



## April & May Birthdays

21 Charlene Abel, 27 Bob Christofferson, 30 Michelle Bryant, May 3 Flora Gordon, 3 Katey O'Brien, 8 Jackie Ehle, 8 Paul Tay, 9 Sue Brody, 9 Rachel Cost, 10 Don McCullough, 11 Ted Johnson, 14 Rosalie Scott, 19 Wayne Salyards, 21 Danny Nelson, 26 Rod Lorimer, 26 Jan Littrell, 27 Betty Freeman, 31 Wheatley Allen

### Weekly Meetings:

Sundays 9:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School in the Ronn Garton Library, Preston Hall  
Sundays 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship Service in the Sanctuary  
Sundays 10:00 a.m. Children's Sunday School and Childcare during Worship Service  
Sundays 7 to 8p.m. cups of tea Bible Study @ Dale & Lois Leister's home – 961-5457  
1st Sundays Communion 10:00 a.m.  
Monday Starting Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>, **every other week**, Sr. High Youth Group, Daniel's Home  
1st Mondays 5:00 p.m. Worship Committee meeting  
2nd Mondays 6:30 p.m. Session Meets, Alma Mendosa Room, Eidsath House  
2nd & 4th Mondays 5:30-7:30 p.m. Jr./Sr. High Youth Group, **1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian, Fort Bragg**  
Tuesdays 9-12 a.m. Deacon's Outreach Program, including food and showers  
Tuesdays 9:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study, Library, Preston Hall  
Wednesdays 3:00 Christian Spirituality Study, Library, Preston Hall  
Wednesdays 4:00 Bible Study, Alma Mendosa Room, Eidsath House  
3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday 5:30 p.m. Taize Worship Service  
Last Wednesday Evenings of Month, 5:00 p.m. Soul Food outreach dinner, Preston Hall  
Thursdays 9:15 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Alma Mendosa Room, Eidsath House  
Thursdays 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice, Alma Mendosa Room, Eidsath House  
3rd Thursdays 4:00 p.m. Deacon's Meeting, in the Ronn Garton Library  
Fridays 5:00 p.m. Ringing of our bell, honoring the week's war casualties  
Thursdays & Fridays, counseling sessions with Kathy Mooney, available by appointment. Please call the office.

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**Our guest speaker this morning is Robert E. Conover, a brief biography;** Robert Conover serves as the Mission Presbyter and Stated Clerk for the Presbytery of the Redwoods. Prior to this position, he served as pastor to congregations in California and New York. He is a graduate of San Francisco Theological Seminary and is a member of the Board of Trustees. Bob holds a Ph.D. from the Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley, and serves as adjunct faculty for SFTS and has taught pastors in Guatemala for the Centro Evangelico de Estudios Pastorales en Centro America. His current ministry is devoted to helping pastors and congregations adapt to the challenges of being the church in 21st century. Bob and his wife, Kathy, live in Petaluma, and their two sons live in San Francisco. Bob is a triathlete, snowboarder, and a registered yoga teacher.



Young at Heart

**The men of the church will be honoring Paul Tay in celebration of his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday and his lifelong commitment to the Lord.** Paul will lead a Bible study starting at 9:30 AM, Thursday, May 2 followed by a tour of the home he designed for the McDonalds, and a BBQ lunch and bonfire. Brothers, please join us for this special occasion. Call Rick McDonald 937-5452 or email [rickmcd@mcn.org](mailto:rickmcd@mcn.org) so we can plan the food. Location is 3850 G Road North, Albion CA.

***New Church Directories are now available in the back of the church.***

## News & Notes

April 21, 2013

MENDOCINO PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

### Evening of Soup, Salad, and Song to benefit Youth Group trip to Nicaragua

A group of seven high school students from Mendocino Presbyterian Church Youth Group have joined a work group with the non-profit organization, **Seeds of Learning**, headed for Tipitapa, Nicaragua, from July 28-August 7, 2013. They will spend ten days immersed in the local community and working alongside community members to construct a school facility. In order to get there, each student must raise approximately \$2000 to cover airfare, lodging, transportation, and meals.

The Mendocino/Fort Bragg contingent of this delegation includes: Justin Daniel, Tavi Hillesland, Jordan Brown, Anabelle Carpenter, Everett Taylor, Libby Claybrook, Dylan Foley, Morgan Daniel, and Bart Carpenter.

**Please come out and support them through the Soup, Salad, Song Fundraiser on Sunday, April 28, 2013, at Mendocino Presbyterian Church, Preston Hall from 5-7 p.m. Musical Entertainment from 6-7 p.m.**

If you are unable to attend the event, but would like to donate, please send a check to : Seeds of Learning, P.O. Box 2107, Sonoma, California 95476. In the memo include the name of the group, **FBHS/MHS SOL TEAM 2013**. Donations will also be accepted by phone, [707-939-0471](tel:707-939-0471) - Tuesday thru Thursday, 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Donate online here: <http://seedsoflearning.org/give.php>

Seeds of Learning, which is supported by the Mission Committee of this church, was co-founded in 1991 by Mendocino High School graduate and MPC member, Patrick Rickon. Since its inception, work groups organized by SOL have remodeled and constructed 155 classrooms in Nicaragua and El Salvador. If you would like more information about this organization, please go to [www.seedsoflearning.org](http://www.seedsoflearning.org).

*To our friends at the Mendocino Presbyterian Church, **Thank You** for your gift to Children's Hope! We appreciate you partnering with us to share God's hope with the fatherless, and improve the lives of children in Jacmei, Haiti. We have seen God's heart for orphans and we know God desires for His Children to be their refuge. Thanks for sharing our vision and passion!*

*God Bless --- Staff @ Children's Hope*



Mendocino Coast Christian Men's Monthly Breakfast, **Saturday, April 27, 7:30 a.m.** will be held at **Grace Community Church in Fort Bragg**. We encourage the men of our church to support this expression of Christian Unity.

#### Mission Committee Meeting Reminder

The newly revitalized Mission Committee of MPC will hold its second monthly meeting this morning April 17, after the worship service at 11:30 a.m. in the Fireside Room on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of Eidsaith House (below the church office). We will continue our item review of the mission budget approved by the church's Session earlier this year. Anyone interested in our congregation's mission program and wants to provide input on our budget's distribution is encouraged to come. See Rob Scott for details.

**Wanted: Docents to Share the History of our Church** The first Saturday in May is the beginning of the docent led tours of our historic Mendocino Presbyterian Church. People from all over the USA, the world, and members of our local community visit our church drawn to the magnificent architectural structure, the icon for the village of Mendocino. As docents we share not only the beauty and history of our buildings, but more importantly the faith of our founding members and all those that followed to make our congregation a testament to our love of God as followers of Jesus. The rich history of this church, and its relationship to our coastal community over the past 158 years are wonderful stories to share with our visitors. Come join us, learn the stories that enrich the history of our church. We will hold an organizing meeting in April. If you would like to learn more about being a docent, please contact Ginny or Warren Wade at 964-6362.

Thelma Gray passed away on Thursday, April, 11<sup>th</sup>. Our prayers and condolence go out to her son Steve. We care for you and your mother will be missed by many here at the Mendocino Presbyterian Church.