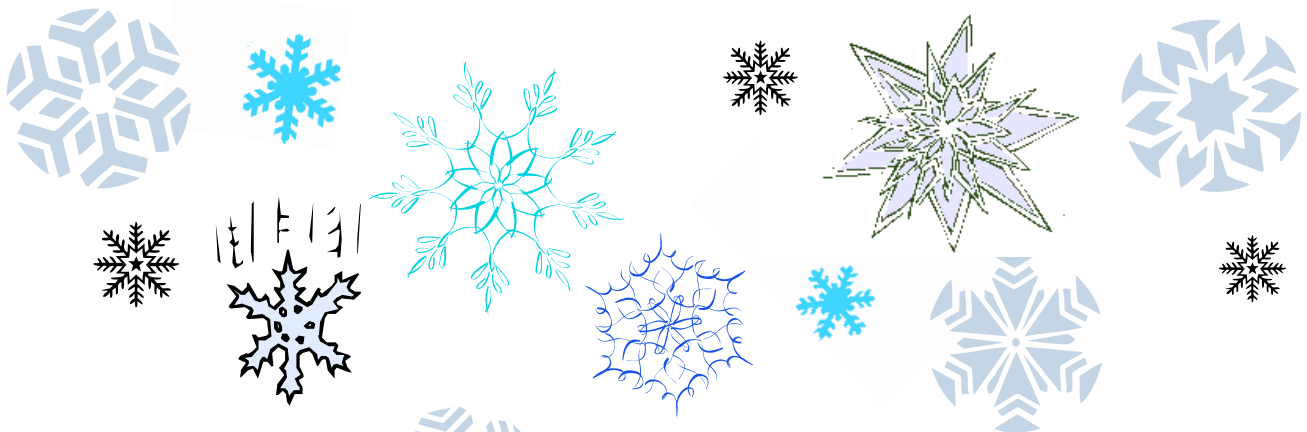




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JESUS CHRIST

KNOX NEWS

JANUARY 2013



Glorify the LORD, O Jerusalem!
Praise your God, O Zion!
For he has strengthened the bars of your gates
and blessed your children within your walls.
He sends peace across your nation
and satisfies your hunger with the finest wheat.
He sends his orders to the world—
how swiftly his word flies!
He sends the snow like white wool;
he scatters frost upon the ground like ashes.
He hurls the hail like stones.
Who can stand against his freezing cold?
Then, at his command, it all melts.
He sends his winds, and the ice thaws.

Psalm 147 : 12-18

A Note From Rev. Clinton...

The Season of Light

"They set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star..."

Matthew 2:9

Dear Friends,

On the twelfth day of Christmas we celebrate Epiphany, the "shining down of the light," when the star that proclaimed the birth of the Messiah led the Wise Men to Bethlehem. Epiphany comes in the depths of winter, after all the excitement of Christmas and New Year's Day are over. It reminds us that in Jesus Christ, the light of heaven is always with us—even in the valley of the shadow of death. "The light shines in the darkness," wrote John the Evangelist, "and the darkness has not overcome it" (John 1:5).

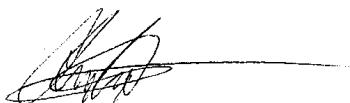
Each year at Epiphany, we celebrate Star Sunday at Knox. Hundreds of words from Scripture are placed on individual stars. Each worshiper picks his or her own star from a basket to keep near for the coming year. Many people use a Bible concordance to see where and how their star word is used in Scripture. On the back of each star is the name of someone from our congregation to be remembered in prayer.

Some of the "star stories" people have shared about how the meaning of their star word has been revealed to them have been powerful indeed. The word 'epiphany' can mean a life-changing event of lasting significance, a newfound awareness, or even the vision to pursue something greater than ourselves into transforming relationships and brand-new opportunities to serve.

Like the Wise Men did of old, may we too look up from our lives, follow God's heavenly guidance over all earth's hills and valleys, and seek with all that we are to find, know and worship our Lord Jesus—the Light of the World.

In this Season of Light may the Lord "make His face to shine upon you..." and for all the year to come!

With joy,



SPIRITUAL FITNESS 2013

The articles on happiness and well being started early this year, way before Thanksgiving when we were encouraged to be grateful and intentional about living grateful lives. This will bring happiness to us and to others. Absolutely true!

