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SEPTEMBER 2007 NEWSLETTER

WOMEN'S RETREAT Ladies! How would you like a weekend away to build or rekindle friendships with other Christian women? No cooking? No dishes to wash or dry? (or load in the dishwasher!) Meals will be prepared for you and all you have to do is show up at the times set for eating? There would be no one you have to care for but yourself for at least 24 hours! Well here is your chance! Women 18 years and older are invited for a weekend of Christian Fellowship. At Woodland Lakes Christian Camp November 9 thru 11- 2007. Cost will be \$60 and includes a \$10 gift to the retreat leader, two nights lodging in the Buckeye Dormitory, and four meals in the main dining hall. We will be departing from the church at 6:00 PM to arrive at Woodland Lakes by 7:00 PM. Woodland Lakes is located at 3054 Lindale-Mt. Holly Road in Monroe Township in the Amelia area. Friday night will be a time of fun, laughter and get to know one another. You'll want to bring one or two of your favorite snacks to share on this weekend. We won't go hungry! Don't worry - I know there will be plenty to eat - cause' we're the eatin' meatin' Methodists! That's why you want to wear comfortable clothing - sweats, jeans, shorts, or sit around in your PJ'S! Saturday morning will begin with breakfast (and "no" that's not breakfast in bed) but at the main dining hall. Sorry, no PJ'S at mealtimes! There will be a retreat leader for Saturday. She will join us on Saturday morning at breakfast. She will share meals with us and lead in various sessions throughout the day. Sunday morning we will end our weekend with breakfast followed by a worship service. This gives plenty of time to be home before noon. A sign up sheet will be in the narthex beginning September 1st - and full payment will be due by November 1st. Save the dates on your calendar and plan to attend the Women's Retreat the weekend of November 9-11. For more information you can contact Lauren Harvey @ 724-1468 or email sunskiboat@fuse.net. More details will follow to include the retreat leader's name, topic of discussion, what to bring, and other specific information.

50th Anniversary Celebration

The United Methodist Women invite everyone to join us Sunday, September 30th from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. We will honor those in our congregation who have been married 50 years or longer.

Nurture and Congregational Care

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Bereavements from last month:

The church extends prayers and heartfelt sympathy to Gary, Nancy, Rhon & Vivien Sullivan and family on the death of Gary & Rhon's mother Frances Sullivan of Williamsburg.

The church extends prayers and heartfelt sympathy to Ken and Sidney Osborne and family on the death of Ken's sister Loraine Grout of Batavia, Ohio.

The church extends prayers and heartfelt sympathy to David & Betty Conrad, Michael & Stephen Conrad, on the death of David's mother Geraldine Conrad. Mrs. Conrad entered her heavenly home on Tuesday, August 14, 2007.

MUSIC MINISTRIES

CHRISTMAS CANTATA: Anyone interested in singing, speaking, or helping with the Christmas Cantata this year please contact Jill Oetzel at 513-532-3902. Cantata rehearsals will begin September 19th at 8:00 p.m. Look for any changes in the Cantata Schedule in the bulletin.

SING-A-LONG GANG AND HANDBELLS:

We will begin rehearsals soon. With sing-a-long at 5:30 p.m. and ding-a-lings at 6:00 p.m. Any previous member of either group, who will be unable to participate this year, please let me know. Anyone interested in joining, please call Jill at 513-532-3902. Thanks

INSTRUMENTALIST: Anyone who would like to participate in the orchestra for Christmas, please call Jill at 513-532-3902. The music is not overly difficult, so anyone may get it early and practice or see if it will be too difficult. Thanks.

ADULT AND FAMILY MINISTRIES

Family Camping Trip – Stonelick Lake
Friday – Sunday September 14-16
Our group will be centered around sites 92-94. There are still sites close by. Call Pat Louiso for details. (724-7920) We are close to the parking area and hope others will come join us for dinner and campfire on Saturday evening. Bring meat and covered dish to share. Dinner is at 6:30 p.m. We will have grills available so come early and bring your lawn chair to sit around campfire with us.

Church Family Pig Roast at Williamsburg Community Park. Sunday, September 23rd. Dinner will be at 5:00 p.m. with games, music and fellowship to follow. Bring your favorite side dish and dessert to share. Meat, drinks and table service will be provided.

