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CHRISTMASWISHES A HUGE SUCCESS

The ChristmasWishes Celebration is done for another year! The train sits quietly in the station, the Christmas story has been told, the cupcakes decorated, and the families have gone home with crafts, books, gifts, and treasured memories of a warm welcome and fellowship.

To every person who participated in ChristmasWishes-from making wishes come true to volunteering your precious time to help with our Celebration, thank you so very much. With your help, ChristmasWishes granted wishes to almost 450 children at five celebration sites. NPPC's Celebration touched the lives of 125 children and their families.

Again, to every person who helped in so many ways...our sincere thanks for your support and participation in ChristmasWishes.

Chris Combs

CHRISTMAS SPIRIT PERMEATES NPPC

A big thank you to all the volunteers who made the Round the Table Carol Sing a great successful! From the CAT (Chairs and Tables) team and women who set up and decorated Westminster Hall to those made the cookies, soup and sandwiches to those who set out all the food for the participants and the kitchen crew who helped to clean it all up - thanks! Special thanks to Rob, Peggy, Tyler and Andy, Jason, Cindy Sugg, the children's choir and our newly formed Quartet for the entertainment. You are all appreciated.

Sue Wood

NPPM MAKES DONATION

The New Providence Presbyterian Men (NPPM) have made a donation to Sevier County (Gatlinburg) Wildfire disaster relief. At the December Meeting of the New Providence Presbyterian Men, donations were approved to be sent to the following organizations:

- Red Cross - \$1,000 in gas cards
- Presbytery of East Tennessee Disaster Relief fund - \$1,000
- Presbyterian Disaster Assistance – Sevier County - \$1,000

The money for these donations came from the NPPM Parking Square who took donations from Maryville High School football fans that parked in the church parking lot.

Roy Fox

LECTIONARY STUDY CHANGES MEETING SITE

The Wednesday lectionary study led by the Rev. Steve Musick will start the new year at a new location. We will be meeting beginning Wednesday, January 18 at Shannondale apartments in the room off the dining room. This study will be every Wednesday at 4:00. All folks are welcome to join us for this always informative and enriching study. The lectionary scriptures for each week are published in the bulletin and in the *New Prov Press* and are often the subject of sermons for that week hence the practice of publishing the lectionary a week ahead in the bulletin. We hope you will join us and make this your first New Year's resolution!

Dale Freeman

NEW PROV U

Get ready for some great stories from Lee Morris, who will speak on "Preachments: A Country Minister's Sermon Parody" at New Prov U on Wednesday, January 11. New Prov U is an opportunity for the congregation, especially those 55 and older, to find enrichment opportunities from a variety of presentations.

Contact Karen (karen@newprovidencepres.org, 983-0182) by noon on Friday, January 7, to make reservations for the 11:30 a.m. lunch or come for the program at noon.

Cynthia Freeman

LIFE BEGINNERS

Weather permitting, Life Beginners will meet at the church at 10 a.m. on Friday, January 20th for a fantastic trip to see the Sandhill Crane Migration at the Hiwassee Refuge. Before going to the refuge, we will have lunch at a restaurant in Dayton and order off the menu. There will be a \$2 transportation fee, to be paid the day of the trip. Make your reservation with Karen (karen@newprovidencepres.org or 983-0182) by Thursday, January 19th.

Stephanie Bell

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR JANUARY

- January 1: Isaiah 63:7-9; Psalm 148; Hebrews 2:10-18; Matthew 2:13-23
- January 8: Isaiah 42:1--9; Psalm 29; Acts 10:34-43; Matthew 3:15-17
- January 15: Isaiah 49:1-7; Psalm 40:1-11; I Corinthians 1:1-9; John 1:29-42
- January 22: Isaiah 9:1-4; Psalm 27:1, 4-9; I Corinthians 1:10-18; Matthew 4:12-23
- January 29: Micah 6:1-8; Psalm 15; I Corinthians 1:18-31; Matthew 5:1-12

FROM THE PASTOR

In 1995, Marj Carpenter, a ruling elder from the metropolis of Big Spring, Texas, was elected moderator of the General Assembly of the PC(USA). She was a tireless advocate for mission, and she was often quoted as saying, "I am sinfully proud to be a Presbyterian." She went on to say, "It's a sin to be proud but we don't waste that one much. When anybody asks what church we attend, we drop our heads and sheepishly say, 'Presbyterian.' But there are 90 million people out there in more than 120 countries who are very proud of being Presbyterian and Reformed, and we helped put them there."

