



Saints Alive!

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RALLY DAY 2007

Sunday, September 9 is Rally Day! Come and enjoy great food and fellowship with members of the church sponsored by the Christian Education Committee and the Deacons. After the 11:00 am service, out on the front lawn (weather permitting), there will be games for the kids with sweet treats as rewards. The Deacons will be serving grilled hot dogs, chips, ice cream and drinks for the whole family. This is a great time to invite friends and neighbors to our church. We're looking forward to seeing you on Rally Day!

Steak By The Lake

Don't miss out on the fundraiser to benefit the Nicaragua Mission at Avon Lake Presbyterian Church on Saturday, September 8.

Read more on page 3

Worship and Sunday School

Starting September 9, worship will be at 9:30 and 11:00 am.
Sunday School for all ages will be at 11:00 am.

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The Christian Education Director Search Task Force is currently accepting applications for the position of Christian Education Director. *Read more on page 18*

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Plans are in the making for the Second Annual Best Christmas Pageant Ever! Look for details in upcoming bulletins and mailings. Play try-outs will be after the 11:00 am worship service on Sunday, September 16. Call the church office with questions (933-6240).

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Church office hours:
Starting September 10
Mon—Fri
8:00 am - 4:00 pm
Phone: 440-933-6240



Message from Pastor

It's a time of transitions for many of us.

Children are going back to school, and those of us who are teachers are back at it for another year. Several of our young people are prepared to (if they haven't already) head off to college for the first time, an adjustment for child and family alike. Still others have journeyed off to begin their life's work and others have volunteered to serve their country in the armed forces, a transition of a deeper sort.

It's also a transition time for us here at the church. As with every other year, we will begin our program year with a Rally Day kickoff to Sunday School on September 9th. This year's Rally Day, though, will have a special - and sad - twist to it: It will be Arlene Strauch's last as Director of Christian Education.

As many of you know, Arlene is resigning her position to pursue a degree in Pastoral Counseling from the Ashland Theological Seminary. For 18 years, she has been the guiding force for our church's educational program, and I am personally and deeply thankful for her energy and efficiency. She has been a great source of support and encouragement, as well as an inspiration of being open to the Presence of God. She will still remain in our fellowship, but her moving on means that a group of folks have been hard at work trying to find her replacement. A task force of members from the Human Resources and Christian Education Committees have been receiving

dossiers over the last few weeks. At the beginning of September, they plan to start interviewing candidates to be our next DCE. However, the search goes on, so if there are those in our church family who have thought about applying to be DCE, it is not too late. Just put together a resume and bring it to the Church Office and we will make sure it gets into the right hands.

I couldn't help but think that our lives have all kinds of transitions to them. We move along, and things are going fine, but then we get with a twist in the road; a change in our work, a new challenge in our school work, a doctor's report comes back with more questions than answers, upheaval in the family means drastic changes are on the way. Transitions are a part of life. They are also a part of our spiritual journey. We think we have a close relationship with God and then something happens and we wonder where God went.

But it could be that the transitions in our lives are times for us to feel God's Presence in a new and deeper way. For me, the Presence of God has been more keenly felt with a time of pain and hurt. It's not that I want those times to come with regularity; but when they do, I know that the Spirit of God will be there in a way I could not predict to give me what I most needed.

As we go through our time of transition, I invite you all to lift up our task force in prayer as they search for the new DCE.

In the meantime, may God's Spirit be with you and bless you in all of your transitions.

Grace and peace
Tom

International Mission Team

“With Jesus Christ as our example, we strive to bring His love to others throughout the world through word and deed.”

Over the last several months, a dedicated group from our church has been working hard to get ready for our mission trip to Estelí, Nicaragua. The following ALPC members have felt a calling to go on the mission this year: Kathy Leopold, Dave Littell, Janet Maurer, Felice & Kris Maiorca, Carol Nussle, and Nicholas Yoda. On October 18-25, 2007, they will be joining with a group from John Knox and several other area churches to partner with our host church Shalom Presbyterian Church in Estelí. Our mission will be focused on four areas:

Construction, Evangelism, Medical, and Vacation Bible School.

