

The Family Communique'

Announcement Supplement for March 22, 2014

Piedmont Park

On Tuesday, March 18, the trailer home of John and Jeanne Artz burned to the ground and is a total loss. Jeanne is a member at Piedmont Park Church. Grandson Gage, lives with John and Jeanne. Gage attends church at Piedmont and is taking Bible Study Lessons with Pastor Andy. They have lost everything in the fire. Below is a what we know so far from the Channel 10/11 report. There is a brief news report on the channel 10/11 website:

<http://www.1011now.com/home/headlines/LFR-Crews-Respond-to-Fire-at-Lincoln-Trailer-Park-250969471.html>

We are planning to call for an emergency love offering this Sabbath, March 22, for John and Jeanne and Gage. They are a Piedmont Park Family who has lost everything they own when their trailer burned Tuesday. Their trailer was not insured. If in the kindness of your heart you would like to help, please come to church prepared to give generously as we take up an offering to help them get back on their feet.

Heidi Johnson and Beth Snyder are heading up the meal ministry effort to help supply immediate food needs to the family over the next weeks. You can get involved by logging into Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1436288176603785/>

Please contact Piedmont Park Church office at 402-489-1344 if you know of resources that might be of help, have items you would like to donate or would like to give funds but cannot be here this Sabbath.

Thank you for your prayers for this family during this difficult time.

Thank you
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Jesus told us to be watchful and faithful until His return. We live in awesome times today. Here is a link to a video where Pastor Doug Batchelor gives some insights into a recent message between the Papacy and a Pentecostal church: <http://www.amazingfacts.org> or <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7kgxEvIDoGs>. I believe it is good for us to be aware of conversations in the religious world while at the same time not going overboard on predictions. May we continue to be watchful of the signs and faithful in sharing the gospel.
From: Pastor Michael Halfhill

Please join us on March 22 at 6:30pm at Piedmont Park for a concert with extraordinary trumpet player Chiz Rider. Chiz strives to bring believers encouragement and edification by generating praise and worship to the Lord within each heart through his instrumental trumpet music. Each concert appeals to a wide age range by including hymns and contemporary songs. A free-will offering will be taken. This concert is sponsored by EOM, Inc - more information: echoesofmercyupdate@yahoo.com or 402-486-0629.

Please join our Pathfinders at their Chili/Soup Cookoff on March 23 at 4:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. The Pathfinders are raising money to take the team and leaders to OshKosh for the biggest event of the season. Questions: Darla Hornby at 402-432-0514.

5th Sabbath Fellowship Dinner on March 29 will be hosted by the seniors of our church. All seniors are encouraged to bring food and help with preparation and clean-up. All who attend the potluck are asked to bring food and to help with clean up, putting tables and chairs away and vacuuming. Thank you and we hope to see you there. The Hospitality Committee

Piedmont Park Pedalers and anyone who may be interested in bicycling with them this spring, summer & fall, are invited to meet Sunday, March 30, at 9:00am at the "Bike Rack" on 33rd and Pioneers for a basic bicycle maintenance seminar. If possible, please bring your bicycle with you. If you cannot bring your bike, please come anyway as there will be something of interest for everyone. The Bike Rack will give us hands on experience in how to handle simple repairs and to know when to take our bicycles to the repair shop. Questions? Kent Thompson kthompson@cbcthompson.com

Come, and enjoy an evening of great southern gospel music with three outstanding regional gospel groups: McClellan Singing Sisters, Grateful Heart Quartet and Gospel Road. The McClellan Singing Sisters originate from Adams, Nebraska. The family of four sisters have been singing together most all of their lives and have recorded five projects. This high energy, young group will bless you in their ability to share the love of Christ. Grateful Heart Quartet, with members living in southeast Nebraska, travels throughout Nebraska and Iowa. They proclaim the Good News through solid vocals, thought provoking testimony and good clean humor. Gospel Road, who sang together for over 35 years and retired in 2010, will once again bring close harmonies and classic southern gospel music for this homecoming concert event. Doors for this FREE concert will open at 5:00pm. An offering will be collected. For additional information call Lou Ann Fredregill at 402-792-2450

Piedmont Park Vespers is excited to announce that the Fountainview Academy Orchestra and Singers will be here at Piedmont on Monday, April 7, at 7pm to give a concert in our Sanctuary. We know you will enjoy the music as this talented group of over 100 students from Canada plays and sings familiar and heart-moving hymns and as the young people share their thoughts between songs. This is a free concert and an offering will be taken for Fountainview's ministry. Please plan now to attend and to bring your friends & family with you! For more information about the Fountainview Academy Orchestra and Singers go to www.piedmontparksda.org and click on **Fountainview** at the top left of the page or e-mail Vanessa Schaecher at ppvespers@gmail.com

The next church board meeting is April 14, 2014. All members are welcome to attend as non-voting members. It is held at 7:00pm in the youth room.

Do you have a child or grandchild with special needs? Would you like to share the victories and challenges they have faced? There will be a special vespers on April 26 at 6:30pm at Piedmont Park to share these wonderful children with our church. Melissa Young at 402-646-2036 or Beth Baker at 402-470-2447. (Co-chairs of the Families with Special Needs Ministry)

Important Dates for your Calendar

There are some special events coming up in April right here at Piedmont Park. We invite you to add them to your calendar today!