The articles on fitness and well being got a good start this year as well, encouraging us to be wise about Christmas indulgences and not to wait until January to make new resolutions. We have been reminded that it takes 6 - 8 weeks to develop new habits such that they no longer feel 'new', but part of our routine.

Let's develop our grateful traits and our healthy traits right along with our commitments to spiritual growth. Isn't spiritual fitness primary to all other opportunities for well being? So leap in and find ways to challenge yourself, your family to grow new or deepening 'habits' for a faithful life. Need ideas? Call one of your pastors or go the Knox Website at www.knoxpres.org for all kinds of information.



Here are some suggestions. As you read on you will find more details through out the newsletter.

- Be curious about your church - read the bulletin, the newsletter or go to the website. What's going on here?
- Join a small group or Bible study. There are options for men and women almost every day of the week. There are a variety of special events on the horizon as well.
- Help with Coffee Fellowship. Gather a few friends and give Elder Jan Reid a call. There is always a need for help in the coffee bar on Sunday mornings.
- Become a Greeter, Welcome Cafe host or Usher. You take a turn throughout the year and serve on the front lines of welcome at Knox. Email Rev. Deb at church and she'll get you connected.
- Attend in a special worship service or church activity - and bring a friend!
- Participate in providing a meal for Teen Parent Connection on a Tuesday evening. Contact Bonnie Olson for more information.
- Sign up in the Commons on a Sunday to make food or serve a shift at Hesed House Homeless Shelter.
- Call a friend from church and suggest doing something together at Knox.

The list goes on and on - so many opportunities. May this be the beginning of the best year ever.

Adult Education

SUNDAYS:

9:00 a.m. Leader: Brooks Reid

9:00 a.m. in the Sr. High Room (basement)

We are always happy to welcome new group members.

Contact Brooks Reid at gusreid@aol.com for details.

The Catholic Church: A History Leader: Jim Clinton

10:30 a.m. in Room 202

In January we begin a unit titled "The Catholic Church: A History", a video course taught by William R. Cook, a professor at State University of New York at Geneseo.

For the first 1500 years, the history of the Roman Catholic Church is our history. Trace the growth of Christianity from a few followers at the crucifixion to the powerful and wealthy church of the Renaissance that prompted the Protestant Reformation.

January classes are as follows:

1/6 From Jesus to the Creation of the Church

1/13 The First Christian Institutions

1/20 Christianity in the Early Church

1/27 Persecution and Saints

This is a course for anyone who wants to know how we got here from there.

7:00 p.m. Leader: Frank Mayer

7:00 p.m. in Room 203

We will be studying the book "Forgiveness" by Adam Hamilton. Contact Frank Mayer at fjmayerxge@comcast.net for details.

TUESDAYS:

Men's Study of The Gospel of Luke Leader: Frank Mayer

9:00 a.m. in the Parlor

Contact Frank Mayer at fjmayerxge@comcast.net for details.

James: Mercy Triumphs, A Beth Moore Study Leader: Sue Curry

9:00 a.m. in the Middle School Room

Please email Sue at curry.sue21@gmail.com to register.

Walking With God in Every Season Leader: Deb Roberts

1:15 p.m. in Deb's Office

A study of Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon and Lamentations Contact Rev. Deb for details at droberts@knoxpres.org.

TUESDAYS (cont.):

7:30 p.m. Leader: Eric Heinekamp

This study will be held at Patty and Eric Heinekamp's home. Our topic for January has not been set but all our welcome!

Contact Eric Heinekamp at ejkamp@aol.com for details.

WEDNESDAYS:

Women on Wednesdays Leaders: Margaret Lambka & Robin Kolar

9:15 a.m. with childcare and activities for infants and children through Kindergarten.

WOW will have its last meeting for the "Having a Mary Spirit in a Martha World" on December 12th. We will then take a break and resume January 16th. Stay tuned for more information about the new study, anyone is welcome. Contact Margaret Lambka at mlambka2@gmail.com or Robin Kolar at skolar7227@aol.com for details.

Dear and Glorious Physician Leader: Rev. Deb Roberts

7:00 p.m. in Rev. Deb's Office

A Study of the Gospel of Luke and its author, "Luke the Physician".

Contact Rev. Dev for details at droberts@knoxpres.org.