Construction: Our group will work together to add a youth center onto the church and also build an addition onto a home. Work includes digging foundations, sifting sand, mixing cement, laying of cement blocks, and tying of rebar. All expenses for the house addition and for part of the church expansion need to be raised by our group.

Evangelism: The mission group will strive to spread the word of Christ to all whom we meet through action and word. Please pray for God’s blessing to be with the team.

Medical: A portion of our team will hold medical clinics and perform house visits in the neighborhoods, or barrios, of Estelí. We will provide basic medical services and will assist in covering the cost of prescriptions for the Nicaraguans. We are asking for donations of the following items:

Triple antibiotic cream	Gauze
Calamine lotion	Sterile dressings
Tylenol/Ibuprofen	Medical tape
Hydrocortisone cream	Cough syrup
Powdered baby formula	Band-aids
Ace bandages	Butterfly bandages

Vacation Bible School: Children from barrios in Estelí will come to learn more about Jesus through songs, games, crafts and storytelling. Each child will leave with a Polaroid picture of themselves and a hand decorated t-shirt.

Please consider supporting our fundraising efforts for the people of Nicaragua by attending the Steak By The Lake on September 8 or by buying a brick in the church foyer. Bricks will be available for a purchase price of \$10 each on September 30. All profits from the fundraisers go directly to buying supplies and caring for the needs of the Nicaraguans.

Thank you for your support and continued prayers,
Kris Maiorca for the International Mission Team

4th Grade Bibles

The fourth grade students will be receiving Bibles on Sunday, October 7th at the 9:30 worship service. Letters will be going out to the parents the week of September 9th.

Christian Education Hallway Tree

If your family picture was not in the last pictorial directory and your children would like a picture of your family on the tree in the hallway, feel free to bring one in and put it up on the tree!



Mission Statement

In awe, we Receive
God's Grace and Gospel.
In gratitude, we Respond
with Worship and Servanthood.
In love, we Represent Jesus Christ
as we minister to transform lives
in family, community, and the world

Together on Tuesdays

On Tuesday, September 11th, the "Together on Tuesday" group will begin meeting again every Tuesday evening in Room 2 at the church from 7:00 – 9:00 pm for fellowship and discussion. This fall, we will be looking at the Nooma DVDs for great conversation. If you're interested, check out:

www.nooma.com.

Quarters for "Quarters"

The Christian Education Committee felt the "Nickels for Nicaragua" program sponsored during the Sunday school hour last year worked well. It provided the children with information about Nicaragua and gave them the opportunity to share their gifts.

Therefore, we decided to continue with the same type of program but shift the focus to a local mission - Habitat for Humanity. Every Sunday morning, the Hall Monitor will take the "Quarters for Quarters" cart around to all the classrooms, share a different bit of information

about Habitat, and invite them to contribute to the box. Last year the children reached the goal of \$500.00 for

