



# THE NORTHERN LIGHT

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## EVENTS

The Niagara Essential Committee  
presents:

**FAITH & DEEDS**  
Social Action & Responsibility as  
ambassadors of Christ.

Speaker: Bruce Smith - Church Army

Plus representatives, displays, and  
literature from various social action  
groups.

Friday, September 20, 2002  
St Luke's Anglican Church,  
Parish Hall,  
1382 Ontario Street, Burlington, Ont.

6:00 to 9:30 p.m.

Dinner is optional at \$7.50 per  
person

## MEMBERSHIP

Since the last newsletter, we have had  
new members joining us . . . plus some  
donations keeping us running in the  
black! Thanks to everybody.

The membership list is under control . . .  
thanks to John Lennerton, the  
membership secretary. Keep him busy  
by promoting our society.

Remember the pin . . .



## NEW BRANCH EXECUTIVE

Who are these people?



Members of committee from left to right: Boris Nusko, V.P., Shannon Nusko, Treasurer, John Lennerton, Membership Secretary, Gwen Conroy, Member at large, David Nusko, Secretary, Walter Raybould, President, Doris Conroy, Katherine Raybould, Paul Mansfield, Hon Auditor, \* Absent Dr John Ferns, Member at large.

Please take a look at us! (See photo.) We are that bunch, the executive, or board or what ever you want to call us, but we are the ones who have taken on Niagara North, the branch with attitude! Our attitude is that we may not move mountains, but we will move grains of sand, a lot of sand.

Our aim is to be there, reminding everyone that although we think the BAS is ok, the BCP is the second best book ever written! As you can tell we aren't politically correct, but we are very good looking! This good-looking bunch is not out to change people's thoughts about which book they should use. This denomination is known for it's broad spectrum of worship styles, which is one of its great strengths. We are here, to hopefully support those people who wish to use the BCP, and to give encouragement to them.

We are also a very local bunch. So to make repairs to that problem, we are getting ready to E-mail a survey, to all the churches in the diocese, on the snazzy new diocese web site. We will be asking all churches that use the good old BCP to respond, so that we will have a report to you, of where you can find the BCP in use. We tried a very small effort a while back, to some sites and got some very unusual, and quite interesting answers.

One result will be articles on BCP orientated churches in our newsletter .The other result will be church-crawls through Niagara North to these self same churches. (We will be hoping for some church's invitations!)

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## OTHER NEWS

**The church crawl** is still in the planning stage. We are hoping to have some volunteers from the Oakville Burlington area. We advise any who are interested to see if they can join the Church Crawl the Grand Valley Branch is doing in August. Grand Valley is into their eighth crawl and are consummate experts. See their address on the back of the Lamp.

**The wine tour!** Our branch executive is bravely going off into uncharted waters to check out the best places for the branch to visit. It will be a meeting as we go along and we suspect that the minutes should prove very interesting. We are planning to join up with the executive from our cousins from the south in Niagara-St. Catherine's Branch. We hope that this type of meeting venue should give our hard working executive a much-needed boost in moral and spirits. To keep you posted, we so far, have decided, that the Branch Tour should be in the fall, when the weather is cooler, and the crowds thinner.

Our beloved President, Walter (guess who wrote this!) has made contact with **St Paul's, Dunnville** (see "From the Prez") He was given the warmest welcome by Father Hubbard the rector there. He was also given a tour of their fascinating church, one of the last churches with a rood screen still in place.

Father Hubbard has used both the BCP and the BAS and has given the congregation a wide view of Anglicanism from both angles. He has had wonderful success in bringing in younger people who are looking for the standards and criterion of a solid faith. Fr. Hubbard and St Paul's are a beacon of how young churchgoers are wanting the standards reflected in the BCP and are to be commended for their efforts in a sea of new think. We would suggest anyone wanting to see an orthodox church in a small town that is a growing church and a lively church they should drop in at St Paul's Dunnville or check their wow website. [stpaulsdunville@on.aibn.com](mailto:stpaulsdunville@on.aibn.com)

**St Michael's Youth Conference** is steaming ahead and is filling fast. Do get your registrations in! Need info? Contact your local branch; see the back of the "Lamp". If you would like to get involved with this incredible group who are doing so much to reach our youth please come forward. We will find you something to do, believe me. Come out and reward yourself.

## OF INTEREST . . .

**St John's Elora** is presenting their wonderful services this summer in line with the Elora Festival. Matins sung by the top notch **Festival Singers** is a "must do" this summer.

July 21 Opening Festival Service  
July 21 Choral Matins (Nightingale Service)  
July 28 Choral Eucharist  
Aug 3 Golden Jubilee

Time for all services is 11:00 AM

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**Our Senior Youth** are being hosted by the PBSC at Emma Lake Saskatchewan, June 5-9 2002. This is for the 18 to 30 age group, and is a chance not to be missed. If you want more information contact the branch and we will mail you out the brochure, or contact Anna Irish, e-mail [airish@uvic.ca](mailto:airish@uvic.ca)

## FROM THE PRESIDENT . . .

Something is going on and it is very weird!

If you remember I wrote of my meeting with Bishop Spence in the bank .It was just after we got our Niagara North Branch off the ground. I had been told to meet his lordship ASAP. So looking a mess, as is my wont when on a job, I came face to face with our impeccably dressed bishop in that temple of mammon know as "Canada Trust". Never mind blind luck . . . that was Providence.

Now I have to relate that I was in Dunnville and as I was having lunch, I was looking at St Paul's Dunnville with a dead cell phone in my hand, thinking, "That's where Father Hubbard hangs his hat.

Little did I know at approximately the same time Father Hubbard was phoning my cell phone to offer his help and congratulations about the new branch. I only realized this as I approached Cayuga and my cell phone got back to its service area. I just about went off the road. (Yes I talk on the phone while driving and now I know why it is such a bad idea).

Now I am getting a bit leery of how these things are going. If this is Providence it's not very subtle . . .Is Someone trying to tell us something?

I am off to Montreal for the AGM. As the "new boy" I will try to keep my mouth shut and my ears open. If any of you are going too I'd be glad to hear from you. I will be sporting my new PBSC tie. Yes we are going materialistic! Ties, hats, "T" shirts jackets and underwear!

Where will it all end?

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