

**TREASURER'S REPORT
MAY 1983**

Investments:		Change	Checking account:
Cardell Mortgage	\$ 10,667.64	\$ -22.55	Beginning Balance
Marine Midland	63,140.08	474.00	Ending Balance
			\$ 3,240.74
			7,041.82

INCOME	BUDGET	MAY	YTD
Pre-paid Pledges	\$ 1,200	\$ 2,145.00	\$ 2,245.00
Pledges	87,100	5,149.00	66,282.25
Prior Pledges	1,750	0.00	1,600.00
Plate	2,500	273.55	2,272.62
Rentals	2,000	290.00	4,165.00
Contributions	2,500	468.00	3,101.00
Investments	9,826	1,159.29	7,597.82
Major Fund Raising	4,500	2,351.39	6,741.28
Other Income/Net	1,000	111.50	114.50
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Total Income	\$112,376	\$ 11,947.73	\$ 94,119.47 (84%)

EXPENSES

I Physical Facilities			
A. Church Operation			
1 Taxes	\$ 450	\$ 0.00	\$ 407.06
2 Utilities	10,500	902.36	10,254.78
3 Maintenance	1,000	-422.75	1,102.63
4 Housekeeping	1,200	0.00	1,313.55
5 Snow Removal	825	0.00	775.00
6 Insurance	5,386	0.00	5,374.00
7 Mortgage	11,200	933.00	10,263.00
B. Maintenance Reserve	0	0.00	0.00
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	\$ 30,561	\$ 1,412.61	\$ 29,490.02
II Programming			
A. Adult Program Council			
1 Adult Education	\$ 100	\$ 0.00	\$ 39.00
2 Social Responsibility	25	0.00	0.00
3 Denominational Affairs			
a) UUA	2,950	0.00	2,212.50
b) SLUUD	100	0.00	100.00
c) UUSC	70	0.00	70.00
d) Delegate Exp.	0	0.00	0.00
4 Publicity	800	66.99	794.62
5 Campus Intern	1,200	0.00	1,200.00
B. Hospitality - Social Affairs	0	0.00	0.00
C. Finance - Canvass	400	0.00	345.00
D. Membership - New Members	50	19.31	48.95
E. Religious Education	1,600	79.30	1,441.37
F. Religious Services			
1 Worship	250	28.13	179.13
2 Music	1,050	450.00	716.75
3 Decorations	25	0.00	10.00
4 Gallery & Aesthetics	25	0.00	25.16
G. General	100	0.00	104.09
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	\$ 8,745	\$ 643.73	\$ 7,286.57

	BUDGET	MAY	YTD
III Personnel			
A. Minister	\$ 31,207	\$ 2,621.67	\$ 28,711.83
B. Music Director	5,926	477.00	5,388.59
C. R.E. Director	5,874	573.08	5,444.26
D. Secretary	6,020	587.32	5,579.54
E. Treasurer	2,318	193.17	2,124.87
F. Custodian	5,418	412.80	4,506.40
G. Pensions			
1 Minister (UUA)	2,996	0.00	2,037.00
2 Other (UUA)	2,231	0.00	1,640.25
3 Hare	1,000	83.33	916.63
H. Indirect Salary	2,650	148.30	2,424.55
	<u>\$ 65,640</u>	<u>\$ 5,096.67</u>	<u>\$ 58,773.92</u>
IV General Church			
A. Operating			
1 Office Supplies	\$ 1,800	\$ 107.63	\$ 1,836.95
2 Mail	2,000	40.00	1,620.00
3 Service Charges	30	2.50	12.50
B. Reserve			
1 Equipment	0	0.00	0.00
2 Housing Fund	3,600	0.00	0.00
	<u>\$ 7,430</u>	<u>\$ 150.13</u>	<u>\$ 3,469.45</u>
Total Expenses	<u>\$112,376</u>	<u>\$ 7,303.14</u>	<u>\$ 99,019.96 (88%)</u>

