

HILLTOP NEWS



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Upcoming Events



- June 29 - July 3** *Creation* Festival for Youth
- July 1** Ladies Fellowship & Bible Study
- July 14** MCC Sewing Group
- July 15** Ladies Fellowship & Bible Study
- July 29** Ladies Fellowship & Bible Study
- July 30** Men's Fellowship Cookout at Gene Seitz's home
- Aug. 13** Church Picnic at Lower Allen Community Park
- August 27** Men's Fellowship Breakfast at Brother's Restaurant
- September 14** Wednesday Night Out begins



News of Esther Kumi

Ben Fredrick met up with Esther (the Fredrick's former live-in-student) at Mountcrest - a University in Accra. Esther is planning to study there next year when the new medical school opens in a rural area of Ghana.

Ben has been collaborating between Mountcrest and Penn State Hershey College of Medicine to help establish the new medical school in Ghana.

Slate Hill Walking Club 2016



Break out your walking shoes to join the Slate Hill Wednesday evening Walking Club this summer. Print out and refer to the schedule on the next page then gather at the designated walk point around 6:45 to step off at 7:00PM. Walks each week will be hosted by folks from Slate Hill and will traverse local neighborhoods or community parks, most of which have playgrounds.

Don't miss the fun! Enjoy the fellowship, fresh air and fitness boost by participating in the Walking Club as your weekly schedule permits. Contact Barb Springer at 717-691-0626 if you have any questions.

Slate Hill Walking Club 2016 Schedule

Date	Community	Address	Terrain	Distance	Host	Notes
8-Jun	Winding Hills Mechanicsburg	837 Northern Spy Dr. Mechanicsburg	Side Streets Park Paths	1 + mile	Dale & Debie Weaver Phone: 201-768-8218	Refreshments served afterward
15-Jun	Upper Allen Twp.	424 Longmeadow Street Mechanicsburg		1.5 miles	Jeff & Trang Rioux	
22-Jun	Franklin Twp Park Dillsburg	128 Century Lane Dillsburg		.33 Loop	Joy Fasick	Playground, creek, basket ball, ball fields
29-Jun	Memorial Park Mechanicsburg	1 Memorial Park Dr. - by baseball field, Mechanicsburg		1 mile	Ron & Rhoda Hershey	Playground
6-Jul	Pleasant View Park Mechanicsburg	90 Pleasant View Dr. Mechanicsburg	Gravel Path	0.75 mile	Stacy Petersheim	Playground
13-Jul	Friendship Park Mechanicsburg	1901 Fisher Rd Mechanicsburg	Macadam Path	0.75 mile	Connie Werner	Playground
20-Jul	Upper Allen Twp. Mechanicsburg	104 Lavyndon Lane Mechanicsburg	Side Streets	1 mile	Lee & Rosalie Roland	Swim Pool
27-Jul	Upper Allen Twp. Mechanicsburg	909 Hawthorn Ave. Mechanicsburg	Side Streets	1.2 miles	Ken & Myrna Eshleman	
3-Aug	West Shore Evangelical Free Church-Mechanicsburg	1345 Williams Grove Rd. Mechanicsburg	Walking Path		Eric & Diana Zimmerman	
10-Aug	Hampden Park Mechanicsburg	5002 Hampden Park Dr. Mechanicsburg	Macadam Path		Hope Alexander	Playground, tennis & ball fields
17-Aug	Silver Spring Twp. Near 81 & 114	5 Kelly Drive Carlisle	Side Streets	2 miles	Roger & Barb Springer	



My Coins Count 2016



Mennonite Central Committee East Coast

Relief, development and peace in the name of Christ

Slate Hill Mennonite Church
1352 Slate Hill Rd
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June 8, 2016

Dear Friends,

Greetings from Mennonite Central Committee! We are grateful to report a very generous My Coins Count (formerly Penny Power) collection at the 60th Pennsylvania Relief Sale on April 1 & 2. A big thank you to all the churches and individuals who helped to collect money. We are also grateful for the \$50,000 match from the Stabler Foundation and the \$15,000 anonymous match for the churches in the Harleysville area helping us raise \$139,823.32 for MCC education projects.

