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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



OFFERINGS FROM THE PAST

“HUMILITY IS THE FOUNDATION OF ALL THE OTHER VIRTUES HENCE, IN THE SOUL IN WHICH THIS VIRTUE DOES NOT EXIST THERE CANNOT BE ANY OTHER VIRTUE EXCEPT IN MERE APPEARANCE.”

-ST AUGUSTINE

Whether it be centuries, decades or years we are often enriched by the words from others who have journeyed with Christ. I offer these to you for your meditation. - Shelley

Shoveling Sand

God,
I read in your book
About a man
Who shoveled sand
To build a house
That then fell down
And he was left
Without a thing.

I work hard
To build your kingdom
Yet so much I do
Is shoveling sand.

It keeps me busy
But keeps me poor
Inside my soul.

Another man
Quit shoveling sand
And built a house
That will always stand
For he had found
The rock.

Greg Davis, *Windows of the Heart* (2002, Writers Club Press)

Comforts

Giver of all good,
Streams upon streams of love overflow my path.
Thou hast made me out of nothing,
hast recalled me from a far country,
hast translated me from ignorance to knowledge,
from darkness to light
from death to life,
from misery to peace,
from folly to wisdom,
from error to truth,
from sin to victory.

Thanks be to thee for my high and holy calling.
I bless thee for ministering angels,
for the comfort of the Word,
for the ordinances of thy church,
for the teaching of thy Spirit,
for thy holy sacraments,
for the communion of saints
for Christian fellowship,
for the recorded annals of holy lives,
for examples sweet to allure,
for beacons sad to deter.
Thy will is in all thy provisions to enable me to grow in grace,
and be meet for thy eternal presence.
My heaven-born faith gives promise of eternal sight,
my new birth a pledge of never-ending life.
I draw near to thee, knowing thou wilt draw near to me.
I ask of thee, believing thou hast already given.
I entrust myself to thee, for thou hast redeemed me.
I bless and adore thee, the eternal God,
for the comfort of these thoughts,
the joy of these hopes.

Puritan Prayer from 1700-1800s , *The Valley of Vision* (Banner of Truth, 1975)

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SUNDAYS IN AUGUST

AUGUST 7

The Rev. Jonathan Jehorek
"Passing on Faith"
Acts 8:26-40

8:30 a.m. - Worship

Greeters: Carla and Paul Szafran, Wil White
Prayer vigil: Lien and Bill Ege

9:45 a.m. - Church School

11:00 a.m. - Worship

Greeters: Amy and Marshall Jackson, Pearline Mitchell
Prayer vigil: Sherry and Don Brown

AUGUST 14

The Rev. Jonathan Jehorek
"The Conversion of Paul"
Acts 9:1-10

8:30 a.m. - Worship-communion

Greeters: Kathy and Paul Watson, Buck Birdsong
Prayer vigil: Karen Harris

9:45 a.m. - Church School

11:00 a.m. - Worship

Greeters: Mike and Pollie King, Jack Mitchell
Prayer vigil: Nancy and Bailey Salmon

AUGUST 21

The Rev. Jonathan Jehorek
"Paul's Spiritual Father"
Acts 9:10-19a

8:30 a.m. - Worship

Greeters: Jim Brun, Nancy Clemens, Brian Daugbjerg
Prayer vigil: Mary LeTourneau, Tess Iffland

9:45 a.m. - Church School

11:00 a.m. - Worship

Greeters: Richard and JoAnn Lazarus, Betty Moseley
Prayer vigil: Sandra Skoog, Frances Sample

AUGUST 28

The Rev. Jonathan Jehorek
"The Training of Paul"
Acts 9:19b-31

8:30 a.m. - Worship

Greeters: Holly and Hank Hesteer
Prayer vigil: Jim Taylor, Genie Bartlett

9:45 a.m. - Church School

11:00 a.m. - Worship

Greeters: Lynn Martin, Ruben Martin, Kirk Shields
Prayer vigil: Liz and Chad Johnson

SEPTEMBER 4

RALLY DAY

The Rev. Jonathan Jehorek
"The Gracious Woman"
Acts 9:32-43

9 a.m. - Breakfast in Grace Hall

10:30 a.m. - Worship

Greeters: Dotty Smith, Jeff Kearns, Jill Littlejohn
Prayer vigil: Jerry Richardson, Leslie Konvalin

TRANSITIONS

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Emily and Rob Holloway on the safe arrival of infant daughter, Hazel Rose, on July 11. Proud brother is Baxter Hitch and great-grandmother is Bettye Hill.



