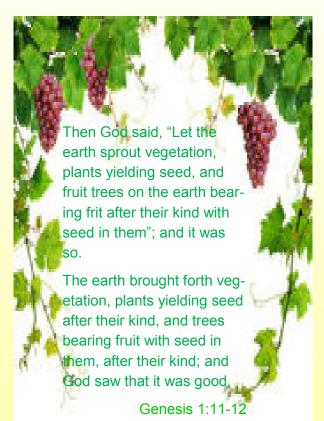


# HILLTOP NEWS



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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

Jun. 2	Bon Fire & S'mores at Cumberland Vista ~ 6:30PM
Jun. 3	Hilltop Fun Fest 2017
Jun. 7	Wednesday Walking Club ~ 6:45PM
Jun. 8	MCC Sewing Group ~ 6:30PM
Jun. 14	Wednesday Walking Club ~6:45PM
Jun. 17	Re-entry Breakfast for Soon-to-be-Released Inmates
Jun. 18	Cumberland Vista outing to Harrisburg Senators Game ~ 1:30PM
Jun. 21	BBQ Committee Meeting ~ 7:00PM
Jun. 25	Potluck Luncheon & Congregational Meeting
Sept. 9	Chicken BBQ ~ 11:00AM





# E-Giving: Give it a shot!

Submitted by the Stewardship Commission

Do you make purchases online? Do you pay your bills online? Why not consider giving to Slate Hill online! Online giving is a safe and convenient way to give to the Church and has many other benefits.

First and foremost, the convenience is hard to beat! If you have ever made a purchase or paid a bill online, you will surely have no trouble with our online giving process. The sign-up process is easy and you can elect to give either stand-alone contributions or setup recurring automatic contributions. Recurring automatic contributions can facilitate giving of your *firstfruits* before other expenses and will not be influenced by feelings of the moment. Since they happen automatically, your contributions are not forgotten and are given even if you are not in church on any particular Sunday. E-Giving also helps the Church budgeting process, facilitating better planning and conscious spending. By automatically scheduling your giving online you help create steady income throughout the year, including vacation season which ordinarily sees a decrease in giving. E-Giving also consumes fewer resources compared to check and cash processing, reducing the administrative burden and the chances of human error in the counting, recording, and bank deposit processes. You will also have 24/7 access to the online giving system where you can review your giving history, make one time contributions, or make any change to your scheduled giving.

# How does online giving work at Slate Hill Mennonite Church?

We work with VANCO, a third party administrator of online giving, to make online giving convenient and secure. You can give one-time gifts and/or automatic recurring gifts by either transferring funds directly from your bank account or by charging your credit card.

# Will I receive reports/tax receipts?

Yes. Each quarter and at the end of the year we will send you a report of your giving and a letter to use as a receipt for your taxes. You can also access your giving history online at any time.

# Can I designate my contributions?

Yes. Normally contributions will go to the General Fund but you can designate your contribution.

### Is it safe?

Online giving is safe and our third party administrator, VANCO, has the highest possible security rating and will protect your personal information. Is it 100% safe? No, nothing is, including giving with a check or cash. It can even be argued that online giving is certainly less risky than writing checks or carrying cash to church.

### Is it confidential?

The only people who will have access to the amounts you give will be the Church Treasurer, and if needed the Stewardship Commission Chair. Only VANCO will have your bank account or credit card information. That information is not available to the above persons.

# Can I use my credit card?

Yes, you may give with your credit card. We understand those that desire the added security and convenience of credit card use or simply like the collection of reward points. However, please use credit cards responsibly.

# What if I try online giving and don't like it?

You do not need to continue. You can cancel recurring automatic contributions at any time.

# I still want to participate in the act of giving on Sunday mornings.

To participate in the offering on Sundays, use the E-Giving card in the pew rack. This is not required as it serves no purpose other than allowing you to participate in the act of giving when the offering plate is passed.

# How do I get started?

Click the DONATE link on the church website (<u>www.slatehillmennonite.org</u>) and follow the instructions. If you have questions or comments, please see a member of the Stewardship Commission.

Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine. (Proverbs 3:9-10 NIV)



# 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.

# 2017 Wednesday Walking Club Schedule

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



Hilltop Fun Fest 2017 is almost here! With June 3<sup>rd</sup> just around the corner, I'll use this Hilltop News article to share a bit about some pre-event wins, Fun Fest hospitality, and appreciation for the team.