Thanks also for your support! MCC is grateful for your important contribution of \$ 1323.96

Your jug contained:

Dollar coins: 3	Quarters: 1571	Nickels: 2559
Half dollars:	Dimes: 3564	Pennies: 21186

In many places around the world, school is a privilege that many families struggle to afford. MCC's Global Family education program touches the lives of more than 44,000 young people, partnering with local schools and community leaders in more than 40 countries. Your support is helping girls learn to read in Egypt. Students in Cambodia are getting a nutritious school lunch so they can focus on learning instead of hunger. Tuition expenses are being covered for orphans in Burkina Faso for their primary and secondary schooling. Teachers in Kenya are receiving training so they are empowered to improve the quality of their teaching. Jeremiah 29:11 says "For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope." Thanks for sharing hope and the joy of learning!

We look forward to partnering with you for My Coins Count in 2017 when the focus will be supporting MCC's Water projects.

Look for materials in your mailbox this fall. If you want to start next year's effort now please visit our website at mcc.org for stories and resources. mcc.org for materials or call me at 717-738-0885.

Thanks for partnering with MCC in sharing God's love and compassion for all in the name of Christ!

Sincerely,

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SLATE HILL 2016 GRADUATES

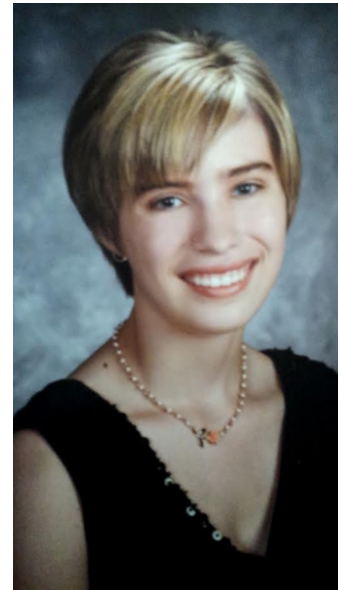


MATT LY

Matt graduated from Boiling Springs High School on June 1st.

He was very active in football, soccer, and track & field.

He will attend Messiah College this fall to study Computer Science.



**VERONICA
WERNER**

Veronica graduated from Mechanicsburg Area School District.

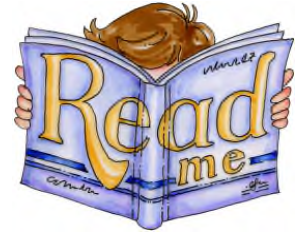
She participated in:

- Marching Band
- Indoor Percussion
- Wildcat Singers
- Six musical productions

She graduated with High Honors and was an AP Scholar with Distinction.

Veronica will be attending Dartmouth College this fall to major in Linguistics.

FROM YOUR CHURCH LIBRARY



SUMMER READING FOR CHILDREN

- A *Grandpa and Me: We Learn About Death* – Marlee and Ben Alex
- B *Amos and Abraham: (an Amish boy and a Jewish boy)* – Sharyn Bellafiore
- E/B *God Gave Us You* – Lisa Tawn Bergen
- C *Does God Know How to Tie Shoes?* – Nancy White Carlstrom
- C *Best Friends* – Miriam Cohen
- C *I'm a Big Sister* – Joanna Cole
- C *The Blue Ribbon Day* – Katie Couric
- F *Every Monday in the Mailbox* – Louisa Fox
- G *Courage* – Elaine P. Goley
- G *Little Rose of Sharon (a story of self-sacrifice)* – Nan Gurley
- J *I Love You the Purplest (whom do you love best?)* – Barbara M. Joose
- K *Raising the Roof: a Habitat for Humanity Book* – Ronald Kidd
- K *Rise and Shine* -- Kidsbooks
- E/L *The Garden, the Curtain, and the Cross* – Carl Laferton
- M *Blueberries for Sal* – Robert McCloskey
- M *Make Way for Ducklings* – Robert McCloskey
- E/M *Hop-Skip Jump-a-roo Zoo (a book about imitating)* – Jane Belk Moncure
- O *What Does Love Look Like?* – Janette Oke
- E/PEI *The Family Song* – Jane Hooper Peifer
- P *When the Fly Flew In ...* – Lisa Westberg Peters
- P *Rainbow Fish and the Big Blue Whale* – Marcus Pfister
- E/STR *A Place for Everything* – Ed Strauss
- W *Mommy Stayed in Bed This Morning: Helping Children Understand Depression* – Mary Wenger Weaver