This month, right here in our own corner of God's kingdom, I couldn't agree more. I am sinfully proud to be Presbyterian. After the November 28th fires that devastated Gatlinburg, Presbyterians were among the first on the scene. In recent years, the Gatlinburg Presbyterian Church has converted unused Christian Education space into a retreat center, which they immediately turned over to All Hands Volunteers, a national disaster recovery team that has been asked by the state government to coordinate efforts in Sevier County. Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) will be onsite by late January, and will stay until recovery efforts are complete. The Bethel Presbyterian Church in Kingston is working with a United Methodist congregation in Gatlinburg composed almost entirely of Spanish-speaking immigrants. Many, many Presbyterians and other people of faith are urging city and county governments to take this opportunity to address the need for decent public housing for the untold numbers of hourly workers (hotel and retail clerks, landscapers, cleaning personnel and the like) who keep Sevier County's tourist business running, and who now are among the most vulnerable.

And I should add that I am sinfully proud to be a New Providence Presbyterian as well. The New Providence Men's group immediately responded to the crisis with \$3000 (made through their football parking

"I am sinfully proud to be a Presbyterian"

enterprise) to be split among the Red Cross, the Presbytery of East Tennessee Disaster Relief Fund, and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. The Welcome Table has offered to provide meals which other members will be delivering to volunteers on Tuesday nights through the end of January. There was so much interest in helping that other NewProv members have stepped up to take on five more nights. One of our

Geneva groups will provide a meal next Thursday (great idea, by the way!) Two of our members have graciously driven All Hands Staff to the Nashville airport

On top of that, donations totaling almost \$22,000 have already been received locally to help with disaster relief efforts. \$6400 of that came from New Providence, but help has also arrived from Presbyterians in Ohio and Virginia, from churches stretched from Allardt to DC, from the Presbytery of Tropical Florida and even a Presbyterian Women's group in upstate New York. Yes, indeed, I am sinfully proud to be Presbyterian.

Some of you know that I have agreed to co-chair the Presbytery's Disaster Response team with Gradye Parsons, and as time goes on, I know that there will be many, many more ways to serve, but I am grateful to see your generous response already.

Steve and I have worked together for a long time, and we don't agree about everything, but we do agree on this: the Church of Jesus Christ exists as least as much for those outside its wall as it does for those inside the walls. Thank you for demonstrating that one more time.

It is a joy to be the church with you!



Emily J. Anderson

** If you would like to make a financial contribution to recovery efforts, we are recommending donations made to NPPC, but earmarked for "Presbytery of East TN Disaster Relief Fund." That allows the flexibility to channel monies to where they are most needed, be it the Red Cross, PDA or other organizations.

HEALTH TIPS

Make 2017 an active year! With the start of a New Year, many people make resolutions to get healthy. A big part to getting and/or staying healthy is being active. Check out these tips:

BEFORE YOU START... If you have a health problem like heart disease, diabetes, or obesity, talk with your doctor about the types and amounts of physical activity that are right for you.

Aim for 2 hours and 30 minutes a week of moderate aerobic activities:

- If you were not exercising before, start slowly. Begin with 10 minutes of aerobic activity and build up to doing 30 minutes at a time.
- Aim for 30 minutes of aerobic activity on most days of the week.
- Choose aerobic activities that make your heart beat faster like walking fast, dancing, swimming, or raking leaves.
- Tell your doctor if you have shortness of breath, chest pain, or unplanned weight loss.

Do strengthening activities 2 days a week:

- Try using exercise bands of lifting hand weights. You can also use bottles of water or cans of food as weights.
- Breathe out as you lift the weight, and breathe in as you lower it. Do not hold your breath - holding your breath can cause unsafe changes in your blood pressure.

Do balance activities 3 or more days a week:

- Practice standing on one foot (hold onto a chair if you need to at first).
- Stand up from a sitting position without using your hands.
- Learn tai chi ("ty chee"), a Chinese mind-body exercise that involves moving the body slowly and gently.
- Sign up for a yoga class, or try following a yoga video at home.

