

The Family Communique'

Announcements

May 3, 2014

Piedmont Park

Valeree Krueger, Building Expansion Chair, let us know that the church's gas line is going to be shut off this week. We have put in a temporary water heater to help us have hot water for washing dishes. But we will not have heat in the building the next few Sabbaths. You may want to bring a jacket/sweater/lap blanket... just in case the temperature drops a little outside and the building is a little cool.

Thank you to all who supplied personal care items for Good Neighbor Community Center.

Women's Ministries packed 36 family care kits plus some individual kits for women. To volunteer at the GNCC anytime, contact Program Director Mary Kelly at mary@gncclincoln.org

We want to thank our church family and friends for lifting us up in prayer throughout Doug Sander's diagnosis of bile duct cancer in 2012. He passed quietly in his home, Tuesday, April 15. We were comforted by the flood of prayers, texts, gifts, food, phone calls, Facebook well wishes, cards, flowers, emails, and many much-needed hugs; there were many other thoughtful acts as well. The Carthage area Hospice staff was amazing. Doug knew Jesus as his Saviour, and believed in the Ten Commandments. He went to his rest anticipating the second coming of our Lord.

Rich and Betty Jacobs and Chris Sanders for the Sanders, Crawford, and Charmness families

Please join the Piedmont Pedalers and Piedmont Plodders today at 4:00pm. We are planning to meet at the North end of the Children's Zoo today, May 3 and again May 10. HELMETS are required for bicyclers. Bring your water bottle. Exercise, Fresh air, God's Creation, and Good Fellowship. If the wind is at 20 mph we will cancel. Last Sabbath we had a nice turnout to ride into the wind and then enjoy the Sunken Gardens. Several of the riders enjoyed stopping traffic on Capital Blvd to help a duck get her 12 ducklings from the Gardens across the blvd to Antelope Creek. We have a wonderful group of riders!

Questions? Kent Thompson kentt@thompsonrealtygroup.com

You are invited to a Kids Against Hunger Packing Event, tomorrow, May 4, 1:30-3:30pm. \$10.00 donation. 2316 Kimarra Court - We are located South of Cornhusker on the west side of 27th Street (near State Fair Park Grounds). If you are south of Cornhusker, take 27th Street and turn left (west) at the end of the overpass (Theresa Street), make an immediate left onto the access road running parallel to 27th St. (going South). Take your first right onto Kimco and then take your first left onto Kimarra. You will see a Kids Against Hunger sign in the lawn in front of the warehouse. **Pre-registration required by 12pm today. Space is limited. Contact: Renee 402-580-1608 text or piedmontparksda@gmail.com**

Our Local Combined Church Budget

Our local combined church budget requires \$3,661 each week to fund our church's expenses and ministries. Our church budget is \$7,528.62 in the black this week through April 30. Tithe and offerings may be donated online by going to www.piedmontparksda.org under Online Giving \$146.09 was given for Lamb's offering/Pathfinders Treasurer-Evelyn Cornforth 402-484-3004 evcornf@gmail.com

Today's offering is for Our Local Combined Church Budget

Today is our day to give and receive a love offering to ourselves! Did you know that we are a mission field? And mission fields need money! It's true we have a few more amenities than some mission fields, yet we are indeed a light on a "corner" and a witness to our community. A strong lay witness begins at home. Here at our church home we practice the art of mutual submissiveness which is mutual respect and cooperation. Here we learn to operate out of "Christ-like Love." Here in small groups we get to know one another personally and in large groups we worship and praise God together. In ministry groups we plan and implement ideas and events to help "push back the darkness" in our community and the world. As we carry out the ministries that God has placed on our hearts with the intent of helping and loving people, God's children, we carry out God's mission in our locality, our mission field. Today, please give generously to further our mission at Piedmont Park Community SDA Church so that we can enlarge our facility, meet our bills, and operate a strong nurture and outreach ministries for Christ. Thank you in advance!

As the construction begins on our church building, our previous 3 Year Plan is ending. As a church following God's guidance, we have accomplished many of the goals that we planned three years ago. Now it is time to work on a new plan for the future. We would like to think about the core values of our Piedmont Park church. We need your thoughts about what our core values as a church are and what they should be. We encourage all ages from Earliteen on up to participate. Please take a few prayerful minutes to fill out this survey by clicking on the following link. The survey does not take long and will be very helpful in our ministry plans for the future. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/F6WCQPT>

From: Pastor Michael Halfhill

You are invited to come to Friday Night Vespers on May 9 at 7pm in the Sanctuary. We will enjoy singing together and worshipping through inspirational stories. Invite your family & friends and come start the Sabbath hours together. Questions: Vanessa at ppvespers@gmail.com or 402-486-0629

Women's Recognition Sabbath is June 7. Women's Ministries is seeking nominations of women in our congregation whose service to home, church, and community have been a blessing to others. Please take a moment to write that woman's name and the reason for your nomination on a card and place it in the special "Women's Recognition" box in the church foyer or email Carol Leonhardt at caleonha@gmail.com

