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LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR

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Monday

Pastor Wilck is normally in his church study Monday - Thursday 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM. He is available to meet you at church or at other mutually arranged times. You may also contact him or leave a message on 269-9086. On Friday Pastor's day off, he is available for pastoral emergencies. When calling the church after hours, and wishing to leave a message for Pastor when prompted dial Extension 311 for his personal voicemail.

Please inform Pastor whenever there is an illness or hospitalization in your family. He appreciates your help. When you are admitted to a hospital, please list your religious preference as "Lutheran Church of Our Saviour" and contact Pastor or the church office.

**LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR
MISSION STATEMENT**

We, the members of the Lutheran Church of Our Saviour, as baptized followers of Jesus Christ will foster a living, expressive relationship with our Lord and our neighbors.

We will do this in a way that seeks to serve all segments of our congregation and community by:

- ◆ Providing a welcoming environment for youth and young adults.
- ◆ Strengthening the family unit.
- ◆ Involving the elderly and recognizing their special needs.
- ◆ Making Christ visible through worship.

Recommended by the Long Range Planning committee on October 27, 2010

Pastor's Page

An Easter reflection: The message of Easter is this: Human life is a candle to be lit. Christ, the light of the world, has risen from the dead, and calls all people to the resurrection faith transforms their lives. The resurrection is like a lighted candle burning brightly with the light that guides and cheers them through the darkness of this world "The human spirit," said the writer in Proverbs, "is the lamp of the Lord" (Proverbs 20:27)

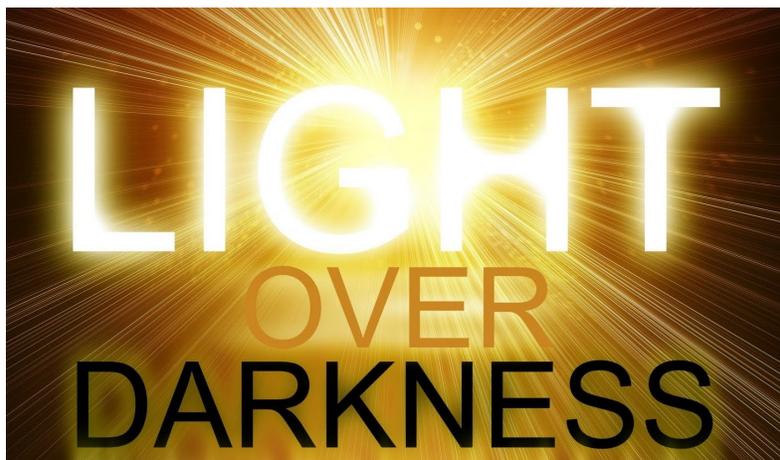
The first witnesses to the resurrection were the women who went to the tomb at early dawn. They were perplexed by what they found—the stone rolled away and the body gone. Their perplexity turned to fright when they met two men in dazzling apparel who asked them the best question in all the Gospels: "Why do you look for the living among the dead? (Luke 24:5) Suddenly, the light began to dawn. Jesus had risen, as he had told them.

When the candle of faith is lit, its fire must first warm the rigid, waxy fears that prevent us from believing. Often, this takes time.

The reaction of the women moved from fear to faith, as does ours when the resurrection is announced. We, too, are afraid to believe what goes against the grain of all human logic. It was the same with the other disciples. The text ends on a note that doesn't surprise us— "but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them". But faith soon came, the candle was lit, and the light of the resurrection shone brightly, overcoming the darkness around it. Each day is a resurrection day when we celebrate the light that God kindles in each believer—a candle burning brightly with Christ's glory.

---Paul O. Romstad

Please Mark **May 5** on your calendar. As part of the 75th anniversary celebrations we have invited pastors from our community to speak to the congregation. Our emphasis in May is education. Pastor Craig Swanson, Lutheran chaplain at RIT, will be our guest. He will preach at both services and share the ministry of Lutheran campus ministry at RIT. There will be time during the coffee hour to greet Pastor Swanson and ask questions about the ministry.



