

**Caton United Methodist Church**  
**News & Happenings**  
**11186 Hedy Hollow Road**  
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June 2010

Issue 6

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Prayer & Praise: 9:00am

Sunday School: 9:20am

Traditional Worship: 10:30am

Our mission at the Caton United Methodist Church is to be a Christ-centered community,  
focused on revealing God's love and inviting others to know Jesus Christ.



IN MEMORIAM

Memorial Day is a time when we honor those who have served and died in the military uniforms of our country. It is appropriate and good that we do this. In our family, it was also known as Decoration Day when we also honored our deceased ancestors and decorated their graves as well. In that same spirit, Mort Gridley and his staff are working diligently to have the Cemetery adjacent to the church in tip top shape for the Memorial Day Weekend.

When driving up the Caton United Methodist Church driveway, the cemetery on the left is a constant reminder that one day, each and every one of us will DIE! Fortunately, our church building on the right reminds us of the meaningful fulfillment of earthly life as well as the gift of eternal life. Even with those assurances, however, the specter of death still hovers over us.

Most of us have dreams and plans for living. Unfortunately, very few of us give much thought to our death. With Memorial Day in the back of our minds, I now want to explore that with you.

Each of us as an adult (and this includes young adults,) should have a will. We never know what accident or insidious disease might afflict us or when, with always the possibility of some legal suit and settlement – think 9/11. We should honor the Boy Scout motto, “Be Prepared “.

Each of us (and especially young adults) should also have a Medical Proxy – remember the throes the Terry Schiavo family and our whole country went through because there was no clearly WRITTEN Health Proxy or Living Will stating her intentions! They are available at doctor offices and hospitals. Also, our own Nancy Huber is working with Pastor Beth on a document you can fill out regarding your funeral arrangements so your family has a written guide of your preferences such as cremation, special hymns and poetry etc, in many cases helping to avoid further family conflicts over arrangements as well as no will!

Most of us support our church during our life time with our finances as well as our time and talents. When we die, we can no longer support our church with our time and talents. We can, however, support our church financially by including The Caton United Methodist Church in our will.

PLEASE DO SO!!

When you remember your church in your will, you can leave it unrestricted to be used at the discretion of the church governing bodies. If you have preferences; keep your suggestions in general terms so the church can have some flexibility over time in using your legacy properly. I have experienced some legacies that are so narrow that the funds cannot be used at all.

Two present Caton Church legacies are a good example. The Welch Fund is for “Youth Ministry” and its flexibility lets our church use it for camperships for Casowasco or hire someone part time to work with our youth etc. The Brace Fund is for “Church Maintenance” and gives the trustees a flexible source of funds to care for things around the church without always having to have a special offering to do so (There are also other legacy/endowment funds with similar restrictions so are not available for general budget expenses). Both of these above funds, by the way, are invested in The United Methodists Frontier Foundation. So integrity is maintained, I want to make it clear that I am a part time paid consultant for The UM Frontier Foundation.

The UM Frontier Foundation has about THIRTY million dollars from local churches like Caton under investment. We have an office in Liverpool NY as well as White Plains NY. Coming closer to home, all those funds are invested by Ullman Associates located right here in Corning and all investments are screened according to The Social Principles of The United Methodist Church.

In addition to investing pooled funds on behalf of local churches like Caton, The Frontier Foundation makes available what are called Charitable Gift Annuities.

For those concerned about a steady income in retirement, if you turn, say, \$ 10,000 over to the Foundation, at my age of 73, we will guarantee you \$ 680 per year for as long as you live plus you get an income tax deduction for part of that amount – if you itemize deductions. When you die, any residual amount left in that account can go to your church ( or other charity –colleges, Salvation Army etc. have these annuities as well and in New York State are carefully regulated) OR leave the residual amount with The Foundation and each year or month we will send an appropriate check to your church.