CHURCH SOFTBALL MENS TEAM: Finished in 2nd Place in the B League. Last year we finished 2nd place in the C League. I would like to thank the church for their support and backing. I would also like to thank the following players that made for a successful season: Scott & Tom Lefker, Jim Jermer, Paul Jurgens, Josh Brown, Jason & Joe Pollitt, Darin Wilson, Dave Stowell, Josy Sutton, Eric Snell, Pete Cooper, Mike & Brian Back, Darin Ross, Gary Pierce, and Tim Wallace. Our team finish was 7 wins & 3 losses in the league.

MISSION OUTRECH

Festival of Sharing

The Festival of Sharing is an endeavor of the Hunger Division, now in its twentieth year, that has as its primary objectives to make persons in the local churches of the West Ohio Conference aware of the hunger and homeless issues worldwide and to provide a means whereby West Ohio United Methodist individuals and churches can undertake projects to alleviate both hunger and homelessness. It is a year-round endeavor that has an annual Celebration Day in the fall. In 2007 this special event will celebrate the twenty first year of the Festival of Sharing. It will be held on Saturday, the 6th of October at Otterbein College in Westerville.

We will have kits available to purchase in August. The cost of the kits is \$15.00 which is averaged between the Health, School and Baby Kits purchase price. If you would like to make your own kit a list of materials will be in the narthex.

Heifer Project International, Living Gifts

#982532 is an UMCOR special program that provides livestock for people who agree to pass on the firstborn female offspring to another neighbor in need.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING FOR 4TH ANNUAL GREATER MILFORD AREA CROP WALK!

You are invited to be a part of the CROP Walk on Sunday Oct. 7th at 2 p.m. through Old Milford. Organization meeting will be Thursday, September 6th at 7 p.m. at Miami Baptist Church located on Elizabeth St. just off Lila between Forest & Pasadena across from Milford Main. Contact Rev. Suzanne Allen with questions 831-0262 or at pastorsuzanne@fuse.net

Financial Peace University: Beginning

September 9 from 6–8 pm This is a tool that supports churches by equipping them with a biblically-based accountability class that is designed to teach and train persons to manage our resources. The 13-week course is taught by Dave Ramsey, via DVD, followed by a small group discussion. Dave Ramsey is a personal money management expert, a well-known radio personality, and best-selling author of "The Total Money Makeover". Topics of the class include the importance of saving money, step-by-step budgeting, the importance of working together in relationships with finances, getting out and staying out of debt, retirement, college planning and much more. This course is being offered at Bethany UMC, 6388 Cincinnati-Dayton Road, Liberty Township. Classes begin Sunday, September 9 and will be held each Sunday for 13 weeks. The cost to take the class will be \$89 per family unit for the membership kit. Bob and Pam Nothnagel will be facilitating the class, and can be contacted for more information at 513.779.6486 / bnothnagel@fuse.net.

JOIN CUB SCOUTS: Registration is Thursday, Sept. 6, 2007 at 7:00 pm at the Williamsburg Elementary School. Cub Scouting is a year-round family program designed for boys who are in the first through fifth grade (or 7, 8, 9, and 10 years of age). Parents and leaders work together to help boys achieve character growth, good citizenship, and physical and mental development. Cub Scouts participate in hiking, camping, fishing, sports, crafts, woodworking, field trips, model car, boat, and rocket derbies, and community service projects. For more information contact Cub Master Mike Wilson (513-238-5532) or Assistant Cub Master Beth Barth (513-724-0245)

Upcoming events and information:

