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SOMETHING SPECIAL

By the time you read these words, it will either be Holy Week or the first week of Eastertide. In the life of the presbytery, work slows down when we enter Lent. January and February are a mad dash, as people in pulpits and pews call or e-mail with all the challenges they stored up during Advent and Christmas. Then Lent begins... and life in your presbytery office slows down a bit. It is the perfect time for the General Presbyter to take a few days and visit with her parents.

Mom and Dad love their church. Sundays are the Lord's Day, the majority of friends who visit their home are fellow church members, and the flow of their week is determined by the activities on their church calendar. Yes, they represent their generation, loyal to the core toward the institutions that keep society strong. But they also exhibit genuine delight in all that strengthens human beings in relationship with God. Theirs is a faith formed by countless small, daily decisions over time.

One evening, Mom was talking about an upcoming church program. She said with great conviction, "If you miss our church, you miss something special! Every time!" This made me think about our churches back home in central Pennsylvania.



"How could they have faith without having heard of him? And how could they hear without someone to spread the news?"
 Romans 10:14

As we walk toward the cross and Resurrection, if our unchurched neighbors enter our sanctuaries, what will they experience? When they leave, will they be able to say, "We experienced something special today!"?

What Paul wrote long ago is still true today. "How could they have faith without having heard of him? And how could they hear without someone to spread the news?" You and I are the Church today, witnesses to the "something special" that is a living relationship with God through Jesus Christ. I pray that each one of us will have the faith, enthusiasm, and practical skills to help our congregations be the Church – something truly special!

In Christ's love,

Joy K.

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FRUIT HILL MEMORIAL DAY PICNIC

The annual Fruit Hill Memorial Day Picnic will be held on Mon., May 28, 2007.

This year, the church has a free notice of the event in the Spring 2007 issue of "Where & When", Pennsylvania's Travel Guide, a booklet that can be found across the state. The notice is:

May 28. Fruit Hill Memorial Day Picnic. Memorial Day graveside ceremonies. Delicious picnic foods, pies and beverages served

from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at Fruit Hill Presbyterian Church, Ansonville. 814-672-3232.

Church's wishing to list their events can go on line to: www.whereandwhen.com and/or phone 1-800-800-1833.

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**Fruit Hill Memorial Day Picnic
Monday,
May 28, 2007**

OSCEOLA MILLS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SPONSORS CURWENSVILLE TOWN CHOIR

The Osceola Mills Presbyterian Church is sponsoring the Curwensville Town Choir on April 15, 2007 at 3 p.m.

During the ecumenical choral presentation, a free will offering to support the local community swimming pool will be collected.



Thanks and Blessings,
Sally Levonick
Clerk of session
slevonick@pennswoods.net

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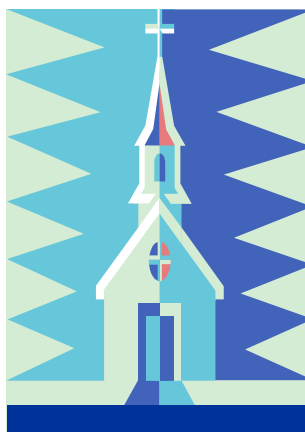
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PETERSBURG BETHEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Al Holtzinger visits Petersburg Bethel Presbyterian Church:

I don't know if there is a designated communicator at the Petersburg-Bethel church, but I've led worship there twice recently and the activity at that church certainly deserves to be mentioned.

Work is rapidly progressing on the conversion of the old fellowship hall into Sunday School classrooms. Once that work is complete, I understand a committee will



present findings of a study regarding what to do about the sanctuary. Even the front pews were occupied when I preached there. I told them I had to check twice to make certain I was in a Presbyterian Church since it was nearly full and the front pews were occupied!

The church recently completed its mission statement and will be searching for a new pastor.

UPPER TUSCARORA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Music will float from the sanctuary of the historic Upper Tuscarora Presbyterian Church on April 29th at 3:00 pm.



Mitchell, also a member of Upper Tuscarora and a graduate of Wilson College. Studying art on a graduate level, Stephanie will present her

Through Dr. Timothy Blair, a long time member of the church and Dean of Music at West Chester University of Pennsylvania, the first in a series of on-going programs will begin.

The first program will be presented by a vocalist and pianist from the faculty. A tea will follow. Hopefully, many will find their way to Upper Tuscarora Presbyterian Church for this special event. The church is located off Route 75 at Waterloo, between Waterloo and Blairs Mills.

In addition, there will be an art show presented by Stephanie

work which may be enjoyed from one to five on April 29th.

For those free at 10 A.M. on Sunday morning, April 29th, another special musical program will be presented at the Pine Grove Presbyterian Church, also part of Bethany Parish, and located on a hill above Neelyton on Route 641. Cliff and Myra Green of Green Ridge Ministries will bring the Bible alive through drama and music. As they have

said, "It is our desire to bring people of all ages into a relationship with the living Lord Jesus Christ through the Living Word - the Bible." Having given over 100 free presentations of the gospel in 2006 - at community centers, prisons, women's clubs, Bible clubs, churches and parks, we are privileged to have them present "Hannah" on April 29th at 10 AM. Come and join us!

