



Lakeview NEWS

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Lakeview United Methodist Church

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WELLNESS COMMITTEE

The Wellness Committee is having a Chef Salad sale on June 7, 2009. They are working to raise funds to share with the Jericho House and the Heart and Hand House. Both of these charitable institutions are in need of funds to help those less fortunate than ourselves.

We invite you to purchase a salad. Signup sheets are being circulated for you to add your name to the list for one. They will cost \$6.00 each and they will be a large salad with dressing and a hunk of bread to go with the salad. Again we ask for your support.

For those who are not aware this committee has (with your help) purchased the church's AED (Automated External Defibrillator), sponsored a training session to teach its use, sponsored an Adults Night Out to outline the necessity of Advanced Directives and Medical Powers of Attorney, sponsored an Appreciation Dinner for the Lakewood Volunteer Fire Department, arranged for a telephone in our exercise room (Be sure to thank Rodney Holley when you see him--he provided the phone and the expertise to install it), sponsored a CPR class and is on the lookout for other service projects to advance wellness in our church. Should you know of a need or a project that warrants this committee's attention, please contact: Linda Martin, Carol Davis, Janet Pennington, Sherry Knapp, Bob Carpenter or Norma Newbrough. God is good!

Email address for Pastor Richie: mbigrich@yahoo.com

Check our website to keep up with upcoming events. Just go to: Lakeviewunitedmethodistchurch.net and select the "Upcoming Events" link. Also check the "Stewardship" link for the 2009 Lawn Mowing schedule and the Second Quarter Announcer schedule. This newsletter and past newsletters are also available on the website.

If you would like to receive this newsletter via email, send me an email at: donald.paul.wilson@verizon.net and I will add you to the distribution list.

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

Chairperson, Ron Colby called the meeting to order and Wayne Kersey opened the meeting with a devotion and prayer. Those present were Ron & Marilyn Colby, Fred McKinney, Jason & Robin Black, Wayne Kersey, Karen Ekstrom, and Don & Marilyn Morton. Motion (Don/Robin) to accept the April minutes as printed.

Old Business – It has been brought to our attention that Jericho House needs a refrigerator and we have one in the church basement which is not being used. After discussion, motion (Fred/Jason) passed to give this refrigerator to Jericho House. Dave Koontz will handle the move.

Treasurer's Report – The report was accepted (Don/Fred) as printed. Total income from our Spring Yard Sale was \$3021.41. Because of low interest on our Building Fund monies, we will ask the Finance Committee to revisit the option of making extra payments on our loan.

Family Ministries/Outreach – Vacation Bible School will be June 28-July 2

We are securing volunteers for Bible School, and a meeting is planned later this month.

Plans are to do "the parking routine" at the Mary Ingles Trail weekend in September.

On June 13th there will be a fishing tournament at the lake and plans are to offer free coffee and drinks for the kids and also have the church open for bathroom stops.

PS/PRC – The committee has completed the annual Pastor evaluation – the write up will be sent in by the end of May, as requested by the District.

Trustees – Trustees are pleased to announce that with our new sign project monies, we were able to buy a couple bushes to be planted underneath. Thanks to Dave & Barbara Koontz for accomplishing this.

The trustees have been working on getting quotes on removing the Sycamore trees from the parsonage yard. Quotes range from \$3800 (for trimming) to \$5800 (for removal).

Worship – The committee met prior to this meeting and discussed the following:

- (1) A supplement to our hymnals
- (2) Using a new doxology in the Fall
- (3) A joint worship time with St. Luke in August where combined choirs would sing.
- (4) Perhaps a joint sing-along at St. Luke because last year was at Lakeview
- (5) Next meeting is scheduled for August 11.

Miscellaneous - Ron suggested we pick a date for our fall yard sale. Discussion centered on October 3 and he will check to see if this works with majority of workers.

The June Administrative Council Meeting will be held June 9, 2009, 7 pm.

The meeting was closed with prayer by Jason Black.

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The end of another school year is approaching, students are graduating, **SOME** people are vacationing and summer is coming. We have had an early taste of it with blistering temperatures in late April. **The Pastor's Bible Study** is winding to a close for the summer. Plans are being made for **Vacation Bible School** and

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our **Pastor Richie** will have his 1 year anniversary with us soon. **God is good!**

We congratulate our graduates! **Maria Belcher** is graduating from **SAHS** and plans to attend college at **WVU**. She is the daughter of **Greg and Judy Belcher** and the sister of **Max**. **Maria** was also named **Prom Queen** in early May. **God is good.**

Cameron Strawderman, son of **Judy and Tom Strawderman** is graduating from **Charleston Catholic High School**. **God is good.**

