

LANCASTER AREA HABITAT FOR HUMANITY is planning a fall trip to volunteer in New Orleans September 27 through October 7. The trip costs \$250 and includes transportation, meals, and lodging. Additional costs include two nights in a hotel and food during the trip to New Orleans. An informational meeting will be held Thursday, July 26, at 6:00 p.m. at the Habitat office: 443 Fairview Avenue, Lancaster. RSVP to volunteer@lancasterhabitat.org or call 392-8836, ext. 203. August 1 is the deadline for registration and a deposit.

Sunday—July 29

WORSHIP SERVICE

Sermon—Chad and Senior Youth

Worship Leader—Emily Smucker Beidler

Song Leader—

Prelude and Offertory—Rast/Kilbourn

Sound Technician—Steve Stayrook

1st Service Greeter/Ushers—Lois Lehman/Sheela Huddle, Wayne Martin

2nd Service Greeter/Ushers—Linda High/Mary Gattis-Schell, Audrey Patterson

CHILDCARE

1st Service—Kelvin Mack, Marian Good

2nd Service—Don Stoltzfus, Kim Van Dunk, Cesar Velasco

SUMMER HOSPITALITY—JAS Committee

Church Calendar

July 25 Congregational Council
25 Drop in Reflection Evening, 7 p.m.
30 Grant Street Visioning, 6 p.m.

Church Report—July 15, 2007

Attendance—1st Service: 76

Attendance—2nd Service: 87

Total Offering: General Fund—No Report



ANNOUNCEMENTS—JULY 22, 2007 FOR WEEK OF JULY 22—JULY 28, 2007

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TESTING GRANT STREET VISION...

As ideas/dreams emerge for the Grant Street building, the area having the most energy and interest has been a focus on holistic wellness--including things like:

- offering cooking classes to Fulton students/families,
- learning and teaching about sustainable living,
- preventative health center
- spiritual direction/growth, the role of art and music in a neighborhood community

Feeding the body, mind, soul.

Equipping

Accountability (the challenge of how we integrate knowledge of health/wholeness into our lives) and passing it on...

Some of this conversation happened during the adult CE series on healthcare access, some of it has happened in the Grant Street meetings along with various nooks and crannies over the past months. It's time to see whether there is a vision ready to emerge here AND does it attach itself to the Grant Street building or is it something that Grant Street has helped provoke into being? We're not looking for a committee to come up with good ideas, but looking for people who are drawn to this and curious how their own gifts and vision fit into this. Is that YOU?? Next Monday, July 30, is a time to consider whether there is a central vision that people are drawn to. Our hope is to get people into the same room for conversation and sharing of dreams. Meet in the CMCL Fellowship Room for a light supper. Bring any garden bounty you want to share or just show up. Contact persons: Pam Dintaman, Chad Martin, Cindy Hinkle or Donna Walton.

THE WEDNESDAY EVENING DROP-IN REFLECTION HOUR will not be hosted this Wednesday, July 25, because of council meeting happening the same night. Reflection guides will be available at the back door off of Concord Street for individuals (or a small group) to use in the patio or in the sanctuary.

JAS NEWS—CMCL'S second Jubilee Fax-Action will take place on Sunday, July 29th between the two services. Please make a point to come! We will write brief messages to Bro. Pitts urging him to support Jubilee Act H.R. 2634, which calls for more transparent and responsible behavior by creditors and expanded debt cancellation for 67 countries who need it to meet the Millennium Development. Goals by 2015: Justice and Spirituality Committee will be providing food for the Parrot Café as incentive for your participation.

SUMMER ACTIVITY PROGRAM FOR KIDS AGE 2–GRADE 2

DATE: Aug. 8; *TIME:* 9–11 a.m.

WHAT: Inspirational children's books with messages of God's gifts of love, community and discovery. Related art activities and games.

DIRECT YOUR QUESTIONS to Emily Smucker Beidler, Nancy Cridland Baum or Gwen Peachy.