THURSDAYS:

Daybreakers Leader: Rev. Clinton Roberts

6:00 a.m. in the Coffee Bar

Sacred Chaos Leader: Rev. Cindy Karis

9:30 a.m. in the Music Room

This study begins January 10, 2013 from 9:30-11:00 in the music room. Child care is provided. We are using the book Sacred Chaos by Tricia McCary Rhodes. Please join us at any time, contact Cindy Karis at: ckaris@knoxpres.org or 630-615-4308 to sign up.



EVENING BOOK CLUB - "Calico Joe"

The next book club meeting will be Tuesday, January 8, 7:30 p.m., in the home of Fran Lukes located at 2153 Lancaster Circle, apt. 101A in Naperville. We will discuss *Calico Joe* by John Grisham, 'a moving novel of fathers and sons, forgiveness and redemption, set in the world of Major League Baseball'. New readers are always welcome. Call Janice Wiles at 630-416-9537 or email wilesjan@gmail.com for directions or more information.



Monthly Men's Breakfast

The January Men's Breakfast will be Saturday, the 12th, at 8AM in Fellowship Hall. Our speaker will be Mary Browning of the Naperville Police Department who will discuss home and personal security and crime prevention. Contact fjmayerxge@comcast.net.

Stephen Ministry

Stephen Ministry at Knox

For nearly 30 years Knox has had a nationally accredited Stephen Ministry program. This remarkable program first started in 1975 under the leadership of Dr. Kenneth Haugk, who along with other professionals and pastors, could see the increasing need for pastoral care in congregations. Thus Stephen Ministry was born along with many resources and an involved training program whose purpose it was and is, to "equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ" - Ephesians 4:12.

Today 11,000 congregations and over 150 denominations participate in this program which equips church members to come along side other church members during times of crisis, illness, transition and so on. These one on one relationships are all done with utmost confidentiality and screening by church pastors. This is a Christ-centered listening ministry. Over the years we have heard people say time and again that having a Stephen Minister made all the difference in getting through their situation. They had a Christian friend who had been trained not to be a therapist or a solutions person, but to be an active listener who prayed with them and for them.

Over the years Knox has trained 54 Stephen Ministers. This ministry has been a wonderful and caring asset to the congregation and to the individuals served! Are you interested in having a Stephen Minister? Contact Revs. Deb or Cindy and they will be happy to give you further information.

Are you interested in becoming a Stephen Minister? Contact us and we'll tell you more!

Presbyterian Women

Rachel - Rebekah Circle

Start the New Year by joining the ladies of the Rachel-Rebekah Circle. Our Gathering is Tuesday, January 8, 9:30 a.m. at a home to be determined. Please RSVP "YES" or with questions to Betty to bhemmeter@sbcglobal.net, 630-357-8223 or Mary Ellen, meansmimi@aol.com, 630 357-8328. Enjoy fellowship, nibbles (snacks), Bible study and mission projects. Currently we are making Little Dresses for Africa and Haiti, packing food for Feed My Starving Children, collecting, with Knox, flip-flops and tennis shoes for children of Haiti. We would love to see you there!

Mary - Martha Circle

Mary Martha Circle will meet on Tuesday, January 8th, 2013 at 9:00 am at Jenny Hallam's home (4147 Callery Rd). All are welcome. Please contact Ineke Pelella at 630.357.3350 for more information.

Ruth Circle

Ruth Circle will meet the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Parlor. Please contact Pam Williams at 630-470-5199 for more information.

Missions at Knox

LOAVES & FISHES

The next Hunger Sunday is January 5. A list of most needed items are as follows:

Canned & Dried Fruit:

Peaches, Applesauce, Mixed Fruit, Raisins

Cereals & Grains:

Oatmeal, Cereal, Pasta, Rice, Crackers

Canned Protein:

Tuna, Chicken, Beans, Chili, Stew

Donations can be left in or near the Loaves & Fishes bin next to the Mission Council table. Thank you!

If you prefer to support the food pantry financially, envelopes can be found in the pews. With your \$10 donation, Loaves & Fishes can buy \$100 worth of goods. The coins collected in the yellow coin funnel are donated to Cents-Ability in support of their food and self-help programs for families in need.



Knox Support Global Missions

Approximately 25% of Mission Council's budget this last year was directed towards our Shared Basic line item which is our Shared Mission dollars that is given to the Presbytery of Chicago. This gift enables the mission and ministry of our presbytery, our synod, and the Presbyterian Mission Agency.

