

# The Newsletter

of the Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Northwest Texas

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**The Standing Committee  
of  
the Diocese of Northwest Texas  
Cordially Invites You to  
a Celebration of the Tenth Anniversary  
of the Consecration of**

**the Right Reverend Wallis Ohl**

**June 28, 2007**

**St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Lubbock, Texas  
Holy Eucharist at 11:00 A.M.**

**The Right Reverend Robert Moody, Preacher  
Followed by a Reception and Light Lunch**

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staff@stpaulslubbock.org  
806.762.2893**

**Province VII Youth Assisted to Attend  
"Camino: A Sacred Journey" in California**

Province VII Will assist young adults from the province in attending "Camino: A Sacred Journey," a youth gathering to be held in San Francisco on September 21-23. The province is offering a \$100 reimbursement for the cost of registration and in exchange asks for the assistance of participants on behalf of young adults and young adult ministries in their dioceses. Contact Ewart Jones, Province VII Young Adult Network Chair at ejones @epicenter.org.

**Happy Camp and Promise Camp Underway!**

The 2007 Happy Camp team bade a tearful but happy farewell June 8 to the 23 young people who attended this year's camp. The theme of Easter led the campers from Palm Sunday to Easter with family group time, many art projects, kite building and flying, t-shirt painting, prayer beads, discussions, prayers, swimming, karaoke, quiet time, chapel, and a trip to Wonderland Park. Promise Camp I began Monday, June 11, and Promise Camp II will begin July 9. These very special camps are an outreach ministry of the Diocese of Northwest Texas funded solely by donations. Please send your gift in support of these ministries to the Diocese of Northwest Texas, 1802 Broadway, Lubbock TX 79401.

**Bishop Ohl to Chair**

**Standing Commission on Ministry Development**

Bishop Ohl has been appointed chair of the national Standing Commission on Ministry Development through General Convention 2009. The SCMD deals with canons pertaining to ministry development, ordained and lay ministry development, and the ordination process. Bishop Ohl served on SCMD for six years and began a new term in November 2006.

**St. Nicholas', Midland Calls Fifth Rector**

The Rev. James E. Liggett, Jr. has accepted St. Nicholas', Midland's call to serve as its fifth rector beginning the first of September. Fr. Liggett has served as Rector of St. Mary's, Big Spring since 1994 coming to Northwest Texas from Western Kansas where he served in Salina, Winfield and Wellington from 1980 to 1994. He also served in Muskogee, Oklahoma from 1977 to 1980. Fr. Liggett did his graduate and undergraduate work at the University of Houston and is a 1977 graduate of Episcopal Divinity School in Cambridge, MA. He presently serves as Chair of the Commission on Ministry, Deacon Formation Program Director, and on the Budget Committee and Apportionment Task Force, and has served as President of the Standing Committee, Dean of the Permian Basin Deanery, General Convention Alternate and Deputy, and on the Cursillo Secretariat, Mission Committee, Long Range Planning Committee, Executive Council, Insurance Committee, and the Confirmation.COM design team. He has served as a reader for the General Ordination Exams, Provincial COM Chairs Convener, and Province VII representative to the Council for the Development of Ministry. He is married to Kathleen, an elementary school teacher and librarian, and they have one son, Will, who will be a senior at the University of the South and plans to attend law school upon graduation next year. Fr. Liggett also serves as Web Minister for the diocese.

**The Rev. Dr. Steve Sellers Selected as Dean  
of Gethsemane Cathedral in North Dakota**

The Rev. Dr. Steve Sellers was selected new Dean of Gethsemane Cathedral in Fargo, ND on May 17. His new ministry will begin August 15. He currently serves as Rector of St. Paul's in Lubbock coming in August of 2004 from Marshall, TX. Fr. Sellers also serves as Dean of the Llano Estacado Deanery, Chair of the Reconciliation Task Force, and on the Cursillo Secretariat and Executive Council in Northwest Texas.

