

HILLTOP NEWS



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Including Children's Church
Sunday School: 11:00 a.m.
Classes available for all ages
(Nursery also available)*

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Church Office Hours:

Monday	No office hours
Tuesday	9:00 AM - 4:30 PM
Wednesday	9:00 AM - 4:30 PM
Thursday	9:00 AM - 4:30 PM
Friday	By Appointment



Upcoming Events

Aug. 2	Wednesday Walking Club ~ See Schedule, page 4
Aug. 9	Wednesday Walking Club
Aug. 10	MCC Sewing Group ~ 6:30PM
Aug. 14	Cumberland Vista Knoebels Amusement Park Outing
Aug. 20	Celebration Sunday (Receiving New Members/Baptisms)
Aug. 16	Wednesday Walking Club
Aug. 29	Book Discussion Group ~ 7:00PM
Sept. 9	Chicken BBQ ~ 11:00AM
Sept 13	Wednesday Night Out (WNO) Resumes
Sept. 17	Ordination Celebration for Joy Fasick
Oct. 22	CROP Walk



Lao Fellowship's International Food Stand at the Relief Sale

The dust and din of the 2017 Pennsylvania Relief Sale is only a memory now but this large annual event requires a lot of planning and work behind the scenes to make it bigger and better.

The Lao Fellowship has provided international foods for the Relief Sale for many years. Eight volunteers staffed the stand on Saturday this year but the whole fellowship helped prepare the food the night before. The menu is kept very simple for the Relief Sale, unlike their larger menu at the Global Mennonite Convention. Chicken-fried rice, vegetable egg rolls, and chicken or vegetarian stir-fried noodles (they use linguine since the noodles stay firm longer) has been the standard menu through the years. They were fortunate to have connections with some area restaurants in order to more conveniently prepare some foods and to fry the egg rolls - Siam Garden, Thai Palace, and the Thai Café - although they lost use of the Thai Café kitchen due to a recent change of ownership.

The group typically meets late Friday after work to roll anywhere from 400 - 500 egg rolls at Keo's house. The grocery list is intimidating - 44 pounds of cabbage, 25 to 35 pounds of rice, 21 bags of egg roll wraps, and many pounds of mixed vegetables. Khan's parents open their home Friday night to prep the ingredients to make the fried rice on Saturday morning. Everyone is busy Saturday morning - the noodles are stir-fried at Keo's and Yoomie's homes and Khan's dad is up at 5:00AM to start cooking the rice in three or four different rice cookers so it can cool down and be ready to stir-fry later. Khan's uncle and cousin lend helping hands to assist in frying the egg rolls. Last year there were enough volunteers so they could roll and fry about one third of the egg rolls fresh at the sale.

When Khan was in middle and high school, about 60 -70% of the funds were donated directly to the Relief Sale while the remainder was used for their youth retreats. However in recent years, the Lao Fellowship has donated nearly all of the proceeds to the Relief Sale. This year they donated \$837. The Lao Fellowship welcomes your support to assist with the food stand - their donation to the MCC could be much larger if they had more volunteers to assist with the food preparation and sales on Saturday - look for the volunteer sign up sheet next spring!

The following is a breakdown of funds raised by other 2017 Relief Sale activities:

Children's Auction/Activities ~	\$1,966
Coin/Card Auction ~	\$3,347
Country Auction ~	\$16,484
Quilt Auction ~	\$103,045
Silent Auction ~	\$12,000
My Coins Count ~	\$147,256.51
Food Sales ~	\$81,964

More than \$16 million has been raised and donated since the sale began in 1957! Check out the Relief Sale website (pareliefsale.org) for more information and a photo album that includes several years worth of individual quilts and their selling price. You can find information on other MCC fund-raising activities too - banquets, a concert, a heifer auction, etc. Mark your calendars now for the 2018 Relief Sale - April 6 - 7, 2018. It's not too early to start saving your coins or to consider volunteering in some way or even to provide an item or two for any of the Relief Sale auctions.