Shared Mission enables the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) to be responsive to mission and ministry needs all over the world. More than 10,000 congregations and the Presbyterian Mission Agency accomplish mission together on a larger scale than any of us could do alone. Shared Mission dollars are responsible for a significant portion of your presbytery and synod's mission, and these dollars are vital to the mission of the Presbyterian Mission Agency. Because this gift is given without restrictions, it not only supports a wide variety of mission but is used where the need is greatest both within the U.S. and globally supporting missionaries, developing partnerships, and strengthening congregations.

The "Joy Offering" we receive at Christmas helps retired mission workers who come back stateside as well as, Presbyterian related racial ethnic schools and colleges! Thank you for your generous giving.

Thank you for all the mission and ministry that are made possible because of the generosity of our members and session. You are indeed the hands and feet of Christ.

Mission Council



Dakota Partnership



The smiles of our Native American friends in Sisseton were proof of the happiness provided by the many loving hands from Knox Presbyterian Church. It truly takes a village, and our friends were recipients of many gifts. About 250 children received gifts that for many will be their only gifts this Christmas. Not only did so many of you give so generously of your resources, but also of your time and talents.

This project has grown so much due to your generosity that it now requires many volunteer hours to make sure these gifts are delivered to Sisseton. Thank you to Ron Wachholtz, Patty Reed, Nancy Emond, Ineka Pellele, Julie and

Dane Milldrum, Rose Smilgys, Carolyn Lorenz, Kim Williams and the Middle School students, Andrea Pelella, Diane Mittelhouse, Sally Kenaston, Cole Williams, Erin Williams, Jeff Goeringer, Pat Neesley, Kathi Olson, Janice Wiles, Peg Foltz, Nora Foltz, Heidi, Tom and Allison Paulius, Julie and Madalyn Sadler, Ripley and Susan Biggs and Randy Johnson who helped organize the angels and bells to distribute to the congregation, cut bells and angels, decorated the tree, volunteered in the commons to help distribute angels and paperwork, designed a craft for the Sisseton kids to complete, prepared gift baskets, organized and packed the gifts for the trip, and traveled to Sisseton to deliver and distribute the gifts. This is just a sample of the many things necessary to make this project happen and the people who are helping. Please forgive us if your name was inadvertently left off the list.

Stories From Hesed House

Knox Night at Hesed House: 4th Saturday of each month

Next Volunteer Night: January 26

Please sign up to bring food or work one of the three shifts:
6:00pm 11:00pm 3:00am



When I first saw Heather* at Hesed House, I was stunned by the look of anger, hate and suspicion emanating from her eyes. She almost looked as if she were possessed. Never, ever had I seen such a look – much less on the face of a three-year old child. What could cause someone so young, so innocent to harbor such rage? Trauma – the trauma of homelessness.

Heather and her family had recently moved from the overnight shelter into the Transitional Living Center, and she had joined us in the Harvesting Hope children's program, which runs two nights a week for 90 minutes. At first, she refused to participate and sat defiantly with her arms and legs crossed, her eyes darting suspiciously at the activities going on around her. Very gradually, over many weeks, as volunteers gently played beside her, softly talking about their activity and smiling when their eyes met hers, Heather's arms began to unfold, a look of curiosity replaced suspicion, until one day, she reached out for a toy and spoke. Her language was almost unintelligible, but it was clear her mind was very sharp. And then one evening, she looked up and smiled; she knew this was a safe place to be.

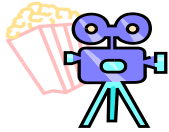
Harvesting Hope is one of the many volunteer programs benefiting families at Hesed House, and we are always in need of volunteers. If you have a Tuesday or Thursday night free and would like to join us either regularly or just occasionally to help implement preplanned programming with children ages 3-11, please give me a call at 630-416-1765. I'd be happy to tell you more about it.

If it were not for the overnight shelter at Hesed, Heather's family may never have secured the help they needed to get into the apartment where they live today. No child should experience the type of trauma Heather had known, but too many do, and organizations like Hesed give them the hope of a new beginning. Knox contributes to this effort on the fourth Saturday night of each month. Please consider joining other members through making a dish or working a shift; the sign-up sheet is in the narthex. This important ministry of hope will continue throughout the year ahead. We would love to have you join us.

--Joan Schaeffer

*All names have been changed.

