

# Da Lay Speak!

October, 2010



All God's People in  
All Places,  
And in  
All Times,  
Are Called to Love  
And to Serve.



Ministry of the Laity

*"The Lord is my light and my  
salvation; whom shall I fear?"*

—Psalm 27:1

Due to some scheduling conflicts (that is, Penny's and my Fall Fling the end of September into next month), this edition is coming out a wee bit earlier...a Roster update...Training updates....and Update updates.....

## DA ROSTER

Mary runs things on Halloween/Nevada Day the last Sunday of October, while Padre Pat and the Kairos ministry camps out at LLCC that weekend in Lovelock. Sunday, 10/24, has been designated by SPRC as Laity Sunday. Colleen will pound the pulpit, along with a supporting cast of thousands to handle various parts of that service. Linda (Jerz) up next.

## ON DA ROAD

October 24: Diz in Lovelock @ Grace/St. Francis  
October 31 weekend: Padre Pat, Joyce & Colleen, et al, Kairos at LLCC  
Also this month: Linda & Lenny at The Villas (retirement home)

**Please let your editor know ahead of time when you go "On Da Road" so I can tell others. Gracias!**

## TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Delta District (Sacramento Area):

**"Lead Bible Study"** Saturday, October 23 and 30, UMC Conference Center, 1276 Halyard Drive, W. Sacramento, CA, 9-4. Cost \$25. Must attend both days.

Pre-Registration is required for all classes. Some classes require homework prep before attending. Contact Delta District, Attention Cindy Buna, [deltadist@calnevumc.org](mailto:deltadist@calnevumc.org). Cost includes materials, books, refreshments and lunch.

Nevada-Sierra District (that's ours):

**"Spiritual Gifts and Spiritual Formation"**, October 16 and 30<sup>th</sup>, Sparks UMC, 9-4 (must attend both days). \$25. Register with Blanche Farnam ([bfarnam@psln.com](mailto:bfarnam@psln.com)) by October 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Have you completed at least one class within the past 3-years to retain your certification?**

## BIBLE READING INTROS (CONTINUED)

From "Lessons of the Church Year" by Frederick Houk Borsch

This book was written in the conviction that many individuals want to pay closer attention to readings from the Bible. I (author) also believe that they are quite capable of reflective listening if they are given only a little assistance.

Introductions are meant to sharpen hearing. They are, for the most part, summaries of the readings—drawing out major themes. While interpretation is inevitable and some additional information and comment are consciously presented, their main purpose is to prepare those ready to listen for what they are about to hear. It is difficult—even for those trained in the study of the Bible—to find oneself suddenly in the midst of a passage from Deuteronomy, one of the prophets, or a letter of Paul. Told, however, that I am about to hear the account of a vision in which the prophet foresees the Lord bringing the people of God home from exile, I may well be able to share something of the experience. (Continued)

### BY THE WAY (BTW)

Thursday, October 7, is our annual All Church Conference. This is also the time when us Speakers have our Annual Reports reviewed, and we are voted on to have our standings renewed for another church year. Please be sure to have your Annual Reports into Padre Pat or Gio by no later than Thursday, September 30. They will be collated with the other documentation to be ready for the Conference the following Thursday. Failure to submit your Report may disqualify you for certification renewal after the Conference.

### THE LORD'S LAUGHTER (FROM THE JOYFUL NOISELETTER)

October is "Be-Kind-To-Your-Pastor Month". During this month, you can:

- ✓ Thank Padre Pat.
- ✓ Pray for Padre Pat.
- ✓ Encourage Padre Pat.
- ✓ Honor Padre Pat.
- ✓ Humor Padre Pat.
- ✓ Cheer up Padre Pat.
- ✓ Invite Padre Pat and Carol to dinner, flavored with good jokes and laughter.
- ✓ All the above.



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See ya Sunday!  
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