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SUMMER READING FOR YOUTH



- Juv/B/Ley *The Boy on the Wooden Box: How the Impossible Became Possible...on Schindler's list, a Memoir* – Leon Leyson
- Juv/220.3/Mic *The Picture Bible Dictionary* – Berkeley and Alvera Mickelson
- Juv/371.9/Dwy *What Do You Mean I Have a Learning Disability?* – Kathleen M. Dwyer
- Juv/Ami *Amish Cooking for Kids: for 6 – 12 year-old cooks* – Phyllis Pellman Good
- Juv/Dyc *A Leap of Faith: True Stories for Young and Old* – Peter J. Dyck
- Juv/Fic/Eri *Hank the Cowdog: The Original Adventures of Hank the Cowdog* – John R. Erickson
- Juv/Fic/Eri *Hank the Cowdog: Faded Love* – John R. Erickson
- IF/H *The Eagle. The Killdeer. The Quail.* – Dorothy Hamilton. (Three novels of family relationships.)
- Juv/Fic/Hut *The Sugar Creek Gang Series* – Paul Hutchens
- Juv/Fic/MacD *The Princess and the Goblin. The Princess and Curdie.* – George MacDonald (Two magical, mysterious tales of great adventure quests in a fairy-tale world.)
- Juv/Mey *Walking with Jesus: Stories about Real People Who Return Good for Evil* – Mary Clemens Meyer
- Juv/M *The Good Garden: How One Family Went from Hunger to Having Enough* – Katie Smith Milway
- Juv/S *One Well: The Story of Water on Earth* – Rochelle Strauss
- Juv/Tho *The Baker Street Mysteries: The Thundering Underground. The Mystery of the Yellow Hand. The Giant Rat at Sumatra.* – Jake and Luke Thoene
- Juv/Wak *A Moose for Jessica* – Pat A. Wakefield. A moose befriends a Hereford cow named Jessica. A poignant reminder of the unpredictability of love; the harmony that is possible when nature is treated with intelligence and respect.
- Juv/Wan *Potter: Come Fly to the First of the Earth* – Walter Wangerin, Jr.
- Juv/Wri *Death by Babysitting. Dead Letters.* – Susan Kimmel Wright (Two novels)
- Juv/Wye *Freedom's Wings: Corey's Diary, Kentucky to Ohio, 1857* – Sharon Dennis Wyeth



MCC Sewing Group Update



Thank you so much for your generous donations towards the Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) Sewing Kit drive. We collected enough items and donations to make 18 complete sewing kits!!! We will be sending them to the Mennonite Relief Center (MRC) this month. Your contributions help make a life-changing difference to many, allowing them to learn a new trade to supplement or provide an income for their family.

Comforters and kits are distributed worldwide through MCC to those in need. Comforters and various kits not only provide warmth and necessary supplies, but are also a tangible sign of God's love and compassion. When people receive these necessities of life they know they are not forgotten. The group also supports local agencies providing services to pregnant, unmarried young women.

When a new mother and her newborn visit the agency, blankets or comforters are often sent home with her - a comforting reminder of God's love through His people.



Thank you for supporting the June 26th bake sale. We raised over \$400 to purchase supplies to continue making comforters and kits for future global distribution through the MCC.

The MCC Sewing Group is a small, informal group of ladies who meet once a month as their schedule permits. We enjoy the fellowship of one another and occasionally have a "show and tell" of personal projects. We welcome new participants – watch the bulletin for the next meeting announcement and feel free to check us out! You need not sew to join us as there are some no-sewing jobs available - cutting patches, tying drawstrings, knotting comforters, etc.

Thanks again for your generous donations and support. It makes a huge impact upon those receiving aid and keeps our merry group in stitches!



Submitted by Lucy McAloose

Deadline for the next the August issue of the Hilltop News is Monday, July 25. Please keep your news and items of interest coming - there can't be a Hilltop News without it!

Hilltop Fun Fest 2016 in Review



On June 4th, we had the privilege and joy of hosting many neighbors and friends at the 3rd annual Hilltop Fun Fest. This event is a great opportunity to connect with our community and build relationships both inside and outside our church.

