



Lilies given in memory and/or honor of:

Paul Johnson, Dixie North, Keith & Erline North,
Harry & Betty Houghtby,
Paul A. & Olive Johnson,
Brett Bouma

Given by: the Russell, Johnson and North families

Alice & Lawrence Baie, Marjorie & Jack Meredith,
Wayne Stryker

Given by: Dave and Mary Stryker

Dimon & Melba Roberts
Nellie Wiseman Roberts

Given by Melba Speelman

Janet Wild, Jack Wild, Julius & Marcella Monteiro

Given by: Jay, Christine and Olivia Monteiro

Susanne Brown
Alice Claybaugh

Given by: the Conley Family

Marion & Carl Larsen

Given by: Jay, Christine, Olivia and Brent Monteiro

Clyde & Mary MacDougall, Uncle Everette MacDougall,

Given by: Herb and Donna Leifheit

Victor Barresi & Brett Bouma

Given by: Steve and Maureen Bremner
& Jack and Marilyn Ryen

Per Capita for 2016:\$ 35.66
(GA-\$7.12; Synod-\$3.81; Blackhawk
Presbytery- \$24.73)



Scholarship

**Robert
Maple Scholarship**

The Maple Scholarship is available to a high school senior who is a member of

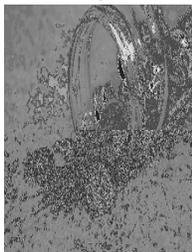
Waterman Presbyterian Church. The late Bob Maple was a teacher and textbook author who grew up as a member of our church. The scholarship is a one time gift and is funded and managed by Bob's brother, Tom. For an application, please contact Laurie Johnson at pljj1985@aol. com or 815-264-7706



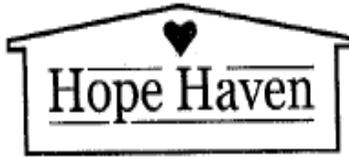
April Birthdays!

- 2nd.....Jacob Johnson
- 11th.....Samantha Meredith
- 18thTim Johnson
- 23rd.....Laurie Johnson
- 25th.....Bill Meredith
- 28th.....Tara Meredith
- 30th.....Marilyn Ryen

Change For the Better Mission for UMPEC



Our April Mission focus, continuing from March is UMPEC. We will be collecting spare change to help make a difference for others. Clean out the bottom of your purse, reach down into your pocket, and check under your sofa cushions! There is a coin jar on the table in the Narthex. Let's see how many times we can fill the jar!!!!



Hope Haven of DeKalb County, Inc.

*"Serving the homeless and the community
for over 20 years"*

March 10, 2016

Waterman Presbyterian Church
250 N. Cedar
Waterman, IL 60556

Dear Waterman Presbyterian Church,

Thank you for being a committed supporter of Hope Haven's mission. As we are bracing ourselves for the continued uncertainty of the budget in Illinois, we find comfort in the generosity of our community. At a time when the instability of State funding should leave us hastily picking up the pieces, donations such as yours have come pouring in. Without hesitation, you, along with our other supporters, came to our aid when things seemed most desolate. Your generous donation of \$50.00 (check #8172) is deeply appreciated.

Hope Haven has provided food, shelter, safety, support and hope to men, women and children for over 26 years. While the programs that we provide and the faces of the homeless have changed, we continue the mission of helping families and individuals establish a solid foundation on which to build their futures. Your continued kindness has been instrumental in the stability of Hope Haven. On behalf of the residents and staff at Hope Haven, thank you again for your thoughtful gift.

With much gratitude,

Lesly D. Wicks, LCSW
Executive Director

We hereby certify that we did not provide any goods or services in return for any part of your gift. Please use this letter as a receipt of your 2016 tax-deductible contribution.

Emergency Shelter & Housing First Project
1145 Rushmore Drive, DeKalb, IL 60115
Phone: 815-758-5765 * Fax: 815-758-7006

Dresser Court Project & Administrative Office
965 W. Dresser Road, DeKalb, IL 60115
Phone: 815-758-3166 * Fax: 815-787-7028



Please pray for: Family of Dave Prusa, David Eichelberger, Chico Cruz (Jennifer Kallas' Dad) Michelle (George) Mathews (Shari Conley's neighbor), Norm Johnson, Jennifer Hipple (Florence Hipple's granddaughter) Alma Schweitzer and Our Church.
Our military personnel: Staff Sgt. Vadon Loudermilk Jr., Major Garrett Slack & Major Bob

Thank You!!!!!!

