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SUPPLEMENT

THANK YOU for last Sunday's (Feb. 19) and this week's Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) offerings:

- Program Fund \$4,394.50
- Leadership Support \$1,395.00
- Missions \$872.50

<u> Happy Birthday</u>

Katrina Evans—Monday, February 27
Dana Witmer—Thursday, March 2
Hana Witmer—Thursday, March 2
Delores Tennis—Thursday, March 2
Jonathan Bauman—Thursday, March 2
Ruthie Umble—Saturday, March 4
Ada Burkhart—Sunday, March 5



Happy 94th Birthday

Margaret Wyble—Monday, February 27

Thank you to all who remembered me with prayers, cards and visits during my knee replacement surgery in January.

Pat Musselman



Note from Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society

Thank you for your congregational offering of \$332.15. We are deeply appreciative of your support! May God's grace sustain your congregational ministry over many years!

With deep gratitude, Rolando Santiago, Director



WOMEN'S RETREAT

May 5 and 6
MCC's Welcoming Place
Akron, PA

Look for the brochure in your mailbox.

Register by Sunday, March 19.

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Wednesday evening—March 1—7:00 p.m.

Volleyball and snacks in the All Purpose Room; table games in the café—Everyone is invited!

May 5 and 6—Women's Retreat

July 7 and 8—300th Anniversary Historical Event

July 9—Worship at Woodcrest Retreat

PINEWOOD DERBY RACE

Come out and cheer on the Groffdale Pinewood Derby Team

PETRA CHURCH 565 Airport Road, New Holland Saturday, March 4 at 8:30 a.m.

(Drivers need to weigh-in their car on Saturday, March 4 between 7:00 and 8:30 a.m. or Friday evening, March 3 between 7:00 and 8:30 p.m.)

Free admission! Come out and give your support for this fun team-building event!



Photo sessions for the new pictorial directory will resume in April. Sign-up sheets for April sessions coming soon!

PHOTOS OF CHURCH LIFE

As we're working on the new Groffdale website, we would welcome photos of church life.

Email your photos to: photos@groffdale.com



Periodical Renewals

Three periodicals—Purpose, Rejoice, Missionary Messenger—are available to the congregation at their cost. Those currently receiving them will find a renewal form in their mailbox. If others wish to receive them, please contact Joyce Shenk.

Please stop by the missionary bulletin board to read updates from Beryl Forrester and Ryan and Bethany Umble.

A BIG thank you to those who led sessions, helped with food, provided music and assisted in other ways for our Wednesday evening activities in February. You were instrumental in making this a true family event.



Looking for an opportunity to get to know our youth better?

Teacher is needed for our Youth Sunday School class on:

- * March 26
- * April 2

SUNDAY SCHOOL Please let Kathy Weaver Wenger know if you'd like to explore this opportunity.

SEWING CAFE OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, February 26, 2:30-5 p.m. 420 S. Christian St., Lancaster, PA

Please see poster on narthex bulletin board. For more information about the Sewing Cafe, contact Nancy Miller at 717-368-9195 or southernnim@mac.com.

PART-TIME JOB OPPORTUNITY

Part-time position at the Mennonite Information Center. Lancaster, PA. Duties include giving Biblical Tabernacle lecture and assisting visitors. Qualifications include: personal faith in Christ, membership in Mennonite or Anabaptist related congregation, enjoy interacting with people, familiarity with Lancaster County. Contact Jeff Landis at 717-299-0954 or email menninfctr@desupernet.net.

TTC/Potter's House Annual Banquet Friday, March 3 at Shady Maple 6:30 p.m. (Doors open at 6pm)

Dr Karl Benzio, founder and Executive Director of the Lighthouse Network will speak on "A Safe Place for Healing and Growth". There will also be a ministry update and a personal testimony from a student. There is no charge to attend although advance registration is required. Call 717-943-7230 or email ttcph.development@gmail.com to reserve your space. A free will offering opportunity will be given. Table Sponsors at \$250 per table are also appreciated as they allow all of the proceeds of the offering to go toward the ministry.

CVCCS Current Needs

FOOD:

Canned fruit and canned soup

CLOTHING:

Boys and girls pants—sizes 5-12

Please put your donations in the CVCCS Box in the narthex. Thank you!



2017 MCC QUILT PREVIEW

March 2-4

Thursday & Friday: 9 a.m.—8 p.m. Saturday: 9 a.m.—3 p.m. **MCC Material Resource Center** 517 W Trout Run Road, Ephrata

- Preview over 100 quilts that will be sold at the PA Relief Sale
- Shop Quilter's Corner
- Shop upcycled items

For more information, call (717) 733-2847.



Celebration of Church Life

Friday, March 17, 7 p.m. and Saturday, March 18, 9-3:30 p.m. Weaverland Mennonite Church, 210 Weaverland Valley Rd., East Earl

Information is posted on the narthex bulletin board.

WOODCREST RETREAT BANQUET

Thursday, March 23 at 6:15 p.m. Yoder's Restaurant, New Holland



Enjoy great food, and hear testimonies of God at work through Woodcrest Retreat. Be inspired by a message from Ryan and be prepared to unwind as "Ryan and Friends" perform a witty

presentation with life lessons and Bible stories.

An offering to support the camp ministry will be received. Call 717-738-2233 for complimentary reservations.

Stewardship University Scheduled

On Saturday, April 8, Everence Lancaster will host Stewardship University, a ministry partnership between Everence and the local faith community. Courses will explore subjects ranging from retirement preparation and better budgeting to health and fitness.

Registration brochures are on the information table in the narthex. Please note there are discounts for early registration (by March 20) and also for groups of five or more. Please give your registration forms to Joyce Shenk.