HASH ACCOUNTS	INCOME	EXPENSES	BALANCE	CHANGE-YTD
Coffee	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 106.03	\$ 106.03
Coke	0.00	0.00	-72.80	-72.80
Wayside Pulpit	0.00	0.00	175.00	0.00
MMUS-FUSS	0.00	49.10	-3.44	-110.44
Jo Gould Book Fund	0.00	0.00	118.60	6.00
J. Simpson Est.	0.00	0.00	11,981.00	11,396.00
SPECIAL FUNDS				
Mem. Endowment Fund	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,055.00	\$ 450.00
Kimm-Biefeld Mem. Fund	100.00	0.00	154.19	-2,420.40
Maintenance Fund	0.00	0.00	240.05	-559.95
Equipment Fund	0.00	0.00	46,768.00	0.00
Housing Fund				

RESOLUTION ADOPTED AT BOARD MEETING ON MAY 27, 1983

Whereas the Board is extremely distressed with the Congregational response to the 1983-84 canvass, and

Whereas this has caused a decrease in the operating budget for programs,

Be it resolved that the President shall appoint a Task Force to review the 1983-84 pledge results and make appropriate recommendations for action by the September Board Meeting.

MAY MEMORIAL UNITARIAN SOCIETY
1983-84 Proposed Austerity Operating Budget

	82-83 BUDGET	82-83 ACTUAL (1)	83-84 BUDGET
INCOME			
Pre-paid Pledges	\$ 1,200	\$ 2,195	\$ 2,000
Pledges	87,100	75,518	85,690
Prior Pledges	1,750	1,600	1,600
Plate	2,500	2,500	2,500
Rentals	2,000	5,165	4,000
Contributions	2,500	3,383	2,700
Investments	9,826	8,173	7,950
Major Fund Raising	4,500	6,589	6,500
Other Income/Net	<u>1,000</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>50</u>
TOTAL INCOME	\$112,376	\$105,223	\$112,990
EXPENSES			
I Physical Facilities			
A. Church Operation			
1 Taxes	\$ 450	\$ 407	\$ 450
2 Utilities	10,500	11,000	11,700
3 Maintenance	1,000	1,200	1,500
4 Housekeeping	1,200	1,400	1,400
5 Snow Removal	825	775	825
6 Insurance	5,386	5,374	5,500
7 Mortgage	11,200	11,200	11,200
B. Maintenance Reserve	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	\$ 30,561	\$ 31,356	\$ 32,575
II Programming			
A. Adult Program Council			
1 Adult Education	\$ 100	\$ 39	\$ 100
2 Social Responsibility	25	0	25
3 Denominational Affairs			
a) UUA	2,950	2,950	2,205
b) SLUUD	100	100	100
c) UUSC	70	70	70
d) Delegate Exp.	0	0	0
4 Publicity	800	800	800
5 Parish Intern	1,200	1,200	1,200
B. Hospitality - Social Affairs	0	0	0
C. Finance - Canvass	400	400	400
D. Membership - New Members	50	50	50
E. Religious Education	1,600	1,600	1,300
F. Religious Services			
1 Worship	250	179	250
2 Music	1,050	850	800
3 Decorations	25	10	25
4 Gallery & Aesthetics	25	25	25
G. General	<u>100</u>	<u>104</u>	<u>100</u>
	\$ 8,745	\$ 8,377	\$ 7,450

	82-83 BUDGET	82-83 ACTUAL (1)	83-84 BUDGET
III Personnel			
A. Minister			
Salary	\$ 24,690	\$ 24,690	25,313
Professional Exp.	3600	3600	3600
Insurance	2917	2917	2917
B. Music Director	5,926	5,926	6,045
C. R.E. Director	5,874	5,874	5,990
D. Secretary	6,020	6,020	6,140
E. Treasurer	2,318	2,318	2,365
F. Custodian	5,418	5,418	5,525
G. Pensions			
1 Minister (UUA)	2,996	2,716	3,055
2 Other (UUA)	2,231	2,231	2,275
3 Hare	1,000	1,000	1,000
H. Indirect Salary	2,650	2,650	2,710
	<u>\$ 65,640</u>	<u>\$ 65,360</u>	<u>\$ 66,935. (2)</u>
IV General Church			
A. Operating			
1 Office Supplies	\$ 1,800	\$ 1,850	\$ 1,900
2 Mail	2,000	1,900	2,000
3 Service Charges	30	30	30
B. Reserve			
1 Equipment	0	0	0
2 Housing Fund	3,600	1,640	2,100
	<u>\$ 7,430</u>	<u>\$ 5,420</u>	<u>\$ 6,030</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$112,376	\$110,513	\$112,990

Notes:

- (1) Based on a projection from mid-May results. We intend to make a more refined projection for the Annual Meeting.
- (2) Compensation will be increased by 4% effective January 1, 1984.

