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SUPPLEMENT

THANK YOU for last Sunday's (August 5) and this week's Electronic Funds Transfer offerings:

- Missions \$4,383.00
- Program Fund \$700.00
- Leadership Support \$125.00

Next Sunday's (August 19) offering is for the Program Fund. This fund is currently in the red by about \$13,000. Please give prayerful consideration to this need as you plan your giving. Thank you for your faithful support.

Henry Youndt, Treasurer

Happy Birthday

Thelma Eberly—Sunday, August 12
Janelle Horning—Wednesday, August 15
Jean Wissler—Saturday, August 18
Eldon Witmer—Saturday, August 18
Fred Reeser—Sunday, August 19
Harold Musselman—Monday, August 20



Happy 82nd Birthday

Arlene Reiff—Tuesday, August 14

Happy 84th Birthday

Leane Groff —Tuesday, August 21

Happy 60th Anniversary



Clarence and Arlene Martin—Thursday, August 16

VidaNet Growth Banquet

Thursday, August 23 - 6:30 pm Yoder's Restaurant, New Holland



Join us on Thursday, August 23, at 6:30pm to celebrate with good food and have an opportunity to hear about the exciting things that are happening through VidaNet in Central America and learn how you can get involved.

If you would like to attend or sponsor a table, please RSVP to:

Jen Hoover @ Jen@vidanetonline.org.

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

<u>August 19</u>—Message from Pastor Austin

August 26—Message from DeLynn Hoover of VidaNet

September 2—Message from Pastor Tom

September 9—Message from Pastor Tom

September 16—Message from Pastor Tom



Coffee, Conversation and Clearances

Sunday, August 12 and 19 9:00 - 9:45 am All Purpose Room



Come out and fellowship and enjoy a cup of coffee and donut.

Also, during this time you will also have the opportunity to get your clearances. We are working on the Child Protect Policy for Groffdale. In order to work or volunteer with children under the age of 18, certain people are required to obtain clearances. We are required to keep copies in our office file. This list includes:

- Sunday School teachers
- Nursery care providers
- Librarians
- Sound room team (sound operators, projectionists)
- Youth group activity helpers
- Drivers for church activities

Persons with laptop computers will be set up in the All Purpose Room to help you get your clearances. If you have any questions, please ask Jennifer Eshleman, Janelle Horning or Joyce Shenk.



Appreciation Breakfast to Honor Our Sunday School Teachers and

Childcare Volunteers

Sunday, August 26 9:00 am in the All Purpose Room

Everyone is invited to come out and enjoy breakfast and fellowship as we show appreciation to our Sunday School teachers and childcare volunteers.

There will be <u>no</u> Sunday School in the month of August and Sunday, September 2.

MCC SCHOOL KIT PROJECT

MCC is now collecting school kits. Please feel free to pick up one or more bags from the foyer and fill them with the following items:.



Mennonite Central Committee

- 4 spiral or perforated notebooks (8-1/2 x 10-1/2" and 70 pages)
- 8 new unsharpened pencils
- 1 ruler (flat, good quality; indicating 30cm; inch markings optional)
- 12 colored pencils (in packaging)
- 1 large pencil eraser
- 2 new black or blue ballpoint pens
- 1 small metal pencil sharpener (one or two holes)

Please place your completed school kits in the box provided. We will be collecting school kits through August 19.

Thanks for your generosity!!!

CALLING ALL ARCHERS!

Prepare for archery season by attending Woodcrest



Retreat's 3D Benefit Archery Shoot on **Saturday, August 25.** Thirty 3D targets. Brunch served, followed by an encouraging speaker and lots of door prizes.

Please register by Monday, August 20 by calling 717-738-2233 or online at

"www.woodcrestretreat.org/events/benefit-3d-archery-shoot".

See poster on bulletin board for more information.

BR2RB Bikeathon

BR2RB is a destination cycling challenge from Black Rock Retreat to Rehoboth Bay area. Riders can choose from 145, 125, 100, 80 or 50 mile rides. Choose your distance, then choose your day: Friday, September 14 or Saturday, September 15. Visit brr.org/bikeathon for details and to register.

Annual Bookworm Frolic to Benefit Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society

The annual Bookworm Frolic is rapidly approaching. Come out to <u>2215 Millstream Road</u>, Lancaster, PA, between Wednesday, August 15 and Friday, August 17 (9 a.m. to 7 p.m.) and Saturday, August 18 (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.), to purchase your favorite used books and support the Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society.

CVCCS NEWS

Food Items Needed

To keep our food bank stocked with staples for our clients, we accept food donations anytime of the year. Please think of us the next time you go to the grocery store.

Here are the staples we need:

- Single serving cups of cereals and fruits
- Canned soups (no creamed soups, please)
- Crackers
- Canned fruits and veggies
- Canned pasta
- Canned stews or hearty soups
- Jelly/Jam
- Macaroni and cheese
- Pancake mix and syrup

Please place your donations in the CVCCS box provided in the lobby. Thank you for your generosity!!!

Volunteers Needed:

Conestoga Valley Christian Community Services needs volunteers for the Food and Clothing Banks. Contact Deb Sprunger at 717-208-3711 ext. 103 if interested in helping.

Casserole Ministry:

Groups are needed to make meals, soups, and treats for the food bank at Conestoga Valley Christian Community Services. The items are frozen and then provided to food bank clients to take home for a quick heat and eat treat! Contact Jacqueline at 717-208-3711 ext. 104.