

A Voice in the Pines



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Administration oversees a 'well-oiled machine'

By Arnie Holtberg

The official purpose of the Administration Committee (ADCOM) is straightforward:

“To provide for the administration of the program of the church. One of its primary functions is to assure that the church office is operated in an efficient manner. This requires the employment of capable administrative persons, fairly compensated and given the necessary support, guidance and equipment.

“ADCOM is to provide support to other committees in standardizing common policies and procedures and in coordinating their administrative functions.”

The committee has a moderator, vice moderator, two or more at-large members of the congregation, and the pastor who serves in an ex-officio capacity.

As Moderator Jim Erickson says, there are two fundamental sides of the coin:

1. To manage the office through the establishment of budgets and tackling the “nuts and bolts,” such as assessing the wear and tear on



Administration Committee Moderator Jim Erickson (left) and member Tony Booth. Members not pictured: Pastor Bill Bailey, Mel Kuntz and Nancy Patton. (Robert Sonnen photo)



Session at work

A look at what the Kirk's committees do for you

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When we meet

Sunday worship service
Begins at 10 a.m.



Saturday informal service
5 p.m. In Hoffius Hall

Sunday children's class
10 a.m. In the Journey Room



For more meeting times see
www.kirkinthepines.org/calendar



Feel free to have a good laugh when you're giving

Those of you who attend worship regularly at the Kirk will recognize this verse from St. Paul: "God loves a cheerful giver" from his *Second Letter to the Corinthians (9:7)*. It is one of my favorite verses and I often use it to introduce the offering at the Kirk.

There are several Kirk members (you know who you are!) who almost always leave the sanctuary on Sundays with tongue-and-cheek questions: "What if you're not so cheerful? Will God accept my gift, even if I'm not so happy about it?"

They're teasing, of course, but it is still an interesting question.

My stock answer – yes. To the Lord, all gifts are acceptable, even if you're a grumpy giver. It takes time for some to acquire the spirit of joy – the freedom that comes with giving.

It is interesting. The

Greek word Paul uses in *II*

Corinthians 9:7 is *hilarotes*. It's the same root word from which we get our English word "hilarious!" God loves a *hilarious giver*!

I take this to mean giving is to be done willingly, gladly, joyfully, and perhaps even hilariously!

I understand that this kind of giving is not always so easy. The truth is, most of us are "anxious givers." We worry so much about having enough, not just now, but enough for the future.

We know we should be giving cheerfully, but we



The Pastor's Corner Bill Bailey



worry about the what-if's of life. None of us want to be a burden on our children or other loved ones.

Sometimes we give, but are not too happy about it.

Paul in *Romans 12:8* suggests giving is a gift of the Spirit. It is not simply something we learn at home from our parents, or achieve out of sheer will power.

At its heart, giving is a gift that God works within us. Having received God's free gift of mercy and grace, we joyfully, gladly, and – yes, even with hilarity, share with others. Giving is about trust – letting go of the need to control everything.

We believe the Lord is a generous giver. God has freely given us all things in Christ. I sometimes imagine God smiling when seeing some of us finally learn to let go a little and give with a generous heart.

Some of you have discovered the joy of giving. The Kirk has some of the most generous people I have ever met – giving joyfully of their time, talent and treasure. My wish for all of us is this: *never pass up an opportunity to experience the joy of giving.*

Kirk's employees, equipment overseen by Adcom

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equipment and planning for repair and replacement as necessary. A recent acquisition of a new copier is an example of this.

2. Managing personnel which has even more complexity. Coaching employees is central to this function and the Kirk has a formal review process which all personnel undergo, including and requiring that information is gathered on an annual basis from three or four individuals with whom or for whom each employee has worked.

Compensation is predicated on these reviews and the committee recommends salary increases and bonuses to the Session.

It should be noted the entire process supports the notion that feedback is a regular occurrence and not a

once-a-year phenomenon.

Additionally, the Committee considers the kind and frequency of training the staff should undergo to ensure excellence in every aspect of the workplace. Implementation of compulsory education regarding sexual harassment illustrates this point.

