

# **The Family Communique' Piedmont Park**

## **Extended Announcements**

**August 2, 2014**

**Vacation Bible School has created quite a stack of laundry!** There are 9 tubs of laundry that need to be washed and folded before it can be stored (i.e. costumes, etc.). If you could help with this project, would you please contact Charlene Hawkins at [charlene.hawkins68@gmail.com](mailto:charlene.hawkins68@gmail.com)

**Thank you to all who came out to the Cherry On Top Fundraiser for the Un-Restricted Benevolent Ministry Fund.** We had a good turnout...It was almost like a Piedmont Park social right there at Cherry on Top! We have been able, because of your heart of mercy, to make two needed grants this month. Every little bit of funds help to give us what we need to help our church members who are hard working, good hearted, faithful people who have hit a rough spot in the road. We are making good progress to our annual goal of \$10,000.00 in the fund received from fundraising, donations, offerings and church budget allocation. If you would like to donate please mark your tithe envelope URB. Questions? Renee –URB Chair 402-489-1344 Leave a Message or [piedmontparksda@gmail.com](mailto:piedmontparksda@gmail.com)

**Please join us for a fellowship meal today in the fellowship hall immediately following the worship service. This is a Bring and Share meal.** Please bring food for yourselves and some to share. There is also an opportunity to support the Hospitality Ministry by giving love offering. There are two ways to do this. You can place your donation in a tithe envelope marked potluck or place an offering in the love offering plate on the dessert window. We also appreciate help setting up tables and chairs, putting tables and chairs away, cleaning up the food and the kitchen and vacuuming. We hope you will be able to spend some time with us at Potluck.

**Laveda Estep, Virginia Fullerton's daughter invites you to help celebrate Virginia's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday at an open house during the potluck meal after potluck today.** Virginia's birthday was July 30. Cards may be mailed to Virginia Fullerton 3701 S. 77th Street, Lincoln, NE 68506

**The Piedmont Pedalers will meet at 4:00pm in Eagle to go east on the Mopac Trail.** This part of the trail is the most scenic and also least used so usually a great ride. We will start from the parking lot by the swimming pool. To get there, go east to Eagle and take the first road (5th Street) after you get into town. Take it north for 5 blocks and turn left onto Applewood Dr. and go to the end of the gravel road to the parking lot. (The road turns off just after you pass the water tower on the right and before you reach the grain elevators. I do not know if there is a street sign or not.) Open to riders of all categories, but you must wear a helmet! Ride is from 0 to 23 miles total. Dwain Leonhardt, 402-421-7507

**Piedmont Park Vespers is happy to welcome Folk Mountain Gospel to Piedmont Park to give a Vespers program on August 9 at 7:30pm.** Don & Donna Mohl play a variety of instruments including hammered dulcimer, bowed psaltery, zither, mandolin and guitar as they sing about God's love and care. Their programs are filled with personal testimonies and sweet melodies and we are confident you will be blessed! To watch a full program go to [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BDu\\_6zgYd38](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BDu_6zgYd38) For more information contact Vanessa at [ppvespers@gmail.com](mailto:ppvespers@gmail.com) or 402-486-0629

**God has given spiritual gifts to all believers, so that we can be used in ministry.** Are you curious what your gift is? Would you like to find out how to use your gift in ministry? On Sabbath afternoon, **August 16, at 2 pm**, Pastor Michael will have a seminar about spiritual gifts and ministry opportunities. This seminar is free of charge and open to all. Questions? Contact the Church office and leave a message at 402-489-1344 or email [piedmontparksda@gmail.com](mailto:piedmontparksda@gmail.com)

**Fall is coming and that is when Piedmont Park children's clubs start up again.** We have Little Lambs for ages 2-3, Eager Beavers for ages 4 thru Kindergarten, Adventurers for grades 1-4 and Pathfinders for grades 5-12. Your child would be most welcome to join in the fun. If you would like more information please contact the church office, Renee 402-489-1344 leave a message or [piedmontparksda@gmail.com](mailto:piedmontparksda@gmail.com) and she will get you in touch with the leader of your child's age group.

