

NEWS AND NOTES

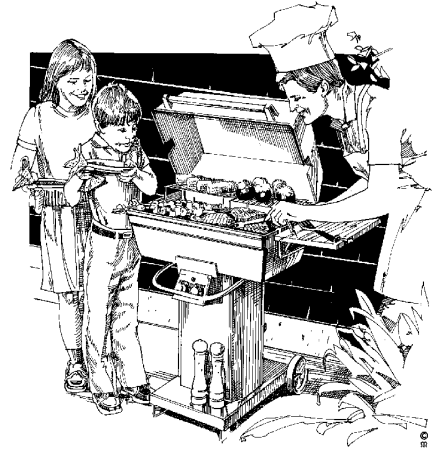
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IT'S FINALLY TIME!

Sunday, June 27th
After Worship
Lombard Commons



Bring the family, kids, and grandparents, bring a salad, dessert, or side dish to share, bring an appetite to enjoy the hamburgers and hot dogs fresh off the grill. The Parish Life Ministry will supply the meats as well as cold drinks, and they'll lead in the time of entertainment that will include beanbag toss, water balloons, volley ball, and bubble blowing. A special treat will be a face painter who will add a touch of artistry to kids and adults who feel like kids. All of this will take place in the pavilion of Lombard Commons where participants will be spared harsh effects of too much sun. The ample grounds provide running space for the most energetic kids while adults who enjoy conversation will be able to watch and share in fellowship around the tables.

Consider inviting friends who might enjoy meeting First Church family in a casual setting...with food!

NEAL OMI MISSION CLASSIC

The family calendar should have a prominent mark on **Friday, August 13th** for the 12th Annual Neal Omi Mission Classic Golf Outing at Glendale Lakes Golf Club for both the shotgun start at noon and for non-golfers who will join the golfers at 6 PM for a spectacular buffet dinner.

After the calendar is marked, the next move is to gather a foursome...family, co-workers, neighbors, anyone who would enjoy 18 holes of golf on a good course. There is a limit to the number of foursomes that can be accommodated, so plan on signing up early to enjoy the day. Golfers will be treated to a grill-prepared lunch as well as the evening buffet, and the \$125 fee includes 2 drink tickets for soft drinks or domestic beer as well as a cart. For diners-only participants, the cost is \$25.

Questions? Please contact Matt Kirsh at 630-495-5640 or mkirsh@colkyandkirsh.com.

AN INVITATION

Becky Kirsh, Educational Ministries Coordinator, is still receiving volunteers for leading our children through summer Sunday School experiences at 9:30 AM. Preparation time is minimal, for curriculum is prepared and placed in the classroom, and the kids supply the spark that makes the hour special. There is a special need for teachers for August 1st and 29th and September 5th. Please contact Becky at 630-629-2630, ext. 15, or bkirsh@firstchurchoflombard.org if you would be willing to share a Sunday (or more!) with our children.

VBS

July 12th-16th will be a time of much activity as Vacation Bible School provides a time for children to learn to be stewards of their environment. Activities, music, the Biblical "Parable of the Sower", will fill the week with fun and enjoyment for ages 3 through 5th grade. The week is free, and it's open to community children as well

as church family children, so encourage your children to invite friends to join them for the week. Registration forms are available in the wire rack in the foyer or in the church office.

NICU BLANKETS

Next Sunday, June 20th, the Quilt Group will again be prepared to supply flannel, pre-cut to the size needed for blankets for premature infants at Loyola's Neonatal Intensive Care Unit. It's a simple matter of sewing 4 side seams to create a blanket that is given to the infants and goes home with them when they leave the NICU. Do you know that we have some men who are involved in this project? Do you know that we have some youth who are involved in this project? Everyone is invited to take part in this outreach, either by sewing or by donating some money to help pay for the material needed for the blankets. The flannel is available in Fellowship Hall during Coffee Hour.

A GUYS' GOLF EVENT

A concentrated weekend of golf at Swan Lake in Plymouth, Indiana, is available July 30th-August 1st when the Annual Men's Golf Outing convenes. Consider 3-18-hole rounds (with a 4th available for another \$35), good food, comfortable lodging, free use of the driving range, pool, and exercise room, all for \$389. It's an every-year event for a solid core of golfers who would welcome newcomers. All are encouraged to contact Rick Miller at 630-800-6391 or by e-mail at Rick_P_Miller@ADP.com to sign up. Deadline for signing up and paying the fee is July 1st.

FAIR TRADE PRODUCTS

Make a list of coffee that you'd like to stock up on next Sunday, June 20th, when Fair Trade products will be offered at half price (\$4.50 for coffee and \$2.50 for tea). Make a list for your own supply of coffee or tea (they're as good iced as hot), extras for hostess gifts, or birthdays for hard-to-buy-for friends. These products won't be offered again until September when the next shipment arrives, so please plan ahead.

