



Crosslines

A Monthly publication of the Mountain View United Methodist Church

April

2009

3rd Annual Car Show Event

Please join us on Saturday, April 25th from 10:00 am until 1:30 pm at our 3rd Annual Classic/Antique Car Show, sponsored by the Congregational Care Committee. Entries must be at least 25 years old and in any condition. This is a People's Choice show for cars, trucks, tractors, motorcycles and Flywheelers. Entries must be registered with Patty in the office before noon on Friday, April 24th. There is no entry fee. The United Methodist Men will have Hot Dogs and Chili for sale during the event. For more info, contact David Treadwell at 274-2827 or pmmp@cableone.net.

Angel's Attic News We're Having a Garage Sale

On Friday April 3rd and Saturday April 4th, the ladies of Angel's Attic will be having a garage sale of items donated by the Gingerbread House along with other gently used items. Shop from 9:00 am – 2:00 pm on Friday and 9:00 am – 12:00 pm on Saturday.

Angel's Attic will continue to meet the second and fourth Monday of each month from 9:00 am – 2:00 pm in Verde Hall. We can use any variety of skills and skill levels to craft our items for the Fall Sale. Lunch and snacks are provided.

We can always use fresh ideas and new folks so please come for all or part of the time we meet to enjoy the creativity and fellowship. If you have questions please call Stephanie Kreunen at 928-649-2357 or e-mail at Stephanie.Kreunen@gmail.com. We look forward to seeing you there.

Worship With Us

Sunday Worship

Praise 9:00 am

Traditional 11:00 am

Bible Study Classes

Sundays at 10:00 am

Tuesdays at 6:30 pm

Wednesdays at 1:30 pm

Publication Deadlines

Sunday Bulletin Announcements:

Tuesday Noon

Monthly Newsletter:

15th of the preceding month

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Please submit information to

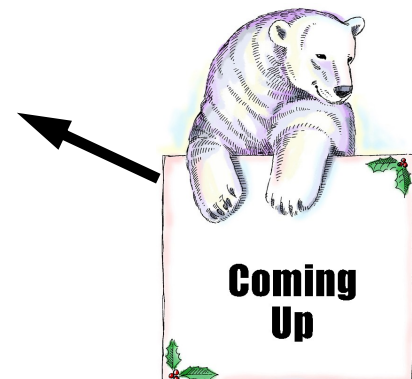
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Notes from the Pastor

Pray for Our Military
This is How They Pray for Each Other

Soldiers Pray for Each Other in Battle

By Norris Burkes, Florida Today

As the chaplain at the Air Force Theater Hospital here at joint Base Balad, Iraq. I often ask wounded soldiers what they are praying for. Their answers contain some surprises. They usually are praying more for their battle buddies than themselves. Army Sgt. Robert Stucki from Clarksville, Tenn. was praying such a prayer when I met him earlier this month at the hospital.

As a member of the 194th Military Police Co. out of Fort Campbell, he was the truck commander in a convoy leaving Fallujah when he saw something thrown toward his truck. The small "thing" was a grenade, and it packed a punch. Fortunately for Stucki's crew, they weren't riding in an average vehicle. They were in a Mine Resistant Ambush Protected vehicle. Lying in a hospital bed relating his story. Stucki told me the explosion was like a "welding arc in front of my eyes." "We've been hit!" Stucki remembers thinking. "I need to know about my crew." I started yelling for my driver to push through." Twenty minutes later, the MRAP pulled into the battalion aid station. Stucki remembers "praying the whole way for my gunner and my driver to be OK." Only after Battalion Aid assured him his crew suffered superficial injuries did Stucki turn his attention to his own spiritual aid and requested his chaplain come and pray. "I put my faith in the Lord and my trust in Him," he told me. "I was just praying, 'Take care of my guys and help me with the pain.'" However. Stucki's injuries were serious enough for medics to load him on a helicopter for transport to the theater hospital. With rotors turning, a lay minister from his church administered a blessing just before takeoff.