Hundreds of people (by far our largest crowd) attended the free event which boasted live music, activities geared toward families and kids, food, prizes and several other attractions. New for this year were tractor rides, as well as a photo booth and café. Each of these provided additional entertainment for our guests, but more importantly, additional opportunities to connect with them.

The Fun Fest was also a time to connect and unite as a church family. It was a time to serve together, have fun together and strengthen our bond as a congregation. A HUGE thank you to all the volunteers who helped to make the event a success! Thank you to the individuals who worked tirelessly before and after the event, and for those at the event who didn't let a little drizzle dampen your spirits, nor your attitudes. This team truly put Romans 12:13 into action. THANK YOU!

Speaking of success, it's tempting to try to evaluate the success of this event in terms of numbers. However, we know God does not measure success that way, and neither should we. Though we had an impressive crowd, we place greater value on the connections with our guests and understanding how Fun Fest created a positive experience for their family or was an encouragement to them. If you had a chance to hear one of these stories, we want to know about it. Please email Joy at jfasick@comcast.net to share your experience.

Lastly, so many attendees ask us, "Why is everything free?" They really, truly cannot believe it. Above all else, Hilltop Fun Fest is one way we can freely give to others the way God has freely given to us. It's an amazing opportunity to tangibly show Christ's love to our community. Mark your calendar for June 3rd 2017. We hope to see you there!

Submitted by Megan Myers

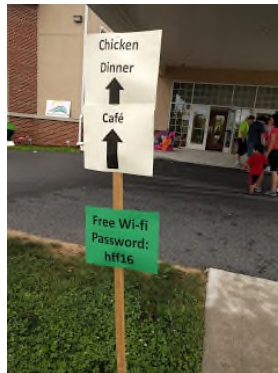
Did you have the privilege, like Richard Mininger, to meet Dean and Mindy Anderson at the Hilltop Fun Fest? Dean is a retired E-Free pastor from northern California and he and his wife, Mindy, are traveling the country visiting a church and a bar in each of the 50 states. They found out about our Fun Fest through "Transport for Christ" and decided to check us out. You can visit their blog about their travels at: <http://deanandmindygotochurch.blogspot.com/2016/06/fun-and-flames-in-camp-hill.html?spref=fb>

A copy of their post regarding our Hilltop Fun Fest is on pages 11-13.



Fun and Flames in Camp Hill

From the Church & States Blog of Dean and Mindy Anderson



Hilltop Fun Fest
Slate Hill Mennonite Church, Camp Hill

When I was a kid, PG&E (Pacific Gas and Electric) would give away comics at our school featuring characters like Rocky and Bullwinkle. These comics were really disguised lectures on the importance of kite safety and why we needed to keep our strings clear of power lines. What would those incarnations of Moose and Squirrel think if they saw the folks at Slate Hill launching Sky Lanterns (paper aflame) into the air? I don't know, but I sure thought it was cool. Especially since the launch was accompanied by a cappella hymns by a graveyard.



This was the final activity in a wonderful event Slate Hill Mennonite Church threw for their neighborhood. They've been holding Fun Fest annually for the last three years, and it just keeps growing. Though the church's first Meeting House was built on the site in 1816, the congregation is still finding ways to introduce themselves to the ever changing community. This annual party seems to be doing just that.



We found out about the event in a Transport for Christ newspaper (all the best events, we find, are advertised at truck stops). As we arrived, we noticed signs for a chicken dinner, which we would have been happy to pay for, but it was free. As the hot dogs were free. And the popcorn and the fruit and everything else.

For the kids, there was a bounce house, tractor train rides, and a Mario Kart Tournament (okay, maybe the video games weren't just for the kids). You could take a tour of the cemetery, enjoy the music and dancers, and/or a cappuccino at the cafe (which was a new and very popular element this year).



We were very impressed to see other local ministries and services that were invited to have tables and booths at the event -- everything from low income housing services to Wycliffe Bible Translators to a Christian motorcycle club.



On the tram ride back to our car (another local church provided overflow parking), I filled out an evaluation survey for the event. It asked whether I would come again next year, and since I have no idea where we'll be in a year, I checked "No." I want the good people at Slate Hill Mennonite to know I would really have liked to check "Yes."



Posted by Dean and Mindy Anderson



Happy Birthday!



