

The **DC Pulse:** Your Connection to a Church with a Heart for the Community



Congratulations Pastor Parker!

Pastor Parker was selected to receive the First Tee of Greater Austin Nine Core Values Award for Integrity. The awards are presented annually to Austinites who embody and exemplify the Nine Core Values. Nine Core Values, the heart of the First Tee Life Skills Curriculum, represent some of the many inherently positive values

connected with the game of golf. The Integrity award is given to a person that strictly adheres to a standard of value or conduct based on personal honesty and independence. Sis. Parker accepted the award on Pastor's behalf at the luncheon on March 6, 2013.



Michael Tolliver

Congratulations to Michael Tolliver for being selected as the 2013 Usher of the Year! The recipient is selected by their peers as one who is Christ-like, attends meetings and worship on a regular basis, is always willing to serve,

reports for duty in a timely manner, takes orders graciously, demonstrates keen awareness, knowledge and reverence, and is warm and courteous. DC thanks you for your excellence in service!



CELEBRATE SENIOR BIRTHDAYS

Rosa Ellis
April 1

Mary Caldwell
April 5

Leroy White
April 5

Dolores Hillyer
April 7

Albert Ray Harvey
April 10

Mahalia Rhone
April 12

Are you a senior adult with a birthday not listed? Call or email the church office.



Saturday, April 20th

In June, the Youth Ministry will be traveling to New Orleans, Louisiana for a week of service. To help raise funds for the trip, the youth are having a yard sale on Saturday, April 20th from 8:00 a.m. — 12:00 noon. For the next three weeks, the youth will be collecting donations of gently used clothing (all sizes), household items, electronics, and furniture to be sold in the sale. Collection boxes are located in the Fellowship Hall.

If you do not have items to donate, but would still like to support the youth with a financial contribution, please contact Sis. Mary Whitehurst at students@davidchapel.org.

All announcements and articles for the May publication must be submitted to the church office or Keisha Nunn (communications@davidchapel.org) by **Sunday, April 21st.**



Friday, April 26, 2013 - Reagan High School Practice Field

There's still time to participate! Here are some practical ways you can become a vital part of the effort to make our team a winner:

- ⇒ Become a member of our team the DC Walking Disciples
 - Complete the Registration Form as a participant or cancer survivor.
 - All participants, except cancer survivors, please pay the \$5 registration fee.
- ⇒ Raise \$100 or more, the goal of each team member.
 - Ask family, friends, co-workers, etc. to give you a donation toward your goal.
- ⇒ Sign up to walk/run for the relay which begins at 7:00 p.m., Friday, April 26 and ends Saturday, April 27 at 7:00 a.m. You select your time to participate.
- ⇒ Make a contribution to RFL East Austin.
- ⇒ Serve as a team captain for the DC Walking Disciples. David Chapel may have more than one team!

Survivors and caregivers who register are invited to share in a free, catered dinner at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 25, at the Mt. Sinai Baptist Church Family Life Center. You must register in order to attend.

Please contact Jolene Hall for additional information at jhall57@austin.rr.com. Saving lives from cancer starts with one team, one participant, and one dollar at a time.

Road to Recovery: Help Patients in Your Community

Would you drive a mile to save a life?

Imagine being diagnosed with cancer, but you don't have transportation to your treatment appointments. The American Cancer Society's Road to Recovery provides free transportation to and from treatment for people with cancer who do not have a ride or are unable to drive themselves and is in dire need of additional drivers to meet the growing need for transportation in Travis and Williamson Counties. You can help patients access potentially life-saving cancer treatments by volunteering to drive them to and from local treatment centers. Volunteer drivers donate their time and resources to take patients to treatment and back home again. They also provide encouragement and support. Drivers must have a valid driver's license, safe reliable vehicle, and proof of automobile insurance.

For additional information about volunteering for the Road to Recovery program for Travis and Williamson Counties, contact Sandra Villalaz at (512) 919-1854 or sign up online at volunteerdriver.org.

April is Alcohol Awareness Month NCADD

This April, the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence, Inc. (NCADD) highlights the important public health issue of underage drinking, a problem with devastating individual, family and community consequences. This year's theme, **"Help for Today, Hope for Tomorrow,"** is aimed at educating people about the treatment and prevention of alcoholism.

