

SOJOURNS

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The Newsletter of the Sonnenberg Mennonite Church

November 5, 2017

SENIOR SAINTS

November, 2017

Birthdays/Anniversaries



Happy birthday to our senior saints who are celebrating birthdays/anniversaries during November!

**Trent Metcalf (65), Saturday, November 4–
–Welcome to the Senior Saints, Trent!!**

Iva Geiser (85), Tuesday, November 7

Dan/Doris Cartwright (10), Friday, November 10

Ella Amstutz (81), Tuesday, November 14

Palmer/Joan Steiner (61), Friday, November 24

Ora Shetler (71), Saturday, November 25

Other:

Favorite color: navy blue

Favorite movie: Titanic

Favorite season: autumn

3. Hobbies: Bike riding, hiking, listening to music, singing
4. Pet Peeve: When people leave their old K-Cup in the Keurig
5. Least favorite chore: Taking the trash out
6. Nobody knows: When I was 10 I broke my wrist playing bingo

Who am I? _____

School I attend: Central Christian

Grade in school: 1st grade

Favorites:

Subject in school: Math

Food: Pizza

Book: Annie and the Wild Things

Book of the Bible: Micah

Song: Jesus Loves Me

Place to visit: Florida

Sports team: Browns

TV show: Pirates of the Caribbean

Other:

Favorite holiday: Christmas

Hobbies: Playing soccer and football; petting my dog

Least favorite chore: Picking up toys

Nobody knows: I have another loose tooth!



Here are the first two in a series of Fun Facts about people in the congregation. Try to guess who it is.

Names will be in the next issue of *Sojourns* on Sunday, November 19.

If you have not already done so, please complete the *Fun Facts* form about you and return it to the church office as soon as possible.

Who am I? _____

1. Vocation:

1st job: Housekeeping for a hotel

Dream job: Food critic

2. Favorites:

College class: voice

Food: anything pasta or rice

Book: The Outsiders

Book of the Bible: Romans

Song or Hymn: WB 16- *God is here among us*

Place to visit: Kent State (even though I would never go there—too big)

Vacation Destination: somewhere in the mountains

Sports team: Cavs

TV show: Criminal Minds



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Other fun facts—Did you know?

- ☺ When you say “a million seconds”, it means 11 and a half days. “A billion seconds” would be over 31 years.
- ☺ It takes 42 facial muscles to frown but only 17 muscles to smile.
- ☺ An apple in the morning will keep you more awake than a cup of coffee.
- ☺ People spend an average 22 years of their life asleep.
- ☺ The average person spends only 10 minutes a day speaking.
- ☺ An average raindrop falls at the speed of roughly 7 miles an hour.
- ☺ The Bible mentions all sorts of domesticated animals – with the exception of the cat.

NEWS & NOTES

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN SCHOOL: 330/857-7311

- **Community Service Day (CSD):** Thank you so much for your generous support of our students on Community Service Day. If you have not already done so, please send contributions to Central marked CSD 2017 or visit www.ccscomets.org/ GiveToCentral to make your donation. Donations were due by November 3, so we would appreciate them as soon as possible.
- CCS currently has **two job openings** for a Software Specialist and a Spring Musical Director. Job Descriptions and the Employee Applications can be found on the CCS website, www.ccscomets.org. Applications will be accepted until November 8.

OHIO MENNONITE RELIEF SALE WRAP-UP MEETING will be held on Sunday, November 12, 6:00 p.m., at the Kidron Mennonite Church Fellowship Hall. This is our official public meeting to wrap up the 2017 year. We will be sharing highlights from this year's Relief Sale, the Treasurer's Report, Auction Reports and affirming new Executive Board members. Light refreshments will be served. Everyone is welcome.