# **Pre-Event Wins**

Each year, I bear witness to behind-the-scenes Hilltop Fun Fest (HFF) "wins". These are things that occur only because HFF exists but aren't always visible on the day of the event. Below are a few of the HFF wins I've witnessed so far this year:

- Several people have had the chance to use gifts they don't normally get to use and have found the experience to be life-giving.
- Team members who didn't previously know each other have formed new relationships through planning for this event.
- Former Slate Hill attendees have enjoyed getting involved either through the planning team or by signing up to volunteer on the day of the event.
- A meaningful connection was made to another former Slate Hill family, which included the opportunity to renew our welcome to this family who is recently struggling to connect to a church home.
- Relationships with two employees at a local business have been renewed including opportunities to chat about their families and other "human" needs.
- New relationships have been formed with another local business.
- Numerous positive connections have been made with organizations that serve our neighbors in need.
- Additional Slate Hillers have learned a new way of engaging people in spiritual conversations.
- A Slate Hiller in need of connection and fun has found that through preparation for HFF.
- A community member who just needed the chance to talk got it when a Slate Hiller extended a HFF invitation and allowed it lead to a deeper conversation.

What happens here on June 3<sup>rd</sup> will be exciting! But equally exciting is watching how God's hand is evident in the months prior to the event. To God be the Glory!

# **Fun Fest Hospitality**

When guests come to your home, you focus on connecting with them in meaningful ways, making them feel welcome, and helping them enjoy their time. We see many Biblical examples of this – as well as direct instruction, such as Hebrews 13:2 – Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it and 1 Peter 4:9 – Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling.

The same is true for Hilltop Fun Fest! Through our first three years, I have been impressed by the diversity of our guests – diversity in terms of age, ethnicity, socio-economic status, level of education, family make-up, religion, and more. Yet, each one has felt welcome here. That is evidence of Christ's love flowing through us! As you serve and relate on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, let these three goals be at the forefront of your efforts – connect meaningfully with guests, make each one feel welcome, and help each person enjoy their time.

Our map this year includes a brief gospel message, but the true message will come from our smiles, our kind words, and our gracious actions. This is how our new friends will truly know that they are loved – and in this way God will be glorified!

# **Appreciation**

I Peter 4:10 tell us that *Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.* That is truly what makes Hilltop Fun Fest possible! From the core leadership team who caught the vision months ago to the many coordinators who have already been active in their planning to the dozens and dozens of YOU who will fill our roughly 300 volunteer slots, it is each one using whatever gifts they have that allows us to provide this event for our neighbors.

That volunteer list is still being written, but I do want to use this space to offer my appreciation for the core leadership team and coordinators who are listed below. You have been amazing. Thank you!

Hope Alexander
Matt Bergey
Dave Boehm
Khan Bounma
Jeremy Chubb
Josh Dean

Ed & Taylor Fleischer

Jen Fredrick
Danielle Hawley

Ron & Rhoda Hershey

Lionel Hess Liz Hess Lorraine Kobold Carl Lehman

Fran Leiter

Kara Miller Holly Myers

Roger Myers

Megan Myers John Pechart Rod Petersheim

Stacy Petersheim
Trang & Julia Rioux

Ruth Ritchie Lee Roland Bob Saline

Gene Seitz

Dawn Shertzer Keo Viraya

Valerie Weaver-Zercher

George Weigel Sue Weigel Ed White

Sam Zercher Chris Zimmerman

Betty Zimmerman
Eric Zimmerman

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### FunFest continued

Let us draw on the strength God provides as we anticipate the exciting week ahead!

From I Peter 4:11

If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen.





# Lunches Needed for New Hope Children's Summer Program

New Hope Ministries in Mechanicsburg has put out an appeal for groups to provide one lunch (or more) during the summer children's program. Would this opportunity be one your small group, Sunday School Class, Committee, or special interest group would be interested in doing? Lunches are fairly simple and are not time or labor intensive. Menu suggestions include:

- \* A sandwich
- Small bag of potato chips or similar snack
- A fruit and/or veggie snack
- \* A cookie, brownie, cupcake, etc. for dessert
- Individual drink (optional)

The total count of children will not be known until after enrollment is completed in a week or so but it may go as high as 50 children. Lunch items can be delivered in bulk rather than individually bagged and should be delivered to the Mechanicsburg facility by 9:00AM the morning of the scheduled lunch. Lunches will be refrigerated or kept in coolers until used.

To learn more or to secure a date, go to the following site: <a href="http://www.takethemameal.com/meals.php?t=WKEU4775">http://www.takethemameal.com/meals.php?t=WKEU4775</a>



# Community Connections Breakfast Saturday, June 17, 2017

8:00 - 10:30

We are once again hosting a breakfast for ex-offenders here at Slate Hill. Look for sign-up sheets to contribute items for the breakfast, as well as how you can help with prep, set-up, serving, and interacting with our guests.

The following letter describes the program which helps us to organize this event.

On behalf of the Prison Action Committee, a ministry of Christian Churches United, we would like to thank Slate Hill Mennonite Church for agreeing to host a Community Connections Breakfast.

The purpose of these breakfasts is to provide information to area churches willing to open their doors to ex-offenders and a time for them to fellowship with members of your congregation.