As Jim says, things at the Kirk "are working like a well-oiled machine."

In great part, this is because we have the "right people on the bus" and provide them with the support and structure to be successful. We can thank the Administration Committee for its thoughtfulness, diligence, and commitment to creating the most professional of environments for our people.

Arnie Holtberg is a member of the Communication Committee.

Many positive actions taken by our congregation

Members Lost:

Arthur “Art” Crone passed away on May 10, 2019. A memorial service was on Aug. 31.
 Leona “Lee” Hess passed away on May 26, 2019. A memorial service was on June 7.
 Dorothy “Dottie” Montgomery passed away on April 20, 2019. A memorial service was on June 9. She was interred in the Kirk Memorial Garden.
 Larry Clowers passed away on June 27, 2019. A private service is planned at a later date in the Kirk in the Pines Memorial Garden.
 Cynthia Chaffin passed away on June 25, 2019. A memorial service was on June 29 at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Hot Springs.

Church Statistics as of July 19, 2019:

Members – 309
 Family Units – 209
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My Gift to My Loved Ones/The Final Challenge programs were well prepared and presented. The Educational Committee is to be congratulated for presenting this series.

The Book Club began July 10 and will continue until Sept. 3. Books being reviewed are *Disappointment with God* by Philip Yancy and *The Dance of the Dissident Daughter* by Sue Monk Kidd. If you have questions, contact Lowell Gardner.

The Samaritan Woman at the Well starred Judy Corwin on July 6 at the Saturday informal service. Lowell Gardner prepared the script. Judy did an excellent job of portraying Lowell’s script.

The Rev. Dr. Warren Freiheit was guest minister on July 7. I would like to thank Dr. Freiheit for his very interesting sermon.
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The Kirk congregation is a caring community. Some examples of the love that the Spirit of God through Christ provided to fellow members of the congregation and others in need is illustrated by the following services provided:

- Green Horns – Meals on Wheels, Soups and Casseroles.
- Congregation Care – Weekly Thinking of You card, medical appointment transportation, visitations, calls and cards.
- Mission – Disaster buckets for those whose property has been damaged by flood water and added money sent to Ferncliff for the purchase of more buckets and other items to meet the needs.

Individual members of the congregation – use special talents such as music to present programs to raise money to help individuals and groups striving for a better life.

There are many more. These are only a few of the things we as a congregation can acknowledge as we seek avenues of service to maintain our goal of being a church that cares.

PW hosting cluster meeting on Aug. 24

By Carol Sue Williams

Kirk in the Pines Presbyterian Women will host the PW Cluster Meeting beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 24.

We will be in charge of the continental breakfast as well as the salad luncheon. We are asking every lady from the Kirk attending to bring a salad to share.

We will begin in Hoffius Hall with the service to follow in the sanctuary.

The program will be the responsibility of the Cluster Leaders. We at the Kirk are just furnishing the location. Please get the

word out to your circle members encouraging them to attend so we may have a good showing.

The first Coordinating Team meeting of the year will be at 10 a.m. Monday, Aug. 26, avoiding the Labor Day weekend. It will be in the Kirk Library. Please make every effort to attend so we can get the year off to a good start.

Carol Sue Williams is Moderator of PW.