MAY MEMORIAL UNITARIAN SOCIETY

Annual Reports

June 5, 1983

ADULT PROGRAM COUNCIL [Board Liason, Bob Coye]

Adult Education Committee... The activities of the Adult Education Committee this past year were difficult to distinguish from those of the MMUS/FUSS Joint Adult Education Committee. Dick Dershimer and Cynthia MacKay served on both (Nick C. and Pat H. were our other representatives on the joint committee). Doug Aird and Laura See Hall complete the MMUS committee. Altogether the two committees were responsible for the following activities:

- a death awareness workshop led by Dick Dershimer
- a bible study class led by Nick Cardell & Charles Howe
- a UU history seminar led by Charles Howe & Pat Hoertdoerfer
- a "Jobs With Peace" community forum coordinated by Pat Hoertdoerfer
- three Sunday evening discussions of three of Nick's sermons led by Pauline Murray
- an on-going bi-monthly pre-Pub discussion group that is examining views of the future.

Respectfully submitted,

Dick Dershimer

Library and Bookstore Committee... With strong encouragement from the president of the congregation, several interested members and friends met in the fall to consider whether the bookstore, which had sold Beacon Press books at MMUS in the past, should be revived and whether the Library in the Memorial Room should be given more attention. We were in basic agreement that both institutions could be valuable to members of the society but were uncertain how to proceed. Unfortunately, little was done with the library this year and nothing with the bookstore, due to other commitments and lack of time among the committee members. Some information and materials relating to the operation of the bookstore were brought together in the library with the help of two people who had worked on it in the past. We held a work session to restore order to the library shelves. We planned to catalog the many books which have found their way into the collection in recent years. The committee chair, who has access to OCLC, intends to search for cataloging copy for all these books. This is a fast way to obtain cataloging data, and nearly all the titles searched so far have been found in the data base. The needs to be addressed by next year's committee are:

1. Some committee members with more time (especially the chairperson) should be recruited.

2. The question of whether to re-establish the bookstore and if so with what kind of books needs to be resolved. It should be done only if there is a widely felt need. Also, the possibility of a sale of used books should be considered.

3. The task of organizing and cataloging the library should continue. The cataloging data and blank cards have been obtained, but the cards need to be typed.

4. We should publicize the library and its resources among the congregation (as was done with books by the founders of Unitarianism & Universalism last fall). Perhaps gifts of appropriate books and recommendations for titles to add should be sought. New acquisitions could be announced in the newsletter.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Hueting, Chairperson

MMUS Food Club... During the year from Jan. 1, 1982, through December 31, 1983, the MMUS Food Club served an average of 42 people, MMUS members & non-members, with 4 cheese orders and 3 food orders. At the end of the year we had a balance of \$1365.28. During the year we donated \$150 toward MMUS operating expenses. We also donated a tub of peanut butter to the Homeless & Hungry program and plan to continue such donations in the future.

Respectfully submitted,
Joyce Ball

Publicity Committee... The committee chairperson is Diane Hainsworth; committee members include: Eleanor Rosebrugh, Jean Hoefer, Geri Chapman, Ignacy Kuczminski, Ken Howland, Allen Hall. The committee received assistance from Holly Briggs, Mary-Lib Whitney and others.

— **Media Covered:** local daily and weekly newspapers, penny savers, radio & TV.

— **Types of Releases:** Paid "Tombstone" ads appear in weekend dailies. Most of publicity budget is spent on these ads. Paid ads for special events like the Christmas tree sale fund raiser are paid out of event proceeds.

..Regular articles on sermons are submitted to dailies. Occasionally, one is printed or a synopsis appears on the religious pages.

..Special articles are submitted for special events. Dr. Eugene Pickett's visit received considerable attention by the dailies. Other joint MMUS/FUSS activities have been mentioned. Not all special articles are the result of MMUS Publicity Committee's work. Others contribute articles on a variety of groups and special activities.