Your church is scheduled to host a breakfast on **June 17, 2017**. Please plan for 60-70 men and women to attend.

We appreciate your generosity in opening your church to support the efforts of the Prison Action Committee by connecting ex-offenders with members of the community who are willing to support them in their return to society.

Peace & Blessings,

I'Yahnna Clarke Secretary Christian Churches United

Please contact Ron Hershey if you have any questions - rrhershey@verizon.net.



# **BUDDIES NEEDED!**

Hit a home run by being a buddy to a resident of Cumberland Vista on Father's Day. Buddies will join the residents of Cumberland Vista at the Harrisburg Senators vs. Richmond Flying Squirrels Baseball game on City Island on Father's Day, Sun., June 18, 2017. Without buddies, Cumberland Vista residents could not attend a Senator's game. Buddies escort the residents to the snack bar and restroom and sit with them during the game. Buddies are needed for: Lonie, Jason, Brian, Theresa, Sara Mayes and Terri.

### **SCHEDULE**

- 9:30AM Cumberland Vista worships with Slate Hill
- ◆11:30AM Depart for FNB Field, City Island
- ◆12:00PM Bag Lunch (bring your own) at City Island. Senators players will sign autographs pre-game.

# **DUGOUT BOX SEATS** for all!

1:30PM PLAY BALL followed by Post-Game Run the Bases

Dugout Box Seats cost \$13.00 each (normally they are \$15). For just \$4.50 more you will receive a Food Voucher for a hot dog, popcorn and soda.

Check you mailboxes for flyers.

DEADLINE: Sunday, June 4, 2017

Contact **Ulli Klemm** with questions: **Email: ulliklemm@yahoo.com** 

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Phone: 724-464-8748



# Testimony of a Comforter Recipient

If you are a frequent reader of the Hilltop News, you should have noticed

a time or two we mentioned an outreach ministry to inmates. Our bulletin and newsletter are routinely sent at their request.

We received a letter from one of them in response to an article about the MCC Sewing Group making comforters to share with others in need. He shared how he was hospitalized, quite ill with cancer, and received a comforter from a church sewing group. It made a tremendous impact upon him when he realized loving strangers had compassion upon him and had spent many hours making the comforter in addition to holding him in prayer. He knows from personal experience how the emotions and spirits can be lifted when shown God's love. He wants to help others experience that love by supporting the MCC Sewing Group with a small donation! What a wonderful example of God's Word never returning void. To God be the glory!

# New Email Addresses for Your Directory!



Ben & Lorraine Myers - <u>ben.lorraine@aol.com</u>

Fran Leiter - fleiter17050@outlook.com

(Please note this is my personal email address; ALL church business should be sent me at slatehillmennon-ite@gmail.com)

Have you changed your Verizon email address? If so, please report it to Fran Leiter at slatehill-mennonite@gmail.com. Thanks!



All fourteen participants of the MCC Sewing Group are overjoyed with your support at the May 7th bake sale! Donations totaled \$1185.45 which will help with the expenses of ongoing MCC sewing projects. It costs between \$50 - \$70 to complete each comforter so we can make a dozen or so more just from your donations!

This special ministry reaches out to the world, sending comfort and Christ's love to encourage those in distress. It also assures them they are not forgotten but are loved by God and His faithful people.

New participants are always welcome to come help for the evening - no special skills are needed. Questions? Contact Julie Quickel at <a href="mailto:jbquickel@comcast.net">jbquickel@comcast.net</a>.

# Have some YUMMY!



And...
Help friends in Tanzania

# Pancake & Sausage Breakfast

Benefits tech4Tanzania

Saturday June 17 8:00 to 10:00 AM

St. Paul Lutheran Church 6839 Wertzville Rd Enola, PA 17025

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Those who
focus on God
and His heaven
can ride above the storms.



# CARNIVAL GAME VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED AT LIFE TIME ADULT DAY CARE

Ulli Klemm has been asked to facilitate carnival games (which are used for the Spring Fling) on Friday, July 7, 2017 from 9:30-11:30AM for the adults who frequent the Life Time Adult Day Care off the Carlisle Pike in Mechanicsburg. A total of 15 volunteers are needed to run carnival games. Adults, youth and kids are all invited and make terrific volunteers.

Many of the clients frequenting this daycare have mild special needs while others are just frail and older - but they are <u>all</u> lovable! Ulli can attest you will have a good time based upon his volunteer experience each month for the past three years.

Volunteers need to show up by 9:15AM and pick a carnival game to oversee. The games will be set up and ready to go. Your job will be to enthusiastically invite folks to play, applaud their efforts and give them a sticker. It's that simple and means so much to the clients!

Let Ulli Klemm know if you can help by contacting him at <u>ulliklemm@yahoo.com</u> or (724) 464-8748.

