

Refrigerator News

June 12, 2016



Blessings we enjoy daily.

Blessings, we enjoy daily. And for most of them, because they be so common, most men forget to pay their praises: but let not us; because it is a sacrifice so pleasing to Him who made the sun *and* us, and still protects us, and gives us flowers, and showers, and stomachs, and meat, and content, and leisure.

Izaak Walton, *The Complete Angler*



This Week at Lincolnshire

Monday, June 13

8:30 a.m. Women's Breakfast at Spyros

Tuesday, June 14

7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study

Thursday, June 16

9:30 a.m. Calling & Discernment

Next Sunday, June 19

"Take a Dip"

1 Kings 19: 1-4, 8-15a

There is a practice which emerged in Japan in the early 1890's. It's called *Shinrin-yoku*. In English it means "forest bathing." Today, weary office and tech workers with frazzled nerves are practicing the ritual in Seattle (where else?), and in cities around the world. The prophet Elijah used this version of bathing when he fled into the wilderness. It was just what he needed to refresh and re-create his weary soul.

NEXT SUNDAY IS ALSO A POTLUCK!

Please...crockpot heated dishes only. The ovens and microwave will not be used to cook and/or warm up any dishes. Think picnic...cold salads, plenty of rich desserts, crockpots of sloppy joes, hotdogs, pulled pork....etc.

Speaking of food, **please bring a can or two of spaghetti sauce, canned meats or cereal for the food pantry.** We are really low on these items.



DISTRICT NEWS

The District COB office, currently located in Nappanee, will be moving across town to the Nappanee CoB who graciously offered space. The current office is more spacious than necessary and the board is trying to practice good stewardship of resources. This being the case, the **District is in need of help from District congregations on June 25 starting at 8:00 a.m.** to move filing cabinets, boxes, furniture, etc. If they can get enough help, they won't have to use district funds to hire a mover. They need: **4 trucks, at least 12 persons able to lift boxes, dollies, carts, furniture pads and tarps.** Lunch is included! **Please call Rachel at the District office at 1-574-773-3149 no later than June 13 if you can help!**

Graduation means...

Going forward,
Ready to
Accept God's will,
Determined to
Understand God's Word,
A to
Temptations
Interested in
Others,
Never forgetting that Christ is my hope.



- Parma Heights Baptist Church, Parma, OH

CONGRATULATIONS TO...

Cody Hamblin, Heritage High School. Cody works two jobs now.

Grace Howard, South Side High School. She will move to France this fall where she will be an "aupair" (nanny) while taking French language courses.

Shianna Johnson, Snider High School. She was promoted to manager at Fazoli's Restaurant. She plans to become a pharmacist, studying at IPFW. She really enjoyed attending the CoB Youth Conference where she deepened her faith.

John Kolb, Ivy Tech. John studied Health & Science Support and is now employed at Lutheran. While studying, John continued giving much of his time and skills to Lincolnshire for which we are thankful.



Summer Forums replace Sunday school classes. Each forum begins at 10:30 following coffee & donuts. They are held in the Overflow area. This summer's events are...

June 12 - Denise Schwaberow, our former music director, will share her journey from the church to the hospital in her new position as a chaplain for Parkview.

June 19 - Sara Ward is a Christian writer who shares how Christ's love and hope have brought her through her husband's cancer, her son's death, and the adoption of two (soon to be three) children.

June 26- Kathy and Paul Fry-Miller. Just back from Nigeria, Kathy (Associate Director for Children's Disaster Relief) and Paul, (Physician's Assistant in N. Manchester) have worked with children and families affected by the Bobo Haram.

Church of the Brethren Annual Conference

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Thank you for taking your time, your talent and your hard earned cash to join the Brethren in Greensboro. I pray that you will find it a good investment of all three.



Each year there is a clear message from those that evaluate Annual Conference that the fellowship, the worship and the resources provided to equip us to carry the Light of Christ to a fearful and fallen world are more important than the experience of doing business. To that end those of us that have been working to plan our time together have chosen to leave off one business session and dedicate it instead to Bible study, service, teaching and training. We are calling Friday afternoon our "Jubilee" afternoon. Our fervent yearning is that in the midst of struggling with the Church's business, we will embrace the opportunity to *be* the Church together.

The fact that we have set aside time that might have been used for business for our "Jubilee" means that we must be even more efficient, creative and focused in working with some difficult issues. And, of course, we must do this while maintaining absolute and loving care for each other. The Light we show to the world will have far more to do with how we treat each other than what the final product of our deliberations will be.

I often sign my emails with this symbol: IHZ. Many of you will recognize it as the ancient sign for the name of Jesus. It has also come to mean, for many, "In His Service." That is how I think of our approaching gathering. We meet in the name of Jesus. There is no other power, desire or purpose that could bring us together. Because we have each been touched by the "Word, the Life and the Light" we are drawn together to celebrate and to serve. Thank you again for being part of that pilgrimage.

In fond expectation for the beautiful working of the Spirit, I remain,

Your moderator, *Andy Murray*