April 5 (Sabbath) at 6:00pm
Soup Supper, Vespers & Games

April 6 (Sunday) at 6:00pm
Regional Artists Concert
Grateful Heart, McClellan Sisters and Gospel Road
sponsored by Mid-west Gospel Music

April 7 (Monday) at 7:00pm
Fountainview Academy in Concert

April 18 (Friday) at 6:30pm
Agape Feast, Communion & Footwashing

April 26 (Sabbath) at 6:30pm
Vespers presented by
Families with Special Needs Ministry

April 27 (Sunday) at 7:00pm
VOTA in Acoustic Concert
sponsored by EOM, Inc.

For more information about these and other other events, visit the Piedmont Park website at www.piedmontparksda.org and click on Calendar. Or e-mail the church office at piedmontparksda@gmail.com

Our Sister Churches

This weekend Maria and Alexis Johnson will host their first fundraiser for their PBE (Bible Bowl) trip to Washington DC. They will be selling burger and hot dogs after the Mike Mennard & the Magic Pants concert Sabbath evening March 22. The concert will be done shortly after sundown. They will be selling from Heartland Hall kitchen at CVC.

All Maplewood Academy alumni and friends are invited to the Lincoln MWA alumni gathering on Sabbath, March 29, from 4:00-6:00pm in College View Church's Heartland Hall. A representative from the school will be there to share the latest news from Maplewood. We hope to see all Lincoln alumni there!

College View Academy

College View Academy is looking to fill two part-time administrative/secretarial positions for the upcoming 2014-2015 school year. One of the positions would be for weekday mornings, and the other would be for weekday afternoons. Applicants should have a friendly and patient demeanor, possess adequate typing skills, enjoy working with and around children, and display excellent communication skills. If interested in applying, contact Principal Brian Carlson at 402-483-1181 ext. 12 or bcarlson@cvak12.org

Extra fruit at reduced prices! Grapefruit, California navel oranges, temple oranges, honey tangerines & California mandarin oranges are still available from our past shipment.

College View Academy Elementary Fruit Fundraiser. Call Charlene Binder at 402-489-1702

You are invited to benefit from our College View Academy Fruit Fundraiser. This is the last shipment of Florida citrus for this season! Orders needed by Sunday, March 23 and will be available on Monday, April 7. Your support is appreciated. Please place an order or pass the word – help make this the biggest order yet! We will have red grapefruit, Valencia oranges (great for juicing) and honey tangerines from Fort Pierce, Florida. We will also have navel oranges & mandarin oranges from California. To order call Charlene Binder at 402-489-1702 or go to www.lincolnfruit.com Thank You!

Union College

The Records Office at Union College announces an opening for a Records Associate. This position requires an exceptional candidate with remarkable accuracy and attention to detail. Resumes should be sent to Michelle Younkin at miyounki@ucollege.edu. Further information can be found at www.ucollege.edu/staff-openings.

The final program of Union College Library's Muslim Journeys Bookshelf Grant will be held Sunday evening, March 23 in the library classroom (room 121) at 7:00pm.

Dr. Malcolm Russell will present, "Living with the Consequences: World War I, Covetous Peacemakers, and a Century of Middle East Turmoil." For more information visit <https://www.ucollege.edu/library/muslim-journeys-bookshelf>.

All alumni, family and friends of Union College are invited to join us for Homecoming 2014 celebrations on April 3-6. You are also invited to the Union College Homecoming Fellowship Lunch on Sabbath, April 5, in the College Auditorium. Please help us welcome our out-of-town alumni back home to Union by furnishing a variety of salads, breads, vegetables and desserts. For attending families of 1-3 members, please bring please bring 1-3 large dishes. Families of 4 or more members, please bring 4 large dishes. Guest speakers: David Smith-First Service; Don Schneider-Second Service; Vespers Concert by Union College Music Department at 7:00pm on Sabbath. Please call the alumni office at 402-486-2503 for Homecoming event tickets or information.

Conference, Union, North American Division and World

Christian Record Services for the Blind has an opening for a full-time position in Gift Records. Must be self-motivated, able to learn fast, have good computer skills, be able to prepare a bank deposit, pay meticulous attention to detail and proof read. High School education required, for information contact Alicejean Baker at 402-488-0981 ext. 222 or prhr@christianrecord.org

If you would like to help Union College students collect food items for the Good Neighbor Community Center you are welcome to meet at the Ortner Center at 3:30pm on Sabbaths, March 22 and March 29. The first Sabbath will be for passing out flyers on a grocery bag that people in south Lincoln will be able to fill and the second Sabbath the group will go back to collect the bags. Drivers of vehicles will be needed especially on the 29th.

