

The E-Matt



A weekly glimpse of God's People, God's Work
at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, Lisbon Maine

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Mary's "Yes" resonates with women's group



Start the Season with the Reason Advent Morning participants.

On Dec. 5, Kim Hanscom led 16 women in an Advent Morning multi-media teaching on Mary's song of praise known as the Magnificat (Luke 1:46-55). Carol Levesque and Jeanne Stowell led praise that included solos of "Mary Did You Know" and "Breath of Heaven."

Kim's presentation of Mary's joy in her obedience to God's call led to a spirited discussion about

answering our own calls and how that obedience blesses others. The two hour "Start the Season with the Reason" session concluded in prayer and in singing, "Here I Am Lord."

It seems that no St. Matthew's Women's meeting would be complete without food and this was no exception. The women enjoyed a delicious lunch before leaving the church.



(from left) Roland Violette (3rd Place), Deb Calhoun (1st Place), and Deb Wagner (2nd Place).

Beer chili takes first place

Deb Calhoun's, Beer Chili, won First Place in the 2nd Annual Chili Contest that takes place on the first Sunday in December. Most people who tried the eight chilis found it difficult to rate one "the best." Special thanks to Sherrie Dentico for organizing the yearly event.

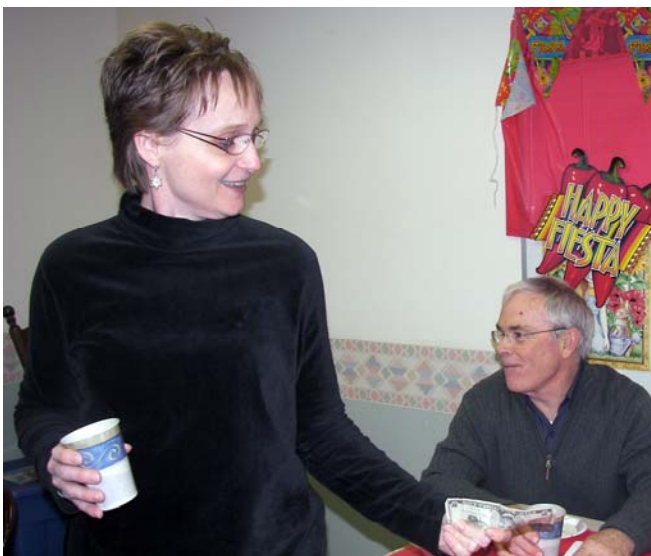
Roland Violette's Good Ole Chili #7 took third place and Deb Wagner's Santa Cruz Chili won second place.



Judge Arline Couture.

The other contestants were:

- Heide Noel's Good Ole Chili #2,
- Jeanne Stowell's Good Ole Chili #3,
- Carol Levesque's Good Ole Chili #4,
- Teri Bernier's First Place Chili—We'll Let You Be the Judge, and
- Lee Frazier's Good Ole Chili #8.



*A bribe or a contribution to the discretionary fund?
You be the judge!*

Three cheers to:

- ❖ Cindy Cass for decorating the Fellowship Hall like a Mexican Cantina and her awesome awards;
- ❖ Arline Couture, Jim Johnston, and Warren Peck for judging; and
- ❖ Becket Wagner for his skill as the judges' waiter