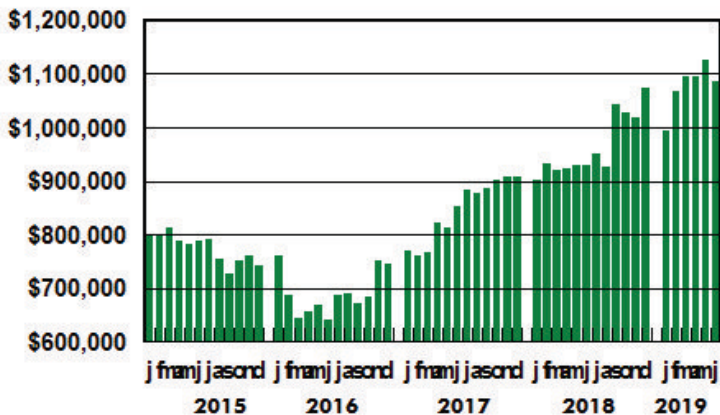


Kirk in the Pines Financial Report

Year to date as of June 30, 2019

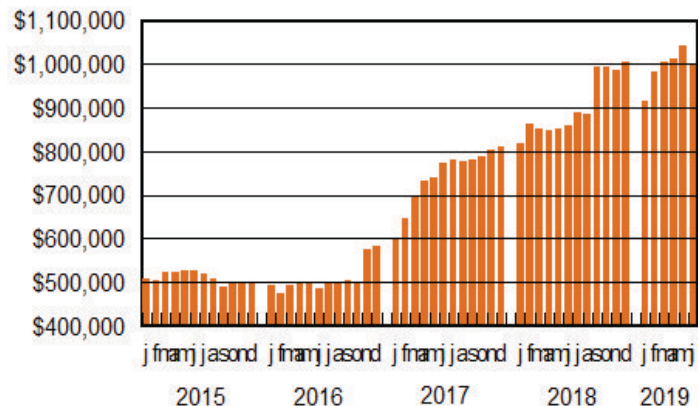
| | Month | | Year to date | |
|---|-----------|-----------|--------------|---------------------|
| | Budget | Actual | Budget | Actual |
| General Fund: | | | | |
| Receipts | \$ 35,496 | \$ 26,546 | \$ 212,973 | \$ 209,068 |
| Disbursements | \$ 36,529 | \$ 25,483 | \$ 219,175 | \$ 165,809 |
| Building Fund: | | | | |
| Receipts | \$ 4,246 | \$ 4,021 | \$ 25,477 | \$ 28,105 |
| Disbursements | \$ 4,246 | \$ 2,682 | \$ 25,477 | \$ 25,487 |
| Total all funds: | | | | |
| Receipts | \$ 39,742 | \$ 30,567 | \$ 238,450 | \$ 237,173 |
| Disbursements | \$ 40,775 | \$ 28,163 | \$ 244,652 | \$ 191,296 |
| Checking and Money Market Funds Balance | | | | \$ 82,668 |
| Special funds: | | | | |
| Memorial fund | | | | \$ 55,562 |
| Luke 12:48 fund | | | | \$ 239,831 |
| Programs fund | | | | \$ 48,977 |
| Endowment fund | | | | \$ 602,086 |
| Maack-Ormsbee Fund | | | | <u>\$ 56,700</u> |
| Total special funds | | | | \$ 1,003,246 |

Total funds



Source: Kirk Finance Committee

Endowment, program funds



Source: Kirk Finance Committee

\$700 for Mission

Thank you for generously supporting our Mission Dollar campaign by placing your single dollar bills in the offering plate. A total of \$700 was collected in June.

If you wish to give more than a dollar, please use the envelopes in the pew racks. We are always grateful for your generous gifts and prayers.

Thinking of you ...

Each Saturday and Sunday the Congregational Care Committee asks Kirk members to sign a beautiful card to be mailed to a church member who has not been able to attend services due to illness or disability.

Please add your signature to these cards and join the congregation in wishing others well. Thank you.



My Gift series well attended and helpful to all

By Pat Kuntz

Fifty-eight persons attended one or more sessions or requested a book with all the information regarding the recent five-part *My Gift to My Loved Ones* series. The Education and Congregational Care Committees, which jointly sponsored the series, thanks all who participated in the successful series.

The topic of the third, in the final three sessions held, met June 19 and addressed *Honoring My Bodily Remains*.

The first speaker, Gary Clarkson from Caruth-Hale Funeral Home, was very informative about services they can provide. They offer a free consultation with you and your loved ones to help you make decisions together before your death.

Sharon Gardner, the Kirk's Finance Moderator, spoke about the Memorial Garden, Columbarium and the Texas Presbyterian Memorial Fund. She handed out a pamphlet with pricing and instructions on how to reserve a place in either the Memorial Garden or the Columbarium.

