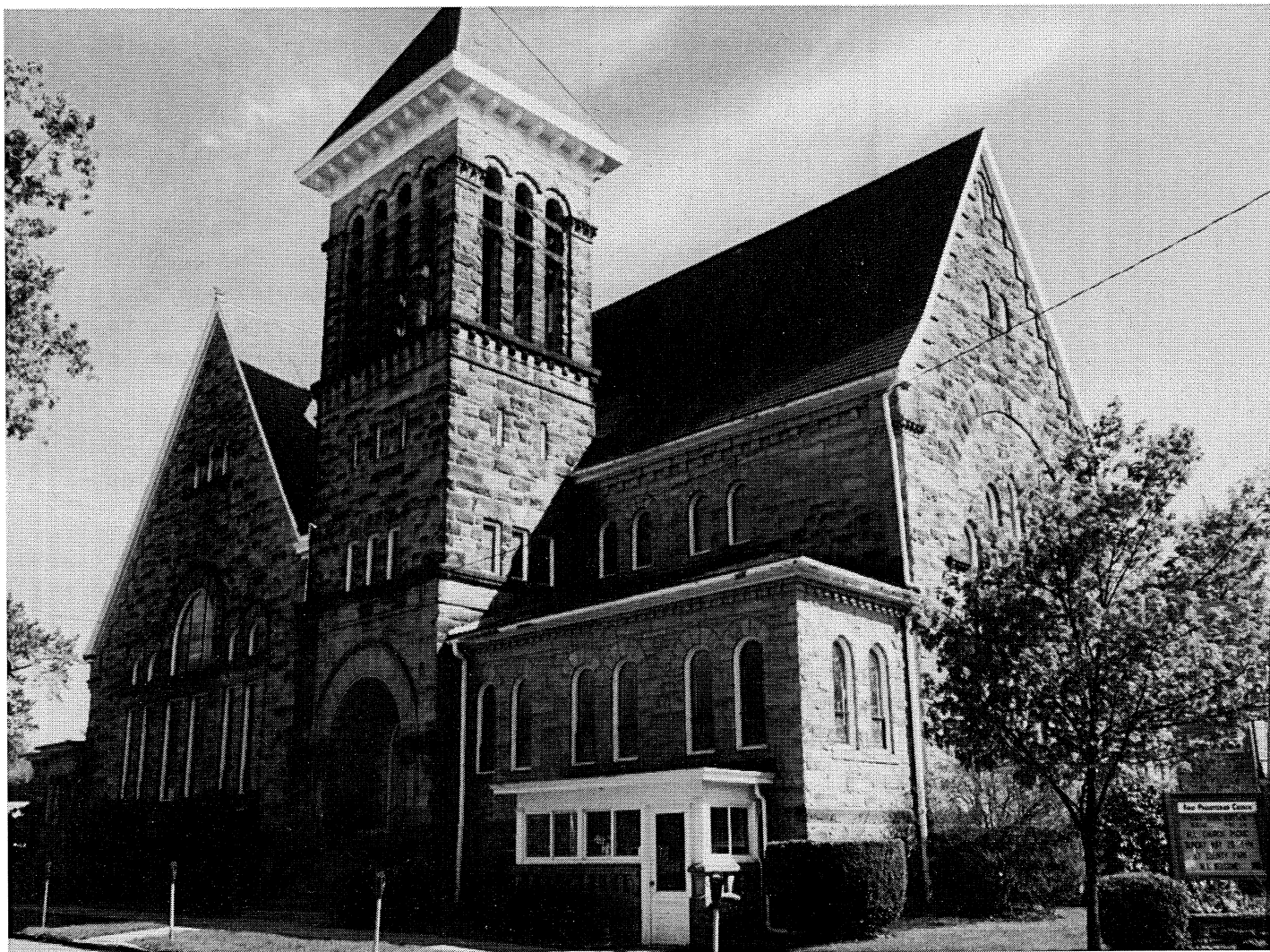


FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



*Day of Pentecost
Communion Sunday
Heritage Sunday & Graduate Recognition
June 5, 2022*



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We come together to worship, grow, and serve as disciples of Christ.