**A big thank you to our post-hospital meal ministry** chaired by Heidi Johnson [he\\_johnson@windstream.net](mailto:he_johnson@windstream.net) and Beth Snyder [mbsnyder@windstream.net](mailto:mbsnyder@windstream.net). If you are interested in providing meals for those who have been in the hospital contact Heidi or Beth or visit the Meal Ministry Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1436288176603785/>

**Are you a family who has been blessed with a child with special needs?** Would you like a social group that understands the journey you are on and who can also provide insight and resources? Contact Families with Special Needs Co-Chairs – Melissa Young [YOUNGM32@nationwide.com](mailto:YOUNGM32@nationwide.com) or Beth Baker Schwimmer [adala60@windstream.net](mailto:adala60@windstream.net)

**Have you downloaded Piedmont Park's Online Directory or used the Instant Church Directory app for your mobile device yet?** If you would like to find out more about how to access this useful document, please visit our webpage at [www.piedmontparksda.org](http://www.piedmontparksda.org) and click on [Directory](#) at the top right of the page. If you have questions, contact Vanessa Schaecher Communications Chair at [piedmontparkmedia@gmail.com](mailto:piedmontparkmedia@gmail.com) or 402-486-0629.

**Facebook is a great way to keep in touch with people and find out about local events. Did you know that Piedmont Park has a Facebook page?** It is a great place to find each week's Sermon, notices about upcoming events and other great features. We hope you will check Piedmont's Facebook page out at [www.facebook.com/piedmontparksda](http://www.facebook.com/piedmontparksda) & give us a "Like" so that our page can grow and reach even more people! Thank you! Vanessa Schaecher Communications Chair at 402-486-0629 or [piedmontparkmedia@gmail.com](mailto:piedmontparkmedia@gmail.com)

## **Safety Ministry**

### **- Training and Background Checks for Children's events.**

**NOTE: If you involved with children in any way at church please complete the Shield the Vulnerable Training and Background Check or present suitable documentation showing that you have passed a background check and are approved to work with children.**

Piedmont Park Church will continue to work towards completion of training and background checks as required by the North American Division of Seventh-day Adventist, by all who work with the children directly or indirectly as we go forward, for those still lacking this requirement. This is an every three year requirement. The Cost of the Background check is paid for by the church. If you need help in completing this requirement please contact Renee the church office and leave a message at 402-489-1344 or [piedmontparksda@gmail.com](mailto:piedmontparksda@gmail.com)

### **Three ways to complete training and a background check and communicate this to Piedmont Park Church Office:**

1) Complete the online training and background check application at Shield the Vulnerable. Step by Step Instructions on [www.piedmontparksda.org](http://www.piedmontparksda.org) and click on the tool bar where you see the abbreviation STV. The \$12.00 cost of the online program is paid for you by the church. We have not had enough need to offer a class. If you do not have support at home or through a friend to help you complete the online training and background online check please contact Renee Schaecher at [piedmontparksda@gmail.com](mailto:piedmontparksda@gmail.com) or leave a message at 402-489-1344 or call her on her cell phone 402-580-1608 (can text).

2) Present a certificate or document that specifically states that you have completed and passed a background check and that states you are approved to work with children. The wording on the certificate or letter needs to say that you have completed a background check and have been approved to work with children or be recognized as a document from a source that we recognize as accomplishing the requirements.

3) Secure a letter on organizational letterhead that states you have completed and passed a background check and are approved to work with children. This letter must be signed and dated by a person who has positional authority to confirm that the statement in the letter is verifiable and true. i.e. manager, human resources, pastor, principal, etc.

With all of these options, we hope you will be happy and willing to meet this requirement and move past the inconvenience with the overall and long-term good of children in mind. Thank you so much for being part of the volunteer team that brings the love of Jesus to our children each week, at VBS and any other event that we to help encourage our children's growth.