SUMMER CAMPS

There is a wealth of opportunities for camp experiences this summer at both Tower Hill and Pilgrim Park, all of the times being listed on www.il-odm.org. Camps for ages 4+ through adults are staged for weekends in June and July, and all the information about each time may be found on the website. It's a great time for having a vacation within a couple of hours from home, whether it be just a weekend or one of the week-long times. And some of the camps make special times for grandparents to share a weekend with their grandchildren, away from parents. Please check the website to find a time and focus for fun for the family in the beautiful settings of both parks.

MOBILE FOOD TRUCK

Because of so many people leaving the next day for the Youth Community Mission Trip, there is a special need for "new" hands for help with the Saturday, June 19th, Northern Illinois Food Bank Mobile Food Truck. Please sign up to be in the parking lot at 9:15 AM and plan on spending a couple of hours sorting and serving the food that means so much to community members who are in a financial pinch. The work isn't hard, and the rewards are multiple.

ANOTHER WAY TO SERVE THE NORTHERN ILLINOIS FOOD BANK

The organization that focuses on alleviating hunger has an opportunity to raise \$50,000 with the Pepsi "Refresh Everything" initiative. Choose the website www.refresheverything.com/nifbhelp and select the button asking you to "vote for this idea." Clicking that will give you a chance to register and vote every day until June 30th. Please pass on this information to friends and family and help get the most votes for the food bank. Serving the community through the Mobile Food Truck has become one of our most vital outreach programs, and helping to raise \$50,000 is a goal worth everyone's participation.

GOOD-FOOD WEDNESDAYS

The Community Table continues to attract community members who enjoy the fine food served every Wednesday from 5:30-7 PM as well enjoying the warm welcomes provided by First Church Family that share

the evening and tables. Willing hands for helping make all this happen will be accepted by Sandra Hill, Outreach Coordinator, who may be reached at shill@theoutreachhouse.org or 630-693-0187 for questions or for volunteering.

FIVE WISHES WINNERS

Congratulations to the winners of our National Healthcare Decisions campaign drawing: Carol Meyer won the first place \$50 gift certificate for Rock Bottom Restaurant, Morgan Meyer and Jeanette Erb each won \$25 gift certificates to Rock Bottom. We continue to encourage you, if you have not yet done so, to complete your 5 Wishes/Advance Directive documents and share a copy of that information with your appointed agent(s) as well as a copy with the staff here at church. If you are still in need of the document for yourself or another member of your family, please contact Debbie Haugen, at #630-629-2630, ext 12.

AN AUCTION SUCCESS

The Auction Committee, headed by Marianne McGuire again wishes to thank everyone for their participation in the event, contributing time, items, attendance, and so much more for the evening that produced \$15,500 for our ministries. Everyone had fun, the dinner was outstanding, and the budget has received a boost that is most welcome.

IN OUR CHURCH FAMILY

...Our prayers and thoughts are with **Ruth Asmussen, Barb Livermore and Lenore Udeson** who have spent recent time in the hospital.

JUNE 13TH – JUNE 20TH AT FIRST CHURCH

Sun. 6/13	9:30 AM Worship-Sanctuary 9:30 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM 2 nd Sunday Seniors		10:00 AM <i>first things first</i> 5:30 PM Community Table 7:00 PM PRC Class
Mon. 6/14	9:00 AM Staff Meeting 9:30 AM Women's Fellowship Board	Thur. 6/17	9:00 AM Crafts Group 10:00 AM <i>first things first</i> 10:00 AM Walk-In Ministry
Tue. 6/15	9:00 AM Stephen Ministry Training 10:00 AM Walk-In Ministry 10:00 AM <i>first things first</i> 6:00 PM Campaign Steering Committee 6:30 PM P.A.D.S.	Sat. 6/19	9:15 AM NIFB Mobile Food Truck 9:30 AM PRC Class
Wed. 6/16	10:00 AM Walk-In Ministry	Sun. 6/20	3:45 AM Mission Trip Departs 9:30 AM Worship-Sanctuary 9:30 AM Sunday School 2:00 PM Chapel Tours

SUNDAY JUNE 20TH

GREETERS: Calvin Bloesch, Joe Chambers, Ruth Ann Engstrom, Bev Hans, Melissa Hennessy, Christine Tani.

USHERS: Gary Cation, Mike Cloud, Rick Hill, Chip Kunberger, Rick Miller, Jim Wareham.

COUNTERS: Ruth Ann Engstrom, Margaret McCormick, Charlie Peterson.

COFFEE HOUR: Stacy Bouchard, Kris Heimdal.

NURSERY VOLUNTEER: Kristi Carlson.

SOUND TEAM: Charlie Peterson.

LITURGIST: Charlie Kreichelt.