



**Capital News**  
**Capital Campaign Committee**  
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**Caring for God's House - Together**

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**Betty and the Tree**

RRPC Capital Campaign News

Recently I was asked why I'm part of the RRPC Capital Campaign Committee. My only answer has been, 'Because Pastor Kathy asked me to be on it.' And who refuses anything when asked by Pastor Kathy?!!

I became one half of the visual/art portion of the committee. Liz Bushma and I would be working together. I was more than happy to leave the financial decisions to other members of the committee! All the members of the CC Committee are a very cool group to work with.

In the beginning of our 3-year challenge, Liz suggested a tree for our logo. We chose green as our color. My first challenge was to create an 8' x 8' green tree. That giant tree is in the narthex, on the wall by the Fellowship Hall. We put

leaves on the tree – each with the name of a member of our church. Have you found yours? New members get their own leaves; and the names of our members who have passed are hand-written on white satin ribbons that are draped over the tree.

Instead of using the 'thermometer' way to show our progress toward raising the money for the projects, I used 'balloons', held by one of the 11 native New Mexico critters. Five balloons tell the progress of each project. **Project #1**, the roof – Done and Paid for! **Project #2** – new HVAC units – Done and Paid for! \u-257 ?

**Project #3** – the parking lot. This particular project needed visuals to help show the variety and severity of the problems and the safety issues! Few of the congregation have ever walked the whole parking lot to experience how long, wide and deep the cracks are! (We even thought about naming the largest cracks for US or Biblical rivers!) Those parking lot posters, one with the aerial view, are on the counter by the CC tree in the narthex. And the recommended amount for Project #3 has all been donated and is in the bank!

**Project #4** – the interior floor and carpet, and **Project #5** – the Stucco, will follow after Project #3 is completed. The Project Management Team is still reviewing the language in several bids for details.

\u-257 ?While creating the visuals is an awful lot of fun for me, and something I can use my artistic skills to create, I am truly amazed by the generosity of our congregation! The good Lord has blessed us in so many ways, and these projects are getting done!!!

I have been honored to be a part of the RRPC Capital Campaign Committee, and to be able to contribute my artistic skills for this amazing 3-year Campaign.

***Betty E. Gobeille***

The Capital Campaign Committee -- Betty, Elaine, Leah, Pat, Denise, Sue, and Bob

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***Unless the Lord builds the house, the builders labor in vain. Psalm 127:1  
Thank you for your support!***

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