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Board Meets Students

NBF Grants \$24,627.84

The Board of the Church Periodical Club gathered at the Virginia Theological Seminary in Alexandria, VA., Nov. 1 for its fall meeting to review, plan and share the activities around the country.

The board is made up of the elected officers, representatives of each of the eight provinces and the editor of the CPC Quarterly. The office administrator also attends.

The president used the opportunity of being at the seminary to invite seven international seminarians, four men and three women, to talk to the board members. These young men and women, already ordained to the priesthood, are studying for their masters of divinity and will return to work in their homelands. They represented dioceses in West Africa, South Africa, Liberia, Kenya and Myanmar. Each told of the critical need for books to aid basic and religious education.

The National Books Fund Committee, as part of the meeting, granted \$24,627.84 to 52 applicants. The awards were for requests ranging from track materials for an area at St. Paul's College in Lawrenceville, VA., to Books of Common Prayer for the Episcopal Church of the Philippines

January's Upon Us.....

It's Time to Renew!

Several of you have asked about Quarterly, who gets it, how many are mailed, etc. Quarterly is published four times a year by the Church Periodical Club. It began as a report of the National Books Fund, the granting arm of the early organization. The granting process made an office in New York necessary and gave CPC the respect of persons in mission throughout the Church. It also gave us tax exempt status.

Quarterly is sent free to every Diocesan Director and Province Representative to keep them abreast with CPC activity and to help with training volunteers in their jurisdictions. All Bishops receive copies to keep them informed of our ministry, as do CPC Life Members, seminaries and diocesan newsletter editors.

Many of you are yearly members and received Quarterly in 2007. Unless you have joined CPC or renewed your membership since July 2007 we hope you will renew now. We must cull the list to keep it current. This has not been done for a few years and, because of increasing costs, it needs to be done at the end of this year and every year.

Please send your \$20 to CPC, 815 Second Avenue, New York NY 10017 and mark "membership" on the memo line of your check.

Under the editorial direction of Ethel Marple, Quarterly is once again a great tool. To keep it coming and to continue supporting the Ministry of the Printed Word throughout the world, please renew your membership. Memberships can be given to friends, your church or to anyone you think would enjoy participating.

Fourteen hundred of the Summer 2007 issue were printed.

Keep your questions coming; I love hearing from you all.

Ursula Baxley, president

First Table's the Best

I want to tell you about a parish CPC Representative who is extraordinary. Her name is Earlene Foote and she is a member of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Wichita, Kansas.

St. Stephen's has a membership of approximately 200 members. In 2006 Earlene sent me \$480 along with the names of 24 men and women who had paid their \$20 membership dues for 2006. In 2007 she sent me a check for \$350 and the names of the 15 men and women who had paid their CPC membership dues for 2007. Impressed with her dedication, I called her on the telephone and asked her how she accomplished this feat. She laughed and said that all she did was get up in church and talk about CPC and the good it did around the world. Then she said she always sits at the first table in the parish hall during the coffee hour. Everyone has to pass by Earlene to get their coffee and they give her their checks. They also have a very large jug at this first table for people to put their change in for Miles of Pennies.

St. Stephen's collected \$200 in 2006 for MOP. Earlene said that along with her talk in church she puts an article in the parish bulletin telling all about CPC. She said that her priest, the Rev. Steven Mues, is very supportive. Father Mues appreciates the help he received from CPC when he was in seminary.

I think the moral of this story is to enthusiastically promote CPC and always sit at the first table in the Parish Hall!

*June Mendenhall, Diocese of Kansas CPC Director
and CPC Vice-President
(Earlene's picture is on the website...ed)*

MILES OF PENNIES COLLECTED As of October 2007

PROVINCE I – Massachusetts 9 , New Hampshire 5, Connecticut 4

PROVINCE II – New Jersey 6, Long Island 5, Newark 4, Central NY 3, New York 3, Albany 2

PROVINCE III – Virginia 20, S. Virginia 10, Bethlehem 7, Easton 6, Washington 4, Pittsburgh 3, Delaware 2, NW Pennsylvania 2

PROVINCE IV – SW Florida 56. Central Florida 13, North Carolina 10, South Carolina 10, SE Florida 10, Kentucky 3, East Carolina 3, Florida 2, Alabama 1, Louisiana 2