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PLEASE NOTE THAT CDC GUIDANCE MAY RESULT IN FUTURE CHANGES.

We Gather in God's Name

(Tune your car radio to 88.7 FM)

Welcome and Announcements

Lector, Pam Reid

We silently shift our focus to God and prepare to worship.

Prelude

Spirit of the Living God

Robert W. Thygerson

Chiming of the Trinity

Introit

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

James K. Manley

Call to Worship

Jesus said, "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, **and you shall be my witnesses to the ends of the earth.**"

The love of God has been poured into our hearts

Through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

Let us witness to God's love.

Let us worship God.

Please join in reading or singing those parts of the service printed in **bold**.

Prayer of the Day

Lord, come as Holy Fire and burn in us, come as Holy Wind and cleanse us within, come as Holy Light and lead us in the darkness, come as Holy Truth and dispel our ignorance, come as Holy Power and enable our weakness, come as Holy Life and dwell in us. **Convict us, convert us, consecrate us, until we are set free from the service of ourselves, to be your servants to the world. Amen.**

✦ When this symbol precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or spirit.

✦Hymn No. 2

Come, Thou Almighty King

Text: *Collection of Hymns for Social Worship*, 1757, alt.

Music: de Giardini, 1769, alt.

Call to Confession

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In humility and faith let us confess our sin to God.

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, you poured your Spirit upon gathered disciples creating bold tongues, open ears, and a new community of faith. We confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us. We do not listen for your word of grace, speak the good news of your love, or live as a people made one in Christ. Have mercy on us, O God. Transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit, and fill us with a flaming desire to be your faithful people, doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Declaration of Forgiveness

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. May the God of mercy, who forgives you all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen

✦Gloria Patri

We Share God's Word

Time with the Children

Rev. R. James Dietrich

Prayer for Illumination

O Lord our God, your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Give us grace to receive your truth in faith and love, that we may be obedient to your will and live always for your glory; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Thanks be to God.

Rev. R. James Dietrich

Music: Darwall, 1770

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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name. Thy
kingdom come, thy will be
done, on earth as it is in
heaven. Give us this day our
daily bread; and forgive us our
debts as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us from
evil. For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory
forever. Amen.

WELCOME VISITORS

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church. We are glad to provide hybrid and virtual worship services for this Sunday. Services are currently livestreamed on our Facebook page (First Presbyterian Church of Clarion) in real time. Then archived to our website and Facebook page.

At First Presbyterian Church our mission is to worship, grow, and serve as followers of Jesus. From our youngest to our oldest, we seek to worship God in our actions, grow in God's love, and serve God's people in our community and around the world. We hope that you will come join us so we may personally extend a warm welcome. If you have any questions or particular prayer needs, please feel free to contact the church office at 226-8145 between 9 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Monday thru Friday. For Congregational Care, please reach out to Elders Bert Louder (814) 758-0455 or Robin Cable (814) 221-1528.

For more information visit our website at www.clarionfirstpresby.org.

Find us on Facebook! (First Presbyterian Church of Clarion)

Radio Broadcast-WWCH 1300AM and 94.1 FM every third Sunday of the month at 11:00 a.m.

Video recordings of past sermons may be viewed by clicking the "Worship" link on our home page at www.clarionfirstpresby.org or a phone app is available at sermon.net (look for First Presbyterian Church—Clarion.) You can also choose to listen to an audio version. Simply pick the option that works best for you. Videos of Sunday worship are also posted on our Facebook page (see above).

