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PRESBYTERY OF PENNSYLVANIA

Across the Woods

Juanita Callahan Honored

At 79 Kentucky's 2007 Outstanding Older Worker Conquers the Computer

Her knowledge of technology made a teenager sit up, take notice and remark to his mom, following a high school leadership seminar being taught by Kentucky's 79-year-old 2007 Outstanding Older Worker, "That lady is really cool!" He was referring to Juanita Callahan who began learning about computers years ago when she worked in Jackson at Lees Junior College in the accounting department.

"I started with an IBM computer, from there we went to a bigger computer and I got continued training," said Callahan. "Whenever I encountered issues with the computer I got on the Internet to resolve them. I've been very fortunate and blessed to meet people who are knowledgeable and willing to share." After retiring from Lees College 15 years ago she purchased her own personal computer and learned word processing, but what she'd really like to do is master a program like Publisher so she can produce a finished product.

The former accountant chuckled that her best strength is the "gift of gab" that she's really developed in later years. "I'm a people person and have a good rapport with people." Callahan says she enjoys her association with people as well as working with figures due to her accounting background. "It's been interesting to learn how to deal with a computer and all the different features that it can entail." Callahan is doing accounting for four organizations now and is using Quick Books on her computer.

Callahan reads constantly, self teaches and surfs the Internet regularly to keep her job skills current and to improve contributions to her community, civic and service clubs and church. She is currently involved with a big project at the local college, getting ready for a reunion, and is developing a database to contact as many people as possible.

Callahan has been a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and career woman while volunteering her time for the betterment of others for nearly 60 years. She is involved with more than a half dozen Breathitt County organizations including the Women's Club, Habitat for Humanity, Relay for Life and several others.

Juanita is a member of Guerrant Memorial Presbyterian Church and serves on the PW board as well as the Administration and Finance Committee at the Presbytery. Congratulations, Juanita!

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Upcoming Dates to Remember

- October 8—Social Witness & Mission mtg, 1PM at the Presbytery office.
- October 9—COM at the Presbytery office
- October 16—Interim Pastor's mtg—Maxwell Street—10-12 Noon
- October 17—Christian Formation & Discipleship mtg., 11:00 A.M. Presbytery office

Pace-Warren Lecture Series—October 13-15, 2007

Rick Ufford-Chase is the Executive Director of the Presbyterian Peace Fellowship, an organization that has a sixty year history of supporting Presbyterians who take bold action for the cause of peace.

Rick has worked on the US/Mexican border for twenty years where he founded and directed [BorderLinks](#) and worked in a variety of efforts to support migrants and refugees in the borderlands. He and his wife, Kitty, are reservists with Christian Peacemaker Teams, and they continue to live on the border and volunteer to create humane border and migration policies.



Rick served the Presbyterian Church as the Moderator of the 216th General Assembly, the church's highest elected office, from 2004-2006. As a result, he continues to work with Presbyterian congregations to support their efforts to engage in mission with partners

around the world, to become effective multicultural communities of faith, to move their members into active peacemaking efforts, and to develop leadership for the next generation of the church.

Join Rick at Second Presbyterian Church—October 13-15 for the 2007 Pace-Warren Lecture Series. A complete brochure can be found at this [link](#) with workshop discussion times and topics. You may also call Second Presbyterian Church for details: 859-254-7768.

News to Use

- ◆ Do you want to start and finish your Sunday in the mood of worship? Maxwell Street has just the opportunity you are looking for: **8:30—9:00 a.m. Daybreak Service and 9:00p.m. Compline Service.** This is two offerings that may work for leaders in other churches who desire time to worship without leading.
- ◆ Mission Challenge 2007 is underway. We have brochures with giving envelopes in the Presbytery office. We can mail as many as you need to your church. Also, a new website is available if you prefer to give [online](#).
- ◆ World Mission 07—A Celebration of Grace. This conference will be in Louisville October 2-6. [Register](#) here!
- ◆ [2007 World Communion Sunday](#) Worship Service Resources.
- ◆ November 4 at Second Presbyterian Church. You are Invited! [Project Safe Childhood](#), [Project Safe Neighborhood](#), [A Community Event](#).
- ◆ Columbia Theological Seminary announces course at Montreat Conference Center beginning September 2008. Attend a free lunch November 1—[details found here!](#)
- ◆ [Children in Crisis Conference](#)—October 26-27 at Asbury College in Wilmore.
- ◆ Presbyterian Women—Fall Gathering, October 20th at Camp Burnamwood. Call Juanita Callahan for registration details—606-666-5445.
- ◆ Continuing Education for Commissioned Lay Pastors & Lay Preachers. “Come To The Mountain” October 24-26, 2007 at Montreat Conference Center. [Details and registration](#) info available here.
- ◆ Plan now to attend the 2008 Calvin Retreat. This is open to clergy and educators. [Information available here](#) and complete details and registration coming soon.
- ◆ [Presbyterian Volunteer Youth Village](#)—Summer 2008. Opportunity for Youth ages 16+ and also for Fathers/Sons in June 08. Plan ahead now!
- ◆ [Journey of Faith: A Pilgrimage of Discernment of Ministry](#). Offered at Columbia Theological Seminary.

A couple of books have caught my attention this month in our Resource Center. "Putting the Amazing Back in Grace" by Ann Weems and

"Lost Mountain, A Year in the Vanishing Wilderness, Radical Strip Mining and the Devastation of Appalachia," by Erik Reece. Foreword by Wendell Berry.

If you would like to check out a resource visit us online or give me a call or email.

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We have a couple boxes of pictures in the resource center. Most are black and white photos of folks we cannot identify. We've purchased photo albums and our plan is to bring them to the December Presbytery meeting. We are hopeful that someone can identify some of our folks.

We are also in the process of putting new labels on all of the books in the resource center. If you have some time you can donate to us, we would appreciate the extra helping hands. Please call Sharel and let her know if you are available.



We're Online!

[www.transyby.org/
resource_center](http://www.transyby.org/resource_center)

Email or call [Sharel](#) with questions

Remember in Prayer . . .



- ◆ Jim Rucker, Sr., Stated Clerk, recovering from heart surgery.
- ◆ Retired pastor, Roy Hicks, recovering from brain surgery at home in Somerset.
- ◆ Retired pastor, Ruth Fiscella, asks for prayer for God's healing and mercy for her son, Clark, who is in the hospital.
- ◆ Our Presbytery
- ◆ All of our Clergy and Educators

Plan Ahead for the December Presbytery Meeting—Nov. 30 & Dec. 1



Make plans now to attend the December Presbytery meeting. This is our annual dinner and meeting beginning at *The Springs Inn* on Friday, November 30th. The meeting on Saturday, December 1st will be at *Maxwell Street Presbyterian Church*.

Our guest for this meeting is Rev.

Joan Gray, PC(USA) Moderator. She will be with us on Friday evening to speak and also a Question and Answer session after dinner. Rev. Gray will also join us on Saturday at Maxwell Street.

More information will become available as the date approaches.