NEW ADDRESS FOR:

Jane and Tom Gibson
1414 Hollytree Place
Tyler TX 75703

IN THE CHURCH TRIUMPHANT



In the Church Triumphant

Margaret Atkinson

February 22, 1916—July 20, 2011

Our Christian sympathy is offered to her husband, Leslie Marshall, and other family and friends.

Malcolm "Mack" Baushe

February 24, 1916—July 17, 2011

Our Christian sympathy is offered to his family and friends.

Neither death nor life can separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus. -Romans 8:38

MINISTRIES FOR WOMEN, MEN AND YOUTH

ADULT MISSION TRIP

The Mission Committee is planning an adult mission trip for November 14-19, 2011 to the Olive Tree Volunteer Village in New Orleans. This is a joint project of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance and Presbytery of South Louisiana to replace houses destroyed by Hurricane Katrina.

The cost is \$25 per day including groceries. Meals are prepared by the volunteers. The Village is located in East New Orleans about a mile inside IH10 and IH510 at 4523 Read Road. For detailed information, go to www.projecthomecoming.net. We have reserved space for 10 adults.

Please let the church office know of your interest. We must send a deposit of one night per person by October 1. Lots of fun, fellowship and rewarding work will be guaranteed. Please contact Jack Moore with questions.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

The PW Coordinating Team will meet on Tuesday, August 23 at 9:30 a.m. in the church parlor. The 2011-12 yearbooks and study books, "Unexpected Blessings: The Beatitudes Expanded," will be distributed to Circle Chairmen and the PW calendar of Circle responsibilities for the upcoming year will be reviewed. September is right around the corner!

LCM "TOO HOT TO COOK"

Tuesday, August 23rd, 5-7 p.m.

Eat out...have fun..help a neighbor!

Participating restaurants are: Caf  Barron's, Bodacious Bar-B-Que (6th St. and Hwy 80 locations), Burger King (Hwy 80), Cotton Patch Caf , Dudley's Cajun Caf , Johnny Cace's Seafood & Steak House, McAlister's Deli, McDonald's (Hwy 80 & Gilmer Rd. at Loop 281), Papacita's, Pizza King, T. Blanco's, Wendy's (4th St. & Gilmer Rd.)

RALLY DAY IS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

YOUTH MINISTRY



"Tracks of Faith" Confirmation Retreat at Camp Gilmont

September 23-24, 2011—For current 6th-8th graders who would like to learn more about the Presbyterian Church, Church Membership and being a Follower of Christ. Contact Jason Hubbard or Tammy Moyes for more