HERSHEY, Erin	07/01	NISLY, Nancy	07/16
WIDMER, Margaret	07/01	HERSHEY, Ron	07/17
MUSSELMAN, Gary	07/02	BECHTOLD, Wayne	07/18
LY, Cassandra	07/05	MANIVONG, London	07/18
DOLL, Sharon	07/08	LEITER, Ray	07/21
ZIMMERMAN, Sarina	07/08	ZOOK, Milla	07/24
AROKO, Elam	07/10	MILLER, Don	07/25
HARKER-VISNAKOV, Ellen	07/10	AROKO, Eni	07/26
ONELANGSY, Somxay	07/11	BOUNMA, Philip	07/26
MANIVONG, Laythong	07/13	BECHTOLD, Debbie	07/28
BERGEY, Matt	07/14	WERNER, Reagan	07/28
FASICK, Mike	07/14	RIDER, Grant	07/29
QUICKEL, Bill	07/14	HERTZLER, Agnes	07/30
BECK, McKenna	07/15	LAMB, Kyla	07/31
CHUBB, Jeremy	07/15	SNYDER, John	07/31

If your birthday or anniversary information is missing, please email the office with your data so it can be added to the database. Thanks!



Happy Anniversary

HAWLEY, Chris & Danielle	07/05
ZIMMERMAN, Chris & Rachael	07/07
FASICK, Mike & Joy	07/18
MILLER, Caleb & Kara	07/19
NISLY, Paul & Nancy	07/19
MININGER, Richard & Linda	07/25

Ministry Assignments for 2015-2016

Elder Team

Lynn Shertzer
Joy Fasick
Dave Bauman ('17)
Jen Fredrick ('16)
Ron Hershey ('18)
Caleb Miller ('17)

Church Board

Lamarr Widmer, Chair ('16)
John Eby, Treasurer ('18)
Lynn Shertzer
Debbie Bauman ('18)
Ray Leiter ('17)
Myrna Eshleman ('16)
Lyndon Hess ('16)
Tom Miller ('18)
Lee Roland ('18)
Ben Myers ('16)

Christian Education

Myrna Eshleman, Chair ('16)
Joelle Beck ('17)
Rhoda Hershey ('18)
Lori Manivong ('17)
Stacy Petersheim ('18)
Julia Rioux ('16)
Rachael Zimmerman ('16)

Evangelism, Peace and Service

Tom Miller, Chair ('18)
Sara Chubb ('17)
Ken Eshleman ('18)
Lucinda Gish ('17)
Mark Preston ('16)
Jim Mitchell ('18)

Trustees

Lyndon Hess, Chair ('16)
Jeff Beck ('17)
Dwayne Gish ('16)
Lionel Hess ('18)
Gary Musselman ('16)
Rich Musselman ('17)
Eric Schwartzentruber ('18)
Paul Zimmerman ('17)

Worship Commission

Lee Roland, Chair ('18)
Lynn Shertzer
Judy Walter ('16)
Dale Weaver ('17)
Valerie Weaver-Zercher ('18)

Stewardship

Ben Myers, Chair ('16)
John Eby ('18)
Mike Fasick ('18)
Cassandra Ly, Financial Secretary ('17)
Holly Myers ('16)
Roger Springer ('16)

Food and Fellowship

Cindy Musselman, Chair ('16)
Matt Fasick ('18)
Tara Hess ('16)
Fran Leiter ('17)
Lucy McAloose ('18)
Jen Musselman ('16)
Megan Myers ('17)
Dawn Shertzer ('16)
Debbie Weaver ('18)
Janet Zimmerman ('18)

Pastoral Relations

Judy Walter, Chair ('18)
John Pechart ('17)
Trang Rioux ('18)
Deborah Saline ('16)
Richard Mininger, Bishop

Technology Committee

Tom Ly, Chair ('18)
Chris Hawley ('18)
Jeff Krug ('17)
Isaac Shertzer ('18)
Ed White ('16)

Wellness Committee

Joy Fasick, Chair ('17)
Hope Alexander ('18)
Roger Myers ('17)
Rod Petersheim ('16)
Ben Simcox ('18)
Connie Werner ('17)

Gifts Discernment

Barb Springer, Chair ('16)
Lee Roland ('16)
Stacy Petersheim ('17)
Janet Zimmerman ('17)

Lancaster Conference Delegates

Lynn Shertzer
James Burkholder (17)
Carol Moser ('18)