..Public Service Announcements (PSAs) - free publicity. These are prepared by committee members and sent to local media to inform the public about MMUS events. Special formats and deadlines must be followed in order to have the respective medium accept the PSA. Public Service Announcements were used to publicize the plant/-rummage sale, Christmas tree sale, the Eton College & Cheltenham Ladies Choir (radio), Dr. Pickett's visit, and others.

— **Public Relations:** Syracuse community groups using the building for special events usually publicize the events using the various media. May Memorial Unitarian Society is observed to be the location for concerts, social events, rallies, regular meetings for several organizations. The availability of our building to the community may help produce an image of Unitarian Universalists cooperating to build another kind of community.

— **Notable Publicity Events:** WCNY-TV has been broadcasting "Cambridge Forum", a series about the threat of nuclear war. It has been on Saturday nights at 6:30 p.m. (starting in April & continuing for 9 weeks). It is produced in cooperation with the Unitarian Universalist Association of North America.

..On Feb. 6, 1983, the MMUS Publicity Committee hosted a meeting of Central New York UU society publicity committee members. There was a consensus that regional publicity could benefit the various societies and that this would be brought to the attention of the various boards of trustees. The Oswego group indicated that they would like more interaction with the Syracuse societies. A follow-up letter was sent to the meeting participants advising them of "Cambridge Forum".

— **Considerations for Next Year:** Increased budget to allow for cooperative ads with CNY UU societies, larger weekly ads, reimbursement to committee members for stationery, postage, and copying costs, Public Service Announcements production for cable television.

— **Next Year:** Geri Chapman will be chairperson. New members will be needed, because most of this year's members are not serving next year.

Special Thanks to Diane Hainsworth for her leadership in developing the committee over the last two years. For example, Diane attended the Women in Communications seminar last fall to get the latest information regarding media availability. Copies of the information were made and distributed to committee members. Thanks, Diane.

Respectfully submitted,

Geri Chapman

Committee on Social Responsibility... The most active sub-committee of the Committee on Social Responsibility this year was the one on the Homeless and the Hungry. This project fired the enthusiasm and imagination of several people in the congregation. In addition to the weekly work of this sub-committee in gathering & distributing food, arrangement was made for three presentations by representatives of the facilities involved in providing food, shelter and clothing for the homeless and hungry. The sub-committee dealing with the advocacy of a nuclear freeze was less active, within MMUS this year than last year but a number of its members were involved with various community groups dealing with this issue, such as the Central N.Y. Committee for a Nuclear Freeze, the Syracuse Coalition for a Nuclear Freeze, Educators for Social Responsibility, Physicians for Social Responsibility and Ground Zero. Signatures for petitions for a nuclear freeze were, however, gathered at MMUS, and tickets were sold for performances by PAND. Three talks, followed by discussions, were given on other subjects related to social responsibility: (1) Planned Parenthood (2) Concern for living creatures and the new Zoo (3) Concerns of the New Environment Association. As usual, only a few members of the congregation attended each seminar or were involved in work of the sub-committees, but while MMUS as a whole does not seem to want to become engaged in these activities, one senses that the general feeling is one of gladness that the Committee on Social Responsibility and its sub-groups exist and provide the opportunity for those members of the congregation who wish to be active in these functions.

Respectfully submitted,

Sam Mallov, for the Committee on Social Responsibility

Sunday Adult Potluck... After two years of successfully chairing these suppers, George Feldman is stepping down. During the past year this popular weekly event was hosted by many of our members & friends in their homes and at MMUS. Carol Bickart and Karen Mahoney have agreed to serve as co-chairs for the forthcoming year.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Coye, Council Liaison

UU Campus Chaplaincy... has been in existence, as such, for twelve years providing a UU presence on the S.U. campus. It is jointly sponsored by MMUS, FUSS, and Hendrick's Chapel. This has been a transitional year during which John Baros-Johnson served as the last "Campus Chaplain." The position has been restructured and in the future will be a full-time, "Parish Internship" which will still provide the usual services on the campus, but will also give the intern a fully rounded experience in parish ministry. Four persons applied for the position for '83-84. A second year student at Meadville/Lombard, Mark Allstrom, has been chosen and will commence work here at MMUS in September. The following year the intern chosen will be based at FUSS. Financial support for this expanded intern program will come from five sources: continued support from our two local societies, from the UUA, from a grant by the NY State Convention of Universalists, and (for S.U. programming) from Hendricks Chapel.