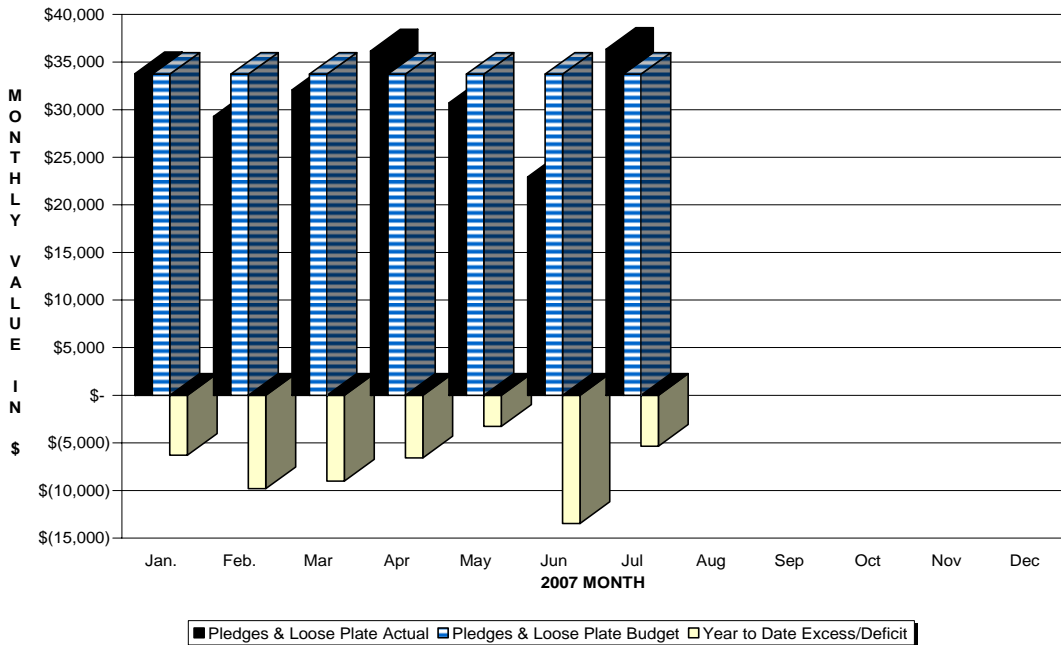
Nicaragua so we decided to set the goal for \$600.00 this year. We hope you will encourage your children to participate!!



FINANCIAL REPORT

We are well on our way to starting a new tradition at Avon Lake Presbyterian Church! We didn't quite come out of the summer with a lower deficit than we intended, BUT the financials through July are very encouraging. As you can see from the graph below, we started off with the old tradition in June but came back very strong in July. In fact, July is our best month year-to-date for collections. Our deficit at the end of July was (\$5,350.15) versus over (\$30,000) last July. I want to personally thank the congregation for their dedication. We certainly don't have the financial mountain we had last year facing us this year, but we still are not where we want to be. Please keep up the your giving through August and let's work to end the year with a minimum of a \$0 deficit. With God's help, all things are possible.

2007 ALPC FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE



Financial Fact: Did you know that through July, in addition to our budgeted General Mission of \$26,250, our congregation has given over \$7,800 to special mission projects, such as 2 Cents a Meal, One great Hour of Sharing and Nickels for Nicaragua?

Bob Ralston
Finance Committee

A Notice To All Present and Prospective Chancel Choir and Bell Choir Members

Facts about the Chancel Choir:

We meet every Wednesday night from 8:00 until about 9:30.

We welcome everyone from ninth grade up.

We have openings in all sections: soprano, alto, tenor, bass.

We have reserved “best seats in the house” in church.

We sing a variety of music. If you don’t like this week’s anthem, wait until next week!

We never have to worry about our wardrobe on Sunday morning.

(Someone will tell us what color soles to wear.)

We don’t require an audition. Desire to learn goes a long way.

We are probably the largest “small group” in the church.

We have a lot of fun and care about each other a lot.

Sound interesting? Please join us. **Our first practice will be on Wednesday, September 5th at 7:30 pm.** (Note time change just for the first week) We will have dessert and conversation in the foyer until time for practice. Please bring dessert or some kind of snack to share.

Facts about the Bell Choir:

We practice on Wednesday evenings from 6:45 to 7:45.

We do have to have some skills in music reading. We can’t rely on our neighbor to give us the note, although we do help each other.

We have a real feeling of challenge from learning the music.

We have been known to play with bad knees and backs, the flu, or broken arms!

We try to play on an average of once a month in worship.

We could use some more players so that we have enough to play all the bells.

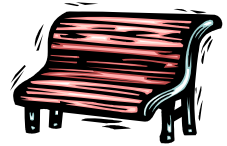
We also are a caring “small group.”

We will begin practice on September 5th at 6:45 pm. We will stop a little early to have dessert with the Chancel Choir.

If you are a person with a talent for singing or playing an instrument either as a solo or in an ensemble, we would be delighted to sign you up for special music. Please call me at 933-9163 or at the church at 933-6240.