You can multiply the above figures by multiples of ten – \$ 100,000 will pay out at age 73, \$ 6,800 per year or approximately \$ 566 per month. If you are older when you establish a Charitable Gift Trust you will get a larger payout – if you are younger, a smaller payout, i.e. at age 65 it is a 6 % payout, at 80 it is 8 %. You can also have a gift annuity with a payout to two people, i.e. husband and wife but the payout will be less since it is covering two people. Feel free to contact me, 739-3277 and I would be glad to arrange a time (not on Caton church time) to talk with you further about the above information etc.

Memorial Day, for many people is the beginning of summer! With its more relaxed time schedule and all, I pray that each of you will give serious consideration to a will and medical proxy. If you have already done so, you may want to take a look at them and see if they need updating. I hope you will do so before Labor Day which for many people is the end of summer and thus begins the hectic schedule of fall!

IDEALLY, DO IT NOW!!

GOD BLESS !!

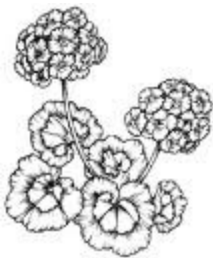
Rev. Fred S. Kelsey  
Interim Supply Pastor

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The 6<sup>th</sup> annual suicide prevention walk our team raised \$500 for the prevention of suicide. Thank you for your support in the education and our effort and strive to prevent suicide.

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**HOSPICE ANNUAL SALE**

100 geraniums sold for hospice! Thank you for your support most of us know someone who has been helped by hospice and are very thankful this service is their when we need help

## CONTACT PEOPLE IN THE CHURCH

|                                     |                                   |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Pastor                              | Rev. Beth Bouwens<br>607-524-6551 |
| Lay Leader                          | Myrna Hawbaker<br>607-524-6350    |
| Treasurer                           | Jim Hawbaker<br>607-524-6350      |
| Trustees Chair                      | Brad Hinman<br>607-962-7688       |
| Office/Newsletter                   | Dianna Hawkins<br>607-523-8893    |
| Church Council<br>Chair             | Joan Haussener<br>607-524-6784    |
| Staff Parish<br>Relations Committee | Stacy Bathrick<br>607-523-8164    |
| Prayer & Praise                     | Bob Blanchard<br>607-733-2982     |
| Prayer Concerns                     | Iva Jenkins<br>607-524-8429       |
| Prayer Chain                        | Lillian Crossley<br>607-524-6110  |
| Nurture                             | Candi Thompson<br>607-524-6766    |
| Outreach &<br>Food Pantry           | Linda Riley<br>607-936-7828       |
| Small Groups<br>Coordinator         | Nancy Huber<br>607-936-8355       |
| Elementary Youth                    | Carol Barner<br>607-524-6864      |
| Middle & High<br>School Coordinator | Eric Coons<br>607-734-0446        |
| Caring Team                         | Martha Harder<br>607-524-6391     |
| United Methodist<br>Women           | Connie Powell<br>607-524-6676     |
| Caton Men Group                     | Robert Thompson<br>607-524-6766   |
| Finance                             | Don Haussener<br>607-524-6784     |



## Memorials for June

### Given By:

### In Memory of:

|   |                  |
|---|------------------|
| Frances Allen                                 | Phyllis Sterling |
| Phil & Lois Crooker                           | Phyllis Sterling |
| Frank & Emma Mosch                            | Constance Palyun |
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| Gerald & Nonie Schichtel                      | Phyllis Sterling |
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| Reality USA                                   | Phyllis Sterling |
| Bill & JoAnn Avery                            | Phyllis Sterling |
| Charles Milazzo                               | Phyllis Sterling |
| Charles & June Stanton                        | Phyllis Sterling |
| Burdette & Dorothy<br>Chamberlain & Linda Six | Phyllis Sterling |
| Ronald, Marjorie & Michelle<br>Fitzsimmons    | Phyllis Sterling |
| Carol & James Huff                            | Phyllis Sterling |
| Don & Joan Haussener<br>Ehrmen                | Tommy            |
| Daniel & Cheryl Smith                         | Phyllis Sterling |

### Steven & Cheryl May gave in HONOR of:

**Barbara Essler  
Helen L. Tobey**

*A Note From  
Our Pastor*

Take a moment to meet  
the pastor of Victory Baptist.