Respectfully submitted,

Douglas Whitcher, MMUS Committee member

Unitarian Universalist Service Committee... The major focus of UUSC this year was on the Guest at Your Table program, which we carried on through MMUS during the months of March and April. As a part of this, we held a breakfast at which slides were shown of the Benin Health Hut program, and also a film strip of the history of UUSC. The breakfast raised \$61.15 for UUSC and \$199.30 was contributed through the Guest at Your Table boxes. Also, this year for the first time MMUS made a congregational contribution of \$70 as a part of the society's budget. The R.E. Council has recognized the importance of UUSC by incorporating it in the curriculum for next year, so that our young people will know of the involvement of Unitarian Universalists in social action programs. We continue to alert members of the congregation to issues of the day on which we can take individual action, particularly in informing our legislators on concerns about Congressional actions in regard to Central America.

Respectfully submitted,
Joyce Ball

Women's Morning Group... The Women's Morning Group is a group mostly of old friends, but we welcome new members. We meet monthly for lunch at members' homes. The group raises funds through its Christmas Fair and through sales by individual members to defray the cost of needed equipment for MMUS. During the past year the purchase was made of two lamps for the Memorial Room, a basket for food collection, and several hymnals. \$100 was donated to the fund for the replacement of the parapet along the front walk. We also supplied cookies at Christmas and other holidays to the Homeless & Hungry program.

Respectfully submitted,
Gerry Berkman

BUILDING COUNCIL [Board Liason, Paul Golus]:

Buildings & Grounds... The ground level drain at the east end of the building was replaced with an underground drain, connected to a catch basin at the end of the driveway. This underground drain was connected with an existing drain that runs from the middle of the loop in front of MMUS to the creek. This eliminated the unsightly ditch that was impossible to mow over. Although I participated in the planning of this, Bill McLennan furnished labor and materials for this project at considerable expense to himself... We owe him a large vote of thanks. The check valve in a downstairs classroom was restored enabling us to prevent any backflow from the sewer in the street. This and the three sewage backups that occurred in March & April of this year (due to paper towels & sanitary napkins) cost us about \$700.00. The Syracuse Fire Dept. informed me that our fire place was not properly built, thereby making it unsafe and should be altered. Howard Card concurred and is planning to remodel same in June of this year. The cost should be minimal. Unsafe wiring was taken down in the Social Hall and permanent wiring and flood lights have been installed for the various entertainments that Anne & Mel Shelly dream up for us. Carl Ashley suggested that it would be nice if we had some spots or floods to light up some of the artwork that graces our walls. This project has taken care of that also. Two new lights were installed outside in the entrance way, eliminating two dangerous lights, one of which nearly caught fire. The crown of the roof was replaced and new shingles replaced as needed. A drain was placed under the east side of the sanctuary roof to relieve excess water falling on roof of foyer and office, etc. Eight feet of the entire office roof was waterproofed and had new shingles, where necessary. Another leak was recently detected and fixed - this over stairs to the downstairs. The southwest corner of the sanctuary roof, which had rotted away due to an overhanging tree was completely replaced. A fire extinguisher has been added and I persuaded the Board to put in Syracuse Cable Smoke Alarms. This

will be done if Chief Hanlon decides commercial type buildings and the people therein are worth saving. The heavy duty garbage disposal was replaced with a new one. Nate Zeppetello (who did our wiring) and Mal Clark did this. Work will start this month on the concrete renovation project. The scope of this project is twofold. First and most obvious is the restoration of the concrete cap along the wall. Without this work, the entire wall would be seriously jeopardized. Second a new ramp and handrail will be added to provide safe and easy access to our elderly and handicapped members & friends. Sidewalk repairs will also be completed at this time. When considering the upcoming budget, keep in mind that there is much more to do. The door from the circular staircase in the rear of the sanctuary should be turned to allow exiting in case of fire. The fire doors must be electrified in keeping with the new, upcoming fire code. In any event they are in need of repair. Perhaps the driveway should be resurfaced as it is showing signs of deterioration. I think the biggest question that we should address ourselves to is, if we should replace the present roof instead of continually patching the old one. This would require planning of what kind of roof, or what kinds, to say nothing of the amount of money required, probably a special fund drive. To give you an idea of what it would cost: Due to a misunderstanding I received a bid for a new cedar shingle roof--\$36,000.00. Also, when the time comes, there will be the cost of smoke alarm cable system. \$2000.00 installation and \$19.95 a month line charge.