**Northwest Texas Health Ministry Receives UTO Grant**  
Health Ministry in the Diocese of Northwest Texas has received a \$12,000 grant to "provide guidance and support so that [mission outposts] may reclaim the Gospel mission and become vibrant, caring places of health and wholeness" citing the Presiding Bishop who reminds us that "we, too, may discover God in those humble and unexpected places if we are willing to go search." The grant will help the ministry to expand, provide educational materials, and establish a stipend for the diocesan health liaison. Congratulations and thank you to Margaret Hiatt Williams, RN who has been the driving force behind our vital and dynamic health ministry. Contact Margaret at mhietwilliams@yahoo.com for health ministry support and assistance in your congregation.

**Dreams as a Way to Know Christ  
A Weekend Retreat for Women  
September 28-30 at BQCC**

The Rev. Susan Sims-Smith from the Diocese of Arkansas will lead the annual Episcopal Churchwomen's Retreat in September at the Bishop Quarterman Conference Center in Amarillo. Her Ministry is called **SeedWork** and was created to enliven the faith of those within and without the church and to restore relationships with those who have felt hurt by the church. Sims-Smith worked for 25 years as a psychotherapist and has taught extensively on dreamwork, committed relationships, prayer and meditation. For information on her work go to seedwork.org. To register contact Paula Howbert at pflowbert@prodigy.net, 432.697.6536 or Nancy McReynolds at mcrey@arn.net or 806.765.7084.

**Nominations for Diocesan Offices Due August 30**

Nominees are being accepted for the following offices: Standing Committee: 1 lay and one clergy to 2010; Trustee: 1 lay to 2012; Ecclesiastical Trial Court: 1 lay to 2011; Delegates and Alternates to General Convention 2009: 4 lay and 4 clergy delegates and 4 lay and 4 clergy alternates. The nomination receipt deadline is August 30. Forms are available online at nwt.org and from the diocesan office.

**Prayers and Thanksgivings:**

**The Rev. Mary Glover**, Heavenly Rest, Abilene, has been appointed by Bishop Ohl as **Dean of the Eagle Cove Deanery**.

**Dixie Sellers**, wife of **the Rev. Steve Sellers**, St. Paul's, Lubbock, will have surgery June 29 for breast cancer. **The Rev. Celia Ellery**, Good Shepherd, San Angelo, will have knee surgery June 28. **Charles Considine**, son of **the Rev. Jim Considine** (retired) is being treated for esophageal and stomach cancer in Austin.

**BQCC Summer Youth Camps**

June 17-23 Senior High - grades 9-12 **completed**  
June 24-30 Primary - grades 2-4 **completed**  
July 5-7 Middle - grades 5-8 **completed**  
July 8-14 Promise Camp II  
Contact Jamie Goldston, bqccctx@ao.com, 806.383.6878\_

**CALENDAR**

**June**

17-23 Senior High Camp, BQCC  
19 Millennium Development Goals, HEC, 12 Noon  
19-26 \*Niobrara Convocation  
20 \*Standing Committee, HEC, 10 AM  
24-30 Primary Camp, BQCC

**July**

1-7 \*Middle School Camp, BQCC  
4 HEC Closed  
8-14 Promise Camp II, BQCC  
12-14 EFM Mentor Training, Slaton  
19-21 \*Title IV Commission, Kansas City  
31 \* Budget Committee, HEC, 10 AM

**August**

4 Cursillo Secretariat, St. Christopher's, Lubbock  
9-12 BQCC Reunion  
14 \*Budget Committee, HEC  
18-22 \*Standing Committee on Ministry Development, Memphis TN  
28 \*Trustees, HEC, 10 AM  
29 \*Standing Committee, HEC 10 AM  
30 \*Deans, HEC 10 AM

**September**

1 HEC Closed, Labor Day  
5 \*St. Andrew's School, Amarillo, \* AM, 7:30 PM  
7 \*Commission on Ministry, HEC, 10 AM  
8 \*Executive Council, St. Christopher's, 10

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