Alcohol use by young people is extremely dangerous—both to themselves and to society, and is directly associated with traffic fatalities, violence, suicide, educational failure, alcohol overdose, unsafe sex and other problem behaviors. Annually, over 6,500 people under the age of 21 die from alcohol-related injuries and thousands more are injured. Additionally:

- * Alcohol is the number one drug of choice for America's young people, and is more likely to kill young people than all illegal drugs combined.
- * Each day, 7,000 youth in the United States under the age of 16 take their first drink.
- * Those who begin drinking before age 15 are four times more likely to develop alcoholism than those who begin at age 21.
- * More than 1,700 college students in the U.S. are killed each year—about 4.65 a day—as a result of alcohol-related injuries.
- * 25 percent of U.S. children are exposed to alcohol-use disorders in their family.
- * Underage alcohol use costs the nation an estimated \$62 billion annually.

Alcohol-Free Weekend, April 5-7, 2013, is an integral part of Alcohol Awareness Month. During this seventy-two-hour period, NCADD extends an open invitation to Americans of all ages to participate in three alcohol-free days and to use this time to contact local NCADD Affiliates and other alcoholism agencies to learn more about alcoholism and its early symptoms.

For more information about NCADD, underage drinking, NCADD Alcohol Awareness Month and NCADD Alcohol-Free Weekend, visit the NCADD website at: www.ncadd.org.



Community Tax Centers at Foundation Communities provides **free** tax preparation at [seven locations](http://www.foundcom.org) by IRS-certified volunteer preparers for Austin area residents who earn up to \$50,000 a year ([more on qualifications for free tax prep and what to bring](http://www.foundcom.org).) Centers are open until April 15th. Appointments are available and the center also offers drop-off service. For additional information, or to identify a location nearest you, contact the main office at (512) 447-2026 or visit www.foundcom.org.

CHURCH *Anniversary* SERVICE

Sunday, April 24, 2013

Praise God for 89 years! The Church Anniversary service will be held Sunday, April 24, 2013 at 10:30 a.m. The Guest Minister is Rev. Ivie Rich, Pastor of the St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church and son of David Chapel.

There will be NO 8:00 a.m. worship service.

ONLINE GIVING -- Members and non-members may give their tithes and offering online **safely** and **securely** through checking account, debit/credit cards and electronic fund transfers. Visit David Chapel's website for online giving, more information, and instructions at www.davidchapel.org.

BABY DEDICATIONS are held the 3rd Sunday of each month, unless it is a holiday or an annual day. Please contact the church office at (512) 472-9748 to schedule your child's dedication and to obtain additional information regarding the event.

Saturday, April 6, 2013

2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
DC Fellowship Hall

Contact: Lola Carter, 928-2115

Senior Adult

Welcome Reception

POTLUCK

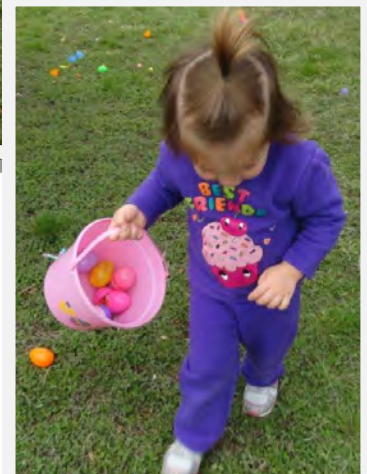
Bring something to share!

DC TELEVISION SCHEDULE

The television worship time for David Chapel has changed to Sunday's at 9:00 p.m. Service can be viewed on Channel 11 on Time Warner and Grande cable systems.

easter egg hunt

Ready for action!



Headed in the right direction...

easter egg hunt



How did I get so many?



Let's go!



Loading 'em up.



They left their ears at home. Salute our "Easter Bunny Helpers!"