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Wellness Notes

"I came that they might have life, and have it abundantly - " John 10:10b

April is a time to look at how **ABUNDANTLY** we are living. Christ came to advocate for our lives---of which we are so aware at this Easter Season. How well are we following through in being advocates for ourselves in creating our most abundant life styles in mind, body, & spirit? John Wesley had a focus on wholistic health in 1791, stating that **"Health is something we can do something about"**. The new United Methodist CENTER FOR HEALTH is taking the lead in encouraging us to ask the first question:

WHAT IS THE HEALTH OF OUR LEADERS & HOW DO WE CONTRIBUTE?
What are we doing daily to contribute to the wellbeing of the Leaders of our Nation, State, Community, Faith Community, Neighborhood, & Family? We can **Pray** for them, **Listen** to them, **Volunteer** for them, Use our skills in **Lending a Hand**, and **Educate** ourselves & our family in areas of mind, body, spirit, financial, & relationship wellness.

WHAT ARE WE WAITING FOR?
Are we waiting for someone else to ask the questions of "How Are You?", "How may I help?", "What do I need to know to make it better?" or are we catching hold of "teachable moments" that allow us to advocate for ourselves & others and create a healthier environment around us. We can ask questions, get second opinions, seek good information, and take the reins for getting things done that need to be done!!

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Missions Ministry

We have received a mission offering for the past two Communion Sundays. During those two offerings we have averaged about \$300.00. The Mission Ministry at our March meeting committed to the following monthly benevolences:

\$50.00	Old Town Mission
\$25.00	Hope for the Hopeless
\$50.00	Gary Barto

As many of you know, Hope for the Hopeless is a children's ministry in Ethiopia. Since 2000 they have helped hundreds of children find stable homes, receive medical care, eat and be clothed, and learn the truth of Jesus Christ.

Our support of Gary Barto is a new outreach for Mountain View. It is particularly exciting since Gary's mother, LaVersa, is a member of our congregation. You can learn more about Gary's ministry in the Missionary Corner article of this paper. If we continue to give at this rate we will be able to increase these amounts and add new ministries to our benevolence list.

News From our UMW

The United Methodist Women's Board will meet at 9:30 am on Tuesday, April 14th. The General Meeting will be on April 14th at 1:00 pm in Verde Hall. Joy Mosely will be the guest speaker on "Africa". All women are invited.

Circles will meet on Tuesday, April 28th at 1:00 pm in various locations to be announced in the Sunday bulletin.

On Sunday, April 26th at 4:30 pm, the women will sponsor a "Cultural Tasting Faire". There will be foods to sample from many countries - all at a minimal cost. This will be a fund raiser to help with mission projects. You-all come!

COMING UP on Sunday May 17th will be UMW Sunday. The women will be conducting both services and the special speaker will be Jane Hausner, director of Verde Valley Sanctuary, which helps battered women and children. There will be a special offering taken that day for this mission in our community. We are asking the congregation to help with this important project. The women will have a special reception between services in Verde Hall. For more information on any of these functions, call President, Nancy Bowman at 274-1108.

**Let's Go
Out to the Ballgame**



D Back Baseball Game

The United Methodist Men are sponsoring a return trip this year to a Diamondback Baseball Game on Monday, September 7th (Labor Day), for a game against the LA Dodgers. This will be an

afternoon game.

Costs will include half priced game tickets and transportation to the game in a beautiful Master's Tour Bus. Prices are \$25.00 for upper level and \$30.00 for club level seating and transportation. There is no age distinction for ticket prices.

We must have 57 attendees riding the bus to keep our prices at this cost. Watch for more information in the May Crosslines on reserving your tickets for this fun family outing.

CMS Holocaust Days of Remembrance

Please join us for a Holocaust Days of Remembrance Community Event hosted by Ms. Hillman's students in the Clemenceau Gym from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. on Monday, April 27th. Doors open at 6:00, so plan to come a few minutes early to look at the Nazi Olympic display from the Martin-Springer Institute at NAU. This is a ten panel traveling display that tells the story of the 1936 Olympics in Germany. Students will be available to answer questions about the display and share their experiences from visiting the Museum of Tolerance in Los Angeles this past January. The evening will also include husband and wife Holocaust survivor speakers and a student presentation. This is an event that you will not want to miss so please plan to join us for a 'night of remembrance'.

