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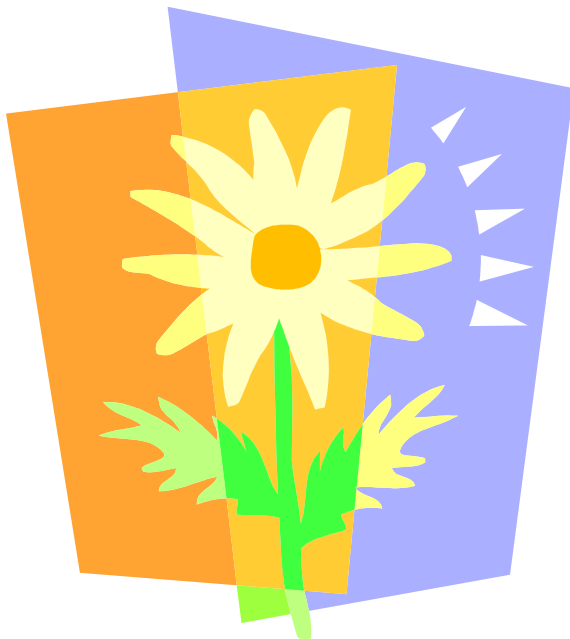
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WELCOME BACK SNOWBIRDS!



NEW PROGRAM AVAILABLE BY TELEPHONE

A new program I heard about recently I thought you might be interested in is put out by different Christian Science churches in the Chicago and Austin areas. For those of you who are not close to a church or unavailable for whatever reason, may be able to pick up your phone by calling number 630.929.5635 (Ill.) or 512.703.8010 (Austin)

They will ask you if you would like to listen to the Bible Lesson or the Sentinel Radio article. Choose the one you wish ... and that's all there is to it! These programs may be reached any time of day or night. 24/7.

READING ROOM NEWS

A program we have just started on the second Tuesday of each month, 1 p.m., will be a video lecture and will be open to our members and guests at the Reading Room. No reservation will be necessary.

The name and topic of the lecture will be announced each week before the lecture and will be shown on our bulletin boards at church, our Reading Room and on our website: www.csswm.com.

There were five of us at last months video lecture and after the lecture we gathered around the room and enjoyed conversation, question and answers about the lecture. It was a very enjoyable and inspirational afternoon and we hope to see many of you in the coming months.

FINDING WAYS TO SHARE HEALING INSPIRATION WITH THE COMMUNITY

Our church is a member of the area Ministerial Association and we are one of over a dozen churches who regularly meet to share ideas and support and sometimes will work together on a joint project.

One joint project has been to approach the editors of our local paper to see if they could carry a regular column entitled "Faith and Values". They readily agreed and we have been participating in this for a couple of years now.

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The Ministerial Association members wanted to find a way to share more spiritual ideas with the community – to give them some of the inspiration overflow from their regular worship services. We were all regularly advertising our services and special events, so we decided this type of article would be inspirational in nature.

Every other Friday, one of the member churches writes up an inspirational article for the paper and it gets published under the special column heading “Faith and Values” Several people from these churches have commented that they have heard feedback and even had visitors come as a result of these articles.

One of the editors shared how happy he was to have this column as it added a positive influence to the paper as a whole. That, coupled with the good response from the area churches, make it a blessing for everyone involved!

Our branch church has the opportunity to contribute two articles a year and we have been working with the Christian Science Publishing Society to get permission to reprint specific articles that are dealing with issues relevant to our community.

Most recently, various community groups have been coming together to help alleviate the problem of underage drinking. So, our contribution to the Faith and Values column was to submit a reprint of the article “A prayerful perspective on underage drinking” by Jill Aaron, CS, reprinted with permission from the May 14, 2007, issue of the *Christian Science Sentinel*. We included our own introduction and conclusion and some brief information on our church and Reading Room. Read below to see how it was presented in the paper on the

following page.

FAITH AND VALUES COLUMN

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Wisconsin, especially northern Wisconsin, is no stranger to the problems of underage drinking. Here is a reprint of an article “A prayerful perspective on underage drinking” by Jill Aaron, a Christian Science practitioner from Ashland, Massachusetts, who shares some timeless and key insights into healing this individual and community problem.

“The statistics are *staggering* and call for action – seven million underage drinkers in the United States engage in binge drinking, defined as consuming five or more alcoholic drinks *on one occasion* (see *The Christian Science Monitor*, “No winking at underage drinking,” March 13, 2007).

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“Our prayers can acknowledge that God gives young people a conscious understanding of their self-worth as His loved, spiritual ideas. Instead of feeling shortchanged and unsatisfied, they can experience the lasting satisfaction and freedom that come from imbibing their true, spiritual nature.”

To read the article in its entirety, go to Spirituality.com or go to the May 14, 2007 issue of the Christian Science Sentinel.)

For more inspiration and prayerful perspectives on all aspects of underage drinking and life’s other challenges, visit our Christian Science Reading Room at 212 Milwaukee in downtown Minocqua or call 356-5991. Additionally, everyone is welcome to hear, pray and share healing ideas every Wednesday at 7pm at 134 Townline Road in Woodruff. Please feel free to call 356-5991 for more information.