Muriel Homer,
Director of Music

The Deacons Bench



The duties of the Deacons are: (1) to minister to those in need, and (2) to carry out any duties assigned by the Session (the governing body of our church). There are two committees that make up the Deacons: (1) The Fellowship Committee, and (2) The Outreach and Visitation Committee.

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Events!

Sunday, September 9, 2007

Rally Day. This is the date we will start having two worship services on Sundays; 9:30 am and 11:00 am. Celebrate the beginning of this Sunday school season with the Deacons and the Christian Education Department. The Deacons will serve “grilled” hot dogs, chips, pop and ice cream; while the Christian Education Department will host games out on the front lawn. Call the church office with questions (933-6240).

Sunday, October 28, 2007

All Ages Halloween Party. Enjoy this “family” event in Hart Hall from 2:00 – 4:00 pm. Come dressed in your favorite Halloween costume and parade around the grounds! We will have food, games and prizes! For more information, call Janet St. George (930-8177).

Stewardship Corner

Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it;"

1 Timothy 6: 6-7



The Stewardship Committee thanks everyone for keeping up with their pledges of financial support through the summer. Now that September is here and the church is going into full swing with its programs, we hope that you will continue in your stewardship with participation in the church life, using your time and talents as well as giving financial support. The Presbyterian Constitution says this about stewardship:

"The Christian life is an offering of one's self to God. In worship the people are presented with the costly self-offering of Jesus Christ, are claimed and set free by him, and are led to respond by offering to him their lives, their particular gifts and abilities, and their material goods."

When we think of stewardship as a spiritual matter rather than just giving to the budget, we discover the joy of giving to God.

Lee Lohr
For the Stewardship Committee

CRS Pantry Foyer Food Collection Lots of Start-Ups

September is a month of start-ups for all of us.

Vacations end and Fall work schedules are put in place. School begins again. "The rest of the year" worship schedule resumes. Rally Day kicks off a new year of Sunday School. Team sports rev up once more. Graduates leave their summer jobs to begin college while some of their parents experience, for the first time, an empty nest.

While there is much that is new, there are still some ongoing needs to be met by those of us who are blessed with God's abundance. There are still families in our area that have a continuing need for supplemental food to supply their monthly nutrition.

CRS (Community Resource Services) keeps its pantry going all year long, and the Lorain County Lutheran/Presbyterian Food Coop begins their pantry distributions once again after a summer of suspending operations due to a scarcity of food and funding.

The collection containers are in the ALPC foyer, and September's emphasis is crackers, peanut butter, jellies, condiments of all kinds, and healthy snacks.

This is a great opportunity to buy a few extra food items each time you grocery shop and reach out with nutritional help to our neighbors in need.

Shirley Hook
For The Mission Committee

Adult Sunday School
11:00 A.M.
Room 3 – Session Room
Beginning on Rally Day – September 9th

The Adult Sunday school class will be trying something new this year as they take advantage of today's technology. They will be using "The Wired Word" curriculum. Every Thursday, this curriculum emails a Bible study based on a headline story from that week's newspaper to every student listed with the subscription. The person who will be leading the study then has a couple of days to prepare the lesson and everyone else in the class has a chance to think about the lesson. And if you're not signed up – no problem – just come and enjoy the discussion. If you enjoy the program and decide to join in, your email address can be added to the subscription at no extra cost. Every week there will be a new headline with a new subject to discuss. Feel free to check it out at www.thewiredword.com.

Diversity Event
Opportunity to hear Dr. Beverly Daniel Tatum

The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) professes that racism, in all its forms, is contrary to the gospel of Jesus Christ. We live in an increasingly diverse world, not just black and white, in which we are called upon to demonstrate God's love and minister to those in need. Racial justice is part of that call and is reflected in our Peacemaking Covenant. On Saturday, September 22, we will have a rare opportunity to hear race relations expert, author and President of Spelman College, Dr. Beverly Daniel Tatum speak at the Church of the Covenant on Euclid Avenue in Cleveland. Dr. Tatum is a clinical psychologist whose areas of research interest include black families in white communities, racial identity in teens, and the role of race in the classroom. Dr. Tatum's address and discussion will run from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm and is being presented jointly by the Leadership Development and Justice Ministries of the Presbytery of the Western Reserve.

