

# NEWSLETTER



**First Church of Christ, Scientist**

**Austin, Texas**

**March 2013**

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Sunday Service at 11 am • Wednesday Testimony Meetings at Noon and 7:30 pm

## CALENDAR

### BIBLE SEMINAR

Friday, March 1 at 7:30PM – 9:15 PM  
Saturday, March 2 at 9:00AM – 4:00PM

### BOARD MEETING

Sunday, March 10 – 1 PM

### DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS

Sunday, March 10

### DISCOVERY BOUND

Thursday, March 14, Asher House

Sunday March 24 Ice-skating

### READING ROOM BOOK EVENT

March 24-29

### BIBLE STUDY GROUP at First Church

Thurs., March 7 & Tues., March 19 - at 7:15 PM

For information & updates – SteveWarren@aol.com

### **AUSTIN BIBLE SEMINAR – MARCH 1 and 2**

Register for the Bible Conference presented by Dick Davenport and Helen Mathis, both seminary trained Christian Scientists and presenters for the popular Bible Study Seminars. The seminar runs Friday, March 1st, from 7:30 pm to 9:15 pm and again on Saturday from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. The seminar is free but a donation to offset costs would be appreciated. A lunch will be provided if you RSVP to Barbara Houston barbyhouston@gmail.com

### **UPCOMING DISCOVERYBOUND EVENTS:**

**Thursday March 14 6:45-9:30 PM** Asher Night High School and College students are welcome for pizza, popcorn, and a movie at Asher House.

**Sunday March 24 1-4 PM** Chaparral Ice Rink at Northcross Mall - 2525 Anderson Lane. All ages/families invited. Plan to eat your lunch beforehand or bring it with you.

### **REPORT DISCOVERYBOUND KNITTING NIGHT**

Early in February, 10 Sunday School students and a handful of adults met on a Friday night for pizza and knitting. For many, it was our first time learning how to knit. Our hope was to each make a head warmer that could be donated to the homeless shelter. What a great start to 2013!

The Institutional Committee is looking for a few people inspired by our recent talk who would like to get involved with the wonderful work they are doing.

### **REPORT INSTITUTIONAL TALK**

Thanks to all the members who braved the roads with the marathon in progress to attend the Institutional Talk given by Elizabeth Arnett, Executive Secretary for Christian Science Committee for Institutional Work in Texas

## The Reading Room

102 Trinity • 472-8109 • csrraustin@gmail.com  
M-F 10-2 • Saturday 11-2 • Sunday 12-1

### **OUR STREET MAY BE CLOSED DURING SXSW!**

(March 8-17)

The dates this year for the SXSW activities are March 8-17. The traffic in the Reading Room neighborhood will be virtually at a standstill. The Reading Room will be open for those who can get to the area. The Staff also will be selling current Christian Science literature at our church after the church services during that time, and you may call the Reading Room to have other Reading Room items available for purchase after church.

The Reading Room will be having a used book event from March 24-29. The Reading Room has received a lot of donations of CS books published by CSPA, including Bibles, reference publications, biographies, concordance, dictionaries and bound volumes. The lending library has duplicate copies and would include some of them. We are planning a week long Reading

### **REPORT FEBRUARY 7 SPECIAL MEETING:**

At the Special Business Meeting held on Feb 7, the membership voted not to sell the church to Jay Palmer who is developing a multi-use building next door.

Our Children's Room committee is in need of more members. If you can help do one Sunday a month please contact Allison Russell or the Clerk

### **CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SUMMER CAMP FUND**

The fund for contributions to help send our Sunday School students to a summer camp for Christian Scientists is growing. As camp applications are now being sent out for the coming summer, we ask that you make your contributions over the next six weeks so we'll know how we'll be able to support our kids. A deadline of Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup> has been set for receiving funds and application



## The Gentle Beam

March Topic:

Peace Be Still =

18 O that thou hadst hearkened to my commandments! Then had thy peace been as a river, and thy righteousness as the waves of the sea: Isa 48:18 .

37 And there arose a great storm of wind, and the waves beat into the ship, so that it was now full. 38 And he was in the hinder part of the ship, asleep on a pillow: and they awake him, and say unto him, Master, carest thou not that we perish? 39 And he arose, and rebuked the wind, and said unto the sea, Peace, be still. And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm Mark 4:37-39

17 Pray without ceasing. 21 Prove all things; hold fast that which is good. 22 Abstain from all appearance of evil. 23 And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly;

1Thes 5:17, 22-23 (to ;)

If you launch your bark upon the ever-agitated but healthful waters of truth, you will encounter storms. Your good will be evil spoken of. This is the cross. Take it up and bear it, for through it you win and wear the crown S&H 254: 27-32

The effects of Christian Science are not so much seen as felt. It is the "still, small voice" of Truth uttering itself. We are either turning away from this utterance, or we are listening to it and going up higher S&H 328:28-32

the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: against such there is no law." S&H. 106: 27-29

It matters not what be they lot,  
So Love doth guide;

For storm or shine, pure peace is thine,  
Whate'er betide. "Poems" by Mary Baker Eddy pg 79



Hi Friends at First Austin,

Thank you for taking the time to stay after church and let me share some of the activities of the State Committee, as well as the needs, metaphysical, physical and financial.

There was a healing I wanted to share with you all. One of the women that came to the services at the Federal Medical Center at Carswell in Fort Worth had been diagnosed with cancer. This woman is an MD so knew full well all she was being told. She however had a deep faith and love of God and wanted healing, not cure. For six months she came to the services with great concern for her six children. I had been talking to her about how God is Father and Mother, right there with her children at each service for most of the 6 months. Then at one of the services I tried to remind her of the divinity of Motherhood. It wasn't just human mothering that God was providing, but a divine Love, a love that wouldn't fail.

Well, that was the healing. Her fear for her children was healed and so was the picture of health. Her healing was medically confirmed at the facility. She then had the opportunity to share. Another woman at the facility was just told of her diagnosis of cancer and was crying in the bathroom. Our friend comforted her and said to her, "you don't have to accept that". She gave the woman a copy of Science and Health. Within a week, this woman was healed, and three weeks later transferred out to a non medical unit.

This is another great example of simply reading Science and Health bringing healing.

Thank you all for your wonderful support of the local and statewide institutional activities!

Enjoy the day,  
Elizabeth Arnett  
Executive Secretary  
Christian Science Committee for Institutional Work in Texas

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