Photos at left are the Junior High mission trip participants



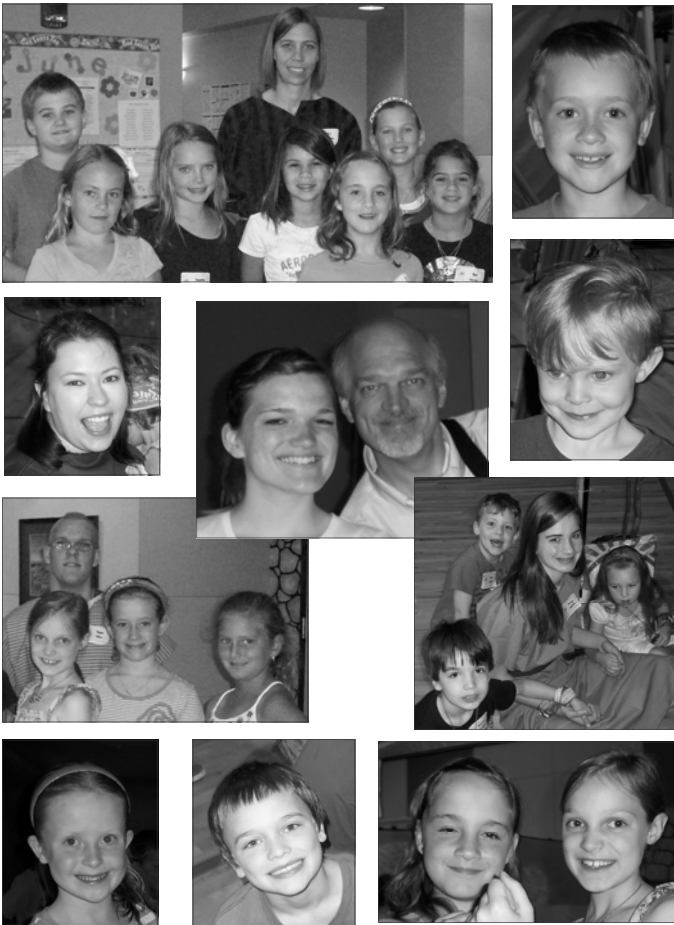
**SAVE THE DATE:
SEPTEMBER 10**

CHAP CLARK SEMINAR AT
FPC GRACE HALL

MORE INFORMATION TO
FOLLOW

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL PHOTOS



WORSHIP NURSERY UPDATES

Our New Volunteer Schedule begins August 6

8:30

Marietta Liebengood

11:00

Katie Rue

Volunteers check in at 8:15 & 10:45 a.m. with Tammy Moyes.

Volunteers will work with paid Staff to ensure all children are properly cared for according to the children's ages.

Volunteer will make sure 3 & 4 year olds are gathered from childcare for the children's chat during the worship service.

PAID CHILDCARE STAFF IS NEEDED FOR SUNDAY MORNINGS AND WEEKDAY MORNINGS.

NAMES FOR TAMMY MOYES TO CONTACT WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED.

CHURCH SCHOOL

August

Infants—Room 112; Toddlers—Room 113
Two's & three's—Room 110

Pre-k & Kindergarten—Room 106
1st—5th Grade—Room 103

Catechism: *noun* 1. a short book giving a brief summary of the basic principals of a religion in question and answer form.

Volunteers for August:

August 7—Kristi Hunt and Pilar McLemore

August 14—Kerri Daugberg

August 21—Jana Deeks and Sherene Melton

August 28—Bonnie Mason & Courtnie Wyche

Church School Rotation Leaders still needed for:

* September 11, 18, 25—Solomon's Temple Video

* November 13, 20—Fisherman's Net Games

* December 4, 11, 18—Artisans' Well, Fisherman's Net and Disciples.com

Please contact Kerri Daugbjerg or Tammy Moyes

CHILDREN'S SPECIAL EVENTS



AUGUST 10, 2011 9:30 AM - 6 PM
SPLASH KINGDOM

The children's Ministry Sub-committee invites all church school children ages 4 years through 5th grade to go to Splash Kingdom in Canton

Fee is \$30 per student which includes lunch.

Preschool—2nd graders must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. RSVP By AUGUST 7.

UPCOMING DATES:

- 2012 Confirmation Class Orientation
- Workshop Rotation Shepherd and Leader Training on Wednesday, August 31 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parlor. Dinner Provided
- Children's Church School materials will be available for teachers after August 24, 2011

PRESBYTERIAN CHILDREN'S CENTER NEWS

WISH LIST FOR PCC

The teachers at Presbyterian Children's Center are wishing for an "early Christmas." They have compiled a "WISH LIST" of items they would like to have in their classrooms for the fall. We are asking for your help collecting new or gently used items. Some of the requested items include:

- Board books
- Age-appropriate books
- Musical toys
- Bean bag chairs
- Small child-sized couch or chairs
- Wooden puzzles
- Puzzles (no more than 100 pieces)
- Barbie, Ken, or G I Joe-type dolls
- Baby-dolls (with no detachable parts)
- Dress-up clothes (girls & boys)
- Paint – tempera, acrylic, water color sets
- Paint brushes – small to large
- Manipulatives for all ages, for counting, sorting, categorizing..
- Old magazines, (Southern Living, Better Homes & Gardens, Food, and other child friendly magazines)
- Paper of all kinds, (scrapbooking, continuous feed computer paper, notepads, etc.)
- Assorted beads – large ones for stringing
- A child sized shopping cart