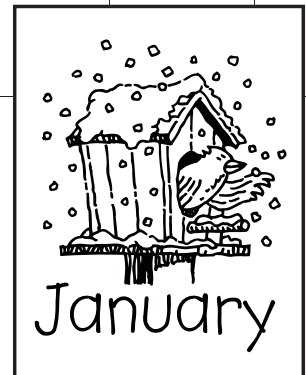
Taken from www.healthfinder.gov

Trish Badgett

¹Marj Carpenter, *And a Little Bit Farther: More Stories of Mission "to the Ends of the Earth,"* (Louisville: Geneva Press, 1998)

CALENDAR FOR JANUARY 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
01 New Year's Day 9:00AM Church School 10:00AM Coffee & Fellowship (Atrium) 10:30AM Traditional Worship w/First Light (Sanctuary)	02 New Year's Day Holiday - Church Closed	03 8:00AM CBS Sorters (WH) 9:00AM Bartlett Adult Day Out (REH) 1:30PM Welcome Table Prep (FWH) 1:45PM Centering Prayer (Youth Room) 5:00PM Welcome Table (WH) 5:00PM FirstLight Rehearsal (Sanctuary) 6:00PM BSA - Tiger Cubs (FEH) 6:30PM Congregational Life/Deacons (206) 6:30PM Event Support Committee (211) 7:00PM Personnel Committee (Chapel) 7:00PM Policy Committee (Youth Room) 7:00PM Budget & Finance (108) 7:00PM Stewardship Committee (109) 7:00PM New Prov Green Team (Confirmation Room) 7:00PM Admin Team (Parlor)	04 ACS & BCS Students Back to School 8:30AM Men's Building Square (Atrium) 9:00AM Bartlett Adult Day Out (REH) 4:00PM Lectionary Bible Study (Shannondale) 6:00PM LIFT Steering Committee Meeting (Chapel) 6:00PM Men's Lead Team (109) 7:00PM New Prov Reads (Parlor) 7:00PM Chancel Choir (Choir Room)	05 10:00AM PWC Circle - Ruth (Youth Room) 10:00AM PWC Circles - Martha (Chapel) 10:00AM PWC Circles - Leah (Parlor) 2:00PM PWC Circle - Deborah 5:45PM Grace Notes (211) 7:00PM PWC Circle - Mary (108) 7:30PM NA Group (206)	06 Epiphany of the Lord 6:30PM Officers' Training Kickoff Dinner (WH)	07 7:30AM Officers' Training (WH)
08 Communion 12:00AM Baptism of the Lord 9:00AM FirstLight Worship (Sanctuary) 10:00AM Officers' Training (Chapel) 10:00AM Church School 11:05AM Traditional Worship (Sanctuary) 4:30PM Financial Peace University (EH) 4:30PM iGroup (FWH) 6:00PM Youth Dinner (FWH) 6:30PM PYC (FWH)	09 MCS Students Back to School 7:30AM Men's Lectionary Bible Study 8:00AM CBS Sorters (WH) 9:30AM Headstart Training (FEH) 10:00AM Maryville Babywearers Meeting (Youth Room) 6:00PM BSA - Bear Cubs (FWH) 6:30PM BSA - Wolf Cubs (FEH) 6:30PM BSA - Webelos 1 (Confirmation Room) 7:00PM BSA - Troop 88 (FWH) 7:00PM BSA - Webelos 2 (REH) 7:00PM Women's Study Group (Parlor) 7:00PM Youth Committee (Youth Room) 7:30PM NA Group (206)	10 9:00AM Bartlett Adult Day Out (REH) 9:30AM Community Food Connection Board Meeting (Chapel) 1:00PM CFC Strategic Planning Meeting (Chapel) 1:30PM Welcome Table Prep (FWH) 1:45PM Centering Prayer (Youth Room) 5:00PM Welcome Table (WH) 5:00PM FirstLight Rehearsal (Sanctuary) 6:00PM BSA - Tiger Cubs (FEH) 6:00PM Pictorial Directory Pics Make Up Date (REH) 6:30PM Worship & Arts (Choir Room) 6:30PM Children's Committee (215) 6:30PM Leadership Development Committee (206) 6:30PM Adult Ed Committee (214) 7:00PM Church In the World (Chapel) 7:30PM Disc & Education (216)	11 7:30AM Men's Witnessing Square (Youth Room) 9:00AM Bartlett Adult Day Out (REH) 11:30AM New Prov U (FWH) 4:00PM Lectionary Bible Study (Shannondale) 7:00PM Chancel Choir (Choir Room) 7:00PM New Prov Reads (Parlor)	12 8:30AM CBS Set Up (RWH) 9:00AM PWP Finance Meeting (108) 9:00AM Quilters (FWH) 10:00AM D & S Community Services Training Meeting (FEH) 5:45PM Grace Notes (211) 6:00PM BSA - District Committee (FEH) 7:00PM BSA-District Roundtable (REH) 7:30PM NA Group (206)	13 8:30AM Community Benefit Sale (FWH)	14 7:00PM Blount United Youth Town Hall, Moving the Dream (WH)
15 Alexander Reynolds Baptism 10:00AM FirstLight Worship (Sanctuary) 10:00AM Officers' Training (Chapel) 10:00AM Church School 11:05AM Traditional Worship (Sanctuary) 4:30PM iGroup (FWH) 4:30PM Financial Peace University (EH) 6:00PM Youth Dinner (FWH) 6:30PM PYC (FWH)	16 MLK Day - Church Closed	17 New Prov Press Deadline 8:00AM CBS Sorters (WH) 9:00AM Bartlett Adult Day Out (REH) 1:30PM Welcome Table Prep (FWH) 1:45PM Centering Prayer (Youth Room) 5:00PM FirstLight Rehearsal (Sanctuary) 5:00PM Welcome Table (WH) 6:00PM BSA - Tiger Cubs (FEH) 6:30PM Communion Training (Sanctuary) 7:00PM Session (Chapel)	18 8:30AM Men's Building Square (Atrium) 9:00AM Bartlett Adult Day Out (REH) 3:00PM P.E.A.K. (16) 4:00PM Lectionary Bible Study (Shannondale) 4:15PM Children's Choir Practice (212) 5:15PM Cloud 9 (217) 7:00PM Chancel Choir (Choir Room) 7:00PM New Prov Reads (Parlor)	19 9:00AM Quilters 10:00AM PWC Coordinating Team (Chapel) 5:45PM Grace Notes (211) 7:30PM NA Group (206)	20 10:00AM Life Beginners 10:30AM Maryville Babywearers Meeting (Youth Room)	21
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RWH - Rear Westminster Hall