Respectfully submitted,
Charlie White
(with additions from Paul Golus)

Housekeeping... About once a week all year I have tidied up the kitchen and pantry, restored order and laundered towels and tablecloths.

Respectfully submitted,
Helen Obrist

HOSPITALITY COUNCIL [Board Liason, Mike Flood]

Pub... Pub changed hands this year. As Mike Flood took other responsibilities, Anne and Mel Shelly took over Pub in April. "First Fridays" continue to be a successful component of Pub activities. Other suggestions for special Pubs (e.g. the M*A*S*H Pub, the Bridge Pub) were carried out and additional activities (e.g. wine tasting) are being organized for the future.

Respectfully submitted,
Anne Shelly

MEMBERSHIP COUNCIL [Board Liason, Vicky Schipper/Ann Watts]

The Membership Council encompasses a variety of activities directed toward encouraging new people to join the Society and stimulating members' involvement in the activities of the Society. In 1982-83, the Membership Council's committees were chaired as follows:

- New U: Marie Sidoti and Susan Cameron
- Historian: Irene Baros-Johnson
- Visiting: Vicky Schipper
- "Yellow Mugs": John Capozzi

Early in the Fall, Marie Sidoti gathered together a membership task force which generated ideas for future activities. In October the annual Friendship Dinner was attended by approximately 130 people. Starting in November, there were four New U orientation programs. Each consisted of four sessions which were facilitated by two MMUS members. Approximately nine newcomers attended each of these programs which were designed to inform and welcome. Many thanks to our New U facilitators: Mal Clark,

Ann Watts, Greta Dershimer, Cynthia MacKay, Gerry Lanier, Dennis Killian-Benigno, Jonny Prins and Dick Lucas ... Thank you, too, to Susan Cameron and John Dopyera for facilitating the training session for the New U Program leaders. The feedback from the New U participants was highly favorable and the program will continue in the Fall.

This year we've stressed outreach for the visiting committee. Approximately seven friends and members have been regularly contacted.

A special thanks to Susan Cameron and Marie Sidoti for the successful organizing of the New U program. Thanks also to all who worked for our committees this year.

Respectfully submitted,
Vicky Schipper and Ann Watts, Council Liaisons
Marie Sidoti, Membership Chair

RELIGIOUS SERVICES COUNCIL [Board Liason, Pauline Murray]:

Ushers... The task of arranging for ushers was made easy by the wonderful cooperation of many people. Charlie with his clip-board became a familiar sight in the MMUS foyer as he signed people up six weeks to two months in advance. When each team was signed up they were given an instruction sheet. Forty-two Sundays were covered by 73 different people, pairing up in various combinations: husband and wife, or 2 friends, or a parent and young person. Again we thank all of them for their help. Thanks to Cathy, too, for printing names on the Sunday Order of Service.

Respectfully submitted,
Charlie and Dorothy Jorgensen

Decorations... The Sanctuary was decorated by a different person for each Sunday of the MMUS year. Thanks to Roberta Braen, Decorations Coordinator.

Pauline Murray, Council Liaison

Worship Committee... The Worship Committee worked with the minister to develop the calendar of worship services for the year, and provided for well planned services which met the interest and special needs of the congregation when the minister was absent from the pulpit. Suggestions for worship services were channelled through members of the committee for consideration at committee meetings. The committee met six times during the '82-'83 MMUS year. Agendas regularly included feedback and reflections on recent services; reviewing the immediate calendar of services, and recommendations for special services. The latter have included special guest, Cathy Covert, who delved into the life and times of Samuel Joseph May, and the Christmas Eve services. Presenters at Sunday morning services from our own congregation have included John Baros-Johnson, Douglas Witcher, our Teen Class, Irene Baros-Johnson, Gratia Deane, Jane McArthur, Ike Sanbonmatsu. The role of the lay leader in services continues to be well accepted by the congregation. Special topics discussed at committee meetings have included Worship - How? Why?, a discussion led by Nick; the purpose of 'First Sunday' services with young people in attendance; coordination with other groups who contribute to the effectiveness of services, e.g. decorations, music. In addition to the minister and chairperson, the Worship Committee has included the following individuals: Bill Coyle, Helen Cressey, Irene Baros-Johnson, Allan Klein, Don MacKay, Pauline Murray, Anne Shelly.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Burdick, Chairperson