Lynn Morway
for the Mission Committee

General Mission Funding

“In love, we Represent Jesus Christ as we minister to transform lives in family, community and the world.” Those words from our church mission statement are in deed an integral part of the life of our church. But when we think of the mission work we do, we do not always think about the general mission funds – that 13% of our total giving – that goes to the Presbytery of the Western Reserve.

Those mission-specific funds are combined with the mission dollars given by the other 52 churches in our presbytery and are then distributed to ministries whose purpose is to serve those in need of food, housing, education, medical aid and jobs. The Presbytery’s Outreach Committee screens applicants carefully and recommends a funding level for those who qualify to become our Presbytery Mission Partners.

Among our mission partners for 2007 are the hunger programs of the Garden Valley Neighborhood House, the Collinwood Area Church Council and the Calvary Presbyterian Church Team Ministry. Other programs include the Opportunity for Grace Program which has a relationship with Shaw Academy and helps at risk students graduate from high school. Another is the community-wide tutoring program of the Church of the Covenant. This later program provides academic help for students in grades 1-12, in addition to helping them build self esteem and realize the value of education and community involvement.

So when you pledge and give to support your church, know that you are also in that way supporting mission work, through the connectional nature of the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A.

Louis Agassiz School Tutoring

This school year, ALPC will once again continue our relationship with the children at Louis Agassiz Elementary School, helping to improve their reading and comprehension skills. For a number of years, members of our church have tutored children in kindergarten through 5th grade at this west side Cleveland school. This program began through a partnership with Bosworth Road Presbyterian Church, located across the street from the school. Even though Bosworth Road has recently had to close its doors, we can continue to do the good work that they started.

The school is located two blocks east of West 117th and Thrush, south of the I-90/W 117th Street exit. Tutoring starts in mid-October and is done in the school cafeteria, in 40 minute increments with each child, for whatever timeframe fits your schedule. It is a personally rewarding program that is greatly appreciated by the staff and the children. If you can make time during school hours and would like to help a child read, please consider this program and watch for sign-up information later this month. Please contact Lynn Morway at 934-0148 with any questions.

Lynn Morway
for the Mission Committee

Eight Million Stories

“There are eight million stories in the naked city; this has been one of them.”

Not many of us may remember the hit 1948 movie that contained that line, nor the hit TV series of the same name that used it as an opener; however, storytelling has always been central to the effective communication of history, status, and the hopes and dreams of all of us.

In “Naked City” they were the stories of New York City residents. Today, there are well over 8 million persons in NYC, and each one has a story.

Romania has a population of 22 million; Malawi, 13 million. In Nicaragua, it’s 5.5 million. Stories in these places are too often stories of poverty, troubled societies, and hunger. Yet, as followers of Christ, we are called not only to become part of those stories, but to create and share our own stories of how God is working in the world.

For several years, poor, hungry, and sick children and adults in Romania, Malawi, Nicaragua and many other countries have been served through the generosity of members and friends of Avon Lake Presbyterian Church. Through purchases of goods and services that end up in a land far away, given as gifts to – and in honor of – our friends and loved ones, we write new stories.

This year’s Alternative Holiday Market is on Sunday, November 18. Until then, our weekly Sunday Worship Bulletin will feature a column from *The Storyteller*.

It is our Mission Committee’s hope, that you will read those stories and then respond with your attendance and participation in the largest mission project of our church.

Help to write another story.