FWH - Front Westminster Hall

FEH - Front Eastminster Hall

REH - Rear Eastminster Hall

GATLINBURG WILDFIRE RELIEF

The wildfires that hit Gatlinburg and Sevier County took mere minutes to cause devastation. The recovery, however, will take at least two years. The Presbytery of East Tennessee's Disaster Response Team is working in concert with Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) and other organizations to help for the duration. Each month we will have an update in the *New Prov Press*, in the bulletins and on our website at www.newprovidencepres.org for you and ways you can be involved.

What to know if you want to help in person (individual or group):

- Every volunteer must register initially through the Volunteer Reception Center (VRC) at 1304 Parkway in Sevierville.
- Only authorized groups will be allowed to participate in recovery efforts. The Sevier County Emergency Manager has determined that all recovery work (both needs of residents and offers of volunteer work) will go through the VRC. The county does not want individuals or groups soliciting work sites apart from the VRC.
- Because of the current nature of fire recovery, most volunteers are being used to sort donations. Work-site activity involves sifting and demolition. Precautions are being taken regarding exposure to potentially toxic debris.
- Churches in the presbytery are signing up to prepare meals for the volunteers with the All Hands organization, which is being housed at the Gatlinburg Presbyterian Church. New Providence will cover all the Tuesdays through January with food from the Welcome Table, but we have also signed up for some additional dates: 12/29, 1/7, 1/13, 1/19, and 1/22. This is an easy task for a Sunday school class, Geneva group, or even just a couple of families or individuals. Go to the Sign up Genius page to sign up to help with these meals. If you'd like to pick an alternate date, these are available at <https://mealtrain.com/2l5wd7>. Or, if you'd prefer

not to cook, consider catering a meal from one of Gatlinburg's restaurants. That helps local business owners and employees as well! Click here for the link to the MealTrain sign up for this project.