If you have travel questions or would like more information, call Alice Meloy at: 717-349-2685 or by e-mail at : ammrem75@innernet.net

ATTENTION ALL CHURCH TREASURERS, BOOKKEEPERS, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANTS AND SECRETARIES!

The Presbytery of Huntingdon is holding Financial Training on:

May 12, 2007
9:30-11:30 am

AT THE LOGAN VALLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Topics to be covered include:

- Mission Pledge Sheets
- Checklist for Internal Audits
- Tax and payroll information
- Reports for Session
- End of Year Statistics
- Available Resources

Directions: Take the Bellwood exit off I99. Follow Rt 865 North one block to light. Go straight for about ¼ mile and take Business District exit on right. At bottom of ramp, turn left onto Main Street. Go straight through two stop signs, and then turn left at next block – Boyles Street. Church is on left at end of block – 1st St.

Please send the person (or persons) from your church who handles the finances. Sign up by calling the office at 814-742-2200.

MISSION TREASURER NOTICE

Joann Kimmel (Mission Treasurer) will be having knee surgery in April and will be staying with her daughter. From April 11th - 20th . She can be reached at 814-266-1608, rather than the usual phone number.

A Note from The Media/Communications Committee



The committee continues to search for a volunteer to take on the responsibility of the Agape Herald editor position for at least a year or two and will eagerly receive any suggestions of a candidate. All suggestions or inquiries should be submitted to the committee chairperson, Al Wilson, alwwilson@verizon.net or call 814-861-6647.

Please note the schedule for the 2007 Agape Herald:

2007 Publication Schedule:

Submission deadline:	Publication:
Jan. 15	Feb/March
March 19	April/May
May 21	June/July
July 16	Aug./Sept.
Sept. 17	Oct./Nov.
Nov. 19	Dec./Jan.

Presbytery Calendar

Prayer Request Calendar

APRIL 2007

6	Presbytery Offices closed for Good Friday	
10	Joint Camp & Conference Comm.	5:00 PM Camp Krislund
15	Rev. Stanley Bhasker's installation	4:00 PM Huntingdon church
18	Staff meeting	9:30 PM HP Office, Bellwood
21	Presbyterian Women Spring Gathering	10:00 AM Highland Park PC
24	Committee on Ministry (COM) Meeting Special Presbytery Meeting	Noon—Mt. Union Church 12:30 PM Mt. Union Church
26	Ecumenical Lecture and Board Mtg.	12:30 PM St. Aloysuis College
28	Small Church Assessment Training	9AM—3PM Krislund

MAY 2007

1	Budget Sheets Due to Liz Armstrong	Admin. Treasurer
5	Spring Work Day	10:00 AM Krislund Camp
6	100th Anniv. of Highland Park Church	9:00 AM Highland Park PC
7	Small Church Assessment Team Planning	7:00 PM Philipsburg Church
8	Personnel Committee meeting Joint Camp and Conf. Committee Mtg.	9:30 AM HP Office, Bellwood 5:00 PM Krislund Camp
9-10	May 9-10 Board of Pensions meeting	Noon Atlanta, GA
12	CLP Training at Presbytery Office Church Finance Workshop	9 AM –3 PM HP Office, Bellwood 9:30 AM Bellwood Church
15	Admin. Umbrella Team for 2008 Budget	1:30 PM HP Office, Bellwood
16	Staff meeting	9:30 AM HP Office, Bellwood
17	Discipleship Umbrella Team (DUT) 717 Clergy Cluster Leadership Umbrell Team (LUT)	Noon Pine Grove Mills Noon—McVeytown Church 1:00 PM HP Office, Bellwood
19	Krislund Open House	1 PM—7PM Krislund Camp
21	Agape Herald articles deadline	For June/July Issue email to alwwilson@verizon.net
	North West Clergy Cluster	Noon Clearfield Church
22	Committee on Ministry (COM) Meeting	1:00 PM HP Office, Bellwood
23-24	EP Forum	Noon to Noon (23-24)Bedford
28	Presb. Offices closed for Memorial Day	All Day
29	Administrative Umbrella Team	1:30 PM HP Office, Bellwood
31	Reforming Ministry Conference	May 31- June 2

JUNE 2007

5	Council Meeting	1:00 PM HP Office, Bellwood
12	Joint Camp and Conf. Committee Mtg.	5:00 PM Krislund Camp
13-15	Synod 2007 Summer Conference	Arcadia University, Glenside, PA
15-17	Synod Disabilities Retreat	
20	Quarterly Staff meeting	9:30 AM HP Office, Bellwood
26	Enrichment Workshop "Environmental Stewardship" Committee on Ministry (COM) Meeting Presbytery Meeting	3:30 PM Windy Hill Presbyterian Home—Philipsburg 4:00 PM Windy Hill Presbyterian Home—Philipsburg 6:00 PM Windy Hill Presbyterian Home—Philipsburg

