

The Communicator July 1, 2024

“Hola” to All from your Communicator. As predicted I was unable to send a Communicator last week but that was only the beginning of the complications of my trip. A new variant of COVID is now rampant in the US and I did not escape its wrath. With the help of six past vaccines and Paxlovid it was a relatively easy bout but nonetheless meant holing up in a hotel and being deeply disappointed not to see friends and family I’d looked forward to. But all is well. Amigo and I are back at La Mancha with Friend **Tim Bardwell** in the Casita now dealing with the last dregs of his own COVID. Sadly, I fear COVID is with us to stay but is fortunately rapidly devolving into essentially a variant on the “common cold.”



Father Doug, Senior Warden Judy Frothingham and Adrienne Socorro had a wonderful visit with the lovely **Sheila Keeler**, Cuernavaca’s “Party Girl.” Sheila welcomes guests. Please call Porfirio and give him a few

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hours notice before visiting. WhatsApp 777-106-7200 or home phone 777-102-2132.

Joyce de Haas and Sheila were long time close friends. Joyce's funeral was held Friday, June 28 and by all reports was beautiful. As was Joyce of course . She is very missed by all of us.SMAAA welcomed home long time member **John Blymyer** who helped plan Joyce's funeral.



June 22 was the **SMAAA Concert** with **Maestro Victor Manuel Morales** on the organ. Very complex video was set up in the church so that those attending could see the organ being played. Thank you to **Judy** and **Laurie Rodriguez** for making this happen.

Sunday, June 23, Laurie brought some of the musicians from her **Huitzilac Youth Orchestra** to perform during the morning service. What a treat that was. Kudos Laurie for all your good work with young people.



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We have no photos from **Dr. Bob Dailey's** lecture on June 19. BUT.... Thank you Dr. Bob for the supreme effort you made preparing your talk and making it available not just to those who attended but to the entire Cuernavaca community. I know your efforts were well-appreciated by the many in our community with hearing difficulties.



Wednesday, July 3, 5-6:15 PM is Mexican Current Events with Charlie Goff at Cemanahuac, 4 San Juan, Colonia Las Palmas. These are interesting times in Mexico and there is no one better informed than Charlie for putting current events in historical perspective. Cemanahuac is also offering discounted language school and hours for local residents. Strongly urge anyone interested to **WHATSAPP Charlie at 777-328-0637.**

The following day, **Thursday, July 4**, is SMAAA's annual Fourth of July/Canada Day celebration! Come see your friends, have a hamburger or hotdog, enjoy homemade side dishes and a cash bar with "from scratch" margaritas. This is always a high point of the year. Don't miss it!!!! Tickets

A promotional poster for a 4th of July/Canada Day celebration. The background is dark blue. At the top left is the church's logo, a shield with a cross and a star, with the text "St. Michael & All Angels". Below the logo are the American and Canadian flags. The main text reads "4TH OF JULY CANADA DAY" in large white letters, followed by "Celebrate Independence Day!" and three stars. Below that, it lists "GREAT MUSIC • HAMBURGERS • HOT-DOGS • SALADS • CASH BAR • DESSERTS • FRIENDS & MORE...". The time is "Time: 2:00 to 5:00 pm". A yellow speech bubble contains "Pre-sale: \$250 pesos" and a QR code is shown. Below the QR code, it says "Scan the QR to buy right now! \$300 pesos at the door." On the right side, there is a stylized illustration of the Statue of Liberty holding a torch and a tablet, with fireworks exploding behind her.

St. Michael & All Angels

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ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS CHURCH
Minerva 7 esq. Eros, Delicias, Cuernavaca, Morelos.

<https://saintmichaelcuernavaca.org/>

Your ticket includes ONE
hamburger or ONE hot-
dog and all the salad
and desserts you want.

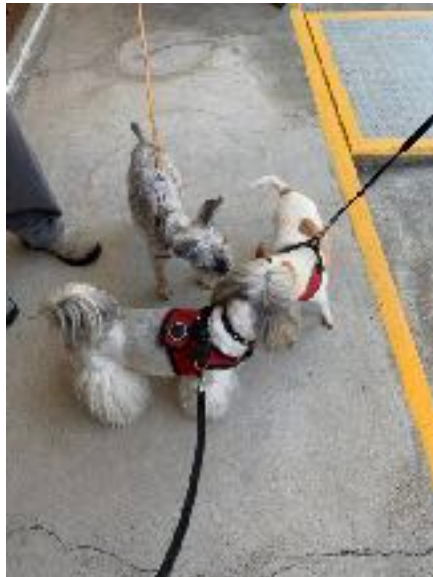
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can be purchased at the library on Tuesday, July 2, 11-2, at the door for using the QVR code on the poster.

The SMAAA Vestry has a new and wonderful fundraising idea. **Divine Dogs Photo Shoot and Calendar.** Father Doug is fond of saying that every Sunday at Saint Mike's is **Saint Francis Sunday.** We almost always have more dogs than children! We keep hoping the youngsters will come and outnumber the dogs and we are getting close. To that end we are trying to raise the funds for a youth choir and Sunday School.

Bella, Magnus, Ginger, Coffee, Radar, Amigo, are some of our more regular canines but there are many more. This is going to be a good time for all!!!

Sunday, July 21, 2024 at noon. Please bring your leashed dog. While they pose and romp; you can enjoy coffee and refreshments (dog biscuits too) while we take candid shots of your divine canine to consider for each of 12



monthly photos plus the coveted cover dog of 2025. If you want to give your pooch an advantage, you can dress them

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or add a hat or...? It is all for fun!

We know our dogs bring us comfort. They also comfort those among us who just may need a paw to hold, a tail to wag, or a furry kiss. It may not be theologically correct thinking but it is my belief that the unconditional love of a dog is about as close as some may get to understanding God's unconditional love for us. The Divine Dogs Calendar will be a year long reminder to all of us of the love... that perhaps only a parent, a dog, or God feels for us.

So, prepare your dog for the July 21 photo shoot. Let's all get behind this great fundraising project. And... Let's hope it results in a children's program at SMAAA.

**Don't
forget!!!**

**Yoga with Ann (Lupita too),
Thursdays
11-12:30
AND
Senior Club Fridays, 10-12.**