CHURCH STAFF AND LEADERSHIP

Organist: Jean Mitrosky
Director of Music: Bonnie Champion
Treasurer: Brenda Nesbitt
Secretary: Debra Owens
Sexton: Mike Hetrick
Sound Engineer: Josh Deitz
Video Engineer: Dan Willy

Ruling Elders:

<u>Class of 2022:</u>	<u>Class of 2023:</u>	<u>Class of 2024:</u>
Joe Burns	John Joy	Kathy Larimer
Robin Cable	Bert Louder	Elaine Matticks
Michelle Deitz	Jim McConnell	Pam Reid
Cindy Stants		

Deacons:

<u>Class of 2022:</u>	<u>Class of 2023:</u>	<u>Class of 2024:</u>
Tamalyn Goble	Suellen Gourley	Bonnie Champion
Mike Hetrick	Cindy Kapp	Marianne Reynolds
Carolyn McFarland	Norma Kooman	Mary Swanger
Debra Owens		

WORSHIP NOTES

Guest Preacher: Rev. R. James Dietrich
Lector: Pam Reid
Time with Children: Rev. R. James Dietrich
Director of Music: Bonnie Champion
Organist: Jean Mitrosky
Sound Engineer: Josh Deitz/Jeff Kapp
Video Engineer: Dan Willy
Acolytes: Emma Willy, Aubrie Scovel, and Gavin Kunselman
Ushers in Charge: Bill Champion, Doug Bills, Amy Widmer

We warmly welcome the Rev. R. James Dietrich to our pulpit today. Jim lives in Brookville and is the retired pastor of New Rehoboth-Greenville and Pisgah Presbyterian Churches. His wife, Joyce, has graciously tolerated his attempts at humor through puns for 50 years. Please pray for her. They are blessed with a daughter, Amy, her husband, Jason, and a son, Robb and his wife, Emily. Grandchildren Bethany, Jameson, Jack and Simon are the "icing on the cake" for both Pap and Nana.

Flowers today are in memory of Mary Hardwick, from her Memorial Service held here on Saturday.

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

9:30 a.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal
10:00 a.m. Worship
Heritage Member Recognition
Graduate Recognition
Communion
11:00 a.m. Heritage Member Reception, Chapel

WEEKLY DEPOSIT SUMMARY

6/05/2022

Due to unforeseen circumstances, there was no deposit this week. We will resume our regular report of Weekly Deposits next week.

NOTES:

Feel free to use this space to take notes on the sermon, the service, or for any personal reminders that may help you in your walk with God this week.

♣ Affirmation of Faith

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying "Come, Lord Jesus!" With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBY

Monday, June 6

6:00 p.m. Mission/Outreach, Ministry Central

Tuesday, June 7

6:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous, Step Down Room

Wednesday, June 8

10:00 p.m. Morning Circle, Parlor

3:30 p.m. Deacons, Chapel

8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous, Step Down Room

Thursday, June 9

12:00 p.m. Afternoon Circle, Chapel

Next Sunday, June 12

10:00 a.m. Worship—Tamalyn Goble

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

June's Food Bag Item is canned fruit. If you are donating a can, please have it in the church by June 13th to make the Food Bag Distribution set for Thursday, June 16th.

Did you hear? The Strawberry Social is back!!!! On Friday, June 24th at 6:00 p.m. Meet us outside at the Aharrah Pavilion for a light dinner of ham barbeque and sides. Oh, and there WILL be strawberries! Feel free to bring your own lawn or camp chair. We will move to the Social Hall in case of inclement weather.

Pulpit Supply: While we are between pastors, we have been blessed to have several agree to preach for us. The next week's guest preacher will be noted in the "This Week at First Presby" section of the announcements. We know you will plan to be here every Sunday anyway because all of them are great!

A Memorial Service for Don Lavelly is set for Saturday, June 18th, in our Sanctuary. The service will start at 2:00 p.m. and will be officiated by the Rev. Dr. Donald Wilson. Don entered the church triumphant on December 3, 2021.

Our deepest sympathies to the family of Mary Lou Carson, who passed away on May 27, 2022. Kara Willy is her niece.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Masks are required while you are indoors moving about the Sanctuary and interacting with others. Once you have taken a seat, you are welcome to remove your mask. Please note that CDC guidance may result in future changes.

Matters of congregational care are being handled by Elders Bert Louder (814) 758-0455 and Robin Cable (814) 221-1528.