APRIL 2007

1	Presbytery Office Rev. Joy Kaufmann, General Presbyter Mrs. Marie Carlson, Office Assistant Elder Virginia Rainey, Stated Clerk
8	Clearfield Pine Grove Bethel Congregation Glen Richey Congregation New Millport Fruit Hill Congregation Rev. Duncan Nichol, Pastor
15	Milroy Congregation Vira Little Valley Cong. Rev. Wayne Mast, Stated Supply
22	Coalport Congregation Irvona Congregation Rev. Roland Rene Emond, Pastor
29	Clearfield Congregation Rev. Daniel T. Ledford, Moderator Curwensville Congregation Rev. Daniel T. Ledford, Pastor

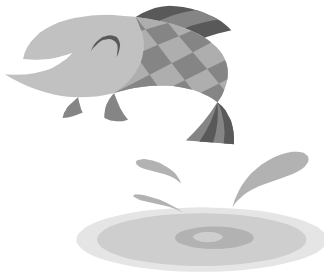
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6	DuBois Congregation Rev. Gary Califf, Pastor Hollidaysburg Congregation Rev. Charles D. Monts, Pastor
13	Houtzdale Congregation Rev. C. Richard Berggren, Moderator Rev. Tom McCoy, Stated Supply
20	Huntingdon Congregation Rev. Dr. Stanley Bhasker, Designated Pastor
27	Kylertown Congregation Snow Shoe Congregation Winburne Congregation Martha J. Bloom, CLP Gary B. Jewart, CLP

Krislund Korner

FISH BAZAAR & FRY, APRIL 14TH

Do you like to fish, eat fish, watch fish, or talk about fish? If so, all ages are invited to sign up for the all day Fish Bazaar at Krislund. Registration fees (\$25 under 16; \$35 over 16) cover T-shirt, continental breakfast, light lunch, and the Fish Fry. Prizes will be awarded for longest, and heaviest fishes, and the quickest to their limit. RSVP by 4/06, and for more information e-mail: info@krislund.org.



Phone: 814.422.8878
Email: info@krislund.org

SPRING PEEK, APRIL 14

Non-fishing types can see the Camp from 1:00-6:00pm, on the day of the Fish Bazaar. Tours of summer facilities, fun on the wall, and an optional and delicious cookout are part of the fun. Bring a kite and relax in the recreation field, or take a hike to the Bald Spot. Whatever you do, don't miss this chance to see the Camp and to register for a summer camp.

MOM'S RETREAT MOVED TO NOV. 2-4

The extended forecast predicts unseasonably high temperatures, beautiful fall colors, and exceptional renewal at the '07 Mom's Retreat. Mark your calendars; more information on speaker and schedule is coming later.

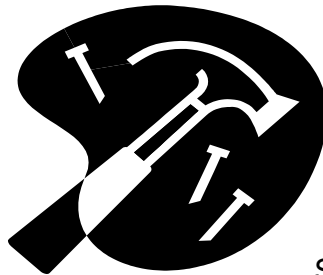
FAMILY CAMP AUG. 19-25

Come for a week or any portion thereof. Housing options include bringing your own tent or RV, or staying in one of the Camp's cabins, covered wagons, or DAKs. Singles are welcome too. Family talent night, climbing the new wall, hikes, volleyball tournament, arts & crafts, swimming, picnic, and mountain top campout are just some of the fun activities. Worship each night around our bonfire, enjoy delicious camp meals, and relax watching the stars Camp '07; costs will be posted on the website (www.krislund.org). For more information call the office.

18 SUMMER CAMPS / THERE'S ONE FOR YOU

Leave the I-pod, MP-3, X-box, and the internet. Replace them with cave boating, 300-foot zipline, 60-foot swing, pamper pole trapeze, water basketball, and the new 60 foot climbing and rappel tower. Excitement, new friends, and strong faith await you at Krislund. Get a summer brochure and register now.

E-mail info@krislund.org for information.



TOUCH A LIFE BE A CAMP COUNSELOR

Want to make a change? Be God's ambassador to campers and watch lives transformed. Paid positions are available. E-mail info@krislund.org and request a staff application packet.

MISSION BUILDER'S EXPO MAY 5TH

Spring Work Day is always the first Saturday of May, beginning at 8:30am. New this year is a special invitation to mission group coordinators to attend the Krislund Adult Lodge Builders Expo beginning at 10:00 in the Retreat Center. Projects, schedules, and housing opportunities for church mission groups and volunteers willing to build the new Adult Lodge in '07 and '08 will be presented; lunch is provided. For more information and to RSVP, e-mail info@krislund.org.

Krislund summer camps are open to all. Help us touch one life at a time by registering now!

AGAPE HERALD EDITORIAL AND PRODUCTION TEAM

Please send all information and potential articles or photos to Al Wilson at alwilson@verizon.net or 1449 Curtin St., State College, PA 16803 by the submission deadline. We also need additional persons to serve on the Editorial Team

which gathers information on congregational events, ministries and missions to share through the newsletter. Please contact Al if interested.

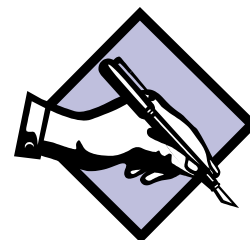


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