SEPTEMBER 2007

DAY	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT (additional information listed below as available)
1 Sa	5:00 PM	Worship Center Worship Center	Rehearsal for Houchin/Wright Wedding Rising Tides Practice
2 Su	14 th Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 AM 5:00 PM	Usual Sunday Morning Schedule (see below) MaMa's Grill Worship Center	Men's Breakfast – Jim Taylor 724-3368 Houchin/Wright Wedding
4 Tu	7:00 PM	Fellowship Hall	Natural Church Development Survey
5 W	10:00 AM 7:00 PM	Fellowship Hall Worship Center	Bible Study Men of the Bible Choir Practice
6Th	Last Day for bulletin information to be turned into the Office for this week		
		New Vision UMC	Pre-Charge Conference Briefing
8 Sa	9:00 AM-5:00 PM	Williamsburg Yard Sale Worship Center	Rising Tides Practice
9 Su	15 th Sunday after Pentecost Following 11:00 a.m. worship service 2:00 – 6:00 PM	Usual Sunday Morning Schedule (see below) Fellowship Hall	Youth leave for Paramount Kings Island Bridal Shower
10 M	7:00 PM	Parlor	Christian Support Group
11 Tu	2:30 PM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM	Youth Room Parlor Fellowship Hall	6 th Grade After School Group Staff Parish Relations Trustees
12 W	10:00 AM 7:00 PM	Augusta, Kentucky Worship Center	United Methodist Women leaving Choir Practice
13 Th	Last Day for bulletin information to be turned into the Office for this week		
	3:30 PM	Youth Room	5 th Grade After School Group
14 Fr		Stonelick State Park	Family Campout
15 Sa	OCTOBER Newsletter Deadline		
		Stonelick State Park Worship Center	Family Campout All Church Dinner & Campfire Rising Tides Practice
16 Su	16 th Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 AM 7:00 p.m.	Usual Sunday Morning Schedule (see below) MaMa's Grill Stonelick State Park Fellowship Hall	Men's Breakfast – Jim Taylor 724-3368 Family Campout Youth Council
17 M	10:00 AM 6:30 pm	Church of the Savior Church of the Savior	Bishop Day apart with Clergy Bishop meeting with Laity
18 Tu	2:30 PM 6:30 p.m.	Youth Room Kemerley's Home	6 th Grade After School Group Williamsburg Clergy Gathering
19 W	10:00 AM 7:00 PM	Fellowship Hall Worship Center	Bible Study Men of the Bible Choir Practice
20Th	Last Day for bulletin information to be turned into the Office for this week		
	3:30 PM	Youth Room	5 th Grade After School Group
22 Sa	9:00 a.m. 7:00 – 11:00 p.m.	Kitchen/Fellowship Hall Worship Center Varney's home 4681	Basket Class Rising Tides Practice St Rt 133 Youth's Wild & Crazy Fall Kick Off
23 Su	17 th Sunday after Pentecost 4:00 p.m.	Usual Sunday Morning Schedule (see below) Williamsburg Community Park	Church Pig Roast
24 M	1:00 PM		Pastor's United Methodist Cluster Meeting
25 Tu	2:30 PM 7:00 PM	Youth Room Fellowship Hall	6 th Grade After School Group Church Council Meeting
26 W	10:00 AM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM	Fellowship Hall Worship Center Upstairs	Bible Study Men of the Bible Choir Practice Boy Scout Meeting
27 Th	Last Day for bulletin information to be turned into the Office for this week		
	3:30 PM	Youth Room	5 th Grade After School Group
28 Fr	11:00 p.m. – 8:00 a.m.		Sallywag Tag on Beechmont Youth Ministries
29 Sa		Worship Center	Rising Tides Practice
30 Su	18 th Sunday after Pentecost 2:00 p.m.	Usual Sunday Morning Schedule (see below) Fellowship Hall	Anniversary Celebration

Usual Sunday Morning Schedule:	9:00 AM	Worship and Praise
	10:00 AM	Classes and Groups
	11:00 AM	Worship and Praise

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

We have two events coming in September that we need to share with you. The Williamsburg Yard Sale will be September 8th. We will need pies and lots of help. We start selling at 9:00 a.m. and will be here until we run out of food. Your help and pies will be appreciated.

On September 12th we have a trip planned to August, KY. Will leave the church at 10:00 a.m., will travel to the Ohio River, ride the ferry to Augusta, KY. The ferry goes every half hour. Our dinner is planned for 11:30 a.m. It will buffet style with dessert, drink and tax included. Cost: \$9.50 this does not included the tip. Our next visit will be to The Rosemary Clooney House Museum, which will cost \$5.00. We should have more information by next Sunday of several more places you can visit. Our tour guide is Steve Miller will send us some leaflets so you can see for yourself the places you would like to visit.

PLEASE SIGN ONE OF THE SHEETS IN THE NARTHEX. We need your name and if you can share your car.

Men's Retreat

There will be a Men's Retreat the last weekend of September. The retreat will be at the Church. It will start on Friday evening, September 28, beginning at 7:00 p.m. ending between 9:00 and 10:00. The next morning, September 29, breakfast will begin at 8:00 with sessions until Noon. The afternoon will be various physical activities including canoeing, hiking, and golf.

The sessions on Friday evening and Saturday morning will loosely follow the book "Waking the Dead." These sessions will take a look at where you are and where you can go in your walk with Christ. We will look at some of the compromises men have made and how you can overcome these compromises with the assistance of Jesus Christ. If you want a head start on the retreat get a copy of the book and it's journal and do some reading.

