



Church Street E-News

Presque Isle Congregational Church

United Church Of Christ

October 2010

Neighbors In Need

The *Neighbors in Need (NIN) offering*, which we will receive during the month of October, supports the UCC's ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States. Two-thirds of the offering is used by the UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries to fund a wide array of local and national justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects. Through UCCTakeAction.org, our national Justice and Witness Ministries office offers resources, news updates, and action alerts on a broad spectrum of justice issues. Working with members of the UCC Justice and Peace Action Network (a network of thousands of UCC justice and peace advocates), Justice and Witness continues its strong policy advocacy work on issues such as the federal budget, voting rights, immigration, health care, hate crimes, civil liberties, and environmental justice. NIN also supports our American Indian neighbors in the UCC. One-third of the offering supports the UCC's Council for American Indian Ministries (CAIM).

This past year, two Maine organizations received funding by NIN grants distributed by the UCC through the Maine Conference. Their stories help us to better understand the role that our NIN offerings play in the overall picture.

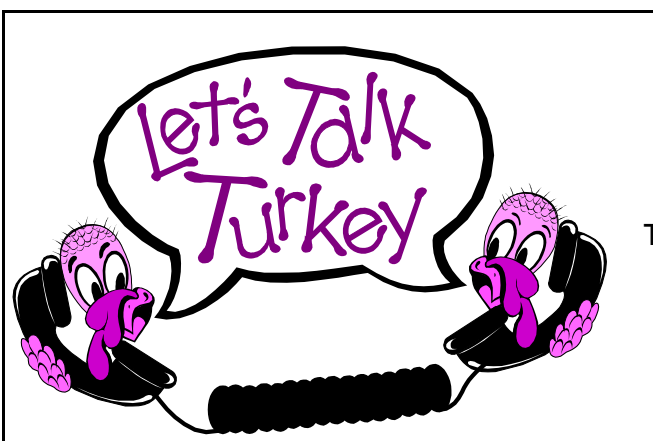
About fifteen years ago residents of Millbridge, Maine, a small coastal community located in "blueberry country," found themselves in the midst of a rapid influx of Latino immigrant workers who decided to leave the "migrant stream." Today an estimated 600 Latino families now live, work and participate in communities in Eastern Hancock and Washington Counties. The mission of *Mano en Mano* (Hand in Hand), one of the NIN grant recipients, is to: "build a stronger community in Downeast Maine by working with diverse populations to provide educational and affordable housing opportunities, remove barriers to health and social services, and to advocate for social justice." You can learn more about this program by visiting www.ManoMaine.org.

The second Maine NIN grant recipient, *PICA* (Power In Community Alliances), is a grassroots organization in Bangor, Maine. The goal of this group, which has been active for nearly twenty-five years, is to help make Maine a leader among all states in addressing the effects of the global economy on our own lives. It has worked to build community alliances that address global problems of economic justice, human, and workers rights.

The *Neighbors in Need* offering will be collected throughout the month of October. Envelopes will be available in the pews. Bulletin inserts on each Sunday in October will provide more information about the projects sponsored by our offerings.

When you see faces on this year's Neighbors in Need (NIN) poster in Fellowship Hall and on the bulletin inserts, remember that they reflect the UCC vision of being a church of Jesus Christ that is multiracial, multicultural, open and affirming and accessible to all.





Harvest Supper - October 16, 2010

5:00 PM

6:30 PM

Take-out Orders

Turkey, Mashed Potatoes, Stuffing, Gravy, Peas, Squash
Roll, Pie, and Beverage

Adults - \$12

Children 10 and Under - \$6.00

Call Sue Lougee - 762-1741 - for tickets

Can You Help?



Squash peelers always have fun!



Servers play a major role!



The Hamel Family enjoyed dinner last year.