Submitted by Khan Bounma and Fran Leiter

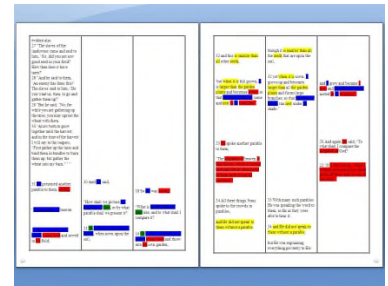


HOUSING NEED

Kieth Weaver, Lancaster Mennonite Conference Moderator has advised us of a young lady entering her Senior year at Penn State Harrisburg in need of inexpensive housing. She would like an efficiency apartment in the \$300 - \$350 range, or even just a room in a Christian home. This is an urgent need....she would like to have something by August 1. If you can assist in anyway, please contact Lynn Shertzler or Richard Mininger. Thanks!

WANTED!

Do you have a parallel Bible of two or more versions (one being the New International version) you are willing to donate to the church library? Preferably it would be a paper-back or hard cover rather than a leather cover. Please notify Dottie Seitz or Kathy Krug if you have one you are willing to donate. Thanks!



Slate Hill Walking Club 2017



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 by 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 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.

Submitted by Barb Springer

2017 Wednesday Walking Club Schedule

DATE	COMMUNITY	ADDRESS	TERRAIN	HOST
7-Jun	Lower Allen	3 Locust Rd Camp Hill	paved	Rich & Jen Musselman
14-Jun	Franklin Twp Park	128 Century Lane Dillsburg	.33 mile loop playground, creek	Joy Fasick
21-Jun	Upper Allen	104 Lavyndon Lane Mechanicsburg	side streets	Lee & Rosalie Roland- Swim afterward
28-Jun	Pleasant View Park	90 Pleasant View Dr. Mechanicsburg	paved playground	Stacy & Rod Petersheim
5-Jul	Upper Allen	909 Hawthorn Ave. Mechanicsburg	side streets	Ken and Myrna Eshleman
12-Jul	Winding Hills Development	837 Northern Spy Dr. Mechanicsburg	side streets & park path	Dale & Debbie Weaver
19-Jul	Silver Spring Near 81 & 114	5 Kelly Dr. Carlisle	side street, 2 miles	Roger & Barb Springer
26-Jul	West Shore E Free Church	1345 Williams Grove Rd., Mechanicsburg	rolling walking path	Eric & Diana Zimmerman
Aug. 2	West Shore E Free Church	1345 Williams Grove Rd., Mechanicsburg	rolling walking path	Lynn & Dawn Shertzer
Aug. 9	Roof Park	579 Lewisberry Rd New Cumberland	.5 mile loop playground	Richard & Linda Mininger
Aug. 16	Messiah College	parking lot by covered	paved and unpaved	Valerie & Dave Weaver- Zercher

THE 72ND ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATIVE EVENT

CANDLES ON THE WATER



**Remembering the Victims of
Hiroshima and Nagasaki
Proclaiming to All Humankind,
Never Again!!**

Sunday, August 6, 2017, 6:45 PM

Market Square Presbyterian Church

20 S. Second St., Harrisburg, PA

Parking Available in Garage next to Church

Bringing God's Word to the Nations

July 2017

The latest from Marty & Glenna Sollenberger

Serving Bible translators



Jan Gossner's computer died. So Jan ordered a new one through our department for his work in a New Testament translation project with the Edolo people of Papua New Guinea. Unfortunately, the new computer arrived without a backlit keyboard. So we ordered backlit keyboards for Jan's new computer and a few others. But the backlit keyboard wouldn't fit the keyboard frame; it had to be modified. My colleague Gordon said, "Marty, you are best suited for this kind of work." So I pulled

out my tools and redesigned the frame. Gordon and I then used the same method to modify four other computers that are headed overseas. We are thankful for opportunities like this to help in the Bible translation effort.