EVANGELISM COMMITTEE

Christian Movie is on **May 4** at 2:00 PM
The movie is "The Shack"

Christian Book Club will resume on
October 3 at 6:30 PM
The book is yet to be determined

Looking for basket donations for our annual basket raffle. We will want the baskets to the church by **May 5** which is when we will start selling tickets. If you know of any business owners to also contact them for donations.

The church picnic is on **June 9** beginning at 11:30 AM. The morning worship will be one Service at 10:00 AM. During the worship we will recognize graduating seniors, Sunday School staff and students/youths and the various youth groups in the congregation. It is the day to celebrate our commitment to youth ministry and welcome three youths through Confirmation: Chloe Evans, Brayden Spencer and Sydney Emerson.

Request assistance: cooking, setup, cleaning, serving, selling tickets and moving baskets to Dell Hall. Let Brian Spencer and Mary Ellen Saur know.

FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES

First Communion Class for youth in grade three and four began in April. Classes are April 27, **May 4 and 11** at 9:30 - 11:00 AM. First Communion Sunday is, **May 12** at the 11:15 AM Service.

The First Communion Class prepares youth of the congregation to begin receiving Holy Communion. The classes study passages in Scripture that help build an understanding of what Holy Communion is. There are activities that help the youth grow in appreciation for the gifts God gives in Holy Communion. And, time is devoted to the "how-to" of receiving Holy Communion.

If you have a 3rd or 4th grader that has not received First Communion and you did not receive a letter, please contact the church office 247-7824.



First Communion

BOY SCOUTS BBQ

Date: **May 11**
Serving begins at 11:00 AM.
Ends: When gone (we sell out pretty quickly—last May we were done by 2:00 PM. We are planning on increasing the number of dinners to 350.
Cost: \$9.50
Location: Arch Angel School parking lot (across our church)

FYI—The Cub Scout Pack and Boys Scout Troop are always open to new boys joining and that they are welcome to come in on Mondays at 6:30 PM to see what it is about.

75TH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE

We had to postpone our April meeting until **May 6**. Please join us at 11:00 AM. We would love to hear from you!

JUBILEE'S SPRING LUNCHEON

Please join us on Wednesday, **May 8**, at Giuseppe's Restaurant, 50 Spencerport Rd. Lunch will be at noon. We will have a private room at the restaurant and will be able to order anything off their luncheon menu. Individual checks will be provided. A sign-up sheet is on the Narthex table and the menu will be on the table. We hope you can join us to enjoy each others company and Giuseppe's great food!



WOMEN OF THE ELCA



We hope that everyone had a wonderful and Blessed Easter!

Our April meeting was “dinner out” at Agatina's Restaurant in Gates. A fun time was had by all.

Our next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 14th at 6:30 pm. Daryl Jarvis will be hostess and Yvonne Dougherty will provide devotions at this meeting.

The following ladies will provide refreshments for fellowship on Sunday, May 12th: (Mother's Day)

Donna Miller Carole Chapin Simone Harter Yvonne Dougherty

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR: The Women of the ELCA Upstate Synod Convention: “And God said.....Walk a Faithful Journey” hosted by the Genesee Finger Lakes Conference.

Location: Notre Dame Retreat House
5151 Foster Road
Canandaigua, NY 14424

Dates: Friday, October 4 through Sunday, October 6, 2019

Registration and Details to follow: We are still in need of ladies to help with committees and planning this Convention. There is a sign-up sheet on the WELCA table in the Narthex if you are interested.

Wishing everyone a Very Happy Mother's Day!

Ann Seppa, Secretary

CHURCH AND COMMUNITY

I am sure you have all seen the large container on the table in the Narthex. We are sponsoring the collection of can tabs which will be taken to Synod Assembly in June. In the past, tabs collected, once turned in for cash. Donations were made to world hunger, Pheobe Hospital to name a couple. The past two or three years 2 car loads of tabs were taken from the convention center. Sunday school has their own jar and are having a contest to see how many tabs were collected. Stay tuned for the results.

Dear Christian Family,

The Women of the ELCA are once again sponsoring **THE OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD BOXES**. We are going to try something different this year. We are collecting a list of items per month starting in April. The box along with a list of items for that month will be on the table in the Narthex. Each month there will be a different list of items. This will give the Youth plenty of items to pack boxes in November.