Many of you at the Caton United Methodist Church joined me in the journey that began in January. The words spoken in the phone, "the path report is malignant! You have cancer!" It was not what I had in my mind, but I knew that day the doctor was not calling be personally to say that all was well. I am making progress. The hysterectomy in February went well and now the chemotherapy treatments have been completed. It is a great comfort to know that I am blanketed in prayer and you are ready to help me as I have treatment and heal. I know God has given me strength to get through this time. In the next few days, I will start radiation with the hope of leading worship again on July 4<sup>th</sup>. I thank you for your prayers, your love, and your care during this time. See you in July!!!! Pastor Beth

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**Dear Church Families,**

First I want to thank everyone who has helped me fill the calendars for Beth. You are all so kind and generous. A blessing as a friend and church family to have.

Second, I think the good weather is here and hopefully to stay. Ball games, parades and picnics are upon us. Summer vacations and family visits are fast approaching. I ask two things of you, one, be safe and next please keep God with you at all times. Make time to talk with him each day, while you are in the car, drinking coffee or putting in that last load of laundry. We need him in our lives and giving that time each day is fulfilling and meaningful.

May God Bless you,  
Stacy Bathrick  
SPRC chair

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**UMW**

Our meeting opened with prayer. We had our business reports, and finalized Caton day plans. Thank you for your support in all the different ways you were involved in helping with our booth. It was a great success, & was a fun day! Our leader Connie, challenged us again, to look at our own "gifts of the Spirit". What we thought we were good at! Isn't it great we all have different gifts!!!! It would be a boring world if we all had the same ones.



**United  
Methodist  
Women**

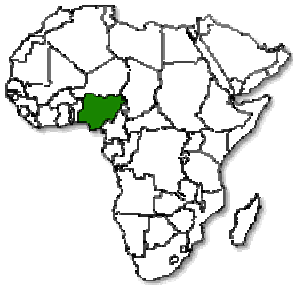
On Tuesday, June 15<sup>th</sup>, our meeting will be at Renee's restaurant, 12:00, for a luncheon. In September, we will regroup. Have a good summer!

If you are interested: SUDAN-Wednesday June 9, 2010 9:30am-2:30pm  
Newark First UM Church  
301 S Main St.

Leader: Karen Peterson (315)331-3895 bag lunch

All women are invited!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Finger Lakes District has 35 Units, with a total of 978 Women as members of the organization.



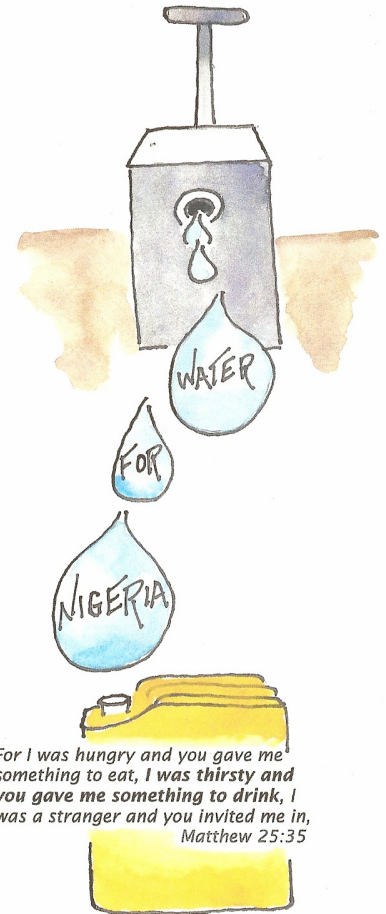
## WATER FOR NIGERIA

Imagine going through one day without any water! We might first get hit when we wanted to use the toilet or brush our teeth. We will also have to pass on the shower or bath. Forget that first cup of coffee or tea. Oh, there is no water to cook with—how do you cook that rice? Try it for a day!