Texas Vietnam Heroes Exhibit



2313 Red River Street
Austin, 78705

The 3417 Project is a personalized tribute by the Texas Capitol Vietnam Veterans Monument Committee to honor and remember each of the Texans who died in the Vietnam War, including the 105 Texans who remain Missing in Action. Every Texan who made the ultimate sacrifice in Vietnam is individually represented on one of a pair of dog tags that includes his name, rank, branch of service, home of record and date of loss. Two blank tags have been added to represent those Texans who died in Vietnam but are known only to God. The tags are encased in a vintage ammunition canister to be entombed inside the Texas Capitol Vietnam Veterans Monument.

The Texas Capitol Vietnam Veterans Monument Committee created the 3417 Project in 2012 to honor the Texans who died in the Vietnam War. Committee member Don Dorsey, a U.S. Marine Corps combat veteran of the Vietnam War, led the creation of this exhibit by hand embossing 6834 tags with the assistance of Marine Corps veteran James Hart. A duplicate set is displayed for the public in the Texas Vietnam Heroes Exhibit in the Great Hall at the LBJ Library.

This exhibit will be on display through July 28, 2013 before it is moved to San Antonio.



MASKED: CHANGING IDENTITIES **January 25, 2013 - May 25, 2013**

Masked: Changing Identities showcases Mexican dance and popular masks from the Mexic-Arte Museum permanent collection. Each selected mask's vibrant colors and designs reflect Mexican traditions of indigenous craftsmanship, mythic narratives, and dance rituals. "Masked" deconstructs the concept of the "mask" as a transformative tool for disguise, performance, and entertainment in Mexican visual culture. The selected folkloric masks from Western Mexico including the states of Guerrero and Michoacan, range from authentic wood, leather and metal masks used ceremonially, sold commercially, and created as limited edition art objects. Mexic-Arte Museum is in Austin on the corner of 5th St. and Congress Avenue at 419 Congress Avenue. Admission is free on Sundays!

Rehearsals for the week of April 1st:

Liturgical Dance Ministry

- *DC Dance Practice -- Monday, April 1, 2013 at 5:30 p.m.*
- *DC Sign Practice -- Monday, April 1, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.*

Choir

- *Praise Team -- Thursday, April 4, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.*
- *Senior Choir -- Thursday, April 4, 2013 at 7:30 p.m.*
- *Children's Choir -- Saturday, April 6, 2013 at 11:00 a.m.*

Rehearsals for the week of April 8th:

Liturgical Dance Ministry

- *DC Dance Practice -- Monday, April 8, 2013 at 5:30 p.m.*
- *DC Sign Practice -- Monday, April 8, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.*

Choir

- *Praise Team -- Thursday, April 11, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.*
- *Male Chorus -- Thursday, April 11, 2013 at 7:30 p.m.*
- *Children's Choir -- Saturday, April 13, 2013 at 11:00 a.m.*

Rehearsals for the week of April 15th:

Liturgical Dance Ministry

- *DC Dance Practice -- Monday, April 15, 2013 at 5:30 p.m.*
- *DC Sign Practice -- Monday, April 15, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.*

Choir

- *Praise Team -- Thursday, April 18, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.*
- *Youth Choir -- Saturday, April 20, 2013 at 10:00 a.m.*
- *Male Chorus -- Saturday, April 20, 2013 at 11:00 a.m.*
- *Mass Choir -- Saturday, April 20, 2013 at 12:00 p.m.*

Rehearsals for the week of April 22nd:

Liturgical Dance Ministry

- *DC Dance Ministry Practice -- Monday, April 22, 2013 at 5:30 p.m.*
- *DC Sign Practice -- Monday, April 22, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.*

Choir

- *Praise Team -- Thursday, April 25, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.*
- *Senior Choir -- Thursday, April 25, 2013 at 7:30 p.m.*
- *Youth Choir -- Saturday, April 27, 2013 at 10:00 a.m.*
- *Mass Choir -- Saturday, April 27, 2013 at 12:00 p.m.*

Rehearsals for the week of April 29th:

Choir

- *Praise Team -- Thursday, May 2, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.*
- *Senior Choir -- Thursday, May 2, 2013 at 7:30 p.m.*
- *Children's Choir -- Saturday, May 4, 2013 at 11:00 a.m.*



Highlighting Adult Member Accomplishments

In Pastor's absence, "The Pulse" will spotlight adult member accomplishments. Please submit achievements using the established process by the third Sunday of each month.