The third segment of the session was about Genesis, the whole-body donation program.

Jackie Morris from Genesis handed out new packets and answered questions for both those already signed up with the program and for those contemplating signing up.

The *Honoring My Bodily Remains* program was well received and everyone left the session understanding it

is best to have a plan A and a plan B in place.

The fourth session on June 26 was a workshop led by Pat Kuntz, Education Moderator at the Kirk, on *Creating an Ethical Will*.

Pat used the book *The Ethical Will Writing Guide Workbook*, by Barry K. Baines, M.D., as the source for the program. She said ethical wills are not new, but there seems to be a renewed interest in recent years.

Dr. Baines wrote: "The Hebrew Bible first described ethical wills 3,000 years ago. They were first transmitted orally close to the time of death. Later they became written documents attached to legal wills. Today, they are most often written as a separate document and shared with family and community while the author is still alive."

The fifth and final session was on July 3. Janie Smith, Sally Fink, Sharon Gardner and Pat Kuntz were leaders assigned to answer any additional or lingering questions on the topics covered in the series..

A big thank-you goes out to Chip Johnson, Kirk Sexton, who set up tables, made coffee, and helped in any way we asked.

An added thank you to Beverly Schaumburg and Chris Taylor-Wilmoth, Kirk office staff, for all the copies they made and their insightful suggestions. These individuals were invaluable to the success of the event.

Pat Kuntz is Moderator of the Education Committee.

Shelter offers many things for homeless men

By Ed Baldwin

In 2003, Chuck and Jan Laggan saw a need for shelter for homeless men in Hot Springs and established a rescue mission with the help and financial support of local churches and community organizations.

In 2005, they acquired an old 7,500-square-foot steel-shell warehouse for \$5,000.

Architectural plans for the mission were created by the Laggan's oldest son, Daniel, a registered architect, and renovations began in 2006.

For 17 months the Laggan's worked side by side with volunteers and contractors to finish the reconstruction while continuing to raise operating support to begin operating Samaritan Ministries of Hot Springs (SMHS) at 131 Sanford St.

From the beginning, many individuals, businesses, churches and organizations have volunteered their time, contributed supplies, gift-in-kind donations and prayers.

SMHS opened on Nov. 23, 2007. The total cost of acquisition, major renovations, equipment and furnishings was approximately \$325,000.

The day SMHS opened, the program was totally debt-free.

Men are often sent to SMHS by local agencies, churches, hospitals, and other homeless individuals. All homeless men are welcome to stay at the mission for up to 10 days each month.

The goal is to provide a safe, clean, comfortable shelter with hot meals, showers and clothing.

If a homeless man is willing to commit to participating in a longer-term, life-changing program, they can enroll in SMHS's Resident Program. It helps them gain self-esteem and self-worth, restore them to a structured lifestyle, and assist them in becoming employable, productive and find affordable housing.

This program is provided without cost.

Volunteers from the Kirk have been cooking one evening meal a month for the last 10 years. We've seen many a ragged, defeated homeless man shuffle through our food line.

Most are one timers, never to be seen by us again. Some we see again the next month, cleaned up and in better clothes. Some enter the residential program for awhile and then are off on their own.

Some are chronic street people; we used to call them winos. Some are well groomed and look shocked and sheepish to be there, but some crisis in their life gives them no alternative to spending the night in a homeless shelter.

Some are mentally ill. Some are drug impaired, though they have to pass a drug screen to be admitted into the building. It is very diverse crowd.



Wood furniture made in the workshop at Samaritan Ministries has been sold at the Farmer's Market in Grove Park in Hot Springs Village.



A look at our Missions

After serving everyone, I like to take my plate and go out into the dining room and find the most bedraggled, hopeless man in the place. They are always alone. I ask if I can join them and sit down. I never ask them a question other than did they enjoy the meal.

I have had some fascinating conversations.

Ed Baldwin is a member of the Missions Committee.

Flower calendar

Providing flowers for a worship service is a lovely way to remember a loved one or a special occasion.

Bouquets are \$39 and rose buds are \$10.

