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FOCAL Point

CENTERED ON ACTIVITIES OF TOLEDO FIRST SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH FAMILY

✧ Come to Harrison Lake ✧

"My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness."
2 Corinthians 12:9, NIV

Jesus is the answer to all of life's problems.

Jesus spent a lot of time outdoors. . . camping, if you will, as he travelled from place to place. And we're getting back to nature, too, with a campout in July at Harrison Lake State Park. Everyone is invited to the campout Friday - Sunday July 27-29, but don't delay! We can make reservations for you. Just call the church office (419.882.6200). Cost is \$58.25 for the 2-night minimum.



The photos at right show the lake with foot-bridge which is next to the Beach Shelter House. We have reserved it all day on July 28.

We're inviting everyone to come for Vespers and watermelon whether or not you're camping there! Vespers will be at 7pm. The parking lot and shelter area are all on level ground and close to each other - easy walking for anyone, so don't stay away! Join your church family at beautiful Harrison Lake State Park, just about 35 miles from Toledo off Route 20. It will be a delightful way to end the Sabbath. (See suggested driving route on next page.) ##

Only those who see the invisible can do the impossible.

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April/May @ Toledo First

We have a beautiful new full-color digital sign using the previous frame. We can put up lots of messages instead of just one at a time! Pastor Mike congratulated

Tom Konewka (here with Helen) on becoming a member and Eva Born on her April baptism. In the 4th photo are just two of the ladies who enjoyed

Mother's Day Tea with us. Thanks to all our hard workers who made this day special for so many. Graduations rounded out May with Preschool, Kin-

dergarten and 8th grade graduations all in the same week. Congratulations to all of our graduates! *Thanks, Jeff Batchelder, for sharing your photos! ##*

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JUNE 10-16
Ohio Camp Meeting

JUNE 17
Father's Day Breakfast, 10am

JUNE 23 & JULY 14
Fellowship Potlucks

JULY 1
Scrapbooking Fundraiser, 1:30-10:30pm

Office hours will change

Starting the week of August 19, 2012, we will have new church office hours. The church office will be open 9am - 4pm on Tuesday and Wednesday (NOT Thursday). Therefore, if you have information for the bulletin, it must be in no later than noon on Wednesday each week. We will re-evaluate this change at the end of the year. ##

Vespers July 28

Come to Harrison Lake for Vespers and watermelon at 7pm.

To get there: Take Route 20 (Central Avenue) to Route 66 in Fayette, Ohio. Turn left onto Rt. 66. Go a short distance to County Road R and turn right. (There is a Nazarene Church on the NE corner.) Go 3.3 miles to County Road 26 and turn left. The park entrance is 1.6 miles away on your right.

The sign says:



You'll soon see the Beach Shelter House and parking.

It is possible to turn off of Rt. 20 directly onto C. R. 26, however, it is a left turn on a curve and may be dangerous.

Camping is available from C. R. 27, but visitors should not enter that way unless they want to pay a \$2 visitor fee. ##

Men! You're invited to breakfast

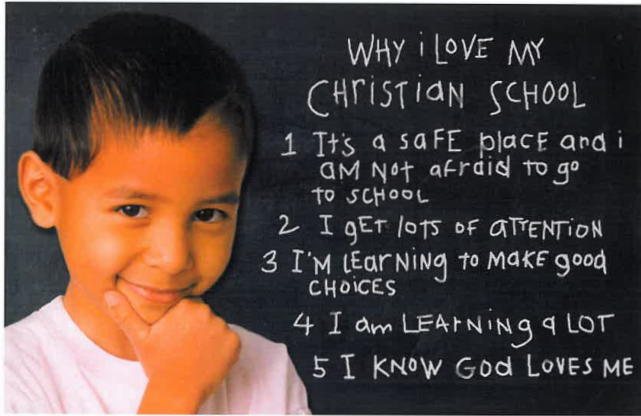
Come celebrate Father's Day with us on Sunday, June 17th. Pancake breakfast will be served at 10 a.m. All men are invited. Come dressed in your casual attire and bring your

appetite and your son, nephew, father, uncle or friend. This will be a great way to kick off your morning with a short comedy video !!



Call the church to reserve your seats (419.882.6200) or sign-up on the church bulletin board. ##

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Did you find a card that looks like this with your newsletter?

Please don't keep it! Give the card away to someone with elementary age children. It's an easy way to help our school recruit new students. Thank you in advance for doing so! ##

Sign up for FREE Workshop

Are you a Scrapbooking BEGINNER? Would you like to try it without obligation? You can on Sunday, July 1st! We are having a Scrapbooking Fundraiser from 1:30 - 10:30pm that day. Experienced

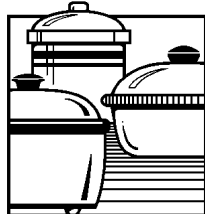


“croppers” and beginners may both come at 1:30pm. For beginners a FREE Workshop will be held from 1:30 - 3:30. After trying it, if you want to stay, the \$35 fee will apply for the day. For more

information or to register you may call the church at 419.882.6200. This fundraiser will benefit the school building fund. ## —Dee Caulder ##

Help save time and work at potlucks

Our Fellowship potlucks are a blessing to many, not only guests, but singles, elderly, and all of us who want to “catch up” with friends. But *after* potluck is not always a blessing! Many of the same people are found putting away the tables and chairs and working in the kitchen, washing the serving dishes! We would like to start something new (although it's really the old way!). Each person who brings food to the potluck will take his/her dishes



or pans home unwashed. This will reduce the work at church. Thank you for your help! ##

Welcome Eva & Tom!

