



The Carriage Stone

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Thank You From Soup Angels



Our church, through the mission committee, recently made a donation to Soup Angels, the Nyack community organization dedicated to serving meals to those in need of one, without questions asked. We received the following reply:

To the Congregation of New Hempstead Presbyterian Church,

Soup Angels is deeply grateful for your recent generous donation and ongoing support. It is because of caring folks like you that we are able to provide food to those in need. We are currently serving 150 sit-down meals every Monday and Wednesday, helping alleviate food insecurity in our community.

Thank you on behalf of Soup Angels and especially those you help nourish through your generosity.

Sincerely,

Katherine Rife and Kathleen Berry for
Soup Angels

You may or may not know that beyond providing funds, a number of our members also volunteer their time at Soup Angels. If you have an interest and would consider giving of some of your time, please speak with Bob Philhower or any of those who already volunteer.

Afternoon Tea

This year, Germonds Presbyterian Church's Tea is not called a "Ladies Tea". It is called an "Afternoon Tea". Our congregation is invited, as it was last year, when many of us wore fashionable hats.

The event is on Saturday, June 15 from 11:30 to 1:30 PM at the Germonds Presbyterian Church, 39 Germonds Road in New City.

I -Nancy Jacobs- will wear a hat again, and men can attend too, with or without fashionable hats. It's a nice fellowship event with a sister church. Speak to me about car-pooling.

Musical Picnic

From Nancy Jacobs

New Hempstead will host its third musical picnic on Saturday, June 22 at 4 PM outside Murchison Hall, with plenty of food, music, and laughs. Bring a cold dish to share and enjoy the food while listening to some great live music. A \$5 donation is also suggested. Fellowship at its best!

Morning Music Club

From Mark Zacheis

The Morning Music Club held their annual scholarship concert in our sanctuary on May 18. Five high school seniors planning to further their education in music in college next year received an award from MMC and each took their turn performing. Amanda Witek, one of the winners, is pictured here performing for the crowd of about eighty people. A reception honoring these young people was held afterward in the Colonial Room. We congratulate all of the winners and the Morning Music Club on their 100th anniversary.





The Manse

By Mark Zacheis

There's been lots of action with the manse this May. Recognizing that summer is fast approaching and anticipating that volunteers will soon be busy with other outdoor pursuits, we stepped up the pace, with someone working in there most every day.

There has been lots of progress in the kitchen, with the stove and the dishwasher installed, the floor cleaned, the cabinet facia painted, and the backsplash (thank you Pam, Karen, and May) and the crown molding installed. The cabinet doors have been ordered and are scheduled for delivery the first week in June – after that there are just a few small tasks to do and the room is finished.

The dining room is almost done; thanks to Susan and Bill, our hearty painters. The folding doors to the living room were removed, and new blinds and air conditioning was installed. We also took down the overgrown bush just outside and discovered the abundant natural light that comes into the room. Just a few small tasks left in there to complete.



We've also finished the master bedroom on the second floor. A thorough cleaning, new paint, new window shades, and a new finish on the floor.



The demo of the upstairs bathroom is complete (thank you Pam, that was a lot of tile) and installing the new tile and fixtures will start soon. And we have started to clean out the attic (thank you Jane).



And thank you also to Chris and Griffin for their work installing the new furnace (the old was circa 1962) and removing the old ones.



Thank you to the many, many volunteers who are making quick work of this project, of making it cost effective, for the new plantings in the gardens, and special thanks to those who are have shown up to work on a regular basis.



Martin Luther King Center Gala

From Mark Zacheis

NHPC was honored at the Martin Luther King Multi-Purpose Center spring awards benefit gala on

April 28. The citation reads “In recognition and grateful appreciation for your humanitarianism and exemplary service to the Martin Luther King Multi-Purpose Center and the wider Rockland County Community”. On the front page, Karen Martin is seen accepting the award from Nathan Mungin III, its executive director. Our church has long partnered with the MLK Center but in recent years we have stepped up our game, by not only providing our gifts to them but also in the giving of our time. A number of our members are a regular presence at their food pantry each month. And as in years past, our Pentecost Offering will be dedicated to them.

