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Summer Calendar

Sunday, May 31-June 6
Tres Rios Mission Trip, Texas City, TX

Sunday, June 7-12
CYF Camp – Black River Center

Monday, June 15-18
New Beginnings Camp at Black River Center

Monday, 15-19
Chi Rho Camp, Black River Center

Saturday, June 20
Painting Day - Williamson Hall

Sunday, June 21
Talent Show/"Pops" Concert & Ice Cream Social

Sunday, June 28
"Created to Be Me" Camp begins at Ceta Glen

Saturday, July 4 - Independence Day Holiday

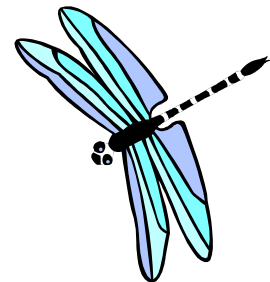
Wednesday, July 29
General Assembly begins in Indianapolis, IN

Saturday, August 15
All Church Retreat begins at Manzano Mountain Retreat

Thursday, August 20 - APS classes begin

Sunday, August 23
MVCC Round-Up
Tailgate Picnic in parking lot and Isotopes Baseball at 6:05 pm

Monday, September 6 – Labor Day Holiday



First Sunday after Pentecost – June 7, 2009
Worship Service at – 8:15 am & 10:30 am 9:15 am - Sunday School
Sermon: *Skip Like a Calf* - Rev. Laurie Lewis
Scripture Readings: John 3:1-17, Psalm 29
Anthem: *Wonderful Words of Life* – Chancel Choir

Shine Where You Are *Partners in Global Ministries*

The atmosphere was vibrant during the celebration of 140 years at Inanda Seminary in Durban South Africa. Headmistress, Mrs. J.T. Tate felt the school was brilliantly showcased for the glory of God and the work of Jesus. Inanda Seminary was founded in 1869 by the American Board of Missions (ABM) as the first secondary Christian school for black girls in Durban. For 140 years Inanda Seminary has maintained the Christian values and African ethos it was founded upon. It believes in developing and growing the whole child: spiritually, intellectually, socially and physically. Inanda provides a solid grounding for its students and to date has graduated more than 8,000 young women, many of whom have become the core of black female leadership in South Africa. During the Apartheid years, Inanda Seminary continued to educate and motivate black females to rise up against oppression and racism. This continues today in the current climate of crime, violence and HIV and AIDS where infection is highest among women. Inanda Seminary is a school of the United Congregational Church of Southern Africa (UCCSA), and a partner in Global Ministries. Mrs. Tate reported that student and staff had a rosy glow about them for days reflecting the glow of the anniversary celebration.

We share the inspiration offered to us by Inanda Seminary as they are part of the wider church community and a part of the plan that God clearly has for our world.

Revs. Susan Valiquette and Scott Couper are missionaries to South Africa under the United Congregational Church of Southern Africa (UCCSA). Susan works at Inanda Seminary and serves as chaplain. Scott serves as local pastor and coordinates the HIV/AIDS Desk for the UCCSA KwaZulu Natal region.

Dismas House

Dismas House is a non-profit organization founded in 1974 to provide transitional housing and support to men and women who have been recently released from prison or jail. Dismas House provides a unique form of crime prevention by working with at-risk individuals to integrate them with community volunteers, college students and staff.

We participate as dinner volunteers who visit to prepare and share dinner with residents. MVCC has been serving dinner to the Dismas House on the 1st Thursday of the month for many years. The schedule through the end of 2009 follows: Jun 4–Chuck Warner’s Group, Jul 2 & Aug 6–Youth, Sep 3–Chuck Warner’s Group, Oct 1 & Nov 5–need volunteers, and Dec 3– Chuck Warner’s Group. Call Nancy Miller on 266-5499 if you or your group can volunteer for Oct 1 or Nov 5.

Tres Rios Work Trip

I just talked to **Carl Zerweck**, Director of Volunteers in Mission. He updated me on what we will be “working on” and “working with” during our two scheduled work trips to help out in Galveston.

We will eat and work at Central Christian in Galveston. This first group will be sheet rockers. If we want to bring a tool belt, or cordless drill that will be fine. If not, don’t worry, they have 3 tool trailers on site.

So far, there are 39 of us working together. The other groups that will be working this first week are Columbus, GA; Lake Ozark, MO; and Baton Rouge, LA.

Our July trip will be folks from Athen, GA; and Wichita Falls, TX. As an added incentive—Carl tells me the Galveston Beach is doing fine.

Call the church office if you would like more information. Our second trip, in July will be July 5-11. We are allowed to take 15 people. Cost for the trip will be \$225.00.