A few notes of what can not be in the boxes: Fighting toys like knives, guns
No liquids (paint, nail polish, bubbles)
No candy or toothpaste

If you have any questions, please feel free to talk to me or call me at 426-0382.

~~Debbie Frey



WOMEN OF THE ELCA



BINGO PRIZES FOR CREEKEVIEW NURSING HOME

The Women of the ELCA here at Our Saviour continue to collect items to be used as bingo prizes at Creekeview Nursing Home. Members of the congregation are invited (and encouraged) to participate in this activity. Please put the items in bags and place at the WELCA table in the Narthex. The suggestions that follow were provided by the Recreation Leader at Creekeview Nursing Home.

Women

Stuffed animals
Jewelry*
Lotion (small bottles)
Non-slip stocking slippers
Large Print Word Search Books

Men

Stuffed animals
Shaving cream
Playing cards, large print
Non-slip stocking slippers

* clip-on earrings only, necklaces must be long enough to fit over the head, and bracelets large enough to fit over the hand. Jewelry with clasps is difficult to handle.

Thank you for your support of this activity and to Donna Evenson who delivers our donations.

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WELCA TIMES

Genesee Finger Lakes Conference
2nd Edition



Spring Communion Brunch

May 4th, 2019

St Paul's Lutheran Church
28 Lincoln Avenue
Pittsford, NY 14534

10:00 Registration \$3.00
10:30 Program Speaker: Maggie Harris
Community Lutheran Ministry
11:15 Communion Service
Pastor Aileen Robbins
11:45 Pot Luck Luncheon
(Beverages provided)

Bring: *Dish to pass
*Outside toys for Maggie's Kids
(Sidewalk chalk, balls, jump ropes, etc.)

RSVP: Shari MacFarlane
(585) 334-7393
By Friday, April 26th

2019 Upcoming Events

*Leadership and Planning
Meeting
June 12th, 2019*

Where: Transfiguration Lutheran Church
3760 Culver Road
Rochester, NY 14622

Time: 11:30 a.m.
Bring your own lunch. Dessert and
beverage will be provided.

*Upstate NY Synod Convention
October 4-5-6, 2019
"And God said...Walk a Faithful Journey"*

Where: Notre Dame Retreat House
5151 Foster Road
Canandaigua, NY 14424

Weekend Costs: (Includes ALL meals)

Registration: TBD

Lodging:

Double Room (2 beds) \$170/Person
With full bath

Single Room (with sink) \$200/Person
Share toilet (Jack and Jill set-up)

Enjoy: Bible Study
Communion
Spiritual Reflection
Fellowship
Workshops

CARING AND SHARING

We all have loving hearts but busy lives. To make life easier for you to show others you care, we are providing a CARD BOX.

Help yourself to cards and envelopes. Our LCOS Directory is there to help you find addresses. You can write your notes and address the envelopes now while you are thinking of it. Just add a stamp and drop it in the mail.

The card box is located on the small round table next to the lift/elevator. Seats are provided.

Do you receive free cards in the mail? Bring them in and add to the box.



FROM THE TRUSTEES

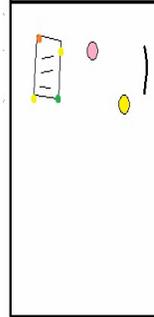
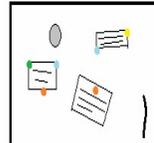
Lawn mowing season is upon us again, we are in need of volunteers to help with our mowing, the more volunteers we have the easier it will be to schedule mowing duties. Contact Ed Jarvis (233-7867) if you are interest in volunteering. Also, if you are interest in landscaping call Ed.

Volunteer at Camp Joy this summer! Since its founding in 1982, Camp Joy – a week-long overnight summer camp for developmentally disabled adults - has thrived as an ENTIRELY volunteer based organization. To maintain our Christ-centered, inspirational, fun-filled experience for the 100 individuals who attend camp every year, we need volunteers like you! Camp is held at the Rotary Sunshine Campus in Rush, NY, and this year will be **June 16-21** (Sunday-Friday). Both full- and part-time staff are needed, full room and board are provided for full-time staff, and there is absolutely no monetary requirement for volunteers and no previous experience with this population needed! Our need has become dire as we often keep a waiting list of campers wishing to attend but are unable to accommodate due to an Insufficient number of volunteers. Please consider being a part of this outstanding organization and share the experience of a life-time to continue to make this camp possible for so many individuals who desire this fulfilling experience. For more information or to register as a volunteer, visit our website: www.campjoy.org, or call(585) 371-8851 with any additional questions.

