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What's That Smell?

By Julie Clark
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It's dinnertime and you are working hard to prepare all the ingredients. You check the recipe to see what is next, and the recipe requests an onion. You do not think much about it so you grab the cutting board, a knife and the onion. You proceed to slice the onion, then suddenly remember why you don't like cutting onions—especially strong onions. Your eyes start watering and the aroma is intense. Tears fall from your face like a waterfall and no matter what you do, you can't stop crying! In the midst of the un-

controllable waterfall, for some reason you start thinking about Shrek. In the movie Shrek, Shrek and Donkey talk about how ogres are not shallow; they have layers like an onion. In this thought you begin to smile because a really strong, stinky onion has reminded you how people have layers, too.

We all have different layers like an onion, and most of us do not want to reveal the core of our onion to others. Some people hide it better than others. Some people

Quarterly Business Meeting

Sunday, May 17 • 6:00 p.m. in the Atrium

show their core and don't really know it. Some people desperately want their core to be revealed but they do not know how to start or let alone ask for help. Have you ever had layers in your life you needed and wanted someone to help you through so you could move forward? Jesus does.

Think about people you know at church and people you come in contact with at school and work. Are there opportunities for you to get to know these people on their

“onion layers?” If so, what do we do about it? We all need Christ and for us to understand people on an “onion layer” basis, meaning we need to be patient with people and allow them time to work through those layers. We need to pray diligently for them and not give up on them.

“And we urge you, brothers, warn those who are idle, encourage the timid, help the weak, be patient with everyone.”

I Thessalonians 5:14

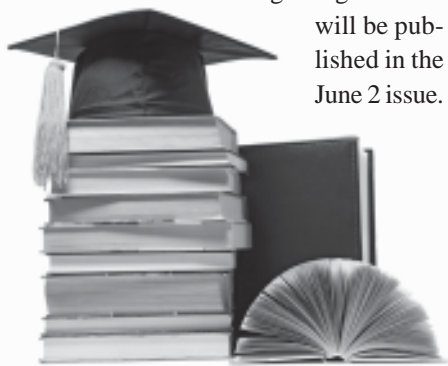
College Graduates

Reception - Date Change

A reception will be held in honor of all college graduates, Sunday, May 31, 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. in Room 338 (party room). The reception is being hosted by the college Sunday school class. RSVP to Bonnie French, 737-3275 or bjfrench@windstream.net by May 26.

Graduates in The Trumpeter

Contact Jennifer Fulkerson in the Media ministry office by Wednesday, May 27 with your name, college, university or other school of higher learning, and degree earned. A listing of graduates will be published in the June 2 issue.



Mike Adams Celebrates 15 Years

By Linda Polley
Director of Administration



May 15 marks the 15th anniversary at the church for Mike Adams, Supervisor for Housekeeping and Maintenance. Mike was originally employed as a part-time custodian who later became the Lead Custodian, and last year Mike's responsibilities were changed to include maintenance responsibilities.

Mike provides maintenance supervision and hands-on monitoring of the computer system which controls the HVAC services for the facility. It is his responsibility to schedule necessary service for the building which includes plumbing, electrical, heating and cooling. In addition, he schedules coverage for all custodial needs and oversees opening and closing the facility. Mike takes his responsibilities very seriously which was evi-

denced during the recent ice storm when he monitored the facility 24 hours daily during the emergency situation.

Mike is married to Tracey, who also works part-time in housekeeping for the church.

The Personnel Administration Team will honor Mike in the morning services on May 24. Take time to express appreciation for his good work as you have opportunity.

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“God's Answer to Stress”

A Study of Psalm 23

Join Pastor Bill this Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.

“The Meaning of Life” Sermon Series

Continues this Sunday 9:00 & 10:30 a.m.

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Summer Sports Camps

At Severns Valley, we use sports camps to:

- 1) share the gospel of Jesus.
- 2) teach fundamental skills.
- 3) teach fun and enjoyment.
- 4) teach Christian principles.
- 5) involve everyone equally.

Christian oriented sports are a perfect opportunity to teach Christian life lessons. We teach to compete and play hard and to the best of your ability. The Golden Rule is taught at SV sports camps, as well, "Treat others as you wish to be treated." Our camps reinforce what Christian parents are teaching their children at home and also what they hear preached and taught at church.

How you can be involved:

- 1) Take camp brochures to children in your neighborhood and invite them.
- 2) Provide transportation for children who may not have a way to camp.
- 3) Volunteer your time and skills to help.
- 4) Pray for the participants and leaders.