Monetary donations continue to be needed. Congregations and individuals are encouraged to donate to the Presbytery's Disaster Relief fund.

Further information is available at the PET website (<http://www.presbyteryeasttn.org/>).

Emily Anderson

DEBORAH CIRCLE

Deborah Circle will meet at Liz Blackburn's (1521 Linda Lane) on Thursday, January 5th at 10:00 a.m.

BARTLETT BUZZ

At Bartlett Adult Day Out, we will be celebrating three participants birthdays in January. That means multiple parties! Between parties, we will enjoy visits from Ex Libris, and others.

As always, if you have an interesting hobby or talent, we'd love to have you come visit. Contact Trish Badgett (983-0182, trish@newprovidencepres.org), for more information.

Trish Badgett

STAINED GLASS WINDOW SERIES

Almost without exception, every person who steps into our sanctuary for the first time comments about the beautiful stained glass windows, in fact, so much so that I plan to preach a winter/spring sermon series about those windows.

Have you ever wondered who all those people were? I can tell you about the characters in the windows themselves, but I'm intrigued by the selections. For instance, this is the only church I know that has a "Mary Magdalene" window, since Mary Magdalene has historically (and wrongly) been considered one of the "bad girls of the Bible." If you have any information – anecdotal or otherwise – about why these 11 characters were chosen, I'd love to hear it.

I'm also very interested in finding out the history of the people in whose names they were dedicated. I don't know anything about the LeQuire family, but I'll bet someone in this congregation does! What follows is the information we have collected over the years. If you know more details that could be added to any of these descriptions, would you email me at Emily@newprovidencepres.org? I would be most grateful.

- Livingstone Window - In memory of: Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Tyndale Wilson. Dr. Samuel Tyndale Wilson, fifth president of Maryville College served twenty-nine years from 1901-1930. Dr. and Mrs. Wilson and their six children lived for many years at Willard House on the campus, all active in the church and college activities. Miss Lois Wilson continues to live in Maryville after serving 40 years as a missionary in Lebanon.
- Knox Window - In memory of: Lilly Elizabeth Koella. Living in Basel, Switzerland, and a member of the Reformed Protestant Church, she was educated in Switzerland and England. A frequent visitor to her brother, Ernest Koella, Sr., founder of the Rockford Manufacturing Company, one of her last gestures of good will toward this country was befriending American G.I.s stationed in Basel in WWII.
- Paul Window - In memory of: Mark Blaine Crum. Graduated from Maryville College in 1917, and a major in the National Guard, he was seriously wounded in WWI. Upon recovery and marrying Margaret Buxton, he established the Crum Insurance Agency here. The father of a daughter, Peggy Crum Crosby, he served as a deacon and an elder of New Providence.
- Stephen Window - In memory of: Oscar Rankin Proffitt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Proffitt, brother of Charlotte Proffitt Paxton and Walter Proffitt. Not subject to the draft in WWII because of childhood polio, he volunteered for the air force while a student at Maryville College. He was killed February 24, 1944, when flying out of Italy over northern Yugoslavia as a navigator in a B-17 (Flying Fortress).

SUNDAY MORNING LEADERSHIP FOR JANUARY

FIRSTLIGHT SERVICE AT 9:00 A.M.		
	Elder Greeters	Children's Time
8	Shelby Middleton, Chad Roger, Bill Savell	Olivia Lazar
15	Bill Schult, Chris Combs, Harry Herrmann	Susan Young
22	Gabie Kerr, Bryan Kilday, Beth Lazar	Laura Shamiyeh
29	Hayley Lynn, Shelby Middleton, Chad Rogers	Hayley Lynn

TRADITIONAL SERVICE AT 11:05 A.M.		
	Elder Greeters	Children's Time
8	Brian LaRose, Tracy Luttrell, Karen Paxton	Olivia Lazar
15	Phil Reilly, Bob Beard, Ann Bennett	Susan Young
22	Liz Britt, Jason Brooks, Michelle Huntoon	Laura Shamiyeh
29	Janet Kolarik, Brian LaRose, Tracy Luttrell	Hayley Lynn

* Head Usher

■ Mary Magdalene Window - In memory of: Benjamin Horace Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. T.H. Brown, Sr., brother of Mary Brown Smith and T.H. Brown, Jr. He was a graduate of Maryville College and Duke University Law School. After army demobilization, he was killed on February 17, 1946, when flying with a friend over the family farm.