**Questions? Safety Ministry – Shield the Vulnerable Contact: Renee Schaecher – Administrative Assistant to Pastor Michael Halfhill. Church 402-489-1344 Leave a message, Cell: 402-580-1608 (text capable) or [piedmontparksda@gmail.com](mailto:piedmontparksda@gmail.com)**

See Step by Step Instructions on the next page....



**If you have any questions** about Shield the Vulnerable or the need for background checks, please contact the Church Office at [piedmontparksda@gmail.com](mailto:piedmontparksda@gmail.com)

Adventist Risk Management, the Mid-America Union and the Kansas-Nebraska Conference have indicated that anyone who volunteers with children must have a background check. They have recommended Shield the Vulnerable.

The Piedmont Park Church Board has voted to use the service of Shield the Vulnerable to do this for our volunteers. We are asking ALL of our volunteers who have contact with our church's children to participate and have a background check.

The background check costs \$12. Piedmont Park will cover that cost. However, if you would like to make a donation for your background check to help the church cover the costs for this important program, you may place it in a Tithe Envelope and mark it "STV."

## It is easy to sign up. Just follow these steps:

1 Go To: [shieldthevulnerable.org](http://shieldthevulnerable.org)



2 Click >>



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**First-Time Signup**

Select Your Organization

Seventh-day Adventist

Lake Union Mid-America

Illinois Conference Kansas-Nebraska

If correct, click >> Confirm

>> 1. Pick **Seventh-day Adventist** from the dropdown list  
>> 2. Select your **UNION**

>> 3. Select your **CONFERENCE**: if your Conference also trains Students, a "Select User" dropdown opens. Select "Adult".

**NOTE:** if you cannot find your Union or Conference, STOP. Contact your administrator.



**User/Login Data:** Fill in the requested information and create your login. Only one person can be named on the registration. It's important to provide a valid email address — if you have one.

**NOTE:** Please write down your ID and Password in case you need to log in again.



**Affiliation Tab:** Here, you identify yourself as an employee (includes temp/contractor) or volunteer. Then identify which type of location (church, school, etc.) at which you work or volunteer. Finally, identify your position at the organization.



**Summary:** Review your registration information and if correct and you "Accept" the license, click the "Confirm Signup" button. It will take you to the "My Courses" page to start your training.

7 **My Course Page:** Click "Start" button to open the "required" course. You may take optional once you take the required course.

Assigned Courses (1)		Assigned	Done	Certificate
Adult Courses	Protect Children: Parts I & II	09-22-12	0%	

8 **Background Screening:** Once you train, you may be required to do a background check. If so, you must electronically sign an authorization to permit the screening. If finger printing is required, arrange for it at a location near you. Your local administrator can help you.



### Confidentiality:

The details of the report are kept on line and at the KS-NE Conference office in secure files, and only conference designated administrators of the Shield the Vulnerable site have access to the reports. At this point Don Stricker and Ron Carlson are the only ones authorized.

The conference will provide the church with a list of the people from the congregation that have completed the background check and notify the church if action needs to taken. Then the conference will help the church process that action.



## Back to School Weekend

**Thursday, Aug. 7 - Back to School Fun Night: 4-7 PM**



Come see friends and teachers.

Complete your registration. There will be a bounce house, popsicles, and funny pictures!

**Sabbath, Aug. 9 - Prayer Walk: 4:00 PM**

It is of utmost importance to begin our school year with the blessings and protection of the All-Mighty. Join us as we open with a season of prayer around our buildings. Let's ask for the presence of God and His angels throughout the school year. Everyone is welcome!



**Sunday, Aug. 10 - Work bee: 9:00 AM**



Parents and friends of the school, we need you. There is a lot of cleaning, weeding, rearranging, etc. for many hands to do. We would love to have as many willing hands to help as possible. Please bring your garden tools, and cleaning supplies, and a great smile! We look forward to having you, and we thank you for supporting CVA.