Laurie

Our Church Family

Prayer Concerns: **Mildred Ahrend** (Jim Ahrend's mother), **Claudia Ambrose**, **Jeanetta Braziel**, **Eric Brooks** (son of Maerean Brooks) (both Eric and Maerean want to give special thanks to the "dark-haired angel" who called 911 and stayed with him until the ambulance arrived), **Joyce Carter**, **Mary Cox**, **Jerry Clark** (Pat Barbier's brother), **Rita Conlon** (wife of John Conlon), **Pearl Diehm**, **Nelle Guinn**, **Jean Hardwick** (Walt Hardwick's mother), **Glenn Hulkenburg** (nephew of Nance Crow and Bill Sullivan), **Anna & Grace Hutzel**, **Chika Kanitani** (the Hamilton's daughter's sister-in-law), **Tom Laury**, **Helen Lewis**, **Patsy Miller**, **Simon Stanford** (friend of Peyton Sawyer), **Elizabeth Thorpe**, **Mary Thorpe**, **Nellie Veley** (Kay Lamb's aunt), **Marian Williams**.

Sympathy: To the family of **Mary V. Williams** on her death, Sunday, May 31. Her memorial service will be Thursday, June 4, at French's, 9300 Golf Course Rd. NW at 2:00 p.m.

Elder: **Mike Daniel** is Elder on Call for June.

Let's Paint Williamson Hall!

We will be painting Williamson Hall on Saturday, June 20th at 8:00 am and end near lunchtime. Bring paint rollers, brushes, roller extensions and roller pans. MVCC will provide snacks, paint, drop-clothes and walls. Please mark your calendars for this time of fun and excitement as we make Williamson Hall ready for Cien Aguas Charter School.



Bulletin Board

- ◆ **Tres Rios Area Mission Trip** to Texas City Texas, May 31-June 6.
- ◆ **CYF Camp**, Sunday, June 7-June 12, Black River Center.
- ◆ **Ministry Committees**, Tuesday, June 9, 6:30 pm.
- ◆ **Orientation & Joint Board Meeting**, Tuesday, June 9, 7:30 pm, BH.
- ◆ **All Staff Meeting**, Wednesday, June 10, Conf. Rm.
- ◆ **Elders Meeting**, Saturday, June 13, 9:00 am, Re-Searchers Rm.
- ◆ **Thorpe/Rascon Wedding**, Saturday, June 13, 4:00 pm.

Blood Drive Wrap-Up

A great big thank you! Thirteen people were able to donate, and with a few doing double red cell donations we provided 16 units of blood—slightly exceeding our goal. Since each unit can save as many as 4 lives—we may have helped up to 64 people. Our next scheduled blood drive is November 1st so save that date. **Jennifer Lehman**

Servants at the Table

Please sign-up to be a Servant at the Table, July-September 2009. You will find the list in the narthex on June 7 and 14. Thank you.

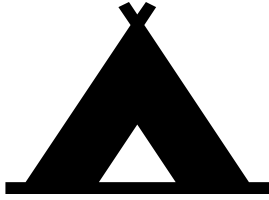
Check the History Cabinet

Check the History Cabinet for June for an interesting history of the Disciples of Christ Christian Church and newspaper articles on Cain Ridge and the Disciples Shrine there.

Weekly Attendance

Worship Attendance – 1 st Service	23
Worship Attendance – 2 nd Service	133

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Intergenerational Church Retreat

Save the dates of August 15-16 for our upcoming Intergenerational Church Retreat at Manzano Mountain Retreat Center in Torreon, NM. Cost is \$48 per person per night (meals included.) Optional you may arrive on August 14 and spend an additional night (meals included). Deadline for registration is Friday, July 15. Registration non-refundable after that date. Registration forms available in church office.

Additional Pentecost Gifts to Heifer Program, 3 Cups of Tea & Habitat

We have left our beautiful gift boxes and information up in the narthex for another week. Please help these fantastic programs.

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Upcoming Summer Camp Dates

CYF Camp – June 7-12
Chi Rho Camp – June 15-19
New Beginnings – June 15-18
Created To Be Me – June 28-July 4
CYLS – June 28-29

See insert in bulletin for camp addresses and campers names if you would like to send a note.

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Lay Ministry

Chris Sturgess Moderator
Karen Chalverus Health Ministries
Mike Daniel Elder on Call - June

Servants for June 7

Usher/Greeters - 1st Service

Jan Evans

Prayers at the Table – 1st Service

Gail Sutton & Adeline Wheeler

Greeters in the Narthex – 2nd Service

Helen LeKates & Dorothy Ashcraft

Ushers – 2nd Service

I. B. & Marion Hoover

Prayers at the Table – 2nd Service

Kathy & Steve Sallee

Worship Leader

Gerri Warner

Offering Stewards

Bob Brown & Dan Thorpe

Communion Preparation

Bill & Marcia Larson/Dorothy & Ernie
Ashcraft

Sound System

Fred Giombolini

Communion to Homebound

Kay Lamb

Servants of the Table

*Bob Miller, Kathy Hamilton, Bill & Marcia
Larson, Nancy Miller, Frank & Suzanne
Shaffer. Janet Strozier