BEFORE SCHOOL PROGRAM—A committee met this week to begin to shape possibilities for offering before school care to students from Fulton Elementary. Please consider whether the call to help staff this program is *your* call. Kindly connect (soon!) with Louise Ranck, Julia Rosenfeld or Cynthia Nolt if you are thinking in this direction.

AN EVENING CENTERING PRAYER GROUP will meet six Thursday evenings this fall. Daytime groups continue in Lancaster on Mondays and Tuesdays. If you'd like more information, contact Nancy Brubaker at 717-397-4525 or nancyjbrubaker@gmail.com,

COMPEER LANCASTER'S DREAM RIDERS—You can make a difference! Support one or all the riders from CMCL—Merv Stoltzfus, Jim Spicher and Pauline Zimmerman on Saturday, July 28 at this annual bicycling event that provides an opportunity for many local agencies to raise money for their causes. Help Compeer Lancaster reach its goal of \$3,500.

CMCL DREAM RIDERS CYCLE FOR GARET'S HOPE AGAIN—A team of nine riders (five from CMCL) is once again gearing up to participate in the annual charity-supporting bike ride, Dream Ride Lancaster, by riding to raise funds for RRALF (Red Rose Autoimmune-Hepatitis Liver Foundation). To sponsor a rider, simply give a check made out to "RRALF" to any of the five CMCL riders: Gretchen Thomas, Louise Ranck, Audrey Patterson, Rick Shoup or Chris Longenecker. RRALF funds go directly to "Garet's Hope", a fund that Garet Spiese, a liver transplant recipient, uses to defray medical expenses not covered by insurance.

ADULT VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Monday through Wednesday evenings—Chad, Jessica and Pam plan to attend various evenings of the Akron Mennonite Church's adult class on poverty in America and ways churches can address community needs. We invite you to join us. Bill Ehlig, co-author of "What Every Church Member Should Know About Poverty" will be present Monday through Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m.

COMMUNITY HYMN SING—All are invited to Stumptown Mennonite Church, Bird-In-Hand, on Sunday July 29 at 7 p.m. featuring request singing and acappella men's quartet "The Old Hims" from Allentown, PA. A freewill offering will be taken to cover expenses & music ministries of Stumptown church."

CENTERING PRAYER—A small group of people have been meeting regularly on Tuesday's at 3:30 p.m. for Centering Prayer in the Sattler Room. Kairos provides overall sponsorship of the group that is open to anyone, not only persons who attend CMCL. Anyone is invited to join the group for any of these sessions. Contact Nancy Brubaker, nancyjbrubaker@gmail.com (after July 24) for additional information.

FREE ADMISSION TO NORTH MUSEUM—Sunday, August 12th, from noon until 5 p.m. This is a great opportunity for CMCL children to reunite with classmates before the new Christian education calendar year begins. Parents are encouraged to find a common meeting time and place for their children to go through the museum together. If you'd like a class roster for your child, please contact Emily Smucker-Beidler. Also needed: One or two adults to serve as "ambassadors" at North Museum and sign in CMCL members.

CHILDCARE NEEDED—Lynn and Lori Bergey are looking for childcare for their 7 and 4 year olds beginning August 28 through mid December. Childcare is needed on Tuesdays from 3:30 to 8:30 pm and the child care provider must be able to provide their own transportation both ways. For more information please contact Lynn or Lori at 397.6696 or lorilynn4@verizon.net.

HOME FOR RENT— Heidi Wenger has accepted a position to teach at a private English school in Suwon, S. Korea for the next school year. And so...her home is for rent - a partially furnished three BR, 1 1/4 bath, W/D, piano, single bed, and sofa will stay, desk optional, kitchen appliances, small yards and garden, shed w/mower, quiet street, excellent neighbors, good for kids, 935 E Fulton St. off of McCaskey Ave. available after August 7. partial year lease will be considered. 717-940-5860

Community/General Mennonite

BENEFIT CONCERT—Saturday July 28, 7:00 p.m. at Barshinger Hall on F&M campus. Two chamber ensembles perform rarely played music under the direction of Dr. Brian Norcross. Concert to benefit local charities. Free admission. Goodwill offering will be taken. Contact Eric Umble, 392-1053.