CANTATE SINGERS: The Cantate Singers will perform their fall concert on Sunday, November 19, 5:00 p.m., here at Sonnenberg Mennonite Church. The Cantate Singers is a fifty voice vocal ensemble including members from Wayne and surrounding counties. They perform choral music from a challenging repertoire but with a universal appeal. This Fall's concert is titled *Make Our Garden Grow - Planting Seeds of Faith, Hope, and Love*, and features works by John Rutter, Johannes Brahms, Leonard Bernstein, and Alice Parker. The ensemble is in its twenty-fifth year and is under the direction of Laurel Labbe. Kenneth Shafer serves as their accompanist. No reservations or tickets are required; a freewill offering will be received.

SONNENBERG STATION FALL CONCERTS: Sonnenberg Station is a 17-voice men's choral ensemble based in Kidron, Ohio. For more than 10 years, the group has performed in over 50 different venues to appreciative audiences throughout Ohio. Each season offers diverse selections from contemporary to classical, hallowed to lighthearted, including arrangements by the group's director, Tim Shue.

This season's performances will inspire and uplift with a sprinkling of humor tossed in for good measure as the group adds their own flavor to pieces representing a variety of cultures, eras, and styles. Join Sonnenberg Station as they share the Fall 2017 season's repertoire:

- Sunday, November 5, 7:00 p.m.: Faith Lutheran Church, Millersburg
- Wednesday, November 8, 7:00 p.m.: Wadsworth Trinity United Church of Christ, Wadsworth
- Friday, November 17, 7:00 p.m.: St. Peter's United Church of Christ, Apple Creek
- Saturday, November 18, 7:00 p.m.: Trinity United Methodist Church, Orrville
- Sunday, November 19, 7:00 p.m.: St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, Massillon

EVERENCE SEMINARS—MEDICARE & SOCIAL SECURITY—will take place at Everence Financial in Kidron on Monday, November 13. Medicare: An overview (5:30-6:45 p.m.) will provide information on what's covered, the plans that supplement Medicare, and enrollment deadlines. Social Security: An overview (7:00-8:15 p.m.) will explain how benefits are calculated, the best time to start collecting Social Security, and about spousal benefits. Reservations are not required.

ORRVILLA RETIREMENT COMMUNITY: John Schmid, a local musician with global reach, will deliver his unique blend of country, folk, gospel and contemporary music to residents and visitors at OrrVilla Retirement Community on Monday, November 20, 7:00 p.m. Schmid has performed in over 30 different countries including many in Central America where he has traveled on work/mission trips annually for many years. His genuine delivery and friendly, humorous demeanor have made him an audience favorite for decades. Free and open to the public, the event takes place at OrrVilla's Maple Terrace, 333 E. Sassafras Street, Orrville. For more information please call 330-683-4455, visit www.orrvilla.org or follow us on Facebook at OrrVilla Retirement Community.

SONGS & SALSA will be held at the old church in the Sonnenberg Village this evening, November 5, 6:00 p.m., to benefit Open Arms Hispanic Ministries. Opening music will be provided by the Salem Music Team, followed by additional music provided by John Schmid. Come and enjoy tortilla chips served with a variety of flavorful salsa and dips. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to be a part of this event. A freewill offering will be taken to benefit Open Arms Hispanic Ministries.

PEACEBUILDING INSTITUTE: Registration is now open for the Summer Peacebuilding Institute (SPI) at Eastern Mennonite University in Harrisonburg, Virginia. SPI 2018 offers two seven-day sessions and two five-day sessions, each with several courses running at the same time. Participants can take one course per session. Courses can be taken for professional skills training or academic credit.

Courses are open to all people interested in integrating conflict transformation, peacebuilding, restorative justice, trauma awareness, and related fields into their own work and life. Some of the course topics featured in 2018 include restorative justice, trauma awareness, leadership, identity and dignity, confronting modern slavery and the prison industrial complex, visual communication and nonviolence, Christian spirituality for social action and participatory theater. For more information, please see <https://www.emu.edu/cjp/spi/>.

The next issue of Sojourns will be printed for Sunday, November 19, 2017. Please submit any items to the church for this issue by Thursday, November 16, 2017, 9:00 a.m. Thanks!