

Refrigerator News

May 17, 2015



This Week at Lincolnshire

Monday, May 18

8:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study
Breakfast at Bob Evans/Jefferson Pointe

Tuesday, May 19

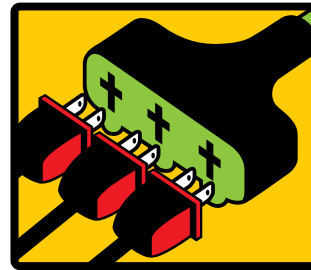
7:00 Stewardship

Wednesday, May 20

7:15 Choir

*"Thank someone for something.
Go out of your way today to acknowledge
the generosity of a person you know."*

- Alan Epstein



CONNECTIONS

CONNECTIONS TO NORTHERN INDIANA DISTRICT AND BEYOND

Nearly half of our churches have responded to the **Mustard Seed Challenge in support of our EYN brothers and sisters**. Bit by bit and sometimes in giant leaps, we stretch upwards towards the district goal of \$150,000. We are just a little bit over a third of the way there at about \$52,000. Praise God for all that we are able to do to walk this very difficult road with EYN. Please continue praying for the needs of our brothers and sisters. Check the blog regularly at: <http://www.brethren.org/partners/nigeria>.

Osceola congregation changes their name. After much debate, the congregation chose the name: **Shepherd's Heart Fellowship**. We are called to lead and to live with a shepherd's heart. Our name choice will continue to be a powerful reminder of this. A church is what we are but fellowship is who we are. And we will work more towards becoming the church the Lord wants us to be as we continue to come together, worship together, and work together to direct that focus.

Are you willing to serve as an Annual Conference Usher? If so, contact Phil Lersch, Phillersch@verizon.net or (727) 544-2911.

AUCTION AND RELIEF SALE FOR NIGERIA

The auction and sale will be on Saturday, June 27 at Creekside Church in Elkhart. Doors open at 9:00, auction begins at 10:00. This is a district wide event and several congregations have already committed to help with on-site food, bake sale, and signage. The district is accepting donations of handcrafted items, quality used goods, smaller items for a Silent Auction and baked goods. All proceeds will go to the Nigeria crisis relief through the N. IN District. As part of the auction, the EYN Women's Choir will give a concert at 1:30 p.m. also on June 27th. Concert is free but donations will be accepted.

LINCOLNSHIRE

We need a group of people to coordinate our contribution to this event. If you are interested in this worthy task, please contact the church office or Pastor David.

A special **THANK YOU**

Thank you for all the cards, the prayers and the loving thoughts that helped me recover from my accident. It meant a great deal!
- Marty Kaylor



Dear Friends of Lincolnshire,

You ladies are so faithful in your support of the Timbercrest folks. I never thought how much it meant to people here until I became one of the group. We all thank you. When your invitation came, I said to Francis that I hope we could come. He said, "Sure! I want to see the Lincolnshire people." We do miss you. Blessings to all of you and have a great summer!
- Evelyn Barr

(For the recent visit to Timbercrest by the Women's Bible Study group)



A **HUGE THANK YOU** to the congregation for the donations made so a wheel chair ramp can be made for the La Rues. Although the labor to build the ramp is being donated, it is estimated that in order to cover the cost of the materials, an amount of about \$1,000,00 would be needed. We are extremely pleased to report that during the last two Sundays, \$1,254.00 was donated so not only will there be enough money for a deluxe ramp but some left over to help the La Rues with some other needed items. The La Rues have contributed a lot to Lincolnshire so this outpouring of support reflects not only the congregation's caring and support, but also our appreciation.

On a year-to-date basis, contributions have totaled \$47,797 and expenses have totaled \$47,520 for a positive balance. Our giving is improving and we should end the year with a good positive balance if giving continues. For the month of April, giving was \$11,757 and expenses were 11, 116 resulting in an addition of \$641 to our balance. We appreciate your support and commitment which makes it possible for Lincolnshire to continue doing God's work.

Thank you also for your continuing support of the food pantry. We were able to re-stock the shelves and make up additional food bags for distribution to the needy in our neighborhood. Your generosity touches many hearts who come to the door looking for help in feeding their families. Thank you again!



Join us for breakfast.

Women's Bible Study group meets once a month during the summer months for breakfast at Bob Evans Restaurant in Jefferson Pointe. They meet at 8:30 to eat a hearty breakfast, share the latest news of friends and family and just enjoy each other's company. All women of the church are invited to these summer breakfasts...you don't need to be a part of the Bible Study Group. Why not make plans to head on over this coming Monday and join the women for a great way to begin the week!

APRIL ATTENDANCE

April 5 – Easter Sunday

Early Service – 72

10:00 Service – 101

April 12 – 93

April 19 – 79

April 26 – 96

Average Sunday Attendance – 88

What's your bugle?

Numbers 10 tells of God's command that Moses make two bugles for various purposes: summoning the leaders, sending the people to war, announcing worship, presenting offerings, calling everyone for a festival. "Blow the bugles," declares the Lord. "They will keep your attention on God" (vs. 10, The Message).

What "bugles" draw our attention to God? Maybe church bells chime daily near your home. Maybe worship attendance serves as the "bugle" that calls you back to the Divine. Some people place a small dot-sticker on the face of their watch to remind them to pray whenever they check the time. A sticker on your cell phone or I Pad might work even better. Maybe you set your Bible or devotions on the kitchen table before bed to remind you to start your day with God. God's people get distracted easily, whether with tent-pitching in the Sinai Desert 3,500 years ago or with jam-packed schedules today. We all need a "bugle." What's yours?