Serving future Bible translators

The Graduate Institute of Applied Linguistics received a generous grant from the Hillcrest Foundation to upgrade their computer lab. (Their previous computers had been purchased in 2010.) GIAL is actively involved in training the next generation of cross-cultural workers to serve with Wycliffe Bible Translators and other mission organizations. GIAL alumni have already completed 21 New Testaments in Africa, Asia, Central and South America, and the south Pacific islands. Glenna enjoys serving at the GIAL library.



Part of GIAL's graduating class of 2017. Some faces are blurred due to privacy issues—many of our graduates serve in sensitive locations.

Thank you!

We are so grateful for your partnership in our ministry with Wycliffe Bible Translators. Your prayers and financial support are making a difference in the world of Bible translation.

Marty, Glenna & Paul

Paul is in Porto Velho, Brazil! The JAARS Youth mission group is staying July 1-22 at the same place we served for two years. Go to www.jaarsyouth.org and click on the Brazil flag for more info.

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Monthly update for August



As I am getting closer to the end of my summer job on campus at Messiah college, I have been focusing on completing my internship requirements. Most of my time has been spent working on a project, reports, and different assignments necessary for internship credits.

Recently Ken and Myrna Eshleman invited Ray, Fran, and I to their home for supper and we met the Messiah college student they have been hosting during her internship at Messiah. We found out she and I are enrolled in the same class in the upcoming fall semester. I now know one more person I will be taking some of my classes with next fall.

A Messiah graduate, John Snyder, who attends Slate Hill invited me to go with him to Maine, where he will be visiting his grandparents for nine days, beginning July 28. This invitation is an ideal opportunity to make use of my summer job ten-day vacation, a requirement for every student worker. I am very much looking forward to the opportunity to see more of America and to hike and camp in the Maine woods.

With respect to the tuition fundraising effort, the progress thus far is very encouraging. Given we haven't yet met with the financial aid personnel of the college, I cannot provide an accurate indication of the status of the fundraising at this point. But, with funds promised by individual contributors as well as organizations such as the church, we should be able to meet the fall semester tuition requirement of approximately nine thousand dollars. Shortly after meeting with the financial personnel we will be able to report our progress to the major contributor for our last round of fundraising - Ray's neighbor, Ernie. Also, at that time we will have an accurate report for the September update of this fundraising effort.

Submitted by Eliezer Mwankenja



Education of a different kind ~ Eliezer Mwankenja and Ray Leiter working on a carpentry project.



HOWER, Mason	08/01
BOYER, Sharon	08/03
BOUNMA, Boualay	08/04
LEHMAN, Carl	08/04
JENKINS, Preston	08/06
BOYER, Richard	08/09
MARTINEZ, Peter	08/09
WHITE, Ed	08/09
WHITE, Patricia	08/09
BENI, Shami	08/11
RIDER, Daniel	08/13
RESSLER, Dorca	08/14
LAMB, Rindy	08/15
KLEMM, Kelvin	08/16
KRUG, Kathy	08/16
PARKER, Uriah	08/17
BOUNMA, Drew	08/18
BURKHOLDER, Josh	08/18
LEHMAN, Robert	08/18
HESS, Lizabeth	08/18
WEAVER-ZERCHER, Valerie	08/18
ESCALANTE, Kimberly Sheeler	08/19
LEITER, Fran	08/19
DEAN, Joshua	08/20
BECK, Jaelyn	08/22
TOTHERO, Lisa	08/22
ZOOK, Johnny	08/22
ZIMMERMAN, Eric	08/24
JENKINS, Carreasa	08/27
MUSSELMAN, Cindy	08/27
BARNS, Tyler	08/30
BOYLE, Daniel J.	08/30
MALAY, Benji	08/30