Art Hook,
For the Alternative Holiday Market
Steering Team

Peacemaking Offering

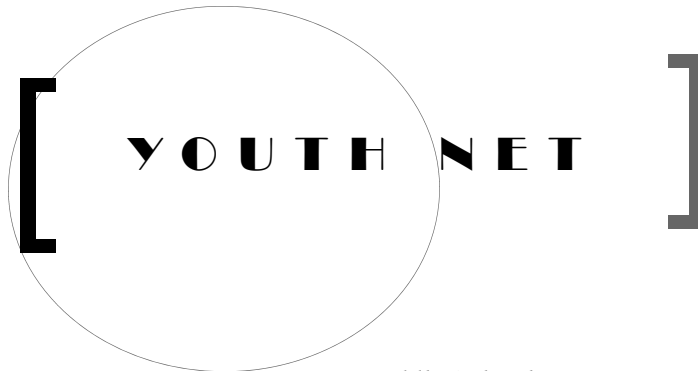
Sunday, October 7 we gather at Christ’s Table to observe World Communion Sunday. Our congregation, as well as Christians around the world, come together to remember how Jesus wanted us to live in peace. On this day, we also receive the **PEACEMAKING OFFERING**, an offering that is given by all that recognize the vision for God’s peace in the world.

The General Assembly, synods, and presbytery use 75 percent of this offering to assist with worldwide peace efforts. The remaining 25 percent is used by our congregation to help support the Genesis House of Lorain County. Their mission is to provide family services to victims of domestic abuse.

Please give prayerful thought to making a contribution to **PEACEMAKING** by placing your gift in the designated envelope found in the back of the pew.

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God,” said Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace (Matthew 5:9).

Yours in Christ,
Sue Galloway, Mission Committee



**Join us
Every Wednesday Night**

Middle School 6:00—7:00 pm
Dinner for all youth—7:00—7:30 pm
High School 7:30—8:30 pm

September Youth Net:

- September 12 — Youth Net Kick-off and Cookout
- September 19 — Bible Study
- September 26 — Fellowship



Youth Net Leadership Team Meeting:

⇒ Sunday, September 23, at noon in the Youth Room—lunch will be provided

Come in to see the new Youth Room on Rally Day, September 9

Nicholas Yoda
Phone: 440-933-6240
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Presbyterian Women



All the women of the congregation are considered to be members of the Presbyterian Women and are encouraged to be a part of one of our Circles. All our Circles are starting a new year and would love to have new members. Lee Lohr is the Membership Advocate, so please contact her for more information and to join (934-6757).

Circle of Hope

The Circle of Hope meets the second Wednesday of the month at 9:30 am in the church library. We will be viewing the video series, “What’s so Amazing About Grace” and would love to have you join us! Our first meeting for this program year will be on September 12th.



Our Fall Rummage Sale is Thursday, October 11. Don’t miss it!

Circle Leaders

It’s that time of year again when we need to print the Presbyterian Women’s booklet. Please send your circle meeting dates, times, places and leader information to Cindi at alpresby@centurytel.net by Sunday, September 9!

- Tuesday, September 11, at 1:00 pm in Room 3..... Care & Share
- Tuesday, September 11, at 7:00 pm Circle of Smiles
- Tuesday, September 11, at 7:30 pmSerendipity Circle
- Wednesday, September 12, at 9:30 amCircle of Hope
- Wednesday, September 12, at 7:00 pmSarah Circle
- Tuesday, September 18, at 7:00 pm in the church libraryRuth Circle
- Thursday, September 20, at 7:00 pm in Room 3Presbyterian Women Board
- Thursday, September 23, at 7:30 pmCircle of Love
- Tuesday, September 25, at 7:30 pm in the church library.Circle of Friends

Clothe A Kid For School

Thanks to the generosity and caring of this congregation, thirty children ages 5 to 15 from Lorain, Elyria, Oberlin and Amherst will have brand new school clothes for the start of this school year. Participation in the Clothe a Kid for School Program was wonderful. The children supported in this way were referred to the program by organizations including Genesis House, the Salvation Army, Lorain County Children's Services, Resource Mother and Love In the Name of Christ, which coordinates the program.



By working together with others, we have made a big difference. In total this year 594 needy children throughout the county were assisted by Clothe a Kid for School. These children can now start school not only with new clothes, but also with the self-worth that goes with knowing others care. What a wonderful response to the needs in our community and a testament to the way God works through us.