Volunteers are needed to staff Vacation Bible School 2014 - In the Wilderness with Moses and the Children of Israel. July 20-25, 6:30-8:30pm. Please see VBS display in Sabbath School wing hallway for staffing needs. Sign up online at www.piedmontparksda.org. All volunteers will need to complete the online "Shield the Vulnerable" training. VBS Director: Charlene Hawkins 402-486-4413 or charlene.hawkins68@gmail.com **As you are doing your spring cleaning this year, please remember some of these needs for VBS:** fabric of any kind (bed sheets, curtains, bedspreads, towels, wash cloths, blankets, shower curtains, tablecloths, sewing remnants, etc), t-shirts (especially white, but any color welcome-the larger the better), baskets, terra cotta pottery, small rugs, artificial greenery, braided or fabric belts, scarves, and spray bottles (empty & clean). These items can be brought to the Junior Sabbath School room. Thank you! Charlene Hawkins charlene.hawkins68@gmail.com

Faith for the Future Building Expansion continues construction!



College View Academy

Please join us for a come-and-go "Garden Party" to recognize Linda Conditt's retirement on May 17 from 4:00-6:00pm. The party will be held at College View Academy in the Multi-Purpose Room. There will be a brief presentation at 4:30pm to celebrate Linda's 31 years of commitment to Helen Hyatt Elementary and College View Academy. Questions? Lori Harvey lharvey@cvak12.org

Save Money by Registering Early! It's not too early to enroll your child at CVA for the 2014-2015 school year! This year we are offering a **\$30 registration discount** to those of you who get all your registration forms filled out and turned in by June 1st. Contact Principal Brian Carlson at 402-483-1181 ext. 12 or bcarlson@cvak12.org with any questions.

Union College

Music Education major Charlotte Messer will be performing her Senior Vocal Recital on Thursday, May 8 at 7:30pm in the Engel Recital Hall (48th & Bancroft Ave.). Admission is free and all are welcome

The Unionaires will be performing their annual concert in the State Capitol Rotunda Friday, May 9 at 12 noon. All are welcome.

Graduation services for Union College will be held in College View Church on the weekend of May 9-11. Speakers are: Consecration Service, 8:00pm Friday, May 9; Baccalaureate, 12:00 noon, Sabbath, May 10 – President John Wagner; 11:00am, Sunday, May 11 – Ruthita Fike, CEO LLU Medical Center

The Teaching Learning Center at Union College seeks a part-time Academic Coach for a temporary position for the fall semester 2014. The academic coach works directly with students on a one-to-one or small-group basis to foster academic success. Candidates should send resumes to Debbie Forshee-Sweeney at deforshe@ucollege.edu or call 402-486-2506 for more information.

Conference

The spring fling is at the Adventist Book Center, May 5-12. Special prices on Worthington and Loma Linda food. Many new books at a special price. Details are in your ABC flyer that just arrived in the mail or on our web page ks-ne.org/adventistbookcenter.

Community and World

Mission opportunity for Sabbath School groups, families or individuals! The Seventh-day Adventist Church in India is growing rapidly. It is important for the children from these Adventist homes to get a good Christian education to prepare them to share the message to the thousands of unreached people in their Villages. The growth is especially significant in India's villages, where the the average income is less than \$1 per day. "ACI" (Adventist Child India) is a program that helps find sponsors for these children. It costs only \$35 per month (\$420 per year) to sponsor a child. It is tax deductible and includes tuition, lodging, food, books, clothing, and medical. You will receive letters from your child plus progress reports. I have the pictures & info on several children presently needing sponsors. Pray about it and if you feel impressed to make this your special Mission Project contact [Charlene Binder](mailto:rdbinder@inebraska.com) (local "Goodwill Ambassador") rdbinder@inebraska.com.

Recipe:

Roasted Broccoli and Cauliflower with Lemon and Garlic

Total time: 40 minutes, Servings 3-4

Ingredients

1 head broccoli (about 1 pound), broken into 1-inch florets, stalks peeled and thinly sliced

1 large head cauliflower (about 2 pounds), broken into florets

2-3 tablespoons vegetable oil

4 garlic cloves, thinly sliced

2 lemons, thinly sliced

Coarse salt and white pepper to taste

Directions

Preheat oven to 475 degrees. On two rimmed baking sheets, toss broccoli and cauliflower with oil, garlic, and lemons; season with salt and pepper. Roast until vegetables are browned and tender, 25 to 30 minutes, rotating sheets from top to bottom and tossing vegetables once halfway through.

<http://www.marthastewart.com/314752/roasted-broccoli-and-cauliflower-with-le?czone=food%2Fproduce-guide-cnt%2Fyear-round-produce-recipes&gallery=275272&slide=314752¢er=276955>