Many people around the world cannot simply turn on a faucet, or open a bottle, and know for certain they are drinking clean water. Both UNICEF (United Nations Child Fund) and WHO (World Health Organization) see a close correlation between an inadequate supply of clean water and the rise in cases of water-borne diseases in many parts of Nigeria, with cholera and typhoid among prominent killers.

YOU are invited to join in a campaign to provide clean water for the people of Nigeria. Last year when I was in Nigeria, I saw firsthand the need for clean water to meet the daily needs of the people. When I met and preached in Adoka, Nigeria, a village of about 2500 people, it was brought to my attention that during the dry season (January to May) they must search for water because there is no well in the community. Their search often ends with reaching questionable ground water which often time makes them sick. Also the young children cannot attend school because they are searching for water.

HERE is your opportunity! 100 families giving \$100 each can provide funds to have a well dug in the community. Gifts of any size would be greatly appreciated to reach our goal. It is urgent that funds are raised to dig the well this year so that water will be available for the next dry season. Please share this letter with your friends and ask them to support this mission. Place your contribution in the offering plate or send it to the Caton United Methodist Church clearly marked "Water for Nigeria." Thank you in advance for your prayers and your gifts.



*For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in,  
Matthew 25:35*



Pastor Beth

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### YTD Income-Expense Report – Jan 2010 – April 2010

| Fund            | YTD 2010<br>Income | YTD 2009<br>Income | Diff  | YTD Expense<br>2010 | Diff    |
|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------|---------------------|---------|
| <b>General</b>  | 32,122             | 32,515             | -393  | 44,334              | -12,212 |
| <b>Memorial</b> | 2,854              | 2,196              | 658   | 0                   | 2,854   |
| <b>Other</b>    | 11,116             | 5,756              | 5,360 | 7,492               | 3,624   |
| <b>Total</b>    | 46,092             | 40,467             | 5,625 | 40,500              | -5,734  |

As of the end of April our expenses have exceeded our income by **\$5,734**, we need all of your support to have a successful 2010

Thank You

**Caton United Methodist Church  
Local Mission April 19<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> 2010**



Rev Martin Luther King began his famous speech with the statement “I have a dream” and the Caton UMC began this undertaking with the message “we have a desire to help our neighbors.” When Pastor Beth asked Linda Riley and me (Bob Blanchard) if we would head up a week long local mission event, we were both more than a little reluctant and hesitant. God reminded us however that He is in charge not us and as soon as we got out of the way everything began to come together. We had no money to work with but through the generosity of our members it appeared. People would not commit in writing that they would help but at the first planning meeting they attended with all kinds of ideas. What an awesome God we have. Thanks to the combined churches of Cameron Mills and Rathbone for joining us.

The week was spent working on various jobs in the local community. From repairing floors and installing vinyl tiles, rebuilding a fence and parking area, numerous painting jobs, building a couple of entrance decks, pouring concrete to repair a hole in the wall, installing a sign for a church, repairing a screen porch, raking and clean up for various properties including our own church, landscaping, sheet rock and paint storage area of church. One team spent two days at the Food Bank of the Southern Tier helping repackage food. But the best of all was the fellowship, meals and sharing of prayers and experiences we encountered during the week.

If you look at pictures taken you will see about thirty people of all shapes, sizes and ages (9-75), but they are only a small part of those involved in the planning, financing, praying, cooking and serving that resulted in a wonderful week long mission. The fellowship, willingness to adapt, the love and support of each other, the tears and laughter, and the growth, change and understanding of why we were here was amazing.

The real winners were not the ones that were helped but the ones who were willing to give of their time and energy to be a part of this week long adventure. And what an adventure it was right here in our own little part of God’s creation.