Thank you for sharing your love with the children of Lorain County.

Lynn Morway
for the Mission Committee

Baptisms at Avon Lake Presbyterian Church

Isaac Depew, grandson of Tammy and Clay Dusek
will be baptized on September 2.

Abby Linick, daughter of Terry and Chuck Linick
will be baptized on September 16.

Annalyse Mabe, daughter of Ashley Slebodnik and Nick Mabe
will be baptized on September 30.

FORE!

LOOK OUT, ALL YOU AVON LAKE PRESBYTERIAN GOLFERS! THERE'S A GOLF BALL COMING YOUR WAY!

You need not duck. Instead, just pick up the ball and come out for a day of golf before those long, cold, snowy months of winter come along.

THE INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK OF GREATER LORAIN COUNTY
invites you to its.....

1st ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

Saturday, October 13, 2007

Forest Hills Country Club

\$85 per person, \$300 a team of 4

Includes 18 holes of golf, golf cart, lunch, steak dinner and refreshments

The IHN of GREATER LORAIN COUNTY is counting down to providing assistance to homeless families; and when it is fully up and running, ALPC will be leaving the Greater Cleveland IHN to become one of the host churches for the Lorain County network. In the meantime, a director has been hired, temporary office space secured, and host/support churches signed up. Only a Center location, a 15-passenger van, equipment, and some funding are needed to get the IHN of GLC ball off the ground and flying, so come out for some golf, or invite some friends and make it a foursome.

REGISTRATION FLYERS can be found on the ALPC office counter.

If you own a business or know someone who does,

HOLE SPONSORS ARE NEEDED

Registration, please, by September 22.

Any questions? Call Shirley Hook (937-4020), for the Mission Committee

BEULAH BEACH CHURCH FAMILY RETREAT
October 13th and 14th – 2007
It's time to sign-up in the foyer!!

Imagine . . .

A campfire with roasted marshmallows and S'mores.

A raucous card game or a ping pong match.

*A quiet walk along the lake shore with an old friend
 (or a new friend.)*

Three delicious meals prepared by someone else.

A paddleboat ride or a bike ride.

28 hours of grazing

(on food for the body as well as the soul).

Discovering new things about yourself, God, and others.



Come and join us at Beulah Beach for the annual church family retreat. It's a great opportunity to slow down and enjoy your church family. We spend much of the weekend all together in one big intergenerational family, but we also have 3 sessions when we break into age appropriate groups. This year, we'll be CELEBRATING as we learn more about the spiritual practices of celebration, study and solitude.

We treat this retreat like a worship service. All are invited, no matter what they can put in the offering plate. The cost to the church is \$65.00 for adults 16 and over, \$35.00 for youth 12-15, \$15.00 for children over 3, and children under 3 are free. We trust everyone will give as much as they can and God will provide the rest through those of us who can give more.

If you have any questions feel free to ask anyone on the Beulah Beach Committee: Gary & Rae Matthews, Beth & Craig Shoemaker, Karen Francy, Arlene Strauch and Nick Yoda.

Be sure to check out the bulletin board in the foyer and SIGN UP!!
We need your registration by September 30th.

If you or anyone you know would like to donate a bench (or two) to be placed outside beside the main doors at either end of the building, please let Cindi in the church office know at alpresby@centurytel.net or 933-6240.

Blue Jean Sunday/Spring Work Day/ Sunday, May 20, 2007

What a great work day that was! The Deacons served 72 hot dogs! We want to send a thank you to the following people that showed up in their jeans (work clothes) to clean tables, chairs, toys, windows, the kitchen, to rake, weed, mow and anything else that needed to be done! If we missed your name, please forgive us, but we definitely appreciate your help, too!