Children's Ministries



FAMILY DINNER & A MOVIE NIGHT

Saturday, January 12 • 5:00-8:30 pm

BABE

Pizza Dinner • Concessions during movie

Dinner is \$5 per person, \$15 per family

Sign-ups Dec. 30 & Jan. 6 - Optional but Helpful!

Contact @ Jane Burkelman • jburkelman@knoxpres.org • 630-615-4303

We'll be in the basement rooms. Bring folding chairs if preferred to sofas.

Wednesday Night Program Resumes January 9

Prime Time - J.A.M. - G3

5:00 to 7:30 p.m. (dinner included)

Register Online

Prime Time - Grades K, 1 & 2

J.A.M. - Grades 3, 4, & 5

G3 - Grades 6, 7 & 8



Contacts: Jenny Hubbard (J.A.M. & G3) at jhubbard@knoxpres.org
Jane Burkelman (Prime Time) at jburkelman@knoxpres.org

Families of Fourth Graders



As an offering of the Wednesday Evening Program Pastor Clint works with the 4th Grade Bible Study class to prepare a worship service for the congregation. You do not need to be registered on Wednesday Evenings to participate. If your fourth grader is interested in being a part of the worship service, please contact Jenny Hubbard at 630-615-4318 or jhubbard@knoxpres.org.

Middle School Fellowship - Lazer Tag

Date: Saturday, January 12

Time: 11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Cost: \$15.00

(includes, 2 games lazer tag, pizza, pop and \$4 game tokens)

Cyberspace, 24125 111th St

Save the Date - Snow Tubing

Date: Saturday, February 9

11:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (meet at church)

Register Online

**Questions? Contact Jenny Hubbard at Jhubbard@knoxpres.org or
630-615-4318**

Young Adult Haiti Trip

Twenty-two Knox Folk will be heading to Haiti for a week at the end of December. We will be staying and working with New Life Orphanage, with whom other Knox teams have worked previously. The students will be on break from school, so we are planning to spend time building relationships with them and also complete some work projects for New Life during our stay. We are excited about the opportunity to interact with our brothers and sisters in Christ in Haiti. And thank you for your prayers as (18) young adults and (4) adult sponsor prepare for the Knox trip to Haiti from Dec 30th to Jan 5th.

Please take the time to pray for the trip participants individually:





Corey Berk
Monique Brigham
Bruce Burkelman
Bryce Goll
Sue Goll
Anna Goodman
Kathleen Hartwell
Kyle Jachcinski
Michael Janiga

Dan Kilian
Alexander Kolar
Joel McCombs
Robert T. Quiring
Corey Richier
Kelsey Schmoie
Jonathan Shuty
Brittany Sova
Clara Starr

Catherine Tanck
Justin Van Blaricom
Tori Winslow
Katie Zielinski

Bowling! Lazer Tag! Pizza!
 HIGH SCHOOL Fellowship
 Monday, January 21 - MLK Day
 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.
 Brunswick Zone, 1515 Aurora Road, Naperville
 Cost: \$11

<p style="text-align: center;">HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRIES</p>  <p style="text-align: center;"> Basement Wednesday Fellowship Fellowship from 6:00-7:30 p.m. Sunday Night Worship & Bible Study 7-8:30 p.m. </p>	<p style="text-align: center;">YOUNG ADULT DISCUSSION ON TAP</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> Quigley's Irish Pub Downtown Naperville </p> <p style="text-align: center;"> Wednesdays 8-9:30 p.m. Usually the first room on the right. </p> 
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Upcoming Events at Knox



TPC – Help Wanted!

Dates are available from January through May for anyone interested in signing up to provide and serve a pre-planned meal for teen-age parents and their toddlers on a Tuesday Evening. Meals need not be home cooked or complicated. Instructions, reimbursement and personal support are available. Dinner is served at **6:00** allowing you to finish by 7:15 p.m.!!

TPC (Teen Parent Connection) is a nonprofit DuPage County organization that provides programs and services related to teenage pregnancy and parenting. Through the support of the Mission Council, Knox has hosted weekly meals for this program for over 20 years. To learn more about Teen Parent Connection please refer to their website:
www.teenparentconnection.org/

Heidi Paulius: 630-548-4179 or hpaulius05@sbcglobal.net, or Bonnie Olson: 630-355-4417 or bdolson@ntsource.com, would be happy to answer any questions you may have about participating. Please consider choosing a date for you or your organization to help. We sincerely thank you for your past and continued support!