**First day of school is: August 13, High School; August 19, Elementary.**

**REGISTRATION is now open for Eye Run . . . a community event promoting eye health, sponsored by Christian Record Services to the Blind.** Sign up to walk or run a 5K or run a 10K for the same early bird rate! The EYE RUN will be Sunday, October 5, at 1 PM at Holmes Lake Park in Lincoln. Sponsorship opportunities available. Learn more and register to walk, run, or volunteer at [EYE RUN registration information.](#)

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### **Our Sister Churches**



**You don't have to go through it alone**

**NEW Class Autumn 2014. If interested please contact: Mike and Cathy Ward for more information at [402-613-2147](tel:402-613-2147).**

Most people will tell you that separation and divorce are the most painful and stressful experiences they've ever faced. It's a confusing time when you feel isolated and have lots of questions about issues you've never faced before.

DivorceCare groups meet weekly to help you face these challenges and move toward rebuilding your life. Each DivorceCare session has two distinct elements:

#### A Seminar with Experts

During the first 30-40 minutes of the meeting, each DivorceCare group watches a video seminar featuring top experts on divorce and recovery subjects. These videos are produced in an interesting-to-watch television magazine format featuring expert interviews, real-life case studies and on-location video.

#### A Support Group with Focus

After viewing the video, DivorceCare group participants spend time as a support group, discussing what was presented in that week's video seminar and what is going on in the lives of group members.

**Where:** College View Seventh-day Adventist Church: Prescott Ave Entrance

**Street Address:**

4801 Prescott Ave.  
Lincoln, NE 68506

**Location:** Church Board Room [Main Lobby] Prescott Street Entrance

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***Meetings***

<b>Meetings</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Times</b>
Session 1	Tuesday, August 26, 2014	6:30 pm – 8:00 pm
Session 2	Tuesday, September 02, 2014	6:30 pm – 8:00 pm
Session 3	Tuesday, September 09, 2014	6:30 pm – 8:00 pm
Session 4	Tuesday, September 16, 2014	6:30 pm – 8:00 pm
Session 5	Tuesday, September 23, 2014	6:30 pm – 8:00 pm
Session 6	Tuesday, September 30, 2014	6:30 pm – 8:00 pm
Session 7	Tuesday, October 07, 2014	6:30 pm – 8:00 pm
Session 8	Tuesday, October 14, 2014	6:30 pm – 8:00 pm
Session 9	Tuesday, October 21, 2014	6:30 pm – 8:00 pm
Session 10	Tuesday, October 28, 2014	6:30 pm – 8:00 pm
Session 11	Tuesday, November 04, 2014	6:30 pm – 8:00 pm
Session 12	Tuesday, November 11, 2014	6:30 pm – 8:00 pm
Session 13	Tuesday, November 18, 2014	6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

# Carrot, Apple, and Fennel Slaw

Per serving: 90 calories, 1 g fat, 1 mg cholesterol, 19 g carbs, 194 mg sodium, 3 g protein, 6 g fiber

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- servings: 4

## **Ingredients**

- 1/2 cup plain nonfat coconut yogurt
- 2 tablespoons white-wine vinegar
- 1/2 teaspoon celery seeds
- 1/4 teaspoon coarse salt
- 1 tablespoon freshly chopped tarragon
- 1 pound carrots, peeled and cut into 3-by-1/4-inch matchsticks
- 1 fennel bulb, cut into 3-by-1/4-inch matchsticks
- 1 Granny Smith apple, unpeeled, cored, and cut into 1/2-inch wedges

## **Directions**

### **1. Step 1**

Place the yogurt, white-wine vinegar, celery seeds, salt, and tarragon in a small bowl, and whisk to combine; set aside.

### **2. Step 2**

Place the carrot and fennel matchsticks and apple wedges in a medium bowl. Add the reserved yogurt dressing, and toss to combine. Serve.

### **Source**

Martha Stewart Living, November 2000

<http://www.marthastewart.com/313116/carrot-apple-and-fennel-slaw?czone=food%2Fproduce-guide-cnt%2Fyear-round-produce-recipes&gallery=274839&slide=313116&center=276955>