Notes from the Pastor

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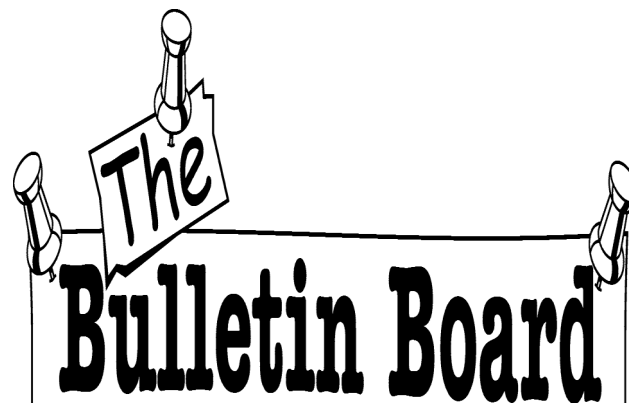
Minutes later, I prayed alongside his gurney as Emergency Room staff worked on both his arm and leg. The next day, Stucki was making light of those injuries: "Comparatively minor," he concluded, "compared to the potential of this attack." Minor? Really? I wondered. "What should have happened?" I asked him. Stucki looked away. A bit of moisture surfaced in the eye of this 15-year veteran. "Let's just say," he answered, "that with this type of attack. our survival was a testament to God watching out for us."

As he worked to regain some composure, Stucki explained his crew had traded their humvee for the MRAP two days before the attack. MRAPs are designed to protect occupants against armor-piercing roadside bombs. "By the grace of God, we were in the MRAP, and the thing passed between my legs." Then with a glance at his legs -- both intact -- he said all he needed was "a few surgeries with plates and screws."

As we finished our visit, the nursing staff were making preparations to load Stucki on the plane to Germany and then home to Clarksville.

"I don't want to leave my guys," he said. "They're my family. "I'm so grateful to be watched over like I was and to have my crew saved." Then, pointing toward the nursing station, with a noticeable break in his voice, he added, "The guys here are doing a wonderful job taking care of me, they are the real heroes!"

Burkes is stationed at Joint Base Balad, Iraq, through April. E-mail him at norris@thechaplain.net or write him at Chaplain Maj. Norris Burkes, 332 AEWIHC, APO AE 09315-9997.



The Bulletin Board

The Narthex is the hub of activity every Sunday morning. In an effort to revitalize and reorganize the Narthex this winter, the Evangelism, Worship, Congregational Care committee chairman and Pastor Michael felt we needed a large bulletin board to better communicate our current church activities and events.

The new Bulletin Board was purchased with funds from the hard working people of Angels Attic. We are very grateful for their generosity in this project. Thank you so much Angels, you are heaven sent.

Thank you also to the men of the Trustee's committee who installed it beautifully.

Any committee or group chairman, within our church, who would like to advertise an upcoming event in the new bulletin board, is welcome to do so. See the Guidelines below.

1. Only current, 30 days in advance, activity fliers will be accepted and posted on the bulletin board, by office personal.
2. Finished copy size will be 8 ½ X 11, unless authorized by the office. No newspaper clippings accepted. Drop off your finished copy to the office during regular business hours.
3. Only Mountain View Church activities will be used.

Wellness

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WHAT ARE WE DOING EVERY DAY THAT WILL SHAPE OUR FUTURE? Are we becoming aware of our risk factors for health concerns; paying attention to our own realities (i.e. overeating, lack of exercise, over stressed & needing calm, and family factors that contribute to our unwellness); challenging ourselves to beat the odds, and adopting an attitude of self care and self healing? Are we listening, observing, understanding, and focusing on what we CAN control to make life more abundant?

Are we being CONTAGEOUS AND INFECTIOUS in our zeal for wellness, quality of life, & wellness?

James L. Early, MD recently gave a talk of "HOW TO AFFECT BEHAVIOR CHANGE", stating that we CAN affect change in our society by 1) Changing Patterns of Physical Activity; 2) Changing Patterns of Nutrition & Obesity; 3) Taking an active role in how Economy & Politics impact personal health, and doing our part for worldwide change. This gives each of us an action plan!!

How we can become advocates for more abundant life may be summed up in the statement:

"The answer isn't better Insurance---it's about BETTER HEALTH. If you have bald tires, you take care of the tires, not buy better insurance!!".

REMEMBER FAITH --- FUN --- & FITNESS

Walk---Laugh---Pray

Alice Stephenson BSN,RN,CDE
Parish Nurse Consultant

With Heartfelt Thanks

What a Gift! As I'm encircled daily by your prayers and love, my beautiful prayer quilt gives me warmth and comfort. To the precious hands that made it, to everyone who said a prayer on my behalf and tied a knot, I thank you with all my heart. A church family truly is a blessing. Dana Baker

Directory Updates

Badenhop, <u>James</u>, Judith	Unknown
Unknown	
Huffer, Arthur, <u>Renee</u>***	951-321-9914
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Riverside, CA 92505-2469	
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Cottonwood, AZ 86326	
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Cottonwood, AZ 86326	

Northern Arizona Interfaith Council

presents this FREE event to Verde Valley communities - ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT.

