
| <b>April 16th:</b> | <b>Jubilee Worship</b> | Kevin & Kathy Latham   | David Downtain, Paul May<br>Myra Beeker  |
|                    | <b>11 a.m. Worship</b> | Gary & Donna Templeton<br>Mike Gilley, Irene Wheeler         | David Anderson, David Wright<br>Tom/Becky Tweedy,<br>Dudley Rain, Sandy/Tracy Tall<br>Clare Terry, Genevieve Neale |
| <b>April 23rd:</b> | <b>Jubilee Worship</b> | Bret & Lisa Boman  |  |
|                    | <b>11 a.m. Worship</b> | Judy & Larry Williams, Peggy Powell, Chad Rakos              |  |
| <b>April 30th</b>  | <b>Jubilee Worship</b> | Jerry Houck, Myra Beeker                                     |  |
|                    | <b>11 a.m. Worship</b> | Steve Burkett, Jennifer Birnschein, Karen Shuman, Tom Tweedy |  |

## Adult Sunday School

March & April 2017

### Current & Upcoming Class Offerings

*You are welcome to join any of these classes at any time!  
Even classes that indicate a topical study or series are structured in a way that members or visitors can enjoy and benefit from an individual class.*

#### Ricketts Class

East Corridor

Vic and Rita Fleet

The **Rickett's Class** is studying I Timothy and will then continue to Titus and II Timothy. Join Vic and Rita as they lead this class. Through a process of reading, reflection, discussion and creative expression, both the first-time learner and the lifelong student are invited to an engaging, rewarding encounter with Scripture that will greatly deepen their knowledge and understanding of the Bible.

#### Faith in Life Class

East Corridor

Dan & Heidi Lang

Tim Keller's book, ***Generous Justice*** (Riverhead), makes the case for Christian concern for and involvement with those in our society who are least able to advocate for themselves, the widow, the orphan, and the poor. In addition to talking about the book, we are hosting several guest speakers in order to get a practical sense of what we at St. Andrew are doing and what we can do at the local level. Beginning April 2, the class will turn to a discussion of the book, ***Traveling Light: Releasing the Burdens You Were Never Intended to Bear*** by Max Lucado.

#### Adult Electives

East Corridor

Pastor Kim Steinhorst

***"Presbyterianism 101."*** Rev. Kim Steinhorst is focusing this series on the key ideas of the Reformed tradition, with particular attention to the doctrines and practices of Presbyterianism. Those considering joining St. Andrew are especially encouraged to attend, but the class is open to all who wish to learn more about Presbyterian fundamentals

COMING SOON: (April 23, 30; May 7)

Betsy Smith & Kelly Ward

***"Searching for Sunday"*** -Rachel Held Evans

***New York Times*** bestselling author **Rachel Held Evans embarks on a quest to find out what it really means to be part of the Church.** Evans takes readers through a liturgical year with stories about baptism, communion, confirmation, confession, marriage, vocation, and death that are funny, heartbreaking, and sharply honest. A memoir about making do and taking risks, about the messiness of community and the power of grace, *Searching for Sunday* is about overcoming cynicism to find hope and, somewhere in between,

## WELCOME TO OUR MARCH VISITORS

*\*member out of town*

Cody Bays

Jeff Binder

Brent, Iris, Lyn Rose &

Appollo Calderoni

Chad & Stefanie Copp

Joe & Carrie Dailey

Nancy Dawson &

Richard Menconari

Kathy Dunevant

Mark & Somer Dunevant

Emily Edson

April & Josh Farmer

Gideon Hale

Lowell Jones

Charles & Susan Ohmart

Ron Rao

Julie Sharp

John & Susan Sipos

Jane Stansbury

Billy Bob Thomas

Brandon &

Hannah Treadway

Dean Tuck

Alyssa Vandewater

Lynn Williams

Zoe Yaetts

Kyle York

*Q: Who was the greatest comedian in the Bible?*

*A: Sampson. He brought the house down.*



## Vacation Bible School 2017

**WHEN:** Sunday, June 25th, 3-6 p.m. and  
Monday, June 26th through  
Thursday, June 29th,  
9 a.m.-12 p.m.

**WHO:** Children age 3 by June 1 (must be potty trained) through rising 5th graders. Rising 6th graders and up become Assistant Leaders. (See “Volunteer Registration” on website)

**REGISTRATION for SAINT ANDREW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH MEMBERS and VOLUNTEERS is CURRENTLY OPEN!**

This year church members and volunteers can register early by clicking on the link at [www.saintandrewpresbyterianchurch.org](http://www.saintandrewpresbyterianchurch.org)

**PUBLIC REGISTRATION FOR PARTICIPANTS OPENS**  
**APRIL 22nd at 8:00 a.m.**

**WEBSITE: <https://vbspro.events/p/sapc2017>**

(Volunteers can register before the public website goes live! Children of volunteers are guaranteed a spot at VBS. Email us directly at [sapcvbs@gmail.com](mailto:sapcvbs@gmail.com) if you are interested in volunteering)

**Stay Tuned for more exciting VBS info!**

(Questions? Contact Leslie Loucks at [sapcvbs@gmail.com](mailto:sapcvbs@gmail.com))



### SOFTBALL

Our softball team is gearing up for Spring training. Reserve Sat., April 15th for our first meeting. If you are interested in playing on the team this year, call Chad Rakos, 540-816-0369 or email: [chadrakos@allstate.com](mailto:chadrakos@allstate.com)

