

Youth News

Disaster Relief Auction

Jr High and Sr High Attend the ANE District Auction.

Yes, some of our Jr High and Sr High youth and parents got up early on a Saturday morning (before 7AM), loaded in the church van and headed for the Lebanon Fair Grounds. Attending were Linda Byers and Mason, Doug and Donna Lunger, Kaitlyn Heck and her friend Bonnie, Ava Bowser, Michele Shertzer and Justin, Carol Shearer and Sarah, Tristan and Grant Turkki and Megan Eldridge. For most of them, this was the first time they ever attended the event which has been a part of the Atlantic Northeast for 34 years.

The plan for the day was to help pack and box up "Kits from the Heart" to go to children around the world in need of school supplies. Other folks and youth groups from the district were already gathering and lining up to get started. Before we beginning, we were lead in prayer. Once we entered the room, we were lined up along tables containing supplies like pencils, notebooks, eraser, pencil sharpener, crayons, scissors and a ruler along with a simple fabric bag to put them in. Each person was given a task to do to fill and pass the bag to the next person. (continued page 2)



Stay in Touch

Lets talk. No, really. I want to be sure you know I'm around to have conversations with you. We can talk about the weather, phases of the moon, how fast grass grows or deeper things like how you are feeling, your questions, struggles, your faith, my faith, the church, your parents, your teenagers or where you are going, what you are doing and what dreams or visions you have for the future. (sounds rather awkward, right) It's not really. Getting another persons perspective, listening, questioning, wondering out loud are ways we can learn about ourselves and challenge each other to grow in our faith and relationship to God. Conversations can help to build understanding and community. We can learn how to support one another better.

Don't be surprised if you get a phone call from me asking to meet with you just to get a chance to have a quick conversation or get to know each other better.

And remember, you can call me too.

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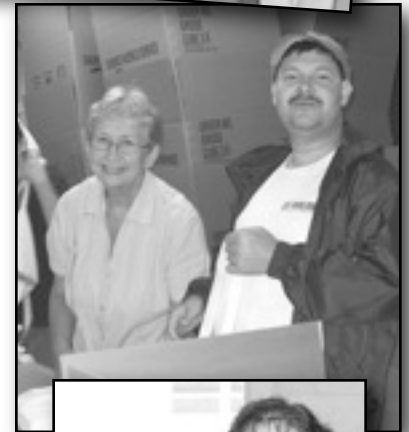
Mason and Tristan were working hard on the supply line making sure the tables didn't run out of supplies. (good thing they are both Boy Scouts and knew knife safety when using the box cutters) The rest of us packed and stacked and chatted with the other workers around the tables. Even a few members of our congregation were spotted. Mo and Rachel Salahm and Susanne and



Carlos Schaldel were among the workers that morning. We began packing around 8:15 and the last bag was packed about 10:30. The work was quick and fast paced but fun and rewarding.

After working we all had time to wander around the fair grounds to see the auctions and many stands with crafts, produce and (most important) FOOD !!!! We discovered the AWESOME Amish Donuts made fresh while you waited. Cream filled seemed to be the most popular and, I think, voted the favorite in our group.

There were even a few friends around, like Cindy, who cooked for our Sr High Youth this summer at work camp. Cindy is the sister of the Pastor Christy Waltersdorf from the church where we stayed. Cindy lives in the York, PA area.



After making some purchases and grabbing a bite to eat for lunch (mostly donuts), we loaded back into the van to return to the church. Thanks goes out to Doug Lunger for driving the van and getting us safely there and back. We are all looking forward to doing this event again next year.

Pictured: pg 1 - photo 1: Megan, Sarah, Carol, Bonnie, Kaitlyn, and Ava; photo 2: Megan, Mason Grant T., Doug; photo 3: (in the front) Justin and Michele; photo 4: Donna and Doug;

pg 2 - left photo 1: Sarah and Carol; left photo 2: Tristan and the best donut he ever ate in his life; right photo 1: hand in hand for prayer with other auction workers; right photo 2: Suasanne and Carlos; right photo 3: Linda and Cindy

Bulletin Board: Youth are welcome to remove the Chicago Work camp prints or the Swim Party prints you would like to keep.