A gift to the Pentecost Offering helps the church encourage, develop, and support its young people, and also address the needs of at-risk children. Today is the last day to turn in your donation. Please prayerfully consider a gift to this fund either by mail or in the offering plate today. Make checks payable to First Presbyterian Church. You may designate your gift by marking "Pentecost Offering" on the check notation.

We have openings for Sunday morning flowers for June 26 and July 3, 10, 24, and 31. Please call (226-8145), email the church office (churchoffice@clarionpresby.org), or sign up on the chart in the Ramp Room if you would like to place flowers in memory or honor of a loved one.

Today we celebrate Pentecost and Heritage Sunday, recognizing our members who have been here 50 or more years and celebrating the birth of the church through the descent of the Holy Spirit upon Jesus' disciples. Please join us in the Chapel after worship for punch and cookies.

Graduate Recognition: During worship today, we will recognize the graduates in our church family.

MEMBER CARE

Please pray for:

- *Members with known health concerns:* Ruth Showers, Fred Port, Randy Cable, Tom Matticks, and Tom Wenner.
- *Our family and friends in need of prayer:* Shirley McKinley's brother, John Daugherty and his daughter Mary Biser; Shirley's daughter, Charlotte Hartman and nephew, Kenneth Daugherty Jr.; John McKinley's great-nephew, David Mahle; Carolyn McFarland's brother and his wife, Rick and Janelle Moore; Bill and Bonnie Champion's sister-in-law, Norma Stahlman Champion; Mary Kay Arth; Bert Louder's grandson, Anthony Louder; baby Jacob Gudakunst, grandson of former members Jane and Craig Gudakunst; Bill & Laurie Dickey, neighbors of Kristen Maze; and a former Clarion teacher, Bob Bowersox and wife Paula.
- *And all of those serving in the US Military* including members and friends of our own faith family.

Caring Caller members of the week: Please remember Virginia Motzer, 161 S. 2nd Avenue, Clarion, PA 16214-2403. Her birthday is June 17th.

JUNE 5, 2022

PENTECOST SUNDAY

taking
faith
home

The Holy Spirit is our helper and comforter.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	John 14:8-17, 25-27	Jesus promises the Holy Spirit
Monday	Acts 2:1-21	Filled with the Holy Spirit
Tuesday	Romans 8:14-17	Life in the Holy Spirit
Wednesday	Acts 1:6-11	The ascension of Jesus
Thursday	Psalms 51:10-12	A prayer for forgiveness
Friday	Ephesians 4:25-32	Rules for the new life
Saturday	Psalms 104:24-34, 35b	God, the creator and provider
Sunday	John 16:12-15	The Spirit will guide you

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

"But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you." John 14:26 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Dear God, we thank you for the gift of the Holy Spirit that we may believe and speak the good news so that others may know Jesus as Savior and Lord. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Creative God, your love for us is filled with good things, including the gift of this meal; we thank you for all your good gifts through Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the Holy Spirit give you comfort and good courage.



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HYMN OF THE WEEK

Every time I Feel the Spirit

taking
faith
home

WEEKLY MILESTONES

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.

CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- What is something about your faith that you would like to understand better?
- How is it comforting to know that the Holy Spirit gives us the power to believe in Jesus?

DEVOTIONS

Read: John 14:8-17, 25-27.

The Gospel of John is the last of the New Testament Gospels to be written. John gives us a valuable perspective on the importance of the Holy Spirit. John makes it clear that having the Holy Spirit does not give us something new or more than Jesus Christ. The Holy Spirit only speaks and teaches the message and truth that Jesus spoke and taught. The "Spirit of truth," that is, the Holy Spirit, abides in us that we may know our heavenly father in and through Christ. It is a truth that offers great assurance in a spirit of humility, the humility of being known and taught by God. John speaks of the Holy Spirit as the "Advocate," a term filled with rich meaning. The Greek word for Advocate also means teacher, helper, comforter, someone who walks alongside us and gives us the aid we need.

Discuss: How does it help you to be reminded that the Holy Spirit walks alongside you and dwells within you?