... to our liturgist during the month of March: Dave Stryker
 ...to our Song for the Soul selector for March: Florence Hipple.

If anyone would be interested in serving on the Open Hands Advisory Committee (OHAC), as a board member, please contact Mary Stryker. This position would be representing the Waterman Presbyterian Church. The meetings are generally held once a month.



‘Be the LIGHT’ Finale Event:

Come and help us Celebrate and Praise God for another WOWderful year at Women of the Word!

Thursday, April 14, 2016, 7 p.m.

Waterman Presbyterian Church

Program led by two of our own WOW members:

‘Be the Light’ Speaker: Abby Stalcup, Waterman

‘Be the Light’ Worship Leader: Stacy Larson, Hinckley

Bring a friend!!!.....Enjoy inspiration and fellowship!

Appetizers and Desserts following the program!

“You are all children of the LIGHT and children of the DAY. We do not belong to the night or to the darkness.” *1 Thessalonians 5:5*



Stamp Ministry - you can contribute to the Sisters of the Holy Cross Ministry With the Poor. The sisters remove the stamps from the envelope paper, sort them and sell them to brokers and collectors. The proceeds benefit their ministries, helping those in need around the world. Save stamps that have their perforations intact, are not too heavily canceled, and are not torn, cut or stained. Leave at least 1/4 inch on each side of the stamp when cutting it from the envelope. Most valuable Stamps in mint (un-canceled) or fine/very fine condition: Foreign stamps, U.S. Commemoratives, Stamps with postage values of \$1 or more. A collection box is on the table in the Narthex or please mail them to the church at PO BOX 208, Waterman, Illinois 60556.

April 2016.... As Easter approached we continued the discussion of Jesus' teachings of love, fairness and kindness. It is difficult for preschoolers to understand that some people did not like or agree with these teachings and that people were cruel to Jesus. As one child said "they were bad guys"! The children have however enjoyed the stories of Jesus' miracles and that Jesus is in Heaven with God. Some of our children have lost loved ones this school year and they believe these loved ones are in Heaven also.

Through the past months we have also discussed God gifts to us, the Earth, family, friends, and more. In celebration of God's Earth, the Children will paper mache and paint large balloons to create the Earth and Sun. We will discuss the importance of the Sun to Earth, Earth's inhabitants before Adam and Eve (dinosaurs), and "The Creation". Our travel agency allowed us to "travel" to Earth's beautiful mountains, beaches, oceans, and rivers. Seeing pictures of these places helped us realize the importance of keeping our Earth clean and healthy. We will play a recycling game, "This is the way we clean up the Earth, every day at school". Each child throws a bean bag at plastic, tin, aluminum, and paper items and put the item they hit in a recycling basket.

The celebration of Spring will continue throughout our classroom. In art the children will make rain clouds, umbrellas, birds and flowers. In blocks there will be stuffed animal birds, matching baby birds in eggs and nesting materials. We have made plant cuttings to root for Mother's Day presents.

One of our favorite books is "Pete is a Pizza" by William Steig. In this book a little boy is sad and bored because he can not play outside due to rain. His parents cheer him up by rolling and tossing him on a couch and making him into a "pizza". The children will be reading this book and acting it out. One child will be a pizza maker and the other the pizza. The "pizza" gets rolled and stretched. Pieces of paper become cheese. Checkers are pepperoni and the "pizza" gets covered with a sheet to bake. This is a great way to encourage trust, friendship and cooperation. We will also have a Pizza Parlor in dramatic play and the children will make english muffin pizzas for snack.

THANK YOU TO:

*All who sold butterbraids for our fundraiser. OH profited \$1592.00. Along with budgetary expenses, this money will be used for sciencing materials and equipment. It will also help to keep our playground upgraded.

*All who use their Schunucks Escript cards. OH earned \$65.00 in Feb.

DATES TO REMEMBER: April 13--OH committee meeting, 6:30pm at UMC

May 13--OH end of year picnic, 10:00am at Lions Park



There are a few churches that support NICE by doing a monthly collection of a named item from their congregations. It is usually an item that is expensive for the Center to buy or that is very popular. **We are now collecting for the month of April and we would like to collect boxed cake mixes.** The items can be put into the collection box in the Narthex. Watch the newsletter and bulletins for what we will be collecting each month.

The families that come to the NICE Center are very appreciative of all that you do. * Thank you for your support. ******