REFRIGERTOR/FREEZER USE—A notice to anybody that stores food and drinks in the church's

refrigerator and freezer. You must date and identify everything that's goes into the refrigerator and freezer especially if you want to stay the owner of such items. Periodically we will check and purge any unmarked items if they look bad or spoiled. Also, it is very important that we keep the to three shelves cleared for supporting events that may occur periodically like funerals and special church celebrations.

Thank you for your cooperation.



CANS & BOTTLES: Tired of bringing your bottles & cans with a 5 cent deposit to the grocery store? Bring them to FLOWER CITY Bottle & Can Return across the street from church. They are open Sundays from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM, so bring your cans to church and drop them off after. **DID YOU KNOW? You can designate Lutheran Church of Our Saviour Youth Group** to receive credit for your returns. Just drop off the cans & bottles and they will credit Our Saviour's account. Every little bit helps!



The youth of the 8th Grade Confirmation Class:
Chloe Evans
Brayden Spencer
Sydney Emerson
conclude their Confirmation Program during the month of May.

**The Rite of Confirmation is on
Sunday, June 9
One Service at 10:00 AM**

(Also the Church picnic following the Service)

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

Thank you to all that completed a worship Time and Talent sheet. We are however still in need of additional volunteers to assist with Sunday morning worship. This includes: Ushers, Lectors, Greeters and Communion Assistance for the 9:00 AM Service.

If you are willing to serve, please complete the Worship Time and Talent sheet. They are located in the Narthex on top of the Commitment card box. You can put the completed sheet into the box.

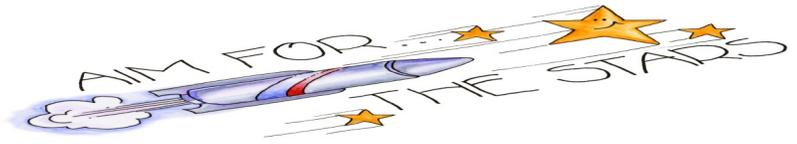
SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE BEGINS

Thursday, **June 20** at 7:00 PM

SUNDAY SERVICES BEGIN

June 23

One Service at 9:30 AM
Through Labor Day



ATTENTION GRADUATES

Are you graduating from high school or college? Have you received an advanced degree or professional certificate during this past year?

We would like to acknowledge and celebrate your accomplishments. In the next Communicator newsletter, we plan to include a short piece on our graduates. Please call the office at 247-7824 or drop us a note at office@oursaviourrochester.org

Let us know where, when, what field, where you are headed - things like that, and then we can celebrate your milestone and give thanks to God!

Thought we can try something new! How about sharing a recipe that is your family's favorite, a family "secret" recipe, one that people have always complemented on when you made it, or something so very different? Here is a recipe from Ann Seppa—"I make this crumb cake for all our family functions and my family loves it."

Please share by emailing to the office at office@oursaviourrochester.org or send via postal mail. Don't forget to include your name and a little comment (ex: my family's favorite, etc).

CRUMB CAKE

Grease and flour 12 X 18 pan

Preheat and bake in oven at 350 degrees

The Cake:

1 Yellow Duncan Hines Cake Mix
4 Eggs
1 Package Dream Whip
1 Cup Water
1 ½ Tsp Vanilla

The Crumbs:

¾ Lb. Butter, melted
4 C Flour
3 Tsp Cinnamon
1 ⅓ C Sugar
3 Tsp Vanilla
A pinch of salt

Beat all ingredients for the cake for 4 minutes. Pour into pan. Bake 20-25 minutes. While cake is baking, make the crumbs.

Slowly melt butter. Mix all dry ingredients well. Pour melted butter slowly over it. Squish between fingers so that it is left in chunks. After cake is done, cover whole cake with chunks. Put back in oven for 20 minutes. Then open oven door and turn oven off. Let crumbs dry out for about 15 minutes in oven with heat off. Take from oven and cool completely. Sprinkle cake generously with confectionary sugar.

