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TOWN TOPICS

We hope everyone had a blessed Easter and our Jewish friends a blessed Passover.

Turn to page 10 for pictures of Lakeview's Easter Egg Hunts.

Don't forget! The National Day of Prayer is coming up. In Lakeview, it will be held on Thursday, May 2, 12 noon, at the Lakeview Community Center. Come and pray for our nation.

Our Spring coloring contest is on page 12. Open to ages 3-18 and prizes will be awarded in each age group.

Local high-scoring bowlers were presented with jackets at the Lakeview Alley Cat this week. See the story and pictures on page 13.

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JUNE 8, 2019

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Spring Forecast

Thurs., pm showers with high 68, low 42; Fri., mostly sunny with high 58, low 35; Sat., showers with high 51, low 36; Sun., partly cloudy with high 52, low 36; Mon., showers with high 52, low 40; Tues., showers with high 55, low 45.



Hard Facts



CDC Strategist Christopher Jones answering questions in Atlanta

By Joe Tilton

What a sobering day! The National Rx Summit in Atlanta began with presentations setting the mood and tone for a series of facts, even in day one presentations, reporting a full-blown invasion of the United States.

We remember how

the nation reacted to the attack on New York City where almost 3,000 died, but the death toll from use of illegal drugs, that we know of, because more are expected, is 70,237 in 2017. What kind of military action would take place if we lost the same number from an attack? It's that kind of sobering

information that has participants in this summit wondering what the rest of the week will disclose.

The call is not just to educate the nation on drugs like cocaine and marijuana, but *do something* about it. And in the middle of the call to action, high officials in the federal government have been bragging about their actions while not impressing the attendees at all.

We heard about violent and ruthless cartels using coastal waters to attack by drugs that's costing so many lives. The Coast Guard's top soldier told the crowd they confiscated 233 metric tons of illegal drugs while admitting they catch an estimated 20-percent of the actual traffic. Marijuana merchants shouldn't feel so smug because pot is coming in on those ships.

Then, we heard, "The Opioid crisis is the public health crisis of our time." Yet another crazy fact is the use of methamphetamine is slightly declining while marijuana is taking its place. Some trade!

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Welcome, Pastor Endacott



By Linda Huckins

Pastor Simon Endacott joined the staff of Sylvester Community Church in January and says that he loves it! Currently, he is working with Pastor Richard Taylor, but will take over as pastor when Taylor retires sometime this year.

The first thing one notices about Pastor Endacott, besides his infectious smile, is his accent. Pastor Endacott is from London, England where he was born and raised. "I

was raised an atheist," he said. "I didn't hear about Jesus Christ until I was 16. I had Muslim friends and knew about Allah. When I was 16-1/2, I became a Christian."

Because his family was atheist, his newfound faith caused a rift in his relationship with his family, but God in His timing intervened and Endacott's family eventually became Christians as well.

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The Sayings of Christ on the Cross



The Singing Pastors: Sue Babb, Simon Endacott, David Waid, Rick DuBridge, Richard Taylor, Frank Taylor, Ted Johnson, Julie Drews, and Dave England

By Linda Huckins

Seven churches were represented at the Lakeview Ministerial Association's Community Good Friday service held on April 19 at the Sylvester Community Church. The churches were Lakeview Free Methodist, New Life United Methodist Church, Sylvester Community Church, Cowden Lake Disciples of Christ, Deerfield Bible Church, the United Church of Christ and Christ the King/St. Francis deSales.

The service, held to remember the suffering and crucifixion of Jesus Christ, focused on the final words of Jesus as he hung on the cross.

Sylvester's Pastor Richard Taylor welcomed everyone and prayed the opening prayer.

The Sylvester church choir then sang, "Behold the Lamb."

Pastor Taylor told attendees that the Jesus was crucified at nine in the morning, according to Mark 15:25. He said that the first three sayings spoken by Jesus occurred in the day light between 9 a.m. and 12 noon. These sayings related to others. The last four sayings uttered by Christ occurred between 12 noon and 3 p.m. It came after deep darkness fell over the land and referred to Himself.

Pastors from the various churches took turns expounding on Jesus' final words. The first was Pastor Sue Babb from New Life United Methodist Church. She spoke on Jesus' saying, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what

they are doing." (Luke 23:24)

Pastor Babb said that words have meaning. These words of Jesus were radical, astounding and showed His perfect love and compassion for the soldiers who crucified him and were even then throwing dice to see who would get his clothes. With these words He also was showing compassion for the crowd who shouted, "Crucify Him" and for the religious leaders who plotted to kill Him.

"He also showed love

and compassion for another group of people," Babb said. "Us! The entire human race." She added that His death transcended time. He was the high priest and the offering. Were we there when they crucified the Lord? The answer is Yes. He, who knew no sin, took on our sins and those of all of humanity. Because of Jesus, we know that we too are forgiven.

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