Soccer Camp—June 15-18; 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for boys and girls who have completed grades Kindergarten through five.

Basketball Camp—July 20-23; 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for boys and girls who have completed grades Kindergarten through five.

Volleyball Camp—July 6-9; 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for girls who have completed grades five through eight.

All camps are \$50 per camper. Campers receive a snack and a prize each day. For more information or to register, call Roy Cantrall in the church office, 765-7822, or roy@severnsvalley.org.

Travel Ministry News

Please join us for the following upcoming trips. Space is limited and deposits are due upon registration. For a listing of all 2009 trips, pick up a brochure in the Activities office.

Branson, Missouri & Eureka Springs, Arkansas (Extended Tour)—June 15-20; Cost: \$660 (\$100 due upon registration).

Jasper, Indiana and Lincoln State Park—Thursday, July 23; depart at 9:00 a.m. and return at midnight. Cost: \$68 (due upon registration).

Rocky Mountain Fall Foliage Tour, Colorado Rockies and Canyonlands (Extended Tour)—September 14-23; Cost: \$1,200-1,500 (\$100 due upon registration).

Magazine Ministry

The Magazine Ministry is no longer accepting donations of magazines.

SPLASH
Show
People
Love
And
Share
Him

Your love for
one another will
prove to the world
that you are my
disciples.

John 13:35 NLT

SPLASH meets practical needs of people in ways that open doors for sharing the Source of joy, love and concern. Talk with your Sunday school small group about how you can Show People Love And Share Him!

Summer Day Camp Registration Ends May 18

Summer Day Camp is for children who have completed grades kindergarten through six. Registration forms are available in the CDC office during the week or online at www.severnsvalley.org/childev.htm.

Beginner Art Class

A beginner art class will meet Mondays, 6:00 p.m., in Room 338 with instructor Dr. Bob Claggett starting May 18. Bring paper and pencil.

Wednesday Night Groups

The Military Wives Group which meets in Room 424 with Angela Bennett will meet through May 27, then break for summer.

Divorce Support Group is an ongoing program which meets in Room 421 with Brenda Watts.

VBS Crew Leaders Needed

Crew leaders are needed for preschool and elementary age children. Responsibilities include building relationships and taking children station to station. Church members who have completed ninth grade and up may contact John Bennett or Laurie Souleyrette in the church office, or register online at www.severnsvalley.org.

Attn: Senior Adults

Senior adult choir, Bible study and meal will not meet this Thursday, May 14.

Save the Date

SVBC's annual women's event is July 26. Theme: "Building, Bonding and Blessing."

Vacation Bible School

Are your kids ready to have a rockin' good time, June 8-

12? That's just what they'll do at Crocodile Dock, where fearless kids shine God's light! Crocodile Dock is filled with incredible Bible-learning that kids see, hear, touch, and even taste! Bible Point crafts, team-building games, cool Bible songs, and tasty treats are just a few of the Crocodile Dock activities that help faith flow into real life. (Since everything is hands-on, kids might get a little messy. Be sure to send them in play clothes and safe shoes.) Plus, we'll help kids discover how to see God in everyday life—something we call God Sightings. Get ready to hear that phrase a lot! Your kids will



also participate in a hands-on mission project with Second Harvest's Backpack Program. Register your kids today!

Register online through June 3 at www.severnsvalley.org. VBS is June 8-12!

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May 12, 2009

Financial Report May 3

Weekly Budget Needs:
\$50,121.44

Budget Receipts \$78,024.26
Miscellaneous Receipts \$17,543.50
Total Weekly Receipts \$95,567.76

Continuing to Shaping the Future

This Week 16,296.50
To Date 83,592.19
Total \$7,866,934.49

Continuing to Shape the Future

Capital Campaign
Pledges to Date:
\$1,264,341.14

Worship Report May 3

9:00 a.m.: 578
10:30 a.m.: 576

Sunday School Report - May 3

Enrollment: 1982
Attendance: 928

Let's Celebrate!

We have reached, and surpassed, our goal for the 2009 Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North American Missions.

SVBC Goal: \$14,500
Received: \$17,423.88

Christian Sympathy to...

Kathie Noel in the death of her uncle; Lallia Mills in the death of her son.

Fellowship Supper

\$5 per person
\$3 per child
(through grade 6)
\$15 household limit

Please call the church office by Tuesday noon for reservations.

Wednesday, May 13

Oven Fried Chicken
Mashed Potatoes
Peas
Coleslaw
Roll, Dessert

Wednesday, May 20

Roast Pork
Macaroni & Cheese
Baked Beans
Waldorf Salad
Dessert