The **deadline for the newsletter** will be the 15th of the month if you have something you would like to put in the newsletter you can fax 724-6318, e-mail wburgumc@aol.com or drop it by the office.

**CHECK OUT ON OUR WEBSITE,
www.williamsburgumc.com
FOR UPCOMING EVENTS & ETC...**

The church office would like to keep everyone informed of our men and women serving in the armed forces. The information we would like to post is the rank the service person holds and where he/she is stationed with the address. Give your information to the office, e-mail at wburgumc@aol.com fax 724-6318 or call 724-6305.

New Address:

Ryan & Heather Frazee
1139 Saddleridge Street
Mountain Home, Idaho 83647

Fall Sunday School

COME JOIN US FOR

BIBLE ODYSSEY

For children age 4 through 6th grade

**Each Sunday at 10:00 a.m.
Beginning September 9, 2007.**

Make it!

Think it!

See it!

Stage it with puppets!

CROSSROADS STUDENT MINISTRY NOTES:

Upcoming Youth Ministry events

Sunday, September 9, 2007 we will head to Paramount Kings Island following the 11:00 worship service. You will need money for lunch and dinner and admittance to the park. We will eat lunch on our way in order to save money. We will leave the park at 9:00 pm and should return to Williamsburg before 10:00 pm.

Friday, September 14 – Saturday September 15, 2007 - We will join the church family on the all church campout at Stonelick State Park. Please plan to bring \$15 to cover the cost of food and camping.

Sunday, September 16, 2007 at 7:00 pm - Will be a meeting for our Youth Council. We will work on finalizing the fall calendar talking about the vision for the next year of youth ministry.

Saturday, September 22 at 7:00 pm – 11:00 pm – Will be our Wild and Crazy Fall Kick Off. Activities will include but aren't limited to – 'Are You Smarter Than a 5th Grader?', Super Slip n Slide, Do you Play with your food? And a huge Ice Cream Sunday. This great evening will be held at Kyle & Katie Varney's house 4681 St Rt 133, Batavia. Call for more specifics on location.

Friday, September 28 at 11:00 pm – Saturday, September 29 till 8:00 am – One AMAZING night of Scallywag Tag! \$25 is all it will cost to join in this great night. It's all the laser tag that your legs can stand. We'll keep a running tally of your score through the night in order to declare a final champion. We'll watch movies, have card tournaments and more. Mancala anyone? You will need to purchase an advance sale ticket from Lisa or Bonnie or the church office in order to participate. You're welcome to invite friends. We MUST have 80 participants registered before Sunday September 23rd to make this night happen. Tickets are on sale now. Parents will drop off kids at scallywag tag. We will provide rides from scallywag to the church on Saturday morning. We will have a great breakfast waiting for us at church on Saturday morning

Small Groups for Junior and Senior High Students will begin in October. There are several great small group leaders gearing up for this special ministry.

6th Grade After School Groups will begin **TUESDAY** September 11, 2007. We'll pick you up from school (upstairs by the flag pole). We'll then go to the BP for a snack, play some games, study the Bible and have a great time. Pick-up Time is 4:30 pm. Please bring money for a snack at BP.

5th Grade After School Groups will begin **THURSDAY** September 13, 2007. You will need to take a note to school giving us permission to sign you out and pick you up. (Please talk to the teachers to see if they need a note for each week or if a blanket excuse will work.) We will also need to know ahead of time who is coming and who we to expect. Our first stop will be BP for a snack and then to church for games and a Bible lesson. Pick-up time is 5:30 pm. Please e-mail or call Bonnie to register for this group – bonnie@wumy.org or 724-3856. Also bring money for a snack at BP.

Attention College Students: The West Ohio Campus Ministries Team of the United Methodist Church is trying to find all of the United Methodist Students on our college campuses. All you need to do is go to www.simonsbignet.org to register. Registering here will get your name and information to the campus ministry on your college campus.

Attention Parents: How to Drug Proof Your Kids is a program developed by Focus on the Family. It is an educational tool focused on preventing drug use in teens. You can find out more about the program at www.drugproofyourkids.com. We will begin a 6 week discussion group on Sunday evenings at 6:00 – 7:00 pm Starting October 14. Parents, grandparents and all people who are worried about drugs and their effects on young people are invited to attend and work through this powerful material. The cost for materials is \$20 per person. Please speak with Bonnie or Angie Royer if you plan to attend so we can order supplies.