We were happy to welcome Eva Born (Sara Rios' daughter) and Tom Konewka (Helen's husband) into membership recently. *We're praising God for you!* ##

What Happened to Nom Com?

Nominating Committee has been replaced by a Personnel Committee that meets when necessary and reports to the church during quarterly Business Meetings. If an office of the church becomes vacant because of death, removal, resignation, burnout or any other reason, the Personnel Committee nominates a successor to fill the vacancy and submits the nomination to the church for election. Numerous Adventist churches both large and small utilize such an organizational structure. I like it because it's faster, takes much of the politics out of the process, keeps the church focused on outreach and nurture the last quarter of the year instead of getting distracted with committees to elect committees, and because it operates 4 times a year instead of once, it's more flexible. Big thank you and WTG to all of you serving in some capacity in church. Current vacancies that could be filled with willing volunteers include: Assistant Treasurer, Sabbath School Superintendent, Substitute Cradle Roll and Primary Sabbath School Teachers. Please consider volunteering your spiritual gifts in our church. - Pastor Mike ##

Haven of Hope Service Opportunity

If you would like to help with a service project, Haven of Hope will be cleaning and painting a duplex as well as doing yard work. If you can volunteer between the dates of July 22 and July 26, please call the church office to sign up. ##

Have aluminum cans?

Please bring your aluminum cans to church at your convenience. They will be used to purchase items for the kitchen. A new electric range was the most recent addition to our kitchen thanks to saving cans. ##

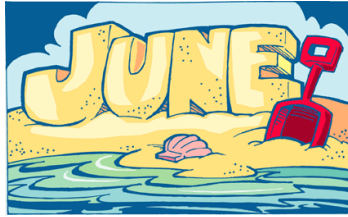


Calendar of Events...

June & July 2012

Birthdays

June 1 Troy Brion
June 2 Cindy Naus
Sara Woggerman
June 3 Christine Behler
June 4 Angela Eschmann
June 5 Brad Marsh
June 10 Gerald Marsa
June 14 Rachel Hall
June 15 Melissa Bilby Hare; Helen Szana
June 16 Mary Ann Hess; Jack Herman
June 19 Mike Heiney
June 21 Dan Frey
June 23 Dennis Skeel
June 25 Judy Riley; Cheryl Malosh
June 26 Karen Sandy, Carson Makley
June 29 Meghan Makley
June 30 Sandy Gorsuch



Birthdays

July 1 Emmett Romine
July 3 Matt Crosby
July 5 Craige Rieger
July 7 Earl Mitchell
July 10 Brian Jessop
July 11 Amanda Oliver
July 16 Nicole Warner
July 17 Lorraine Poulin
July 18 Anne Caulder
July 21 Heather Smith-LaPoint & Pam Neal
July 22 Elaine Mitchell
July 24 Jacob Moses
July 26 Veela Burks
July 29 Tracie Gustrowsky; Dianna Hassen
July 30 Amber Hass; Brendan Leibengood
July 31 Sarah Godie; Robert Reams



Sabbath Events

Sabbath School @ 9:30 & Worship @ 11am each week
Kid Connect @ 11am each week

JUN 2 Pastor Mike is our speaker; We honor grads @ potluck; Connections @ 5pm; Talent Show @ 7pm
JUN 9 Allan Wolfson is our speaker; Biker Camp at Mount Vernon Academy
JUN 16 David Case is our speaker; visit nursing home on Whiteford at 3pm
JUN 23 David Sturm from Pacific Press is our speaker; Fellowship Potluck; visit Elizabeth Scott nursing home at 2:30pm
JUN 30 Pastor Mike is our speaker; Eat 'n Greet

Sundays

JUN 10 - Ohio Camp Meeting begins
JUN 17 - Father's Day Brunch, 10am, @ Toledo First

Mondays

Tuesdays - Church office is open 9am - 4pm

Wednesdays

JUN 20 - SUMMER BEGINS!

Thursdays - Church office is open 9am - 4pm

Fridays - Worship Practice @ 5:30pm

JUN 8 Rev It Up Biker Rally begins at Mount Vernon

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Kid Connect @ 11am each week

JUL 7 Julie Jessop will share her testimony; communion
JUL 14 Pastor Mike is our speaker; Fellowship Potluck
JUL 21 Deborah Britenbaker will be our speaker;
JUL 28 Allan speaks; Campout at Harrison Lake State Park; Eat 'n Greet; visit Elizabeth Scott nursing home at 2:30pm; Vespers, 7pm @ Harrison Lake State Park, Beach Shelter House, off County Road 26

Sundays

JUL 1 - Scrapbooking, 1:30 - 10:30
JUL 22-26 - Haven of Hope Service dates
JUL 29 - Campout ends at Harrison Lake

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JUL 27 - Campout begins at Harrison Lake State Park