- Play food for the pretend kitchens
- Medium to large assorted play animals – plastic or rubber (like dinosaurs – not teddy bear stuff)
- Games for Grace Hall – large floor puzzles and games, early childhood appropriate
- Tricycles
- Ride on toys and push toys for toddlers
- Software for preschoolers (numbers, shapes, colors, alphabet, early reading games)

This is not an exhaustive list, but was made to give you some ideas. Thank you in advance for your help and support of our school. Donations can be dropped off upstairs in Room 207 until August 12 and then in the school office after school begins.

From the staff of PCC – We Wish You Well

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES AT PCC

Director Teresa Myers is seeking full time employees and 2-3 part time employees for afternoons. Substitutes are also needed. Please call the PCC office for more information or to apply (903-757-8672)

MUSIC MINISTRY

Children's Music – parents, please reserve Wednesday afternoons from 5 to 6 PM for Children ages Pre-K (entering kindergarten fall of 2012) through 5th grades. Look for exact starting dates in the September Bell Ringer and the Sunday Bulletin. This is a really fun time as we explore leading worship through singing, playing rhythm instruments, choir chimes and much more. Contact Tim Konvalin for more information.

Youth Choir and Youth Band – Please keep Sunday evenings reserved for Youth Music. This year we will kick-off on September 18th.

The Chancel Choir will resume singing on Sunday, August 14. Please be in the rehearsal room at 10:30 AM Regular rehearsals will resume on Wednesday, August 17 at 7 PM.

ROBIN MARK IN CONCERT!

Saturday, August 20 and Sunday, August 21 at 7 p.m. each night

Canyon Creek Presbyterian Church in Richardson, TX

Tickets are \$15 per person

ADULT MUSIC MINISTRY

The Chancel Choir would like to extend an invitation to our congregation for more members. If you have been a part of this wonderful ensemble in the past, it would be great to have you back. If you have experience singing in choirs elsewhere, we would love to have you join us. If you have never sung in a choir but would be willing to try, please contact Tim or see one of the choir members after worship to get more information.

We ask that you prayerfully consider joining the choir.

Composer and performer of many of the most powerful songs we sing at our 8:30 service, Robin Mark will be in concert again in August. For tickets, send check to Canyon Creek Presbyterian Church or order on the church website, www.canyoncreekpres.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRAYER CONCERNS

THANK YOU'S

From Jane and Tom Gibson:

Dear Fellow Church Members,

We are moving to Tyler in early August and we want you to know how much the church and your friendship have meant to us through the years. First Presbyterian has been an integral part of our lives. We have enjoyed and felt privileged to have served in many capacities. We will continue to keep the church and all of you in our prayers.

From Tyler Martin:

Thank you for all the gifts you have given me both physical and spiritual. I am so thankful for the opportunities you have given me.

From Doris Ramaly, Executive Director Longview Interfaith Hospitality Network:

In this extreme heat many families have been seeking shelter. We have been able to minister to their physical needs by providing meals, shelter and care to many children. We could not help without your financial gifts, which have served 7 toddlers and 4 pre-teens/teenagers this summer. One of our adults has been working very diligently on preparing for the GED (high school equivalency) test and your gift has also made that possible. We are grateful for the opportunity to help families achieve stability and a higher quality of life than what they had previously known. Thank you for making a difference in lives of our families through your financial gift...and for making it possible to have a safe place for families. We appreciate you!

From Vicki Lambert, Financial Secretary, Haiti Education Foundation:

Thank you for your donation to the Haiti Education Foundation. Children throughout the mountains of southern Haiti are blessed by your generosity... In the last year, 10,177 students were enrolled in our 40 schools and 10 high schools. 620 Monthly teaching and support staff salaries were met, providing a living for families all over southern Haiti. The Guest Quarters is nearing completion and will soon be ready to welcome traveling teams. In October, HEF will host our third HUG Conference in Little Rock, Arkansas. This conference will provide information about our ministry in Haiti and the needs of the students. Our priests will also be in attendance to bring current information about the schools in Haiti. Please plan to attend! As you can see, the arms of HEF are far reaching. This is not accomplished by a single entity, but by all of us working together under God's guidance to benefit His children in Haiti. Again, we thank you for your support.