Life Time Adult Day Care is located at 3 Crossgate Drive, Mechanicsburg PA 17050. Crossgate Drive is a small road that lies between Denny's and T-Mobile on the Carlisle Pike. The day care is located on the first floor on the back-side of the large National Recovery Agency (NRA) office building behind Denny's.



INGLE, Kate	06/01
EHRHART, Debra	06/03
HORST, Joan	06/03
SPRINGER, Barb	06/05
ZIMMERMAN, Jackson	06/05
HERSHEY, Christina	06/07
CHUBB, Sara	06/08
BECK, Becca	06/10
ONELANGSY, Rathasamy	06/10
MUSSELMAN, Jen	06/11
WEIGEL, George	06/11
ROTH, Ella	06/13
MALAY, Maria	06/15
PETERSHEIM, Spencer	06/15
ROLAND, Rosalie	06/16
HESS, Lyndon	06/18
PECHART, John	06/19
HEY, Kyle	06/23
HESS, Lionel	06/25
SIMCOX, Claire	06/29



# June Anniversaries

SOLLENBERGER, Ira & Erma	06/07
CROUSE, Bill & Sandy	06/09
KLEMM, Ulli & Theda	06/09
WERNER, Connie & Tom	06/11
BAUMAN, David & Debra	06/12
ESHLEMAN, Ken & Myrna	06/13
HEY, Kyle & Mary	06/13
STAUFFER, Douglas & Sandra	06/19
TOTHERO, Jeff & Lisa	06/19
BECK, Seng & Ouy	06/20
MALAY, Bill & Maria	06/21
PARKER, Uriah & Allison	06/22
BECK, Jeff & Joelle	06/23
BARR, Randy & Anne Reeves	06/24
WEAVER-ZERCHER, Dave & Valerie	06/27
RIDER, Daniel & Amanda	06/28
SALINE, Robert & Deborah	06/29
HESS, Lyndon & Tara	06/30

Perfect submission, all is at rest,
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
Watching and waiting, looking above,
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

Blessed Assurance ~ Fannie Crosby



# What's the Common Denominator?









What do an interactive pony, carrot cake, a cruise, bird houses, baby bibs, earrings, hay pillows, golf outings, Red Lobster gift cards, and Disney World passes have in common?

The Boots & Blue Jeans Auction at Camp Hebron, that's what! The auction on April 20th to support the horsemanship program overflowed with a myriad of items sure to appeal to one and all. The Hasbro interactive pony mesmerized young and old! The auction brought in over \$15,000 to keep the horse outreach program in operation. It has been a huge success in reaching at-risk children and youth in addition to providing pleasurable outings for campers and guests. It is an expensive program to operate so the support of the community, churches, businesses, friends, neighbors, etc. is vital. Camp Hebron is most grateful for auction donations, attendees, and purchasers to provide the much-needed income. Donations are always welcome so if you have any crafts or hobbies, or vacation rentals, etc. you can package for bidding, please start making your plans now to donate to the cause next year. The MCC Sewing Group donated a baby quilt to the auction and several other Slate Hillers contributed items. You can contact Kathy Krug or Fran Leiter at Slate Hill for more information or contact the camp directly to ask about the Boots and Blue Jeans annual auction.

The evening starts with a picnic-style buffet and guests have plenty of time to browse and bid during the silent auction. At the close of the silent auction, everyone moves to the auditorium where the spirited live auction commences. Checkout afterward is fairly simple and fast as everything is done via computer. It is a fun night out and you can even come home with some great bargains or treasurers! The committee is already making preparations for the auction next year, tentatively scheduled for April 19, 2018. It takes a great deal of time and effort to contact businesses and individuals for donations. Mark your calendar now to experience this delightful event and support your church camp.

Submitted by Kathy Krug and Fran Leiter

# **Ministry Assignments for 2016-2017**

# **Elder Team**

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Rosalie Roland ('19)

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Jen Musselman ('19)

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Debbie Hoover ('19)

Debbie Weaver ('18)

Janet Zimmerman ('18)

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John Pechart ('17)

Trang Rioux ('18)

Deborah Saline ('20)

Richard Mininger, Bishop

# **Technology Committee**

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Chris Hawley ('18)

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Isaac Shertzer ('18)

Ed White ('19)

# **Wellness Committee**

Joy Fasick ('17)

Hope Alexander ('18)

Roger Myers ('17)

Rod Petersheim ('19)

Ben Simcox ('18)

Connie Werner ('17)

# **Gifts Discernment Committee**

Stacy Petersheim, Chair ('19)

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Barb Springer ('18)

Janet Zimmerman ('17)

### **Lancaster Conference Delegates**

Lynn Shertzer

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Carol Moser ('18)

### **Church Retreat**

Joelle Beck ('19)

Amanda Musselman ('19)