

Mennonite Weekly Review Report
August/September 2007

Rochester Mennonite Church

August rains brought inconvenience to members of our church but our sympathies are with neighboring communities along the Root River which suffered severe losses to be felt for years to come.

Pastor David Brunner resigned from his chaplaincy role at Seasons Hospice on August 31 in order to give more time to pastoral duties and his position as leader of an interfaith group working for better understanding.

The family of Lois Kennel met at the Kennel home Aug. 31 – Sept. 3. John and Roma Ruth, Conrad and Martyne Wetzel, and Carolyn Ruth sang with Art and Lois Kennel during the worship service on Sept. 3.

Fifty people attended the Rochester Mennonite Fellowship Annual Labor Day Picnic at the Art and Lois Kennel home with Kurt and Betty Kennel and Gordon and Paula Harms as hosts.

An educational display, “Who Are the Mennonites?” was put into a prominent area of the Rochester Public Library Sept. 10 by Vicki Couch, Lois Kennel, and Anne Scherer. Free space can be reserved there annually for a span of one month.

During Pastor David’s vacation, guest speakers were Dan Winings, pastor of Shalom Mennonite Church, Eau Claire, WI, on Sept. 23 and Mary Mason, Charter House Chaplain, on Sept. 30.

--Lois Ruth Kennel