Pray: Dear God and Comforter, we thank you for the work of the Holy Spirit that gives us the faith and confidence to abide in Jesus now and always. Amen

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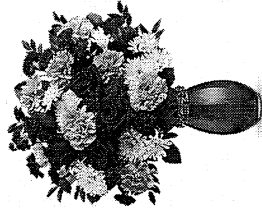
Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings and theme for this week, who do you know that needs to be comforted this week?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

On the day of Pentecost, there was the rush of a violent wind and tongues of fire rested on each of the apostles. "All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit" (Acts 2:4). Decorate your home with red balloons and red candles this week as a reminder of the "blowing" and "burning" of God's Spirit in your lives. As you light the candles say: **Come, Holy Spirit, come!**



In addition to *Taking Faith Home*, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to: www.milestonesministry.org



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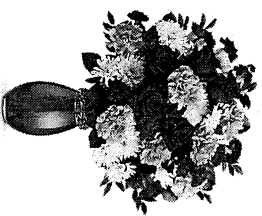
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HERITAGE SUNDAY JUNE 5, 2022



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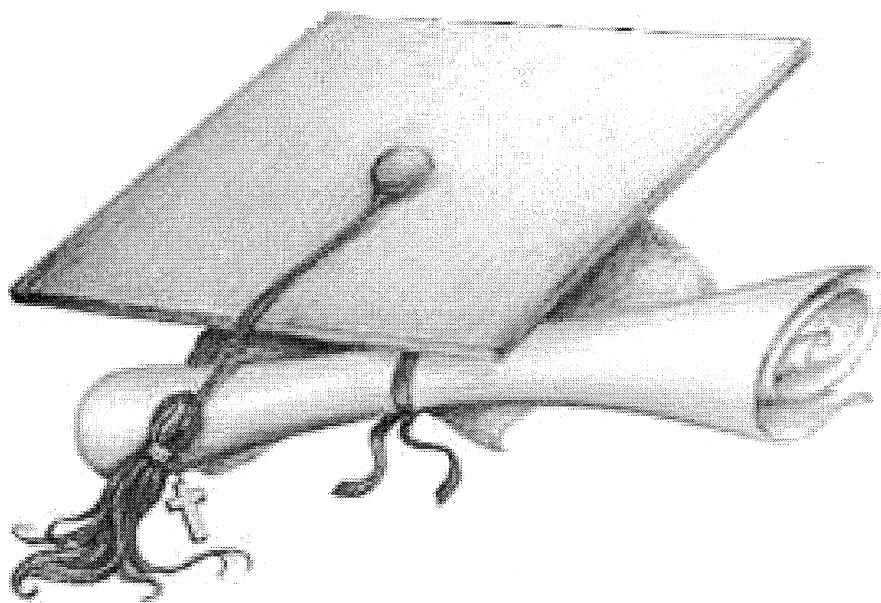
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GRADUATE RECOGNITION SUNDAY
JUNE 5, 2022
10:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE



*But the wisdom from above is first pure,
then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield,
full of mercy and good fruits,
without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy.*
James 3:17

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HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE

Korrin Burns, daughter of Joe and Jodi Burns, graduated from Clarion High School. Korrin will attend St. Joseph University in the fall. She has been a standout volleyball player all through high school and will continue her career at St. Joseph.

UNIVERSITY GRADUATE

Bachelor's Degree Recipient

Bailee Slike graduated Cum Laude in December 2021 from Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. Bailee received a Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood and Special Education. She is the daughter of Tammy and Vance Slike. You may remember Bailee also worked in our Nursery.



ROMA AND WAYNE FULTON SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The Roma Kline & Wayne L. Fulton Scholarship Fund was created by the Fulton Family for church members and children of church members. Full time students pursuing higher education at an accredited college or university may receive the scholarship up to two times during their school career. Contributions to the fund are always appreciated. Checks may be made payable to The Presbyterian Foundation with "Fulton Scholarship" designated on the memo line.

Unfortunately, there were no applicants for the Roma and Wayne Fulton Scholarship this year.