Our florist, The Arrangement on Park Ave., delivers at no extra cost.

A sign-up sheet is in Hoffius Hall. Once you've chosen your date, call Sandy Adams, flower co-ordinator, at 915-9006, with your dedication.



Book Club about to embark on a new adventure

By Lowell Gardner

We are nearly at the midpoint in this year's Summer Book Club. It began July 10 with a discussion of Philip Yancey's *Disappointment with God*. The discussion will be completed on Aug. 7.

At 9 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 14, in the Kirk library we will launch our discussion-ship on the stormy waves of what our next author chooses to label the "sacred feminine."

Sue Monk Kidd grew up in a Fundamentalist Christian home and entered early maturity, marriage and parenthood in that atmosphere. In *Dance of the Dissident Daughter*, she chronicles her journey of awakening from the often-stifled role of women in a male-dominated community created by some interpretations of the biblical message.



From page 13 of Harper's paperback anniversary edition, when she overhears two men make disparaging remarks related to her daughter while stocking a shelf where she was employed, to page 232 of this 265-page edition where she engages in the defining of authentic power, Kidd wrestles to discover her and every woman's true spiritual identity in God's creation.

Book Club selections are not read and discussed so we can always agree with the writer.

We are exploring all points of view concerning each issue confronted so we can better understand what we believe in the context of what the author and other club participants are struggling to understand and ultimately believe.

Join us in our journey.

Lowell Gardner is Book Club Moderator.

Dinner for Six gets set for fall get-togethers

By Barbara and Tony Booth

We firmly believe in the small-group experience as part of the church family and we wish to thank those who have so faithfully participated these past years.

It's time to begin the fall series and we're making some changes.

When you sign up in August, we will assign TWO couples (pairs) to work together. We ask you to invite another couple (pair) to join you for the first gathering.

You can then ask them to join you for the second gathering OR you can invite a different couple (pair).

In either case, the invited couple (pair) will not be expected to bring a dish unless they ask to.

You will only meet twice during the four-month span unless you desire to do more.

The sign-up sheets will be in the bulletins on the last two Sundays of August. If you have questions, please call us 984-1550.

Barbara and Tony Booth co-ordinate the Kirk's Dinner for Six program.



Judy Corwin did a masterful job on July 6 with the Lowell Gardner-composed monologue *Jesus and the Woman at the Well* from Gospel of John 4. This was presented as part of the Informal Worship. Patty Van Cleave and Sharon Gardner introduced this portion with a duet rendition of *Softly and Tenderly* (Sharon Gardner photo)

'Chip' Johnson is enjoying his job as sexton at the Kirk

By Bob Morrow

Time flies but it was nearly a year ago that Arthur "Chip" Johnson joined our family as sexton at the Kirk.

I first met Chip when he was single handedly moving tables on the elevator from Hoffius Hall to set up for a group meeting on the second floor.

I offered to help but wondered if Chip thought I could hold up my end of the bargain, or the table as it were. We managed to get the job done and no worse the wear.

Chip really never imagined himself as a church sexton but as it turns out the job suits him very well.

Not only does Chip count among his responsibilities setting up our spaces for meetings, events, memorials



Sexton "Chip" Johnson enjoys being part of a caring community of Christians. (Robert Sonnen photos)



and other gatherings, he also sees that our facilities are maintained at their best. Chip takes pride in his work and values the independence the job provides.

While he enjoys maintaining our facility, he also likes the interaction with members of the congregation in the course of doing his work. Chip acknowledges the excellent support of our staff and church leadership in helping him fulfill his responsibilities.

In his words, "the people are great!"

When we met to discuss Chip's experiences in his first year at the Kirk, he made a point of reminding me our mission statement says we should to be "a caring community of Christians."

Or as Chip put it, "there is more here than meets the eye."

Bob Morrow is a member of the Communication Committee.