PROVINCE V – Southern Ohio 13, Michigan 2, Ohio 2, Eau Claire 1, Eastern Michigan 1, Milwaukee 1, Northern Michigan 1, Chicago 2, Quincy 1

PROVINCE VI – Province has given 2, Wyoming 6, Minnesota 4, Nebraska 2

PROVINCE VII – Arkansas 9, NW Texas 7, Western Missouri 4, Oklahoma 5, Kansas 3, Rio Grande 3

PROVINCE VIII – Los Angeles 18, Arizona 11, El Camino Real 13, Hawaii 8, San Joaquin 8, Oregon 7, N. California 5, California 3, Olympia 3, Spokane 2



Five international seminarians joined the board at dinner and talked about conditions in their home churches. Gloria Brown (3rd l) and Ursula Baxley(3rd r) encouraged them in their ministries.

Seminarians—U.S. and Overseas—Top NBF Granting List

The National Books Fund Committee represented the provinces and dioceses the members speak for with compassion, generosity and understanding at its fall meeting in Alexandria, VA. Members of the committee brought money for specific requests that had been circulated, added it to money already in the fund and then looked for ways to give each person and program as much financial support as possible.

The end result was that awards totaling \$24,627.84 were made to 52 of the 56 requestors. The remaining four were referred to other agencies who are interested in the projects needing assistance. One of the four is being considered by Miles of Pennies. Most of the requestors were seminarians from Tanzania, Kenya and the Sudan. Each of these was given \$200 to help defray the cost of books; 1 to a Kenyan student, 21 to Tanzanian students and 23 to Sudanese students. The books they purchase will be used in their classes and taken with them as they begin their ministries in the various dioceses and provinces of Africa. Other awards went to...

- Church of the Good Shepherd, Kondo, Tanzania, for Bibles, hymnals and prayer books..... \$1,646
- St. Paul's Church, Pekin IL, to establish a library.....\$463
- Woman at the Well House Ministries, Inc., San Antonio TX, a half-way facility for women returning to communities from prison, for substance abuse recovery materials..... \$1,126
- Episcopal Church of the Philippines for Books of Common Prayer of the ECP for parishes in great need of books for worshippers in the pews..... \$2,000
- Diocese of Northwestern Pennsylvania for materials used in a volunteer reading program at Cambridge Springs Prison..... \$760
- St. Paul's Memorial Chapel, Lawrenceville VA, for spiritual materials to stock information centers at St. Paul's College..... \$350
- Scholarships divided equally among the 11 recognized U.S. seminarians and distributed by the deans to students in need of financial help purchasing books..... \$8,800

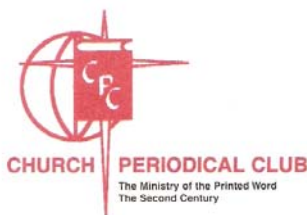
NBF Deadline Dates for Spring 2008

- Feb. 15 – Grant requests due
- Mar. 1 – Requests advertised
- Apr. 1 – Pledges due
- Apr. 15 – NBF Grants Awarded

These Fall 2007 grants were made possible by year-round contributions from Diocesan ECW's and CPC's, Bishops, and individuals including Life Members, and with specific gifts from the Dioceses of California, Fond Du Lac, Kansas, New Jersey, Oklahoma, Rio Grande, Southern Virginia and Wyoming and Provinces 2 and 3. Traditionally, CPC Sunday collections are earmarked for

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Ursula and Marie Fuller, Province 8 representative displayed the banner at province meeting in San Francisco. After another province meeting in D.C., it went back to visit diocesan gatherings in California. It tells the story; invite it to your meeting.

CPC Banner Gets Around

The CPC banner spends its time traveling from the East Coast to the West Coast and places in between. The red and white banner was commissioned during General Convention last year and given to Ursula Baxley for Christmas by her children.

She took it with her to visit Provinces 3, 5 and 8 this fall and mails it on loan to any diocese that asks to use it.

Parishes, dioceses and provinces can purchase the light-weight, portable banner for themselves. It is available for purchase completed, by kit or by pattern. A portion of the proceeds from the sale is returned to CPC.

For details about ordering call Fashions by Sarah 877-240-6651, by electronic mail

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