Dana Boone, Texas State Track and Field Coach, was named the Western Athletic Conference (WAC) Indoor Track and Field Women's Coach of the Year. At the WAC Indoor Championships in February, the women's team racked up three gold medals, three silvers, and four bronze medals to edge the University of Texas-San Antonio to win its first team title since 2007. Head coach Dana Boone is in her second season with the Bobcat track and field program and has vast experience in the sport.

Picture courtesy of Texas State Sports

On Sunday, February 24, 2013, Dr. Ruth Davis Sauls was honored with a musical tribute for over 60 years of service to David Chapel, the Austin community, and beyond. Her outstanding musical skills as organist, pianist, director, teacher, and mentor were the guideposts for many aspiring musicians. A 100 voice mass choir angelically offered diverse and spirit-filled songs of faith and inspiration and the City of Austin honored Dr. Sauls with a plaque and resolution. She was also honored as a "Yellow Rose of Texas" by the State. Dr. Sauls' contributions to Gospel music at the state and national level are unparalleled. Sis. Sauls' devoted husband, Brother Leroy Sauls, was also honored for his un-wavering love and support over their 61 years of marriage.



"Words with Friends" encourages communion with God and community amongst DC young adults. The focus this year is to keep "Jesus at the Center!" Activities and events will concentrate on spiritual development and the desire to foster strong disciples as young adults.

Every second Friday, young adults meet at David Chapel for worship and study. The first part of the service includes singing, praying, and meditation and is geared towards developing a better relationship with God. The second half of the service is designated for small group bible study and developing better followers of Christ. Invite your friends!



2013 VBS/Family Enrichment Week (FEW) July 8 - 12, 2013

“Athens: Paul’s Dangerous Journey To Share The Truth”

Please consider donating your talents to Family Enrichment Week this summer.

Volunteers are needed in the following areas: Oikos Leaders, Shopkeeper/Market Place, Arena Games, Drama Team, Decorations, Culinary, Set-up, Clean-up, and Community Outreach/Publicity.

Sign-up cards are available behind the pews in the sanctuary and may be placed in the offering tray or in the VBS mail slot by the church offices. FEW leaders Rev. Cedric Mitchell and Sis. Pamela Mitchell are also available to answer any questions or discuss other ways you may be able to serve.



Sis. LaVerne Morris-Parker and Sis. Pam Mitchell extend sincere appreciation to the Greeter’s and Ushers for their hard work and dedication. A special thank you to George Hardin and Clarence Williams for making the Welcome Ministry Annual a memorable event.



The Welcome Ministry apologizes to Sis. Lorena Griffin and Sis. Bernice Miller for leaving their names off the “Remembering Those Who Served” list in the program. Many apologies!

PLASTIC EGGS NEEDED!

Next year, the Children’s Ministry is looking to expand the Annual Easter Egg Hunt to include the community, in the same spirit as the Fall Festival. Please consider donating large plastic eggs this year. There will be lots of bargains after the Easter weekend!





DC Leaders Attend Inspiring Workshop

Last month, eleven David Chapel leaders attended the African American Leadership Conference at the George W. Truett Seminary on the campus of Baylor University in Waco, Texas. Dr. Otis Moss, Jr., Pastor Emeritus of the historic Olivet Institutional Baptist Church in Cleveland, Ohio, and his son Dr. Otis Moss, III, Pastor of the Trinity United Church of Christ in Chicago, Illinois were the featured speakers. DC leaders that were in attendance: Brother Terrance Deary, Reverend Barnetta Emerson, Deacon Robert Emerson, Sister Jolene Hall, Brother Leonard Haskin, Sister Coletta Haskin, Reverend Cedric Mitchell, III, Sister Pamela Mitchell, Reverend Robert Tapscott, II, Sister Sandra Tapscott, Sister Suzanne Woodard, and Sister Linda Zanders.

Attendees were provided the opportunity to share what they learned, its impact on their Christian walk, and the possibilities for application at David Chapel. What follows are their observations, as compiled by Sis. Jolene Hall.

