

# HILLTOP HERALD

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## AUGUST 2010

### Congregation Secretary

As of the mailing of this newsletter we continue our search for a new Congregation Secretary. As a reminder, this is a part-time position (15 hours/week). A newly revised "Position Description" is available on our Web Page:

[www.churchonthehilltop.org](http://www.churchonthehilltop.org)

If you, or someone you know, is interested in being considered for this position, please contact Pastor Stickleby or Bill Veith, Chairperson of our church family's Mutual Ministry Committee. You may contact Bill at ([weveith@tycoelectronics.com](mailto:weveith@tycoelectronics.com)), or by phone (312-1350).

### A Thank-You from Nancy

Dear Friends of Christ Lutheran - Thank you so much for the wonderful retirement luncheon held in my honor; the engraved crystal vase and flowers; the kind words of appreciation from Pastor and council President, Linda Bugden; and, of course, for the extremely generous monetary gift.

It has been my privilege to serve as Congregation Secretary for the past 13+ years. I could not have done the job without your support and cooperation. I would be remiss if I did not take this opportunity to thank Pastor Stickleby for the patience, guidance, and counsel provided to me and to the congregation over the years. We are truly blessed to have him! Again, my heart-felt thanks to all of you!

Nancy DeSantis

### Summer Schedule

we continue our Summer worship schedule (8:30 and 10:00AM) through Sunday, Sept 5. Sunday School will not meet during August.

### Library News

#### Summer Reading Program!

We are in the midst of our third annual Summer Reading Program. This program is for children finishing grades 1 thru 6, and this year, for adults as well (of all ages!). Just read twelve age-appropriate books over the summer, and receive a special prize in the fall. See the poster on the Library door as to how to sign up).

New books and DVDs have been added to our collection. Check out the library book truck to see our new additions. And, when taking out a book, don't forget to sign and leave with us the white card in the back of the book. Happy summer reading!

#### Falling Behind?

Summer is the time many of us "fall behind" in our giving. Expenses, though, continue (and, in some cases, actually increase, such as electric for air conditioning). Please do your very best to keep your giving current, and use the coming weeks to "catch up." Thanks.

#### Our Thanks . . .

- To all who helped with our Spring Clean-Up Day. Many hands made light work!
- To Carl and Kathy Elser and to Bob and Linda Bugden for their ongoing work outside and around the building.
- To Bill and Sherry Madara and family for, once again, planting and maintaining the "flower cross" which graces our building's entrance area.

#### And, a reminder -

It takes a lot of work, and on a regular basis, to keep our building and grounds in the great shape you find them every week. If you could be of help, please speak with Pastor Stickleby, or contact Bob Bugden (657-2977).

### Adult Social Group "Summer Fling" August 6, 7:30PM

The Adult Social Group will meet for a "Summer Fling" on Friday evening, August 6, at 7:30PM. Our hosts will be Dan and Melissa Wolfslayer (7330 Main Street).

Whether you're only recently an adult, or have been one for some time - whether you're single or married - whether you come by yourself or with a partner - you're welcome to attend this social gathering. Just be sure to call Dan and Melissa (695-0562) to let them know you'll be there, to find what you can bring to add to the table, and to get directions, if you need them.

This event goes on, rain or shine - make your plans now to be with us!

#### Congratulations . . .

- To Travis and AuBrie Heller, joined in marriage on May 15; and,
- To Steve and Karen Economopoulos, proud new parents of daughter Addison Virginia, born July 1. Vital statistics? 8lbs 10oz, 21 inches.

#### School Supplies . . .

We are again collecting the following school supplies (thru Aug 8) to support our "sister" church, Christ Lutheran in Harrisburg:

- Backpacks & book bags
- Pencils, sharpeners & pens
- Pencil boxes for 3-ring binders
- Highlighters
- Pocket calculators
- Boxed crayons

Please place donated items in the designated basket located in the Great Room. And, as always, thank you for your generous support!

**Summer Schedule**  
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**(8:30 & 10) continues**  
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**Adult Social Group**  
**August 6, 7:30PM**  
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**Church Picnic, 9/12**  
**More details soon!**

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**Confirmation Training -**

If your son or daughter will be entering 7th grade this fall (or, will be entering a later grade but has not yet participated in our Confirmation program and wants to) and you have *not* been contacted by Pastor Stickley regarding Confirmation training, please be in touch with the Church Office at your earliest opportunity. Thanks!

**Holiday Food & Crafts Fair  
Saturday, November 13**

A quick reminder that our Annual Holiday Food and Crafts Fair and Breakfast will be held this year on *Saturday, November 13* (Mark that date on your calendar, *now!*)

If you plan on having craft/art items to donate, you'll want to begin working on them **NOW!**

And, when you are asked to help out in some way, please say, "Yes." Most of all, put this date on your calendar, and plan to be with us for good food, great values, and terrific fellowship.

**Thank you . . .**

Dear Church Members - "I received the prettiest flowers from the church. Thank you - all of you. Helen Schaffhauser"

**Youth Mission Trip  
To Lake Station Indiana**

**A Few Words from Michael Bricker**

From July 11-17, we had the opportunity to serve the people of the greater Northwestern Indiana area. A contingent of 13 youth and staff from our church family, augmented by 160+ other youth and advisors from our Synod, spent the week working on homes, community centers, and public parks that were devastated by flooding in September of 2008.

This experience was both extremely humbling and uplifting at the same time, and we are very grateful for the emotional, spiritual and financial support of this church family. Without you, we could not have served in the manner in which we did. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts!

To view photos and details of our trip, please point your online browsers to

<http://michaelbricker.com>

and then click on the word "BLOG" at the top right hand side of the page. (Look especially for some final reflections on the total experience from the youth themselves.)

Thank you again for your love and support.