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Bob Blanchard – Laity

Linda Riley – Outreach Chair

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**ELEMENTARY YOUTH NEWS**

We would like to thank all the parents and children who participated in our youth group on Monday nights. We will hopefully resume meeting again in the fall.

## THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU



The May 10<sup>th</sup> Blood Drive was a success. Caton Church can be proud of a job well done. We collected 51 units of blood. That will help save the lives of 153 people.

It was new for us to have the drive dedicated in memory of Trooper A.J. Speer. His family enjoyed the opportunity to meet old friends and make new friends. The food was great, fellowship amongst all the workers is always fun and we get to share our faith with others.

Our next drive is **Monday, October 25, 2010 @ 1:30 to 6:30 PM.**, call me to sign up @ 936-4405

Those wishing to give blood before then can give 1 unit before August 29<sup>th</sup>. Double reds, we will see you October 25<sup>th</sup> for your next donation. Again, thank you to everyone involved, we could not do it without you.

Dave and Nancy Johnson

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### YOUTH NEWS

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This month is quite a transition time, school is coming to an end and summer begins. Camping season, lake time, vacations and trips are right around the corner. It is also time to graduate and move on; elementary to Junior high, Junior's up to Senior high, Senior's go onto college - or into the service - or into the work force. We are all glad to be done with the old, and excited to be moving on.

Talking with the youth, we have definitely decided to meet just a couple times a month for July and August. These will be larger events than a normal meeting and not necessarily at the normal time. They will also be a great time to bring friends to get them interested.

Be watching for posters!

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## CALLING ALL KIDS TO VBS



Hey kids! Soon we'll be blasting off!! And we are inviting YOU to be a part of the excitement at Vacation Bible School, **Galactic Blast: A Cosmic Adventure Praising God!** At Galactic Blast you will become cadets on the starship Galactic Praise as we learn more about our incredible, awesome God! After the high-energy opening on the starship Galactic Praise, you will spacewalk to the Good News Galaxy. Through Bible stories there, you will witness how our mighty God is at work in the world. You will also expand what you've learned by participating in a variety of other activities: art projects at Cosmic Crafts, exploring science at the Orbital Observatory, recreational activities at Rocket Rec, and eat tasty snacks at the Astro Bistro! There will be a new and exciting mission every evening! You can meet Galileo the Gorilla and dance to cool space tunes! Our journey begins each evening July 11th through July 15th, from 6PM to 8:30PM.

Adults, you can blast off with us!! We currently have many opportunities for volunteers to share their faith and join in with the kids' fun and excitement! For more information or if you have any questions, see Marcia Ritter [nyritterfamily@aol.com](mailto:nyritterfamily@aol.com) or phone 523-6692. Hope to see everyone there!!

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## SMALL GROUP NEWS



A new group is starting WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9. The group will meet each Wed., in June, in the meeting room at 10:00 AM to study the "Upper Room". This group is for women and men. Whoever would like to gather to read the Wednesday Upper Room devotion and discuss it. So far the group is scheduled to meet through the month of June. Come join us.

Summer is almost here. I have heard it is a slower pace but in my life I've not found that to be true. The "lazy, hazy days of summer" don't often materialize. It's a time for lots of outdoor work, window washing, travel, camping, lake time and whatever.

Fellowship is a blessing and healthy for all of us. Come to church and reach out to others through the summer. Remember, God doesn't take a vacation from us

See you at church. Nancy Huber

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## RED BIRD MISSION TEAM



There are eight team members on the 2010 Red Bird Mission Team. Jon Teeter, Bob Blanchard, Jessica Teeter, Abby Teeter from the Caton UMC along with Elana Sheriff, Kate Heiman, Rachel Speciale, and Andrew Heiman from area churches. The Caton team joins with four teams from New Jersey making a total of over 70 team members to serve at the Red Bird Mission in Beverly, Kentucky. Some teams will repair kitchens, bathrooms, roofs and even build on a room or two in homes. Other team members might work at the school and thrift shop, or repair buildings on the campus. Watch for a fund raiser in May to support our team!