Deacon Robert Emerson attended the workshops on Prophetic Preaching in a Non-Prophetic Age, and he shared the following points from that workshop:

- Principles/methods for prophetic teaching and preaching are the same.
- Be authentic.
- Make your teaching/preaching relevant today for what is to come.
- Use of newer Bible translations is okay.
- The older generation (bebop) has a responsibility to communicate with the younger generation (rap) in a vernacular that draws them to salvation.
- The church/pastor must educate/announce that it is acceptable to use cell phones to read scripture and take notes in church.
- The church needs a Wi-Fi system capable of handling a large number of users.
- There is no substitute for the preacher/teacher/facilitator spending time meditating with God.

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Brother Leonard Haskin described the workshop on "prophetic preaching" as awesome, powerful, inspiring, and challenging. The two classes he attended were Ministry Assistant and Prophetic Preaching. The Ministry Assistant workshop explained how church management software can help organize and track data from visitors' cards, financial records, and ministry events which can then be used to assist leadership in understanding areas of need and where to place resources. One of the striking things from the Prophetic Preaching workshop was that there should be no separation between biblical theology and everyday life.

Sister Coletta Haskin attended the Women's Ministry session which addressed active compassion, which includes both action and compassion.

- Co-workers, family members, neighbors, and friends may need to be "carried" to the feet of Jesus.
- Making a difference requires the gift of presence in a person's life, not just a Sunday morning "hello."
- Seven Ministry Principles learned at the workshop:
 - Care for the total person
 - Minister with a community
 - Help people help themselves
 - Undertake only what can be done
 - Major on people more than program design
 - Prepare for difficulties
 - Be flexible and innovative
- Jesus ministered as He went on His way and as He went out of His way.
- We are called to serve.

Sisters Jolene Hall and Suzanne Woodard attended the Helping Hands sessions which Sister Woodard described as wonderful, innovative, inspiring, and thought-provoking. The ideas shared were relevant and useful for Stephen ministers, anyone making hospital visits, and anyone who cares! Some of the ideas presented included:

- Why you? (getting people ready for the blessing that is going to happen)
- What equipment do you possess? (I am responsible for my mindset--stay focused on the mission.
- Be seeker-sensitive. (Visitors don't know what you do or why, so teach them.)
- Organize Bible studies outside David Chapel -- at nursing homes, etc.
- No one person has all the sense. If your church can't survive without you, there is too much of you and not enough God.
- Listening gets inside another person's frame of reference.



Pictured (left to right): Dr. Otis Moss, III, Linda Zanders, and Dr. Otis Moss, Jr.

Sister Pamela Mitchell attended the Children and Youth Ministry Workshop. The major focus was strategic

AALW Workshop, cont.

methods to get students excited about mission, enlighten them about procedure and protocol, get them involved in their communities, and interact with believers from diverse cultures and ethnicities. Participants were advised to not re-invent the wheel, but to use resources already available such as Disciple Now, Youth Explosion, Youth Revival, Wednesday Night, Sunday Night, Fine Arts Ministry, Collaboration of Choirs, MLK Program, and Athletic Events.

Sister Linda Zanders, her first time attending the African American Leadership Conference, commented that she found it to be enlightening, thought-provoking, and life-changing. She also said that she left the conference feeling rejuvenated and motivated to "up the ante" in her spiritual walk with the understanding that she, as an individual, can make a difference in the life of David Chapel. The prolific statements that most impacted her were:

- A call to ministry is a call to preparation.
- Some twenty year olds say they love Jesus, but hate church.
- Never let anyone or anything control the thermostat of your body.

The motivational question for David Chapel as a church is whether we will "hear the word of the LORD" and do our part so that those in the valley of dry bones can live!



Pictured (left to right): Leonard Haskins, Coletta Haskins, Rev. Cedric Mitchell, III (top), Pamela Mitchell, Jolene Hall, Suzanne Woodard, Rev. Robert Tapscott (top), and Sandra Tapscott.

Ezekiel 37:1-10

The hand of the LORD came upon me and brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD, and set me down in the midst of the valley; and it was full of bones. ² Then He caused me to pass by them all around, and behold, *there were* very many in the open valley; and indeed *they were* very dry. ³ And He said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" So I answered, "O Lord GOD, You know." ⁴ Again He said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them, 'O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD!'"