Elizabeth Wilson has graduated from the **University of Kentucky** with a **Doctor of Pharmacy** degree and will be starting an internship in **Clarksburg**. **Elizabeth** is the daughter of our **Don and Karen Wilson**. **God is good!**

Our recent **Yard Sale** was a huge success with over **\$3,000.00** being raised. We thank our many contributors, our many workers, our many bakers, our many pricers, our many sorters, our many cooks, our many carry out persons and our many traffic controllers. It is amazing what people can do when they have a common purpose and the grace of God at their side! **God is good!**

Thirteen persons in our congregation took the **CPR Class** on **April 30, 2009** with **Steve Obermayer** serving as instructor. The **Wellness Committee** sponsored the event and provided snacks for the evening. It was an opportunity to relearn the **CPR skills** that many of us had forgotten and to refresh our memories on the use of our **AED**. Those completing the class were **Carol Davis, Linda Martin, Sherry Knapp, Amber Caravassos, Oren**

Davis, Don and Marilyn Morton, Barbara Koontz, Ruth Anderson, Mary Carr, Helen Cherry and Bud and Norma Newbrough. **God is good!**

Franki and Chris Noble report that they had two new grandsons born ten minutes apart on **April 27** in two different states. The boys are: **Tyler William Lauerman of New Orleans, LA** and **Collin Hunter Noble of Panama City, FL**. Be sure to congratulate the **Nobles** when you see them! **God is good!**

On a more recent note, **Chris Noble** has been injured in a recent fall from a roof. We pray for a complete recovery!

Will Mucklow has announced that he is recently engaged. We offer congratulations and best wishes to him and his fiancée, **Beth**. **Beth** is the mother of 2 sons, **Caleb and Jonah** and **Will** is the father of **Richard**. **Will** tells me that they plan to wed in **April** of next year.

We ask for prayer and sympathy for **Doris Herscher**, whose mother died on **May 1**. Her mother, **Reba Hodges**, was 98 and lasted only a few days after a fall.

Mary Ferguson has had a surgery on her eye that will be a help with her glaucoma.

We ask for continued prayer for **Leslie Boden** who is struggling with kidney stones.

We ask for prayer for **Linda Thompson** as she recovers from surgery to repair a torn tendon in her ankle.

We ask for prayer for **Jim Rose** who begins therapy for prostate cancer soon.

We ask for prayer for **Mary Carr** who will be undergoing surgery for a possible breast cancer.

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We give thanks for our new church sign and the moving of our cross to the outside of the multipurpose room. **Fred McKinney** spearheaded this project and **Don Morton** made the new letters on the back of the church. We are grateful to have such talented people in our midst. **God is good!**

CHURCH CALENDAR

Fran Casto has been for some time the contact person for scheduling events at the church; i.e, keeping the church calendar. Since her illness, there has been a reluctance to call her thinking it would be an intrusion or inconvenience. Early on that may have been true so we are thankful for the considerations extended to her. She has now improved to the point where she is able to take care of the scheduling and she would like to continue doing so. Therefore, if you want to schedule the use of the church facilities for an event, please do not hesitate to call our number (304-727-9570). We will put it on the calendar we keep here at the house and I will be sure it gets posted on the church calendar in the copy room. The PSPR Committee has discussed the matter and has agreed to this approach.

Bill and Fran Casto

May and June Birthdays

CAITLYN ASHLEY	5/6
HOLLIE FERGUSON	5/8
TIM FERGUSON	5/8
SANDY ASHLEY	5/9
FRAN CASTO	5/13
SANDY COLLEVECCHIO	5/19
DAVE SR GIPE	5/19

ASHLEY WILSON	5/20
AMY HUMPHREYS	5/22
STEPHANIE GIPE	5/26
JEFF EKSTROM	5/28
MARILYN MORTON	5/28
LINDA THOMPSON	5/28
MARY CARR	6/6
BILL CUMBERLEDGE	6/6
SALLY HUDSON- CARPENTER	6/10
CAMERON ASHLEY	6/14
AMI IDDINGS	6/18
CAMERON STRAWDERMAN	6/18
ADAM PENNINGTON	6/19

May and June Anniversaries

CASTO	5/26
KERSEY	5/29
BLACK	6/3
MORTON	6/4
MCCORMICK	6/7
WILSON	6/7
NOBLE	6/9
FRY	6/10
THOMPSON	6/17

FINANCE CORNER

Income needed to meet budget	\$7,165.00
Income for April	\$7,076.00
All bills paid in full	
Fair Share to Conference due	\$6,716.00
Fair Share Paid	\$5,396.00

Finance Chairperson
Bud Newbrough