

## Wilderness Words



## Spirit of the Wilderness

Weekly News—February 4, 2010

### Mentor Notes:

I love the way things “take off,” as the Spirit gives them a life of their own. This seems to have happened with the “Haiti Party”—I asked Bump if he’d play and he asked a number of other musicians. I asked the NewsHerald if I could write an article and they offered a free ad.

My hope is that we will raise lots of money to send to Haiti, have a lot of fun, and show the community how great Episcopalians are! I hope to produce a small hand out (or magnet?) for people to pick up. Greg and Coralyn have sent some fine material on Habitat for Humanity in Haiti; a friend from the cities is bringing up material on Episcopal Relief and Development in Haiti.

Talk this up with friends, co-workers, etc. This is a perfect time to bring people who may be uncomfortable with church into the orbit of church people!

In my sermon on Sunday I talked about how the early church shocked people with their love: Look at how these Christians love one another, people said. Let’s pray that our Haiti party will be a place to show love across the world and on our doorstep.

Blessings— +Mary Ellen

### Mark your calendar:

**Haiti Party: 6-10 Monday, Feb. 15th**

**Haiti Party Set up:** From 3:00 at the Folk School.

**Ash Wednesday:** At WindCradle 6:30 PM, Feb. 17. A service with imposition of ashes.

**Business/steering meeting needed??—Feb. 21**

**Adult Forum: Feb. 28**  
On being Episcopalian and missional I’ll hand out copies of the article soon.

**Women’s Spirituality Groups:** East End, Feb. 8th; West End, Feb. 24th



### Please Pray—

- For the bishop elect, Brian Prior that he will be given grace and wisdom.
- Ongoing healing for Lorraine and Jerry.
- For Nikki’s nephew Alan.

Inviting Mystery  
Encompassing Compassion  
Encountering Christ

### To Do for the Haiti Party:

- I’ll pass out posters on Sunday. Put them up wherever you can.
- Though it’s a potluck it’d be nice if we could bring some nice, big filling hot-dishes.
- We’ll need to get some juice, coffee and tea. It would be helpful to have a few large water thermoses, since we’ll be in the building without a sink.
- If you’d like to pick up juice, coffee or tea please let me know.
- If a few of us could be there to set up at around 3:00 PM that would be great.
- Dress up for this if you!