August Anniversaries

MANIVONG, Synakhone & Lori	08/04
PETERSHEIM, Rod & Stacy	08/11
RIOUX, Jeff & Trang	08/12
SPRINGER, Roger & Barb	08/12
ROLAND, Lee & Rosalie	08/14
ROTH, Matt & Kerry Harker-Roth	08/16
BECK, Max & Becca	08/18
HERSHEY, Ron & Rhoda	08/19
MCGRATH, Kevin & Melinda	08/22
MYERS, Ben & Lorraine	08/23
BECK, George & Lois	08/26
BURKHOLDER, James & Marian	08/26
LEHMAN, Carl & Mabel	08/27
DOLL, Ken & Sharon	08/29
MYERS, Jared & Rebekah	08/29
WILLIAMSON, Butch & Connie	08/31



Carnival Games Bless Life Time Daycare Clients

"Leave the comfort of your church building and get in to your community." That was the key emphasis at the Partnership for Missional Congregations in which Slate Hill participated several years ago. Sponsored by the Lancaster Mennonite Conference, the partnership kept hitting home the point that the most successful and growing churches are those which immerse themselves off-site into the neighborhoods around their church.

It was kind of like an off-site Fun Fest. On Friday, July 7th, thirteen Slate Hill adults assisted by five children and five teenage Trinity High School students took a truly missional approach to serving the community. They converged at the Life Time Adult Day Care in Mechanicsburg which caters to those with special needs who require supervision and a safe place to go during the day. About fifty clients and seven staff welcomed, with great anticipation, the Slate Hill and Trinity volunteers. Sixteen carnival games were set up throughout two of the largest rooms at the center the day before and early that morning. All the games were standard games used at the Slate Hill annual Spring Fling.



Clients were cheered on by the volunteers as they tossed bean bags, tried to knock down bowling pins, hit a bull's eye, or made a hole in one. For their effort, the clients received a colorful sticker to show they played the game. Clients proudly displayed their completed game cards, decorated with 16 stickers, near the end of the program. Many wanted a second go-around at their favorite game.

"It was actually really a lot of fun," said Connor Gerber (8-year-old grandson of Barb and Roger Springer). "I kinda felt good for the people there; they got to play lots of games." Sarina Jackson (daughter of Chris and Rachel Zimmerman) noted, "I helped with the lasso toss and gave the people stickers with wild animals and superheroes." Zach Gerber (5-year-old grandson of Barb and Roger Springer) said that it was hard for some of the people to release the plastic bowling ball in order to knock down the six pins "So I had to tell them how to bowl."

Debbie Weaver staffed the Spinning Wheel game. Clients spun the wheel and won whatever prize (a box of raisins, a pencil, a string of beads, a notebook or a mint) was specified at their destination. "I did have to make some executive decisions when a client preferred a pencil over a mint," said Debbie with a smile.





Rachel Zimmerman enthusiastically welcomed clients to the lasso toss where clients tried to toss 6-inch lassos onto dowels protruding from a slanted board. Kay, a wheelchair-bound client, had trouble tossing the lassos so Rachel invited her to inch forward. Kay moved and leaned in so she was able to place a lasso on each of the dowels. "A world record!" Ulli proclaimed. Kay was pleased with her accomplishment. She had only one request - "Can I have a blue sticker? Blue is my favorite color."

Slate Hill volunteers included: Barb Springer (with grandsons Owen, Connor and Zach Gerber); Dale and Debbie Weaver; Linda Mininger; Dottie and Gene Seitz; Fran Leiter; Chris, Rachel, Sarina, and Jackson Zimmerman; Sue Weigel; Matt Bergey; and Theda and Ulli Klemm. Five teens from Trinity High School fulfilling service-hours requirements joined the fun and truly were a blessing. "Mary, John, Patrick, Michael and Ben were incredible," noted Ulli Klemm. "They had hearts of service and they hope to be invited back."