A Sabbath School Workshop Experience will be held in Wichita on March 29 from 2-8pm. A light supper will be provided. If you can plan to come you, are most welcome. Bring your Sabbath School, VBS leaders, and anyone that desires to improve the children's departments and make your church a wonderful place for children. Register here: scarlson@ks-ne.org or ssweigart@ks-ne.org

You are welcome to come to the Good Neighbor Community Center International Club meeting where the country, culture and cuisine of Iraq will be presented. It will be held in the fellowship hall of Piedmont SDA church on Sunday, March 30 at 5:30pm.

The Blueprint: The Story of Adventist Education is to be aired on Public Television stations across the nation beginning April 1. Members will need to check their local listings to find the exact day and time. From: North American Division.

The Kansas-Nebraska Conference Men's Retreat is April 11-13. Ron Carlson will be our special speaker; Mike Fenton will share a concert and be our vespers speaker, our song leader team will be "Revive" from Wichita South Church and the movie Hell and Mr. Fudge will be shown. Great food, fun, fellowship, spiritual fuel and relaxation. To Register contact John Treolo at jtreolo@ks-ne.org or call 785-478-4726

Community

Join the Mighty Magic Pants for an all new concert as they release their latest album, Far Out on March 22 at 6:30pm at College View Church. On their first Christian kids album, the group explores the wonders of the universe and the One who created it through the band's signature mix of song and poetry that speaks to kids and their parents too. The concert is free! To download a free song from the new album visit www.mightymagicpants.com

Lincoln's newest independently operated SDA elementary school, Skyview Learning Academy, K-8, is seeking two dynamic individuals to join our team as elementary teachers. Ideal candidates will have a minimum of 3 years elementary teaching experience and a strong desire to see Ellen White's guidelines followed in our school and in the daily life of our students. Candidate must enjoy the outdoors, have a passion for teaching children about nature and understand the concept of "hands-on" learning. Salary commensurate with experience. Please submit resume to Michele Ray at michelaray202@msn.com, 402-416-1426

It's time to sign up for community garden plots for 2014. Please spread the word to your staff, clients, volunteers and friends that they can apply now for a community garden plot with Community CROPS. Over half of the plots are already claimed for 2014, so don't wait. Community CROPS provides land, tools, water, seeds and plants for families of any income level to grow fresh vegetables. Plot fees are on a sliding scale basis, and organizational groups are also welcome to apply. Full details are at www.communitycrops.org or call 402-474-9802

Dr. Bo Bryson and Voices of Hope are both turning 40 in 2014. Dr. Bo, a local chiropractor and owner of Trinity Chiropractic, wanted to do something to commemorate both events and to raise awareness and financial support for Voices of Hope and its services for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. **On Monday, April 7, Dr. Bo will run 40 miles in one day.** He will run a cross-pattern using 27th & O St. as the center point. His run will take him north on 27th to the Interstate, south on 27th to Pine Lake Rd., east on O St. to the city limits and west on O St. to Hwy 77. People are welcome to join him at any point in the run. "My goal is to raise awareness and financial support for Voices of Hope and to bring awareness to the community about domestic abuse," he explains. "And, on a broader scale, I know people need hope." Donations to support Dr. Bo's run are being accepted at Voices of Hope, 2545 N St., Lincoln, on-line at www.voicesofhopelincn.org. More info at www.trinitychiro.com/thehope40

Health Nugget:

Vegan Mac-N-Cheese

Ingredients

- 12 ounces gluten-free pasta elbows
- 1 cup raw cashews
- 1 cup unsweetened milk substitute of choice (we've used hemp, almond, and walnut-all delicious!)
- 2 cloves garlic
- 1/3 cup nutritional yeast
- 2 tablespoons tahini
- 3 teaspoons lemon juice

- 1 teaspoon turmeric
- 1/8 teaspoon cayenne red pepper
- 1/8 teaspoon smoked paprika
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper

Preparation

1. Cook the pasta according to the directions on the package. Gluten-free pasta, especially when brown rice based, tends to absorb more water than normal, so be sure to add extra water to the pot before boiling; it usually takes a few extra minutes for GF pasta to reach the al dente stage, too. And be sure to add a little salt to the water before boiling- it flavors the pasta.
2. As pasta cooks, combine the raw cashews and nut milk in a blender or food processor. I never soak mine before hand- I prefer the slightly thicker sauce that results from not soaking them in this recipe.
3. Once combined, add the rest of the ingredients. Yup, all of 'em.
4. (Told you this recipe was easy!)
5. Blend until combined. Set aside.
6. Once pasta is al dente (literally meaning "to the bite"; leave a little texture in that pasta! Don't boil it into mushy submission.), strain, rinse, and put it back into the pot. Pour in the cheeze sauce, using a wooden spoon to gently toss and coat the pasta.
7. Turn the burner back onto low and continue to cook the pasta and cheeze sauce together about 3-5 minutes, stirring occasionally until the sauce thickens to the noodles.
8. Serve with a garnish of fresh basil or cilantro, avocado, or a little hot sauce for the best grown- up vegan mac' n cheeze you can imagine.
9. To reheat, simply warm the pasta in a pan with a little non-dairy milk, stirring 'til creamy.
10. Saves well in a refrigerated space for about a week.

<http://www.onegreenplanet.org/vegan-recipe/5-killer-vegan-mac-and-cheese-recipes/>