16 Village churches work together to help family with food needs in the summer months

The Rev. Kurt Kovanen, The Rev. Sheila Jones, Program Director Destiny Reichardt, Nancy Patton, Cathy Silk, The Rev Mark Walzand and The Rev. Brenda Kroll

Council help Mountain Pine children with \$2,300

By Nancy Patton and Sam Arant

The Village Interfaith Council is an organization that provides fellowship, knowledge and education for clergy and lay leaders. It is open to all faith traditions and all churches in Hot Springs Village have been invited to attend. Currently 16 churches belong to the Council.

This year the council’s focus has been on studying the wider community needs related to hunger and literacy.

While there are many missions responding to these needs, we felt an under-supported area was food support for children in the summer months. Students received meals as well as additional food supplies on weekends during the school year, but resources are slim during the

summer.

In our study, we saw the greatest need was in the Mountain Pine area.

In response to this need, the principal and a junior high math teacher have undertaken oversight of the Mountain Pine Community Fund. It provides food for families in need.

Some of these families live with multiple families in a single dwelling, trailers and even tents. During the summer children and families have access to the faculty and staff by contacting the school office as well as contacting teachers through the school website.

Arrangements can be made for a family to pick up needed items. Or delivery to the family is provided if needed.

After careful consideration of all areas in need of funding for hunger, we felt this group had the most gaps and we could reach more children – sheltered and unsheltered.

The Interfaith Council voted to offer monies for hunger to the Mountain Pine Community Fund. Churches of the Council have contributed to the fund in order to show a united effort of care and love from Village churches to those children (and their families) in need.

With generous contributions from the Kirk and other area churches, we were able to present a check for \$2,300 for this program.

Nancy Patton and Sam Arant represent the Kirk on the Interfaith Council.

The Creed brings our community together

How can reciting a creedal statement in worship be a counter-cultural act?

Luke Timothy Johnson, in his book *The Creed*, makes that bold assertion. Speaking of the many Christians who recite the creed in worship, he counters that:

“In a world that celebrates individuality, they are actually doing something together. In an age that avoids commitment, they pledge themselves to a set of convictions and thereby to each other. In a culture that rewards novelty and creativity, they use words written long ago.

“In a society where accepted wisdom changes by the minute, they claim that some truths are so critical that they must be repeated over and over again. In a throwaway, consumerist world, they accept, preserve and continue tradition.”

Dr. Johnson continues to write about what the creedal statement is and what it is not. Each chapter focuses on the meaning of this tersely packed language Christians recite each week in worship.

As a former Benedictine monk, the creedal language used in *The Creed* is from the Nicene-



Carnegie Corner By Susan Morrow

Constantinopolitan Creed. As a current author of numerous books, New Testament scholar and award-winning instructor and emeritus professor at Candler School of Theology at Emory University, Dr. Johnson's writing is clear, easy to follow and insightful.

As a side note, Dr. Johnson is also one of Pastor Bill Bailey's favorite writers.

Dr. Johnson's writings can be found on Garland County Library Hoopla (*The Gospel of John, The Story of the Bible, and The History of Christianity*).

The Creed, along with *Living Jesus*, can be found on Amazon, Barnes & Noble and other online booksellers.

The Kirk library has audiovisual materials, *The Great Courses*, with Professor Johnson as instructor (*The Apostle Paul and Jesus and the Gospels*).

Check out author Luke Timothy Johnson for works which are both scholarly and accessible.



The Mail Corner

Wonda Akin warmed by Kirk's prayer shawl

Dear Fellow Christians:

I wish to thank the lovely ladies who made the prayer shawl to warm my mother while in hospice on the fifth floor at St. Vincent's in Hot Springs.

On behalf of my little brother and myself, we would both like you to know it brought warmth to our Momma and comfort to us all – knowing you prayed over it before sending it to us.

While I personally am of the Baptist denomination, I am grateful to our Presbyterian brothers and sisters for your great labor in the Lord. May God bless the work of your hands, may He protect and provide for the needs to continue your ministry.

Love in Christ Jesus,

Bobby Alan and April Jordan
Children of Wonda F. Akin

PW Coffee Closet will open Sunday, Aug. 11

The PW Coffee closet is open the second Sunday of each month with a great selection of Fair Trade regular, decaf and flavored coffees. We also carry single-serve cups in three flavors, as well as many varieties of tea.