From Tammy Moyes:

Each year I am blessed by the wonderful congregation and members who so willingly give time and energy to make VBS at FPC a success. All the children enjoyed the crafts, food, lessons, games and activities. I thank each of you who prayed for VBS and its many volunteers. We are the body of Christ together. Love in Christ, Tammy

PRAYER CONCERNS

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Recent need: Sandra Shipp

Continuing need: Jamey Walker, Jim Byrd, Marge Dome, Geneva Falconer, Sandra Shipp, Matt Yost, Alyssa Walker (Loreba Stoddard's sister), Josh Friesen (LeTourneau student), Doyle Read, Don White, Carroll Shipp, Bob Sweat, Phillip Smith, Hugh Taylor, Julia Staggs, Karen Ragonesi, Mainard McCabe, Betty Vaughan, Leslie Marshall, Lanette Yancey, Jim Lindsey, Tijuanna Bush, Terry Wohlfahrt, Muriel Turner, Emily Aitken, Bill Hollingsworth, Martha Armstrong, Davis Bankston, Lukas Wyche, Mary Crawford, Garland Baldwin, Elizabeth Stevenson, Mildred Shelton, Dorothy Bartlett

OUR MILITARY FAMILY:

Deployed with U.S. Marines expeditionary unit: Kyle Moseley
Iraq: Austin Bogert, David Morris, Stuart Gray, Tanner Bagley
Germany: Angela Hammett, James Barnhill
U.S.: Jeff Beckworth, Malisa Hammett, Brad Parr, Justin Phillips, Christopher Ray, Joshua Ray
Coast Guard: Justin Vaughan
Others: James V. Browder, Justin L. Browder, Colin Byrd, Ryan Byrd, Jeffrey Clark, Nate Cole, Mark Curtis, Derek Czapnik, William Daniels, Joel Davidson, Charles Galloway, Mitch Hall, Julie Hodges, Brian Hughes, Brad Jones, Brandon Jones, Steven Lewis, Tyson Mabry, Justin Miller, Michael Smith, Christie Ray

OUR RETIREMENT FAMILY:

Ray Hall - *Colonial Village*

Jean George, John Whitaker - *Hawkins Creek*

Dorothy Chandler, Grace Raney, Helena and Roy Talmage
- *Buckner Westminster Place*

Evelyne Busch - *Buckner Greenhouse*

Betty Denton - *Songbird Assisted Living*

Willie Holt - *Heritage Healthcare*

Vi Jamison - *Oak Tree Assisted Living, New Braunfels*

LCM FOR AUGUST

Food Box needs for August: peanut butter, cereal, beans

During the summer months, fans are needed as well.



BIRTHDAYS, STEWARDSHIP AND CLERK'S CORNER

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

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| 1 - Alisa Yancey | 17 - Emily Dugan Tony Godsey |
| 2 - Caedmon Liebengood Jim Lindsey | 18 - Nancy Clemens Maddie Shore |
| 3 - Dorothy Appel Alex Bickham Michael Goolsby Jack Johnson | 19 - Jon Kral Nancy Salmon Andrew Yancey |
| 4 - Gaynelle Brashear Erin McCabe Sandra Skoog | 20 - Byron Horne Kristi Hunt Anna Rue Matt Yost |
| 5 - Jeff Kearns Jason Player Bob Sweat | 21 - Brian Daugbjerg Kathryn Roper Lisca Van Zyl |
| 6 - Henry Dugan Nathan Johnson | 22 - Doug Allen Kyle Bickham Barbara Fairbanks Sandra Shipp Beckanne Sisk |
| 8 - Davis Bratteli Bob Osborne Grant Shore | 23 - Gary Borders Jerry Martin |
| 9 - Meg Cox Chad Johnson Carolyn Langseth Tom McMahon | 24 - Mark Coleman Jason Walker |
| 10 - Donald Armstrong Chloe McMahon Pearline Mitchell Elisabeth Mobley Clark Presley Phillip Smith | 25 - Jeremy Lane |
| 11 - Logan Deeks Melanie Donaldson | 26 - Sole Coleman Mary Goll Jenelle Kral Steve Paine Carroll Shipp |
| 12 - Clay Brelsford Rob Foster Megan Hedgecock | 27 - Kathie Ramey Ann Werline |
| 13 - Christine Beville Mary Taylor | 28 - Adam Burton Kristy Hawkins Leeann Kienzle Betty Vaughan |
| 14 - Gena Bunn Craig Cave Bob Moomau | 30 - Matthew Armstrong |
| 16 - Steve Bratteli Mainard McCabe Donny McCoy | 31 - Joel Hale Chloe Liebengood Jack Mitchell Casey Rathbun |