Tettehwayo Ablorh-Odjidja

Joe Bales (Elder)

Deanna (Deacon), Bryan, Alayna and Nathan Bridgett

David Brunner

Michele Cold (Elder), Lani, Aaron and Maya Assaf

Joe (Elder), Taylor and Jordan Dallas

Cindi Dansizen (Deacon)

Dick Francis (Elder)

Scott, Karen, Abby, Jacob and Daniel Francy

Carol (Deacon) and Corinne Fratianne

Scott (Deacon) and Carol Hay

Glen, Alyssa and Josh Heitkamp

Beth Janis

Jay (Deacon), Leslie, Carter and Grace Knox

Virginia and Dave Lockmeyer (Elders)

Felice (Elder), Kris, Francesco and Marissa Maiorca

Rae Matthews (Deacon)

Janet Maurer

Jeff Mell

Janet Parker

Bob (Elder) and Jill Ralston

Tom Robinson

Charlie Rudd

Jim Shane

Meg and Emma Sherban

Hannah (Deacon), Craig and Beth Shoemaker

Brett (Deacon), Julie, Emily and Ben Smith

Jeff Spenzer

Janet (Deacon), Daniel and Leigha St. George

Leslie (Deacon), Mike, Christian and Hunter Stephens

Arlene Strauch

Cris, Bill, Elissa, Ryan, Whitney and Tracey Till

Cheryl, Bob and Ashley Wittlinger

Sound Room Technicians



Sept 9	9:30	Paul Selvage
	11:00	Scott Seipel
16	9:30	Craig Young
	11:00	John Earley
23	9:30	Mike Richardson
	11:00	Tony George
30	9:30	Lee Lohr
	11:00	Gary Uhl

Gary Alshouse (933-5337)
schedules for the sound room.

Greeters



Sept 9	9:30	The Gorman Family
	11:00	
Sept 16	9:30	Joe & Sally Bales
	11:00	Linda & Tim Kurak
Sept. 23	9:30	Theda McGrew
	11:00	The St. George Family
Sept. 30	9:30	The Alshouse Family
	11:00	The Dawe Family

Holly Dufala schedules greeters.
Please call Holly to volunteer (937-0540)

Wanted: Christian Education Director

The Christian Education Director Search Task Force is currently accepting applications for the position of Christian Education Director. If you know of anyone who might be interested in applying, or if you are interested in the position, please send a resume to alpresby@centurytel.net or drop it by the church office as soon as possible. Interviews will be conducted in September. Members of the task force include Susan Vasu, Scott Seipel, Jim Grissinger, Bob Ralston, Karen Francy, Michele Cold, Dina Doughtry, Tom Robinson and Nicholas Yoda. Please keep the committee in your prayers as the search and selection process continues.

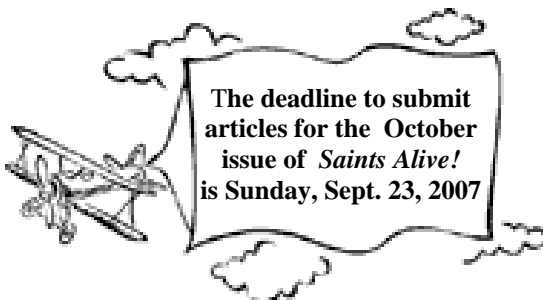
Michele Cold and Dina Doughtry
Co-Chairs, CED Search Task Force

Prayer Concerns

Serving in our Armed Forces:



Eric Hansen, Jennifer Homer, Matt Homer, Jeff Leopold, Jamie Waddell, Derek Fabry, Derek Weeden, Aaron Angel (Scott Hay's niece's husband), Brandon Abrams (son of a co-worker of Marian Conn), Bill Brown III (Sue Tompos' nephew), Chris Conn, Ben Donberg (a nephew of the Monjots), Todd Funkhouser (Theda McGrew's grandson), Robert Glover (Carol Egna's brother), Andrew Hansen, Patrick Harris (Betty Harris' grandson), Ian Houston (a friend of Scott Simmons), Brenda Reynolds (Sue Mabe's daughter), Kyle Reynolds (Lois Bayley's great nephew), Colin Smith (a friend of the Lehmkuhls), Ryan and Kevin Tinsley (Nancy McBride's grandsons), Adam Usher (Kay Usher's grandson) and Stephen Yoda (Nick Yoda's brother).



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