Fair Trade products are natural and delicious, but the best part is each purchase helps a family farm across the world and helps support a community's economy.

Call Carol Clark, 915-8497, for information about special orders.





Happy dates



Birthdays

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|
| Aug. 1 Earl Mulley | Aug. 11 Barb Henry | Aug. 27 Cynthia Morgan |
| Aug. 2 Janna Lyndon Suzanne New | Aug. 13 LuDean Walston | Aug. 28 Jim Hess Pat McPheters |
| Aug. 3 Barbara McAnarney | Aug. 14 Beverly Carpenter | Aug. 29 Bill Reynolds |
| Aug. 5 Debbie Brod | Aug. 18 Shirley Freeman- Stollsteimer | Aug. 30 Barbara Harris- Chambliss |
| Aug. 7 Art Volkema | Aug. 23 Carol Clark Pat Koller | Aug. 31 Mary Anne Wood |
| Aug. 8 Sharon Hogue Judy Stewart | Aug. 25 Betty Powell | |
| Aug. 10 Frank Leeming | Aug. 27 Tom Fink | |

Anniversaries

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|---|----------------------|---|----------------------|
| Aug. 1 Donna and Randy Toney | 38 Years | Aug. 18 Ellen and Harry Marshall | 62 Years |
| Aug. 4 Teresa and Samuel Arant Beth and Ted Samsel | 40 Years 63 Years | Aug. 19 Nancy and Jim Patton | 41 Years |
| Aug. 6 Eleanor and Donald Elsenheimer | 59 Years | Aug. 23 Marilyn and Jerral Johnson Judy and Duane Sonnenburg | 62 Years 60 Years |
| Aug. 7 Vel and Jack Huebner | 56 Years | Aug. 26 Mary Ann and Bill Reynolds | 57 Years |
| Aug. 10 Joyce and Paul Hayek | 61 Years | Aug. 30 Emily and Dennis Faulk Earl and Barbara Mulley | 61 Years 32 Years |
| Aug. 11 Doris and Carl Simmons | 52 Years | | |

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Phone numbers

For help:

- Kirk office – 922-1333
- Prayer needs (Della Reimers) – 915-8235
- Communion at home – 922-1333
- To be assigned a Christian friend
Janie Smith – 922-7548
- For meals, transportation, minor house repairs,
have someone sit with a spouse:
Sally Fink – 922-9622
Janie Smith – 922-7548
- To be assigned a phone buddy:
Sally Fink – 922-9622
- For other congregational-care needs:
Sally Fink – 922-9622
Kirk office – 922-1333

For staff (home numbers):

- Pastor Bill Bailey – 984-0445
- Visitation Co-ordinator Janie Smith – 922-7548

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- Kirk business administrator:
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Website:

Kirkinthepines.org

Rain fails to dampens tall tales at golfers' dinner



By Jim Hess

Kirk Sunday Golf on July 14 was rained out, but the rain failed to put a damper on dinner.

Thirty Kirk Golf Group members, spouses and friends attended dinner at The Saint Restaurant at Isabella. Stories of past golf games with all the glories, agonies and exaggerations were shared and future games envisioned.

Save the date of Sunday Aug. 11, as we set up the course and restaurant for next month.

If you are new to our Kirk, or looking for a friendly golf game, and would like to join our Kirk Golf Group, we welcome you. We are a group of single and couple golfers of all skill levels playing either 9 or 18 holes, your choice.

We play our Village courses on the second Sunday of each month, April through October. Dinner follows golf at various Village restaurants. If you would like additional information, please call me at 922-2326, or email jimobhess@suddenlink.net

Jim Hess is the Kirk's golf professional.

Kirk staff

William B. Bailey – Senior Pastor
Randy Toney – Director of Music
Donna Toney – Organist/Pianist
Janie Smith – Visitation Coordinator
Chris Taylor-Wilmoth – Secretary
Beverly Schaumburg – Business Administrator
Arthur "Chip" Johnson – Sexton

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