Carol Shearer is the Youth Bulletin Board Director. If you would like to post something - please contact her. - Thanks

Linda loses \$5 at the L-S vs Hempfield Football Game. All youth - through email message and facebook where challenged to attend the game to find Linda and be rewarded \$1 just for speaking to her (and asking for the money). Several youth met the challenge and got paid. Colin Betz entered rival territory to get his reward. Linda was able to hide from Cory Betz and Shane Heck, who unfortunately missed out. (rule is Linda can hide from you) Jenny Lines was the first to be rewarded. Andrew Lines was reminded by his parents and was the last to get the prize. If you catch Linda at any team sport through out the year - you too can earn \$1 - Challenge is ON !

Brief News You Can Use

Messages of Thanks

Thanks to all of those who have volunteered in to help in Youth Ministry in the month of October - Wendie Holsinger (SH WNL challenge game night); Todd Bookman (SH WNL board game night) Mike Snyder & Christine Turkki (SH WNL service night); Donna Lunger (JH WNL board games); Rich and Laura Bowser (JH Bike Hike)

SEEKING Youth Ministry Oversight Team Member

The team meets on the first Tuesday of each month, however, that date is flexible to meet the members schedules. The commitment is requested for two years **If you feel God's leading to be a part of this influential team please contact Sue Lines.**

Sr High First Meet to Eat

This month we are trying something new and supporting another Brethren congregation at the same time. We are meeting Thurs. **Oct 13** at 6:00 at the Isaac's Restaurant near Granite Run to share a meal together. Order your favorite sandwich and 25% of the cost will go to support the Alpha & Omega Church. They are a spanish speaking congregation meeting in Lancaster City.

Youth will need to bring cash enough to cover meal and tip. **If you sign up on Facebook or in the classroom by Weds. Oct. 12 an attempt will be made to get a table large enough to**

fit the group . Families are welcome to attend.

SH Soda Rules

We are hoping to provide beverages for the youth to enjoy. Because "pay as you drink" means - most of the drinks are consumed before we have the funds to purchase more, we are asking youth to pay \$5 to cover the next 10 drinks. There is a list in the youth room where youth can check off the sodas they use. Bottled water is also available.

The sodas are provided during Weds. nights and on Soup and Salad Sundays as long as everyone is respecting the rules of the room. Sodas are no longer going to be available on Sunday mornings.

CHEERS for Youth

If you are on a Fall Sports team let Linda know your game schedule. We would all like to send you some encouragement and maybe even show up at a game or match or meet to cheer you on! This can include school events too like musicals, plays and concerts. Let us know what you are doing so we can let others know too.

Medical & Child Protect Forms for Volunteers

Please return completed youth medical forms to Donna Brubaker by Sept 11. (box #42).

Any adult planning to volunteer with our youth, need to have a Child Protect Policy form completed and on file at the church office. Contact

Linda for this form. District events require all churches to list Adult Advisors with clearance.

GO! YOUTH!

Congratulations to Jenny Lines who was the first runner up Fair Queen for the West Lampeter Community Fair.

If you learn of something we ALL should cheer for - Let Linda Know so it can be included in our Youth News.

Jr High District Retreat

Each of our Jr High youth should have received a Medical Release form and a page with more information about attending the Fall Retreat held at Camp Swatara on Oct. 28-30.

There will be youth groups from around the district attending. Must return \$28 fee and signed release form by Oct 16 to attend. This weekend is a lot of fun! Don't miss out!