Aesthetics and Gallery... Many shows were enjoyed during the 1982-83 year including a textile and enamel show plus prints, paintings and drawings. Lights were installed in the Gallery and choir loft, and opinions and help were given on aesthetic questions in May Memorial and its furnishings. Assistance with the design of the handicap ramp/rail and new wall cap was given. Receptions were held for the artists at the beginning of each show. Norma and Bob Coye have been our Aesthetics/Gallery Committee for four years and we give them our sincere thanks for their devotion to our Gallery. The committee has now been separated into two separate ones. Bob and Mary Burdick will head the Gallery committee and Bob and Norma Coye will continue as Aesthetics committee. Being Liaison has been a pleasure. The Council has been served by very caring people ... Thanks to all of you.

Respectfully submitted,
Pauline Murray, Council Liaison

HAS INFLATION HIT COFFEE HOUR? NO

We're still "making" it at 25¢ per cup plus a cookie(s); AND have purchased two 50-cup coffee makers, 3 glass tea servers, and 1 tea kettle. A larger heating server will be purchased this summer.

Any suggestions for operational and/or purchase improvements?

Susan Schroeder

P.S. WANTED: Coffee Chairperson(s); "job" starts September; lots of interaction!
Call Susan Schroeder 637-5581 - for details.

I'm very nervous about this and rather than make a speech I will just read this if you will bear with me.

1982?

The only other time I've spoken into a microphone was last summer to tape a testimonial commercial for U.C. I bring that up because it's really the reason I find myself in front of this one. When I quit my job to try my hand at finishing college I had the opportunity to become really involved with MMUS. When Melanie Dehime, the former Treasurer, was describing this position to me she forgot to remind me ~~that~~ about this public appearance. I thought I was going to be safe in my little office. Anyway, on to the report from my little office.

A review of the past year includes only one remarkable item - the sale of the parsonage. The proceeds of that sale are reasonably safe, tucked away in Kemper Govt MM Funds and earning enough in interest to cover the added expense of Nick's housing allowance with the remainder earmarked for a housing fund reserve. The finance committee has been looking into the possibility of hiring a firm to manage our funds and create a portfolio that may be better suited to our needs for the future.

In your package of "official papers" for this meeting is the Treasurer's report for the month of May. I'm sure you've all studied it very carefully. In case you haven't, I can give you a brief rundown of the 'interesting' things - **THERE AREN'T ANY!** ... just some good news and some bad news. Bad news jokes usually start with the bad part. So here it is.

So far this year, which is essentially over, we have only realized 90% of our expected income which is due to \$13,000 worth of unfinished pledges. The good news is we are operating in the black due in part to the marvelous efforts of our fund raising committees. You can see from the report that we raised approx \$2,100 over the budgeted income. This does not mean, however, that we don't need the rest of the pledged income. I'm sure I don't have to tell you all of the things that need attention and funding that we haven't been able to do. You will be voting later this evening on a budget for 82-83 that, unfortunately, had to be trimmed down to the bare essentials from the original pre-cavass projections. If we can complete this pledge year near target we can create a surplus with which to replace the reserves that were eliminated in the final rounds of budget preparations.

All in all our financial ~~standing~~ ^{picture}, although not rosey, is stable and with careful management we can keep it that way this coming year.

As I asked around about what exactly I was supposed to say in this report the most often repeated advice was something like "It doesn't really matter - just make it short" Well, the official kitchen clock timing for my dry run was just under 3 min. which I would say qualifies this as a little brief - So, you have just heard my "little brief" and I am open to questions if you have any....