There are ways to get involved:

- × Buy tickets for you and your family
- × Sell tickets to your friends, neighbors, and co-workers
- × Sign up to purchase a supply or two
- × Bake a pie
- × Contribute some money to purchase food
- × Adopt a turkey
- × Volunteer to help at a variety of jobs...
 - Peeling Squash
 - Roasting a turkey – Saturday
 - Setting up chairs and tables (Friday night)
 - Taking/selling tickets at the door
 - Waiting tables
 - Serving
 - Preparing take-out orders
 - Slicing pies
 - Delivering meals
 - Washing dishes
 - Taking down chairs & tables (Saturday night)
 - Cleaning up (Saturday night)

Think about what you can do. This coming Sunday (October 3rd) after worship, see Sue Lougee for tickets and Melissa Vance to sign up to help out at the supper.

Italian Supper

Vi ringrazio, Chef Zubrick and All Helpers



If you visited the church kitchen the day before our Italian Supper, you were greeted by the wonderful aromas of simmering Italian red sauces. If that didn't make you wish you had purchased your tickets early, nothing could do it. Joe Zubrick, as promised, delivered another one of his famous meals. Fresh green salad served with Italian dressing warmed up the taste buds for a wonderful pasta meal, complete with garlic and Italian breads, topped off by Susan Grove-Markwood's delicious sugar cookies and rainbow sherbert.

The net profit for this supper (ticket sales and donations) was over \$740 – truly a success.

Italian Supper Photos



Betty Foster & Sue Lougee plated 80 salads



Helen McConnell was the official Taste Tester



Jim Pritchard sliced Susie James' delicious sesame garlic bread!



Master Chef Joe Zubrick prepared the garden-fresh salad.

October Highlights

October 3 – World Communion Sunday



World Communion Sunday, held annually on the first Sunday in October, is a celebration of the unity of the worldwide church through Christ. Christians around the world participate in the Lord's Supper. The Church School children are invited to sit with their parents and participate in the Communion Service.

October 22 & 23 – Rummage Sale



The church women have scheduled a fall rummage sale for Friday & Saturday, October 22 & 23. Items may be delivered to the church Monday – Wednesday, October 18-20. Set up will begin on Thursday, October 21. Please start looking in your attic, basement, closets and garages. We need lots of “stuff” to make this sale a success.

Your help will be greatly appreciated.

October 24 – Aroostook Association Meeting

The annual Fall meeting of the Aroostook Association of the Maine Conference UCC will be held on Sunday afternoon, October 24, at the First Congregational Church in East Millinocket, Maine. The meeting will begin at 2:30 pm, followed by dinner at 5:30 pm.

October 24 – Annual Church School Halloween Party



The annual church school Halloween Party will be held at the church on Sunday afternoon, October 24, from 2:30 - 4:30 pm. Children may bring guests. Activities include games and a costume parade. Refreshments will be served. Parents are encouraged to join in the fun.

If you can help out, please e-mail [Melissa](#) or call the church office at 764-4743.

Baptism



Liam Francis Waddell, son of Jennifer and Eric Waddell of South Berwick, was baptized on Sunday, September 26. Liam's sisters, Avery and Rowan, and brother, Ethan, were very excited to be back in Presque Isle for this occasion. Liam is the grandson of Mary & Gordon Somerville and Donna & Don Waddell.

We miss Jen and Eric and all the little Waddells, and it was wonderful to have them home with us for this occasion.

OCTOBER 2010 – Please Note: Calendar begins on Sunday this month.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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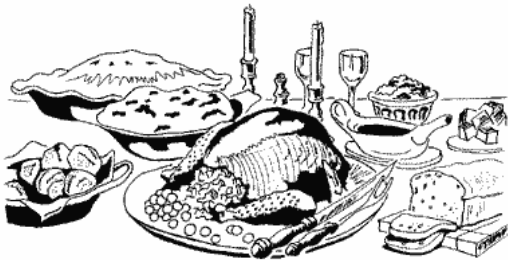
Additional Italian Supper Photos



Stan Foster did a great job keeping the tickets straightened out at the door.



Fellowship Hall looked pretty spiffy!



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Call Sue Lougee for Tickets
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