P.S. Best if 12 x 18 pan is used, however, if you don't have one, the aluminum throw-away pans are okay.

Thank You



for your Kindness

The bell choir would like to thank those of you who donated to the Bell Refurbishment fund. We were able to raise the full amount needed and with that we are truly grateful. The bells look as good as new and they sound great. We hope you enjoyed our performance on Easter and we are looking forward to performing again on Pentecost. A bell concert is in the works for the 75th anniversary celebration, stay tuned for more information.

Again, thank you for your generous donations, we are blessed with an amazing congregation who supports the music program.

Musically yours,
Alexandra Pond and the bell choir

P.S. If anyone is interested in becoming a part of the bell choir, we are always looking for new members. No music reading ability needed! We would love to have you.

- ♥ *Mary Ellen Saur, Patti Schulz, Ann and Gordon Seppa for collating, stapling, addressing and mailing the April newsletter. It was a big job for that month!*
- ♥ *Mary Ellen Saur, Sharon and Richard Yackel assembling the bulletins each week. They had double duties this past month!*
- ♥ *Mary Ellen Saur for continuing to change the message on the sign and doing other various tasks in the office.*
- ♥ *Margie Kowalski for continuing to care for the plants in the Narthex and replacing the flowers in the planter and vases. Thank you to Margie for donating a fairly new twin bed. However, the garage sale is unable to sell it, so if anyone wish, you may take it (asap please). There is a bed frame, box spring and mattress in Dell Hall. Please contact Simone. Otherwise, we will have to put it out to the curb :-)*
- ♥ *To all the Sunday Modern Traditional Power Point volunteers.*
- ♥ *Bless Mary Pleten's heart for being available for Simone even on her vacation!*
- ♥ *Ed and Deb Housel for delivering the food donations to St. Theodore's pantry. Deb was so good to ask St. Theodore's to send us a thank you note.*
- ♥ *The Cleaning Bee members for keeping up with the various cleaning jobs.*
- ♥ *Brian and Pam Spencer, Andy Pond, Janeen Oliver, Dick Ransom, Mary Ellen Saur, Michelle Coval, Simone Harter, as well as the nine youths that assisted in the LYO Palm Sunday Breakfast. Wow, they had to show up at 6:00 AM! We also had comments that it was the best breakfast ever!! Hmm, how do we top it for next year...*
- ♥ *Brian Spencer for working Rudy Vogel's birthday party. He had to do a lot!*
- ♥ *Ann Seppa and Mary Ellen for serving Rudy's cake the following Sunday.*
- ♥ *All the folks that made soup and Brian Spencer for making grilled cheese for the Mid-Week Lenten Service. If you have different suggestions for next year, please see Simone.*
- ♥ *Kim Popen brought in empty boxes upon request from Simone. Keep them coming. Simone would like 25 from now to the end of August. The boxes have other purposes aside for the garage sale.*
- ♥ *Dave Wiesmore and Larry Hopkins donating computer monitors for Simone. It's making the office work more efficient.*
- ♥ *The continued efforts from the members of the 75th Anniversary Committee.*
- ♥ *Ann Seppa for doing an awesome job as our Synod representative!*
- ♥ *Jerry Stich for being patient with Simone as we work through the technology logistics in the office.*
- ♥ *Alexandra Pond, Vocal Choir and Bell Choir for their lovely performances.*
- ♥ *Thanks to the various Committees that help with Memorial Services.*

The commitment and dedication of all members of Our Saviour are important to the congregation's mission and ministry. We want to recognize the tasks done by members. Committee/Board Chairs and others are asked to share these names with the Office Manager, Simone Harter, for inclusion in future issues of the Communicator.