■ Chancel Window - In memory of: The Reverend Thomas A. Graham, D.D. Born in Airdie, Scotland, in 1903, "Tommy" migrated to Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in 1923. There he found employment and, on June 1, 1927, married Marion "Masie" Rowan. He worked his way through Carroll College during the great depression, served as pastor of two small churches and as director of a church choir in Milwaukee. He was called to New Providence in January of 1945. A gifted oratorical preacher, he gave much time to counseling college students and to our three mission churches in addition to his pastoral duties. Working closely with the building committee for the new church, he planned and designed the stained glass windows which greatly helped the craftsmen who constructed them. Upon his premature death on November 28, 1952, before the completion of the building, the congregation gave the chancel window in his memory.

■ Abraham Window - In memory of: Members and Marshall Magill Family. The Reverend and Mrs. Charles Magill, missionaries to the Philippines for 40 years (1905-1945), both of whom died in concentration camps, he just four days before liberation. Jessie Magill Jones and her husband, the Reverend Robert Jones, served as missionaries to Siam for 20 years (1899-1919). Harriet ("Hattie") Magill McIlvaine and her husband Joseph J. McIlvaine, a native Irishman and Blount County farmer.

■ Moses Window - In memory of: Our Founders. The Reverend Gideon Blackburn, D.D., was our first minister serving from 1792-1810. At the same time he served Eusebia Church and was the first

missionary to the Cherokee Indians. He established numerous schools and churches, including Blackburn College, Carlinville, Illinois. The Reverend Isaac Anderson, D.D., succeeded Dr. Blackburn in 1812 at age 32 and remained here for the rest of his life. He saw the church grow from 209, the year he came, to 788 in 1835. He preached as many as 200 sermons a year while also serving as President of Maryville College which he founded in 1819.

■ David Window - In memory of: N.W. Proffitt and his wife Alice. In 1899 Nicholas ("Nick") Proffitt, a farmer, came by wagon, -his wife and five children by train - to Blount County seeking educational advantages offered by Maryville College. A sixth child, David Wilson Proffitt, was born on the farm they acquired west of town. Later all six children were educated at the college and they, and twenty-three grandchildren became members of New Providence.

■ Elijah Window - In memory of Eleanor Brickey LeQuire. Born May 24, 1885, at Tuckaleechee, she married G.D. LeQuire, M.D. in 1906. Among her outstanding qualities was the ability to listen, whether the content of the conversation was good or bad, and then follow up with genuine helpfulness, spiced with a great sense of humor. The Epitome of the Biblical "Helpmeet", she is said to have operated Blount

County's first answering service. Her artistry and humor were reflected by the caricatures she drew of the famous (and not so famous). Eleanor B. LeQuire died in 1948 leaving her husband; sons Dr. C.B. LeQuire, Paul D. LeQuire, Dr. V.S. LeQuire; and daughters Faye L. Kenst and Reba L. McCrosky.

■ Isaiah Window - In memory of: Fred Lowery Proffitt. He and his wife, Estelle Snodgrass, were teachers in the preparatory department at the college. Elected college treasurer and recorder of the directors in 1914, he held the position until his death in 1943. The father of three daughters, Louise (Mrs. Wayne F.) Haviland, Ruth (Mrs. William F.) MacCalmont, and Grace (Mrs. David L.) McArthur. He was building committee chairman of the church annex 1913-1916, superintendent of the church school, and elder.

■ The Rose Window - In memory of: James and Lula Harrison Callaway whose children were Anna Bell, Elizabeth, Henry, Joe, Lavinia Lea, Lula, and Thomas.

Emily Anderson

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13	Community Benefit Sale
16	Church Closed - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
17	<i>New Prov Press</i> Deadline
27	Community Benefit Sale