Soup and Salad Success

Our first Soup and Salad for the season was successful. Earnings collected from the baskets that day were - **\$793** The S&S Team is evaluating and tweaking some of the little things that could improve our work and our guests experience. Big thanks goes out to all of those parent volunteers who helped to set up, clean up and supervise. Hope to see all of you at the next Soup and Salad this month - **followed by the Congregational Business Meeting - Oct 23**

October Events

- Oct 2** - Love Feast & Communion
- Oct 5** - WNL (Weds. Night Live)
6:30 - 8:00
Jr. High - Ball Games
Sr. High - Challenge Games
(with Wendie Holsinger)
- Oct 9 - Jr High** Rail Trail Bike Hike
(with the Bowser's)
- Oct 12** - WNL (Weds. Night Live)
6:30 - 8:00
Jr. High - Challenge Games
Sr. High - Board Games
- Oct 13** - **Sr High** meet for dinner
Isaac's at Granite Run @ 6PM
- Oct 15** - **Sr High** Dist. Barn Bonanza
6 to 10 (meet 5:30 @ church
or in Mt Joy @ 6:00)
- Oct 19** - WNL (Weds. Night Live)
6:30 - 8:00
Jr. High - Board Games
(with Donna Lunger)
Sr. High - Service Night
(with Mike Snyder and
Christine Turkki)
- Oct 23** - Soup and Salad
Sr High report in the kitchen
@ 9AM (no Sunday School)
- Oct 26** - WNL (Weds. Night Live)
6:30 - 8:00
Jr. High - Service Night
Sr. High - Ball Games
- Oct 28-30** - **Jr High** District Retreat
at Camp Swatara
(meet @ church 5:30)

What is NEW in Our Sunday School

Sr High Class has begun a series of lessons that take us back to the Old Testament in a new way. We are learning through listening to stories and using imagination to discover what God may have intended for us to learn through these messages.

The process is called "storying" and is similar to how tribal people with no written language passed stories from one generation to the next. The goal is

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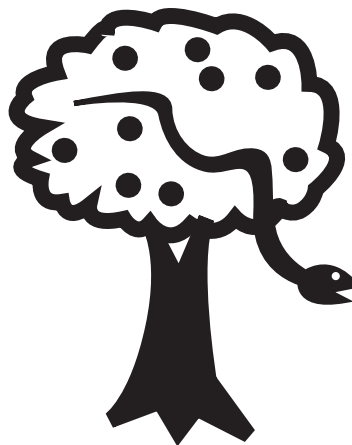
Jr High Lock-In @ LVC is moving to **March 2-3**. (Frequent bad weather in Feb. made previous date always questionable)

Sr. High will plan to attend a Hershey Bears Hockey Game on **March 25**

April 21 District Youth Service Project need to register by April 12

to tell these stories in the order they appear in the Bible starting at Genesis. Each week we will recall the previous weeks story and tell the next.

Five different teachers will lead the discussions so please welcome: Linda Husted, Christine Turkki, Chuck Denlinger, Tim Heck and Linda Byers to the class. Sometime more than one teacher may attend just because all are interested in the study too. If you want to know more about the study, you can learn more at: <http://www.echothestory.com>



The Jr High Class is learning about the first Brethren. So far they have studied how the Brethren first formed in Germany and what lead them to become outlaws. The group has been

taught about the foot washing service of Love Feast and gone on a "field trip" to the Baptismal Pool in the sanctuary.

These youth have been challenged to experience what is may have been like to be baptized in the ice cold streams as the first Brethren did in American near Germantown. Ask them what is was like to see how long they could hold their hand in the cooler of ice water. Justin Shertzer was the brave enough to go for over a minute. It was a fun experiment.

The study will continue with lessons about heros of our Brethren History.

The Jr High Class is still in need of teachers to lead on a Sunday morning.

November Events

- Nov 2** - WNL (Weds. Night Live)
6:30 - 8:00
Jr. High - Ball Games
Sr. High - Challenge Games
- Nov 6** - **Sr. High** Movie Night
- Nov 9** - WNL (Weds. Night Live)
6:30 - 8:00
Jr. High - Challenge Games
Sr. High - Board Games
(with the Shearer's)
- Nov 16** - WNL (Weds. Night Live)
6:30 - 8:00
Jr. High - Board Games
(with Donna Lunger)
Sr. High - Service Night
(with Mike Snyder and
Christine Turkki)
- Nov 18-20** - Footprints Regional
Conference
- Nov 20** - Soup and Salad
Sr High report in the kitchen
@ 9AM (no Sunday School)
- Nov 30** - Weds. Night ?????
6:30 - 8:00
Jr. High & Sr. High -Free