Menno Bulletin Weekly

Bulletin Announcements for October 25. 2015

Witmer Heights Church Life Activities Calendar

Oct. 25 – CVCCS Open House – 12-4 pm. located at 2420 Gehman Lane, (near Lapp Electric).

Oct. 29 – Elder Team – 6:00 pm.

Nov. 4 – Witmer Heights Community Night – ages K – Adult. Meal begins at 6:15 pm.

Nov. 11 – Worship Team – 7:00 pm

Nov. 25 - MYF Thanksgiving Eve. service at Mellinger 7-8 pm. All welcome.

Nov. 29 - Fifth Sunday hymn sing at Stumptown. – 7:00 pm.

Sunday, October 25 Sunday, November 1

Message Randy Keener Randy Keener

Greeters John/Mim/Nathan Buckwalter John H. and Kathryn Landis

~On Monday, Oct. 19, thirteen persons from Witmer Heights worked at the MCC Resource Center. The men worked at baling clothing and cardboard, and cutting books, while the women worked in the quilting and sewing rooms, sewing a variety of projects, and marking fabric for making bags. **The date for the 2016 spring workday will be Monday, April 4.**

~The next WH Community Night is scheduled for Wed., Nov. 4. Please contact Shelby Swartley to sign up to bring food. Check the email from her that went out to the church on Monday, Oct. 19. The meal is served at 6:15. Activities include: Different ways to pray (children) – Shelby. Nutritional Eating (adults) – Judy. Building Loom frames (men) – Abigale. Please come and support this new Community Night format for EVERYONE at Witmer Heights... not just the children.

~Encouragement Link for Oct. 18-24 (extended to Oct. 31)

Micah Boyer – Velma Magill Olivia Mast – Janet B. /Wes Newswanger Sarah Hoffer – Jan/Dean Mast Marie Swartley – Esther/Ernie Mast Allison Kachel – Sophia Mast Rebecca Swartley – Becky Nolt

~Church Directory Updates: Nathan Buckwalter has a new email address: nathanbuck4@gmail.com.

Randy & Emily's address: 756 Hamilton Street, Lancaster, PA 17602

Emily's email address: emins919@yahoo.com

- **~During the Fall Quarter the Adult Sunday school class** is studying the book "The Making of an Ordinary Saint: My Journey from Frustration to Joy with the Spiritual Disciplines" by Nathan Foster. Prepare for the class on **October 25** by reading Chapter 7 on "Simplicity." Merle Reinford will be the facilitator.
- ~The Sunday school offering project for the fall and winter months began on Sunday, October 4. The project will raise money for North Star Initiative. North Star Initiative is a nonprofit organization working to help women in Lancaster who have been or are in the sex-trafficking industry. The nonprofit is raising money for a group home called "The Harbor" where women who have been in the trafficking world can receive healing, therapy, and a safe place to live. The director said they could fill the house today with women from Lancaster if they had the house available. Please prayerfully consider giving to this ministry that serves broken women. Mark your check or envelope. Thank you for your support! (The June, July, August offerings will be included.) Total given to this project thus far is \$115.98.
- **~Connections Tuesday morning from 9:00-11:00, at Mellinger Fellowship Hall.** The October 27 topic is "Stewardship Series: Estate Planning." Jonathan Hofstetter, an attorney at Blakinger, Byler & Thomas, will discuss various issues related to estate and retirement planning, asset protection, and safeguarding your family's future. Some questions to be addressed include: What happens to my stuff when I die? Do I need a will? Who will make decisions for me if I'm in a coma?
- ~The Parent and Preschool Center fundraisers have been launched for this school year which will again include Subs, Car wash tokens, and Giant Rewards. Sign up sheets for the Subs and Car Wash tokens are on the table at the back of the sanctuary. Orders are due no later than Nov. 5. Subs and car wash tokens will be delivered Nov. 12. Regarding Giant Rewards,.. if you signed up last year for the Preschool, you do not need to sign up again. Last year this easy fundraiser earned \$1150 for the Preschool and all you need to do is show them your Giant Rewards card every time you shop there in order for the Preschool to get the credit. If you have questions whether you're signed up, call Chris Stahl at 397-5717

News Items From Other Organizations

The Conestoga Valley Christian Community Services (CVCCS), located at 2420 Gehman Lane, Lancaster, is hosting an Open House for the CV community on **Sunday, October 25 from 12 to 4 PM**.

We invite the entire community to take a tour of our clothing and food banks. The clothing bank, formally known as Corner of Hope, and the food bank, formally We Care and The CV food bank

are now housed in the former Lapp Electric warehouse.

Tours will be given and refreshments will be served. Please join us on Sunday, October 25th.

Come meet our staff and volunteers!

- **~Food Bank Update:** WHMC donated 50 lbs of food during Sept. and Oct. Thank you. Please bring donations to church and put in the box provided at the back of the sanctuary. Suggestions for donations include: jelly or jam, pancake mix, syrup, oatmeal, cans of soup, canned pasta, pasta sauce, instant potatoes, peanut butter, and baked beans.
- ~Another great need at CVCCS Food Bank is for volunteer "man power" to lift, load, carry cases of vegetables, etc. consistently on Wednesday mornings. Are there college students living at home who would have no classes Wed. morning? Or is there anyone laid off work right now who could volunteer several hours a week? Or are there retired folks who fit the description of strong, healthy folks? There seem to be mostly women willing to help, but we need some strong "backs" as well. Please contact Pastor Randy Keener for information on how to get in touch with Deb Sprunger.
- **~Bridge of Hope Lancaster & Chester Counties' annual family event** will be held on **Saturday, November 7**, from 5:00 to 7:30 pm at Ridgeview Mennonite Church, Gordonville, PA. Enjoy this year's 25th celebration and final Kaleidoscope event with a family-style dinner, favorite entertainers, and 25 years of photos. To register, call 717-394-7406 x 106 or 10-380-1360 X 106 or visit www.BridgeofHopeLCC.org for more details.
- ~Lancaster Mennonite School is interested in hiring Christian employees and welcomes applicants who may like to use their gifts in a Christian school environment. Enjoy cooking? A part-time cook position is available for the evening meal at Lancaster Mennonite School's Lancaster Campus Mon. to Fri. 3-6 pm., serving 50 residential students from around the world. Persons of underrepresented racial/ethnic groups are encouraged to apply. For more information, please contact Dottie Weber at 717-299-0436, ext. 328 or weberdg@lancastermennonite.org.