CANCER PREVENTION STUDY-3

Research today for a cancer-free tomorrow.



If you've ever known someone with cancer, you know that birthdays are a very significant milestone. Cancer Prevention Study-3 (CPS-3) is a research study being conducted by the American Cancer Society. By [joining CPS-3](#), you can help researchers understand how to prevent the disease, which will save lives and give people more time with their families and friends, more memories, more celebrations ... and more birthdays. If you are willing to make a long-term commitment to the study, are ages 30-65, and have never personally been diagnosed with cancer (except for basal cell or squamous cell skin cancer), you are eligible to enroll. Register online or call 1-888-604-5888.

Upcoming enrollment locations:

Celebration Church
North Auditorium
1202 Rabbit Hill Road
Georgetown, TX 78626

University Medical Center – Brackenridge
Clinical Education Center – Room C1.110
601 East 15th Street
Austin, TX 78701

Seton Medical Center – Hays
Learning Center Side 1
6001 Kyle Parkway
Kyle, TX 78640

Sunday, June 16, 2013
8:30 am – 1:00 pm

Tuesday, June 18, 2013
8:30 am – 1:00 pm

Thursday, June 20, 2013
12:00 pm – 3:30 pm

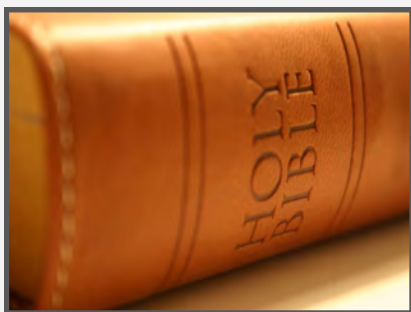
After scheduling your appointment, you will receive a confirmation e-mail with instructions to go online and complete your first, most comprehensive survey. At the enrollment, location you will be asked to read and sign an informed consent form, complete a brief survey, provide a waist measurement and a small blood sample (similar to a doctor's visit). The blood sample will be drawn by a trained, certified phlebotomist. Your appointment should last 20-30 minutes. Following enrollment, you will receive mailed surveys at home every few years for the next 20 to 30 years to update your information.

If you are unable to enroll, [spread the word](#) to everyone you know and encourage them to enroll in your honor.

Your personal information is protected and kept confidential. For more information about CPS-3 in your area, visit cancerstudyTX.org or cancer.org/cps3.

You can help create a world with less cancer and more birthdays.

Bible Studies



Sunday Morning Bible Study

Sunday School -- 9:30 a.m.

Tuesday Bible Studies

Tuesday Morning at 10:00 a.m.

TNT Bible Study at 6:45 pm
Nevertheless Church
2700 W. Pecan St., Suite 570
Pflugerville

Wednesday Prayer & Praise and Bible Study

Prayer & Praise Service -- 7:00 p.m.

Bible Study -- 7:30 p.m.



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Remember to check the [church calendar](#) regularly for new events and scheduling changes.

Mother/Daughter-Son Luncheon ▪ May 11, 2013 ▪ 11:00 a.m.

Please join us for the 2013 Mother/Daughter-Son Luncheon in the DC Fellowship Hall. During the luncheon, the women will nominate and select the “Woman of the Year for 2013-2014.” As part of our heart for the community, the luncheon will also provide an opportunity to donate toiletry items for DC members that are homebound or in nursing facilities and others in the city in need. Items may be brought to the luncheon. Please bring travel size items for both men and women. Examples include lotions, toothpaste, body wash, bar soap, and deodorant.

Event chairs Diana Michael-Sonko and Kessiena Ofunrein are looking for volunteers. If you wish to serve, a sign-up sheet will be available Sunday, April 7, 2013 immediately following the 10:30 a.m. worship service. You may also contact Diana by phone at (512) 642-3032 or via email at dmichael@davidchapel.org.



DC Woman of the Year

Woman of the Year nomination forms will be available throughout the month of April. The deadline to submit nominations is Wednesday, May 1, 2013. Nomination forms will be available in the table on the foyer and may also be obtained from Lois Hunt, Women's Enrichment Ministry Director, or her mail slot. Submit completed nomination forms directly to Sis. Hunt or by placing them in her mail slot.