

First Mennonite Church Sunday, August 8, 2010

Alumni and Friends of Bethel College are invited to the **Summer Thresher Golf Classic & Barbeque, Saturday, August 14**, at Galaway Creek Golf Course, Henderson, NE. Contact (316) 284-5251, alumni@bethelks.edu, pick up a brochure at the back of the church or print one from www.bethelks.edu/alumni/events/golf/php

The 15th annual **Day on the Farm** sponsored by Mennonite Agri-Urban will be held Sat., Aug. 21 at the farm of Carol Duerksen & Maynard Knepp, 3 mi. north, 4 mi. east, & ¼ mi. north of Goessel, Kansas. Events which include horseback rides, cart rides, goat milking, pig catching & interaction with farm animals, run from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. A meal is served at 11:30. The event is free; however, contributions to Agri-Urban are welcomed. Agri-Urban benefits WDC, Mennonite Church USA & Bethel College.

2010 Women & Girls Retreat to be held at Camp Mennoscah, September 10-12 at Murdock, KS. **Featured Retreat Speaker:** Florence Schloneger; **Theme:** Women Uniquely Created By God; **Seminars:** Bible Study—"Creation...and Re-Creation: Women in the image of God", Unusual Container Gardening, Women in Missions, Making Zwieback, Exercise or Movement, Make Your Digital Camera Your Friend, and Oh the Places We'll Go.

This Morning

Pastor: Gail Cross

Greeters: Mike and Debbie Goossen

Hosts: Bill & Marilyn Goossen

Audio: Marv Goossen

Video: Austin Goossen

Power Point: Sean Coy

Music: Jan Reimer

Offering: 429 Factory

Next Sunday: FMC General Fund

Last Sunday!
Attendance: 108
Offering: \$ 3,877.91 for
FMC General Fund

Upcoming Events

Today, August 8, 6:30 - Duane Koenig, speaker

Tuesday, 1:30 p.m. – WMS

Wednesday, August 11 – Blood Drive at Holiday Inn Express
12 Noon to 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, August 11, – SYF meets at BMC- 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, August 12 – Blood Drive at Holiday Inn Express
7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Sunday, August 15 – Missions, Peace & Service Council
meets for lunch after the worship service

Later in the Month

Tuesday, August 17, 7:00 - Church Board Mtg.

Saturday, August 28 – 429 Factory Open House

Birthdays!

Sunday, August 8: Tammie Janzen, Beth Witherspoon

Wednesday, August 11: Debbie Keeney

Saturday, August 14: Jessica Reimer

Sunday, August 15: Frank Penner, Kevin Jantzen

Prayer & Praise!

Mission Network asks for prayers. Monsoon season is in full swing in many areas of the world. Pray for workers laboring in the midst of these annual drenching rains and the resulting flooding as roads and bridges are often impassable and the challenge of daily ministry is increased.

Pray for all new faculty and staff at our church schools. August is a month of orientation and training for these persons committed to expanding the mission of Mennonite/Anabaptist education.

Pray with the families of Cookie Wiebe and Deb Diller as these women deal with the issues of their cancer.

Mark Your Calendars: September 12th will be a special celebration of the 133 year anniversary of the first worship service held by Mennonites in Beatrice! We are planning to host a Heritage Sunday worship service, with a fellowship meal following the service. Mark Jantzen will be giving the sermon, and Marj Schoemaker will be joining us from the Mennonite Heritage Museum to give a short program after the meal. Our goal is to invite as many past members and people with connections to the congregation as possible. Please send names of people to be invited to the church office or e-mail account; but hurry, we want the letters to go out the first week of August. Thanks for your help.

Committee members: Vern Jantzen, Elaine Penner, Jerry Reimer

Camp MennoScah – Well, folks, it appears we picked a bad weekend for the Young Adult Retreat. Due to the low number of registrants, the Young Adult Retreat is cancelled. Never fear! We'll try again next year. So, young adults....what time of the year works best for you? Let us know your thoughts:
campmno@mennowdc.org or call Olivia Bartel: 620-297-3290

Correction: The offering for Aug. 22, will be for Bethel College

Urgent: MCC Canner needed: Are you willing to travel with Mennonite Central Committee's meat canner for the next two years, helping to prepare canned meat for people in crisis around the world? MCC has an urgent opening for this service position, starting as soon as possible. Learn more about the opening at mcc.org/serve/positions/canner-operator-2 or call Maynard Knepp at 316-283-2720.

The Mennonite Family Center in the Ukraine would like to expand their services to more residents in the cities of Zaporizhzhya and Morosovka (formerly Hochfeld). For more information and how to donate to this project, contact Louie Sawatzky, Project Director, by calling 204-253-3631. See their newsletter on the narthex bulletin board.

Sunday, August 8, 6:30 p.m. at the church. **All Shepherd Groups** are invited to hear Dr. Duane Koenig speak about his experiences in Africa. Cookies and coffee/tea will be served following the presentation by Shepherd Group 1 (Betty Esau and Elsie Riesen, Shepherds).

The new Administrative Assistant will be Vicki Frerking, starting in September. Until then, Zella Penner is typing the bulletin and breeze. Vicki Hinz-Ensz is creating the power point and updating the FMC web site. Our hours are not regular, so feel free to call or e-mail Zella or Vicki at home or at the church.

MCC School Kits! The MCC warehouses are extremely low on school kits and MCC has already received requests for over 40,000 school kits from around the world. This would make a good project for a family, class, or Shepherd Group. Check the bulletin board for a complete list for making a school kit & bag.

Senior Youth Fellowship will meet at Beatrice Mennonite Ch. on Wed., Aug. 11, at 6:00 p.m. to travel to Lincoln for Laser Tag and supper. Please bring your money for these activities.