Are your financial obligations weighing you down? Do you need to find a safe place to put investment income? Are you facing foreclosure or thinking about a reverse mortgage? Could you use pointers on dealing with the stress caused by the economic downturn?

Don't suffer alone - DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT - and share your concerns with others

Saturday, April 25th

9:00 am – 2:00 pm

Verde Valley Guidance Clinic

8 East Cottonwood St in Cottonwood

Experts in the following fields will present tips and answer questions

How to talk to creditors

Mortgages and foreclosures

Social services available and how to access them

Backyard gardens

Dealing with anxiety

No one will be selling anything. Lunch is provided but please pre-register to make sure we have enough. Call Esy Fields at 649-0337, Henry Mellon at 646-5484 or Chris and Sandy Boothe at exotica@commspeed.net or 928-634-0486.

April Congregational Care Happenings

The Walk to Jerusalem will be ending on April 11th, so please remember to continue to record all your miles. It's amazing how quickly they add up. No matter how many or how few, we appreciate your efforts.

Don't forget to put the Antique/ Unique Car, Truck, Tractor and Motor Cycle Show on your calendar for Saturday, April 25th, 2009 from 10:00 am – 1:30 pm.

A new program, Dinner for Six, is in the planning stages, so watch for the sign-up sheet, which will be available soon. After sign-up, couples or two single people will be drawn to participate in each of the six, Couple A and Couple B. On the first dinner of each group, Couple A will choose Couple B and host the dinner. Couples A and B will invite Couple X, the mystery couple of their choice. The second dinner will be hosted by Couple B and A and B will choose another mystery couple, to be repeated each month. Questions? Call Carol Jeannette at 634-0051.

Please don't forget the remaining Wednesday evening "Feeding of Body and Soul" Lenten dinner on April 8th. We will see you there.

Missionary Corner

Gary Barto sold his telephone business in San Diego at the age of 60. At a time in his life when many people are thinking of retirement, Gary joined "Operation Mobilization Mission". He is a telephone and electrical expert on the ship Doulos. The Doulos is a 420 foot floating book store that carries 350 volunteer crew members. The ship visits port cities around the world supplying Christian literature and sharing the good news of Jesus Christ. At each port they preach at local churches, assist in church building project, visit people in their homes, and train young people to be Christian leaders. No one on the ship is paid, everyone of the crew and staff must raise financial support to cover their expenses. Please keep Gary and the entire crew of the Doulos in your prayers. If you want to receive Gary's regular email updates of his ministry you can email him at Gary.Barto@qbaship.org.

April Birthdays & Anniversaries



2nd

Alice Keith
Walter Skinner

3rd

Patty Hilton
Naomi Thede
Earl Wunder

4th

Mary Jo Gramling
Jo Lungren
Ray Patzer

5th

Wilma Sterrett

9th

Donna Dumas
Helen Small

10th

Alice Loomer

11th

Barbara Jones

14th

Daniel Hagberg

16th

Jean Womack

17th

David Fox

19th

Loraine Clubbs
Esy Fields

21st

Ray Julian

23rd

Joyce Patzer

26th

Jeff Swigart

27th

Keith Steele

28th

June Kley
Gretchen Platt

29th

Sally Baker
Clem Dieter
Dot Milburn
Dagmar Schinagel

30th

Maralyn Boardman
Jerry Brown
Craig Raupe

Happy Anniversary

April 6th

Duane and Karen Zimmerman

April 23rd

Jimmy and Nadine Woodburn

April 28th

Dale and Louise Rowe

April 30th

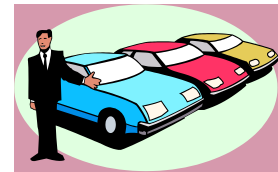
Rob and Lynette Prouty

3rd Annual Vehicle Show

**Saturday,
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Time: 10:00 am - 1:30 pm

**Pre-register at the church
office**



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Retired Pastors: Revs. Ed Womack, Bill Birdsey,
Paul McCleary &
David Treadwell
Administrative Assistant and
"Crosslines" Editor: Patricia Hilton

Our Pastor is available at other times by
appointment and any time for emergencies.

Our Mission is

Sunday Worship
9:00 am Contemporary
11:00 am Traditional
Office Hours:
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Monday - Friday

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