

MENNONITE WEEKLY REVIEW Report
Rochester Mennonite Church
August/September 2006 News

On August 6 members participated in Rochester's annual Peace Lantern Float at Silver Lake Park: a time to reflect on the immense destructive power of nuclear weapons and be inspired to work/pray that it never be used again as at Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

The home of Anne Metcalfe received a House Blessing on August 20 after our Worship Service when we caravanned to her house and had a pot-luck lunch.

Our annual Labor Day picnic was postponed until Sept. 10 when 48 members and friends determined to gather at the home of Art and Lois Kennel despite chill and drizzle.

September 23 marked the first session of a new venture, Shalom Readers Book Club for Kids, led by Kim Leichty, Evelyn Turner and Jo Ann Brunner. A program of Central Plains MC, our Church is offering it to our community to teach kids about peace, love and justice. It features books with peace and justice themes for preschool through Grade 5. Adult facilitators read stories aloud, encourage discussion, lead a related activity, and offer assistance in finding books of similar themes in the Public Library. By listening to or reading seven books, kids can earn a free book from the Conference Shalom Readers' Club list.

--Lois Ruth Kennel