1983?
I AM GRATEFUL THAT I AM NOT AN ANCIENT MESSAGE BEARER
RISKING THE CHANCE OF DEATH WHEN PRESENTING BAD NEWS. A LINE
FROM A. BUCHWALD'S COLUMN THIS AM STATES IT IN A MORE CURRENT MANNER
"WELL, IF YOU TELL THE PRES. SOMETHING HE DOESN'T WANT TO HEAR, YOU
DESERVE TO BE FIRED." YOU HAVE IN YOUR PACKET THE WAY T'S REPORT
AND INCLUDED ON THE PROPOSED BUDGET (WHICH IS NOT GOOD NEWS EITHER) A
PROJECTION OF OUR FISCAL YEAR-END STANDING. WE WILL NOT CLOSE THE
YEAR IN THE BLACK BUT SEVERAL THOUSAND IN THE RED. I WILL
LEAVE IT TO OTHER SPEAKERS ~~TO~~ YOUR OWN BETTER JUDGEMENT TO ADDRESS
THE SEVERITY OF THIS SITUATION AND WHY WE CANNOT LET IT ~~CONTINUE~~.

I AM HERE TO GIVE YOU AN OVERVIEW OF THE PAST YEAR AND NOT TO
LECTURE ON NEXT YEAR. SO: ON THE POSITIVE SIDE

1. MM WAS ONE OF THE BENE. OF J. SIMPSON'S ESTATE + WE REC'D
EARLY IN THE YEAR A CHECK FOR \$11,000 REPRESENTING 1/2 OF OUR LEGACY
2. OUR FUND RAISERS EFFORTS ONCE AGAIN EXCEEDED OUR EXPECTATIONS
+ NO ONE STOLE OUR TREES.
3. UNEXPECTED PENTAL INCOME CAME IN THE FORM OF RECIFIC EXCESS-
CLARES WHICH WERE GOOD FOR OUR HEART TOO

THE OTHER SIDE OF THE COIN, AND I WONDER IF A COIN CAN HAVE
ONE SIDE LARGER THAN THE OTHER, GOES LIKE THIS.

1. WE HAVE FACING US AN \$11,000 BILL FOR ANEW WFUL CAP + RAMP
2. WHILE NO ONE STOLE OUR TREES THEY DID NOTICE + TAKE ~~OUR~~
FINE IN NO OLD RIDING - ~~INVEST~~ + MISCHIEF MARKETS DID DAMAGES
TO BOGS + LOGS.

3. AN UNIDENTIFIED DRIVER LITERALLY RAN OVER OUR SIGN OUT FRONT WHICH WAS NOT COVERED BY INS.

4. ~~ROOF~~ REPAIRS + A NEW FOUNDING MACHINES + DRIVING MACHINES USED UP THE EQUIP + MAINT. RESERVES. THESE RESERVES WILL NOT BE REPLENISHED THIS YEAR AS WE ARE IN THE RED.

5. ~~YOUR INCOME~~ ~~WAS NOT AS MUCH AS EXPECTED~~ ~~DUE TO~~ ~~A STEADY~~

5. WHILE RENTAL INCOME INCREASED + THE BLDG. HAS STEADY USE IT MEANS WE HEAT MORE + USE MORE ELEC. I'M SURE YOU ARE ALL AWARE THAT NI-MO GIVES NO ONE A BREAK

6. OUR PLEDGED INCOME DID NOT COME IN WHICH IS THE MAJOR FACTOR IN OUR CURRENT FIN. SITUATION

THE BUDGET YOU WILL BE VOTING ON LATER THIS EVE, IS TAGGED AS AN AUSTERITY BUDGET + DOES NOT HAVE THE MEANS TO DEAL W/ ANY OF THE ISS'S THAT I HAVE JUST MENTIONED. EVEN VERY MINOR DISASTERS WILL RUIN SOME OF THE IND. BUDGETS. FOR EX 2 INSURED LOSSES CUT THE MAINT. BUD. AUTOMATICALLY BY \$200 FOR THE DEDUCTIBLES.

I COULD GO ON BUT I DON'T WANT TO OUTSTAY MY WELCOME. I AM NOT AN ACCOUNTANT AND THIS IS MY FIRST ~~BOOK~~ POSITION AS A BOOKKEEPER BUT I DO KNOW THAT WE CANNOT CONTINUE SPENDING MONEY WE DO NOT HAVE.

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