WEEK OF JULY 14, 2024





From Woody: The assassination attempt on former President Donald Trump in Butler, Pennsylvania on Saturday was a terrible event, with two other people killed and Mr. Trump wounded. The shooter was a young man with no criminal record and no apparent motive. The rifle he used was bought for him by his father. I believe that this was made possible by the political rhetoric of our time. It is a time in which political rhetoric has become very angry and very personal. We need to relearn a very important life lesson if

our democracy is to endure.

The lesson is that we can stand up for what we believe in without being enemies with those who believe differently on issues of importance. Our lifetimes have seen moving examples of liberals and conservatives working together to make progress in many areas. I often refer to the friendship of Tip O'Neill and Ronald Reagan, and of George McGovern and Bob Dole. John McCain's support on Election Night, 2008 of the man who defeated him, Barak Obama, stopped the people in the audience who were booing and recognized the historical moment of the election of our first Black President.

It is time to get back to disagreeing without turning those we don't agree with into villains. We are all in this together and while democracy is not for the faint hearted, it must again be for the warm hearted. I believe that our land continues to be an experiment and that God wants us to make it work by caring about issues but also by caring about each other. We all are sorry for Saturday's blood shed and hope that, among other things, we can make it much harder to buy high powered rifles. It is time to take our differences on the issues facing us and to learn again the art of compromise. Like the estranged John Adams and Thomas Jefferson, we can renew our friendship with each other. I hope that Presidents Trump and Biden can help lead the way.

ANNOUNCEMENT



Concerts On The Common: CCNB will be selling desserts at all of the NB Recreation Department concerts this summer. We will be looking for assistance with baking brownies, set up/break down, and manning the booth. Please click this link and fill out the Google Form to sign up for helping out. https://forms.gle/RiAGDFRGHaQGaPgdA Concert dates are all Tuesdays.

- July 23 Overserved Again (country/blues)
- July 30 Chris Fitz Band (blues)--rescheduled
- August 6 The Slakas (cover band & classic pop)
- August 20 North River Music (folk-rock)



Invitation: Judi Herman is inviting everyone to a Celebration of Life on **Saturday, July 20 at 1pm**. It will be a celebration of Judi's children and other family members who have passed:

Kenny Burnes Dana Phillips Ellen Lunsford Richard Knee

It is at 1pm at 149 Snook Rd. in Goffstown and is a BYOC event (Bring your own chair). Food will be served. Hope to see you there.



Church Pienie

Sunday, July 28th ~ after service

Please join us for food, fellowship, and fun!

Burgers, hotdogs, lemonade, and iced tea will be provided.

Please bring a side-dish to share!

There will be a dessert auction at high noon!

Sign up to bring a side-dish and/or a dessert for the auction.

Fund Raising: A fund has been set up so that people can just make out a check to the Martin Transplant Fund or donate online at the website below.. The website tells Derek's story. The website is https://runsignup.com/Race/NH/Weare/TheBeatGoesOn5kOneMileFitnessWalk

Derek is currently in Cleveland Clinic. If you would like to send a card to let him know we are thinking about him, his address is below. Don't forget the middle initial M. as there is another Derek Martin in the hospital.

Derek M. Martin Cleveland Clinic 9500 Euclid Ave. Cleveland, Ohio 44195



For June, July and August, flowers for the sanctuary will be "Potpourri" meaning a mixture of whatever anyone would like to share from their garden or favorite garden center. Questions?? Ask Ellen Anderson, cell 973-747-2321 or andersel@njms.rutgers.edu. No need to sign up. Vases are available in the kitchen if you need one. And many thanks in advance to those who can contribute to our worship service.



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Peace Quote: "I never considered a difference of opinion in politics, in religion, in philosophy, as cause for withdrawing from a friend." *Thomas Jefferson*