-Submitted by Ulli Klemm



Volunteers Needed to Load Shipping Container

By the grace of God and the dedication of friends at Slate Hill and area Lutherans, tech4Tanzania will be sending a sea container of requested equipment and supplies to friends in Tanzania. Computers, treadle sewing machines, college text books, medical equipment and supplies, as well as office furniture and even a pump organ have been donated. They need to be loaded Tuesday morning, August 8 for shipment from Mechanicsburg. Help is needed to load the container - if you and/or friends can lend a helping hand for a few hours, please contact Randy Barr at 717-903-9698.

Thanks to all for prayers as well as physical and financial support to "change lives for good."

Submitted by Randy Barr



Comforters of Another Kind

The MCC Sewing Group is about more than sewing! The group decided to meet a need of New Hope Ministries and be comforters of another kind. A community-wide appeal went out for individuals, churches, groups, etc., to donate a lunch, one or more times, for children enrolled in their summer program.

Five ladies (Rosalie Roland, Deb Saline, Dottie Seitz, Barb Springer, and Fran Leiter) met at 7:30AM on Tuesday the 25th of July to assemble sandwiches of turkey, ham, and cheese made on a pretzel roll plus veggie snack bags for 50 children. The lunch was rounded out with a variety of salty snacks, applesauce, juice beverages, and homemade cookies from Lucy McAloose. Gene and Dottie Seitz delivered the lunches. New Hope personnel were most appreciative of the lunch offering and were sure the children would be delighted with the variety to fill their hungry tummies.

Taking to the High Seas!

On Sunday, August 20, 2017, the residents of Cumberland Vista will worship on the Pride of the Susquehanna along with some other Slate Hillers instead of worshipping at Slate Hill. Christian Churches United hosts a non-denominational service on the paddleboat to raise funds to address the greatest needs in the Harrisburg community. If you plan on going, please be dockside between 9:15 - 9:30 as there are no reservations and first-come patrons are boarded first at 9:45 for the 10:00 worship service. If you let Ulli Klemm know you are coming, he will pack a picnic lunch for you to enjoy AFTER the service along with the Cumberland Vista residents.



Every Sunday, June through August, the public is welcome to attend a free non-denominational cruise aboard the Pride of the Susquehanna. Freewill offerings raised from these cruises have provided more than \$20,000 to local charities over the past two and a half decades. The cruise lasts until around 11:15AM. No reservations are required but first come are boarded first. This event is coordinated by Christian Churches United, a charity located in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Submitted by Ulli Klemm

Ministry Assignments for 2016-2017

Elder Team

Lynn Shertzer
Joy Fasick
Dave Bauman ('17)
Jen Fredrick ('19)
Ron Hershey ('18)
Caleb Miller ('17)

Church Board

Lamaar Widmer, Chair ('19)
Dale Weaver, Treasurer
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Danielle Hawley ('19)
Lyndon Hess ('19)
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Rhoda Hershey ('18)
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Sara Chubb ('17)
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David Weaver-Zercher ('19)
Jim Mitchell ('18)
Debbie Ehrhart ('18)

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Paul Zimmerman ('17)

Worship Commission

Lee Roland ('18)
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Stewardship

Ben Fredrick, Chair ('19)
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Brad Lamb ('19)
Rosalie Roland ('19)
Diana Zimmerman, Fin. Sec't. ('19)

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Cindy Musselman, Chair ('19)
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Fran Leiter ('17)
Lucy McAloose ('18)
Jen Musselman ('19)
Megan Myers ('17)
Debbie Hoover ('19)
Debbie Weaver ('18)
Janet Zimmerman ('18)

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John Pechart ('17)
Trang Rioux ('18)
Deborah Saline ('20)
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Isaac Shertzer ('18)
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Rod Petersheim ('19)
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Connie Werner ('17)

Gifts Discernment Committee

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Janet Zimmerman ('17)

Lancaster Conference Delegates

Lynn Shertzer
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Carol Moser ('18)

Church Retreat

Joelle Beck ('19)
Amanda Musselman ('19)