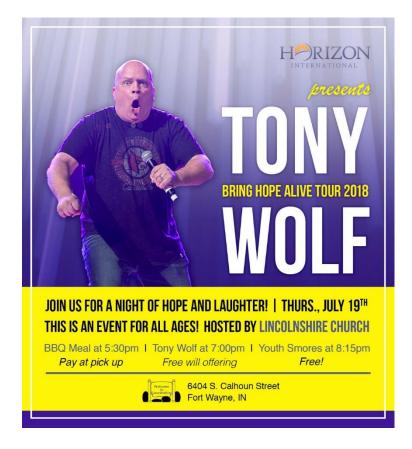
Refrigerator News July 15, 2018



This Week at Lincolnshire

Thursday, July 19

Beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Lincolnshire's Community Block Party!

(no ministry team meetings this week)

Leadership Team Minutes - June 28, 2018

Present: Paul Thomas, Marv & Sara Loutsenhizer, Jan Williams, Bob & Marty Kaylor, Jack & Judy Steckly, Carolyn Egolf, Marilyn Drudge, Jan Ward, and Dave & Evelyn Bickel.

The meeting opened with devotions by Sara, prayer by Jan Williams. Minutes of May meeting approved on motion by Marty, seconded by Bob. **Pastors' Report:** 1. Written reports of June activities were distributed, and Paul focused on anointings, input of data for church sign (Paul & Cheryl T, and Sheryl Patterson), and Zionworx. More techs are needed.

- **2. Athletic Equipment:** A policy written by Paul regarding use of athletic equipment (in church basement) was presented. Use is limited to members and regular attendees, and there must be a "buddy." Marv moved we keep equipment for six months and evaluate at that time. Jan Ward seconded motion. Motion passed.
- 3. Block Party—July 19: Schedule is BBQ meal at 5:30, Tony Wolf's presentation at 7:00 (Free Will Offering), and S'mores at 8:15. Judy Steckly moved "We invite Tony Wolf, authorize purchase of signs, and contract with Dunbars for barbecued chicken." Marv seconded the motion. Motion passed. Outreach & Caring will work on details. Cost will be \$6.00 for chicken plus \$2.00 for sides. Monies from E3 fund to be used if needed. Paul Thomas & Jan Williams will check on signs. Jan Ward to contact Agape & Beacon Heights. Cheryl/Heather to publicize on Facebook.
- **4. Information re the "Thriving Churches"** program at the Summit (on Rudisill) was forwarded by Heather. Event begins in Sept., is a 10-month program, and costs \$400-\$500. More details later.
- **5. Grief Group** will transition its purpose; evaluations were excellent.
- **6. Paul & Cheryl will** be off Sundays Sept. 9, Nov. 25, and Dec. 30. **CDC—Marty Kaylor:**
- 1. District Conference Delegates are registered.
- 2. Ministry Listing Papers distributed & updated List of Leadership Team. Christian Education—Judy Steckly:
- 1. Volunteers needed to help Ruth Strole with Bible Discovery time in VBS.
- **2. Sunday School**—There will be one adult class for first quarter. Cheryl Thomas & Carolyn Egolf will lead.
- 3. Volunteers are staffing nursery on Sundays.
- 4. VBS plans are progressing well.

July 14—Crew Leaders session

July 19—Block Party—Registration forms available.

Property Management—Marv Loutsenhizer:

- 1. "Lawn crew is doing 'great job.""
- 2. Jack Steckly repaired toilet in men's room.
- 3. Microwave in kitchen was replaced for \$130.

- **4. Cost of repairs from recent** flooding caused by clogged tile was \$2,050, not covered by insurance. Tom Tiernon worked 3 days, was given a gift card, and commended for his work.
- **5. Casey repaired kitchen outlet,** water heater under sink and will replace circuit breaker.
- 6. Jan Williams, Sara & Marv, and Paul **disposed of 62 cans of old paint** prior to September fire inspection.
- 7. East window in sanctuary is being monitored for leakage.
- **8. Property Management** Team was commended for their diligence, broad scope of work, and ongoing efforts.

Ordinances—Bob Kaylor: Next Communion is Aug. 19.

Stewardship—Bob Kaylor:

- **1. Plans are underway for 2019 Stewardship Campaign.** Theme is "Stewardship is Heart Work." Team is requesting a list of things to pray for regarding Lincolnshire.
- **2. Campaign Schedule** is nearly ready with Sept. 9 as possible time to explain budget, fixed costs, outreach, and designated giving.
- **3. Congregational meeting** to adopt budget is tentatively set for Nov. 11. **Treasurer's Report—Marilyn Drudge:**
- 1. Giving is slightly below expenses, most pledges are being paid on time.
- 2. Capital account is doing well.
- 3. \$1500 is paid quarterly for Outreach.

Worship & Music—Paul Thomas:

- **1. July 8 is Annual Conference Sunday**. Forum begins at 9:00 followed by Fellowship Time. Video Streaming of A.C.worship at 10:15.
- **2. A survey** will be taken in late July or early August to determine congregation's preferences for worship and Sunday School times.
- **3.** An opportunity to share a "Word of Faith" will be offered every other Sunday alternating with Children's Stories. These will be scheduled ahead of time, one per Sunday, with 3-minute limit.
- 4. Ideas are sought for sermon topics, books, or series.

New Business: Bob moved we rescind the current Pet Policy. Marilyn seconded motion/Motion passed. Bob then moved we establish a new policy: "No pets/animals permitted." Marty seconded the motion. Motion passed. The matter will be brought before congregation Sunday, July 29 with two-week advanced notice given in Refrigerator News.

Copies of "Guidelines for Leadership Team Meetings" were distributed. A Schedule for devotions at Leadership Team meetings included and a schedule for Sara L. & Jan Williams' meetings with Ministry Teams.

Next Leadership Team meeting is Thursday, Aug. 23.

Notes by Carolyn Egolf (Edited to accompany space)

Congregational Meeting Called for Sunday, July 29

The Leadership Team has received more information about the pet/animal policy which was voted on April 22, 2018. The information is financial, risk-taking and liability for our congregation. We will have another vote at a congregational meeting on July 29. — Calling and Discernment



July 22 ... Gleaning Network of the Society of St. Andrew

One major area of food waste in America is in farmers' fields where crops that don't meet top-grade quality are left to rot or be plowed under. Gleaning is the traditional biblical practice of

gathering crops that would otherwise be left in the field. The Gleaning Network coordinates volunteers, growers, and distribution centers to salvage this food for the needy.

We are so thankful for all the help and support as expressed by your loving prayers, cards and phone calls as we moved from our home of 43 years to our new retirement home. We could not have done this without the help of our family and friends. And we are also so grateful for your ongoing concerns for

Dave's health problems. It's been a rocky road but knowing that you all are with us through it makes a big, big difference. Thank you again for being so very special! ~ Dave and Evelyn Bickel

A Prayer for Vacation Bible School

Dear Abundant and Energetic God,

You fill your world with a season of summer delights. Sunshine, warm breezes, a slower pace to enjoy your creation. Fill us with the joy of this season. We gather around your Word in the midst of our summer. May your Spirit shower upon our teachers, leaders, and volunteers; giving energy, creativity, and patience. May your love embrace the children and young people who join us for Bible School so they may come to know you more deeply. Bless us, O God, as we seek to learn from your Word and to share your love. As you gather us in for summer Bible School, send us out beyond this place to show the world what we have come to know: that your grace and welcome and wonder are for all.

We pray in the name of your Son. Amen.