FINANCIAL REPORT—JUNE

Monthly Receipts \$76,781 [Budget \$93,497]
 Monthly Expenses \$96,145 [Budget \$94,995]

Mission Donations paid from budget

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|-------------------------------|--------|
| Sick & Relief assistance | \$303 |
| Longview Community Ministries | \$500 |
| Southward | \$309 |
| Meals on Wheels | \$150 |
| Newgate Breakfast | \$221 |
| Newgate Stewpot | \$250 |
| Food Box | \$300 |
| Contingencies | \$3884 |

Donations in addition to Budget :

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|---------------------------------------|---------------|
| <i>Organ Maintenance Fund</i> | <i>\$1400</i> |
| <i>Haiti</i> | <i>\$100</i> |
| <i>Memorials</i> | <i>\$1065</i> |
| <i>Medical Benevolence Foundation</i> | <i>\$400</i> |
| <i>Handbell Fund</i> | <i>\$125</i> |
| <i>Gilmont</i> | <i>\$250</i> |

2nd Quarter Statements to be mailed 7-25-11
Electronic Giving available ... at www.fpclongview.org



New members Alyssa Cox and Lois Knouse joined FPC in June. Alyssa has been working at the church as assistant to the Youth Director, the Director of Music and the Children's Director. Lois is a teacher at LeTourneau University. Both women are members of our Chancel Choir. Alyssa's address is 1325 Yates (01) and phone is 979-665-8153. Lois' address is 619 Baylor Dr. (01) and phone is 903-236-9047.



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 Please contact the church office at
kimstanley@fpclongview.org
 The next Bellringer will be
 published August 26, 2011.

ADULT OPPORTUNITIES

3-G Club=Gab, Games, and Good Food

4th Wednesday of each month
 Next meeting will be August 24, 2011

11:30 a.m.—till the games are finished

All adults are welcome to come play Bridge, Mahjong, Dominoes, board games and enjoy a time of fellowship with a light lunch..

Contact Dotty Smith or Marge Dome for more information

CHURCH DIRECTORY INFORMATION

If you are a member or frequent visitor and your contact information for our church directory has changed within the last year, please contact the church office at 903-757-2525 or kimstanley@fpclongview.org. As always, we *hope* to have the new directory available on Rally Day, September 4, so please let us know *as soon as possible* of any changes. Thank you very much for your assistance creating this important document in the life of our church.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

PCC needs a front desk volunteer. Please call the PCC office at 903-757-8672 for more information.

LIHN needs additional volunteers. Our church next hosts the week of October 2-9. Please call Jim Brun or Suzi White if you are interested. If you have signed up to volunteer or have been previously and have NOT been called, please let us know. We need you !!

STEWOPOT

First Presbyterian Church serves lunch the first, third, and fifth Tuesdays each month at the Newgate Mission. Three church members serve along with mission employees. We need one additional volunteer to help serve lunch the 5th Tuesday of the month. The 5th Tuesday only happens 4 times a year. We arrive at the mission at 11:30 a.m. and are finished by 1:00 o'clock. No cleanup or previous experience is required. We also need some substitute workers. Please call Sally Rathbun at 903-663-5232 to volunteer.