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## PANTRY OF ANGELS

As most of you know, the "Pantry of Angels" food pantry is located at the Presho UMC on Indian Hills Road in Painted Post (about 1/2 mile from the golf course). The pantry was started in 2004 when a few people from Presho UMC thought it was a good idea to serve the residents of Lindley. Later when the Caton UMC asked to be in mission with us we gladly accepted and began serving residents of Caton also.

The pantry is open every Thursday. This is possible in part to generous weekly donations from Wegmans which supplies us with fresh fruit, vegetables and baked goods. On the **1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday from 4:30 - 5:30** we give out the full selection of food. This includes canned goods, dry goods, the produce and baked goods. On the **2<sup>nd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Thursdays from 4:30 - 5:30** we give out only the produce and baked goods. ALMOST ALWAYS on the **3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday the Mobile Food Pantry comes from 1:00 - 2:30.** If the truck can't come, then we have another day of produce and baked goods.

Currently, Caton UMC is making Easter Baskets for the children of the pantry. We are also selling Spring Flower bulbs to raise money for the pantry. If you would like to order some, see the brochure which is in the Community Room.

Following these two projects we will be helping with the Lindley Post Office food drive in May. If you don't have a Lindley address, but would like your food to go to the Pantry of Angels, you may bring it to church that week.

The Pantry of Angels welcomes visits on Thursday from people interested in seeing how the pantry works. Please stop by. Maybe you would like to volunteer! If you have questions about the pantry feel free to call me, Kim Snyder at 523-7715.

Enjoy the beauty of Spring!

Kim

Caton United Methodist Church  
JUNE 2010

| Sun  | Mon                         | Tue  | Wed                                      | Thu                                  | Fri                | Sat                                     |
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|  |                             | <b>1</b>   | <b>2</b>                                 | <b>3</b>                             | <b>4</b>           | <b>5</b>                                |
|  |                             | Choir Practice<br>(6:00 PM)  |  |                                      |                    |   |
| <b>6</b>   | <b>7</b>                    | <b>8</b>   | <b>9</b>                                 | <b>10</b>                            | <b>11</b>          | <b>12</b>                               |
| Prayer & Praise Service<br>9:00 AM<br>Traditional Service<br>10:30 AM<br>Sunday School<br>9:30 AM<br>Middle/High School Youth<br>Group<br>(6:30 PM to 8:00 PM)                                   | Praise<br>Team<br>(6:00 PM) | Choir Practice<br>(6:00 PM)  | Upper<br>Room<br>Study<br>Group<br>10 AM | Church<br>Council<br>Meeting<br>7 PM |                    |   |
| <b>13</b>  | <b>14</b>                   | <b>15</b>  | <b>16</b>                                | <b>17</b>                            | <b>18</b>          | <b>19</b>                               |
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| <b>20</b>  | <b>21</b>                   | <b>22</b>  | <b>23</b>                                | <b>24</b>                            | <b>25</b>          | <b>26</b>                               |
| Graduation Sunday<br>Prayer & Praise Service,<br>9:00 AM<br>Traditional Service<br>10:30AM<br>Sunday School<br>9:30 AM<br>Middle/High School Youth<br>Group<br>(6:30 PM to 8:00 PM)              | Praise<br>Team<br>(6:00 PM) | Choir Practice<br>(6:00 PM)  | Upper<br>Room<br>Study<br>Group<br>10 AM |                                      |                    |   |
| <b>27</b>  | <b>28</b>                   | <b>29</b>  | <b>30</b>                                |                                      |                    |   |
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(6:30 PM to 8:00 PM)

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We celebrate graduation from high school/ college on June 20<sup>th</sup>.  
Please have names and information to us by June 6<sup>th</sup> so we may honor these people for their dedication and  
drive to better themselves with their education.