SPECIFIC TO OUR SAVIOUR

- † Stewardship Meeting, 5/2, 6:30 PM
- † Evangelism Committee:
 - † Christian Movie, 5/4, 2:00 PM
 - † Basket donations due 5/5
- † First Communion Classes:
 - † 5/4 and 5/11, 9:30 AM
- † Guest speaker, Pastor Craig Swanson, 5/5,
at both Services. Coffee hour after the 9:00 AM Service
- † Congregational Life Committee (CLC) Meeting,
5/5, 12:15 PM
- † 75th Anniversary Meeting, 5/6, 11:00 AM
- † Jubilee's Luncheon, 5/8, 12:00 PM
- † Boy Scouts BBQ, 5/11, 11:00 AM
- † *Happy Mother's Day!* 5/12
 - † Both Services at 9:00 AM and 11:15 AM
 - † First Communion Sunday
at the 11:15AM Service
- † Church Council Meeting, 5/13, 6:30 PM
- † WELCA Meeting, 5/14, 6:30 PM
- † LYO Garage Sale, 5/18, 9:00 AM—3:00 PM
- † Adopt-A-Highway, 5/18, 9:00 AM
- † 75th Anniversary, the theme for May is Education -
Speakers will be our Sunday School teachers on
5/19 at both Services.
- † Laying of new veterans bricks on 5/26, after the
9:00 AM Service
- † Church office closed on 5/27



SPECIFIC TO OUR SAVIOUR

- † Guest speaker, 6/2, at both Services
Pastor is to-be-determined
- † Pentecost, 6/9, one Service at 10:00 AM
 - † The Rite to Confirmation during the Service
 - † Picnic following the Service
- † *Happy Father's Day!* 6/16
 - † Both Services at 9:00 AM and 11:15 AM
- † Summer Services
 - † Thursday Worship begins 6/20, 7:00 PM
 - † Sunday Service begins 6/23, 9:30 AM
- † 75th Anniversary, the theme for June is
First Responders, speaker on 6/23,
one summer Service at 9:30 AM

OTHER ACTIVITIES

- † Spring Communion Brunch (WELCA),
5/4, 10:00 AM Registration
- † Leadership and Planning Meeting (WELCA),
6/12, 11:30 AM
- † Camp Joy, 6/16 - 6/21
- † Upstate NY Synod Convention (WELCA),
10/4 - 10/6

KID'S KLIPS

Unscramble the Words

Find the words from Job 8:13b-15 in the scramble puzzle.



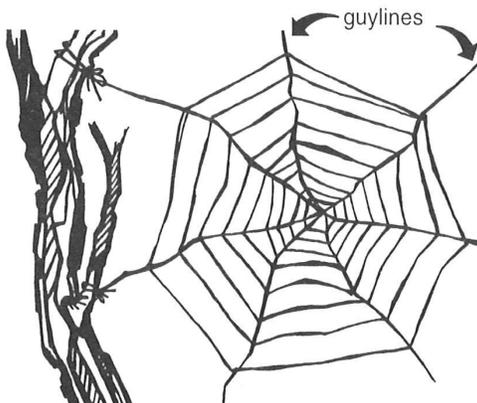
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 C Q W Z A R O X A S Y E T D

Fill in the blanks below.

“The p h e o of the l g e o s d s shall i h r e s p . Their
 c o d e n n f c i e is r s e s m o a g , a p d r s e i s
 o h s u e their u r s t t . If n e o a s l n e
 i a n g a s t its house, it l w l i t o n s a d n t ; if one
 y s l a d l o h of it, it will not u e r n e d .”

Answer
 “The hope of the godless shall perish. Their
 confidence is gossamer, a spider’s house their
 trust. If one leans against its house, it will not
 stand; if one lays hold of it, it will not endure.”

Collect a spider web

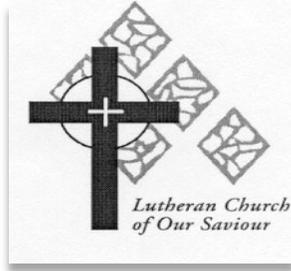


You will need:

- Newspapers or drop cloth
- White or light-colored spray enamel
- Dark construction paper
- Old pair of scissors

Directions:

1. Find a web where there is no spider. A wheel-shaped web works best.
2. Lay out newspapers or drop cloths alongside and underneath the web, to catch overspray.
3. Spray web lightly with paint, using short bursts. Spray both sides, if possible. Do this only on a calm day.
4. Ease a piece of construction paper close to underside of web. Touch whole web to paper at once. (Do not twist or pull paper; it will cause smearing.)
5. Snip off guylines (see illustration) of web at paper’s edges. Set aside to dry.



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