Family Camp 2013

Warm breezes, trees full with leaves, pristine water at your feet, aaaahhh! Time to think about Summer Camp. Family Camp 2013 is confirmed. We are headed to Presbyterian Camps in Saugatuck, MI for a fantastic week of beach, sand, fellowship and family. Mark your calendar for Sunday, June 23rd - Saturday, June 29th. Deposits will be due March 1st.



Your children will love it so much they will want to go back without you. Throughout the summer there are kids camp for ages 3rd grade and up. For more information please contact Beth Burner at bburner@knoxpres.org.

Membership Has Its Privileges

Are you a member of Knox? If not, here is a list of the opportunities you will have in the coming year to join this amazing church!

New Member Class on January 13, 2013

New Members join on January 20, 2013

New Member Class on April 7, 2013

New Members join on April 14, 2013

New Member Class on June 9, 2013

New Members join on June 16, 2013

New Member Class on November 3, 2013

New Members join on November 10, 2013



Valentine Craft & Bake Sale



Bake Sale

On Saturday, February 9, you will once again be able to buy home-made

delicious baked goods, cards and crafts for your loved one while helping those in need. The annual Valentine Craft and Bake Sale will be held once again

BETWEEN services on Sunday, February 9 in Lehman Hall. All proceeds go to the missions that the Presbyterian Women of Knox support.

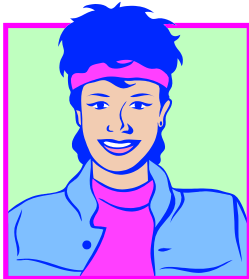
For any of you bakers in our midst, we are happily taking donations on Saturday, February 8, by noon in the main kitchen at Knox. You can bag your donations if you wish, but it is not necessary. However we do ask that you label what it is and if there are any nuts. We love the baked goods from all of you. Thank you all once again for your generosity and support. Without the money raised by auctions we have been struggling to come up with money to help the missions we have supported in the past and wish to con-

KNOX DEACONS CHILIMANIA 2013 - JANUARY 27TH

- Mark your calendars for CHILIMANIA, the annual fundraiser of the Knox Deacons!
 - Enjoy as many types of soups & chili as you wish and vote in our friendly competition for this year's BEST of the BEST!
 - Tickets can be purchased beginning January 13 in the Commons, and can also be purchased on the day of the event.
- Deacon chefs carefully prepare both vegetarian & non-vegetarian, spicy or mild, chili & soups for all to enjoy!
- Hotdogs will also be provided for the non-soup loving member of the family.



Enjoy great food and fellowship while supporting your Knox Deacons and their only fundraising event of the year!



Decade Dance Family Fellowship Helpers Needed February, 16

The Children's Ministry Council is planning a decade dance for all ages in February. If you would like to help with this event please contact Jenny Hubbard at 630-615-4318 or jhubbard@knoxpres.org.



Church Life Council Opportunities

Are you looking for a way to get involved at Knox? We have service opportunities waiting for you through Church Life. Want to help with special events like a family potluck dinner? How about serving at coffee hour one Sunday? Or, are you interested in joining our Church Life Council? Church Life welcomes you to join us! Our council promotes fellowship through hospitality.

If you are interested in or have questions about getting involved in Church Life, please contact Jan Reid at 630-961-0180 or jgreid00@aol.com or Jan McCombs at 630-369-4606 or jmccombs4@wideopenwest.com.



INDIAN PRAIRIE GREAT BANQUETS

The next set of Indian Prairie Great Banquets are quickly approaching. The men's banquet will take place

February 28 – March 3, 2013 and the women's banquet will be

March 7-10, 2013. The Great Banquet is a ministry that provides a three-day spiritual renewal experience. It offers an opportunity to step away for three days of worship, talks, discussion, table fellowship and sharing of life experiences. Each banquet weekend encourages attendees in their faith and in their

relationship with the church. Everyone is welcome to attend, regardless of church affiliation. This is a non-denominational ministry representing and supported by more than a dozen churches in the Chicagoland area. Knox will be hosting the next set of weekends!

Save the date and give yourself a chance to step away from the chaos of life, and devote a weekend to spiritual affirmation and renewal. If you are interested in learning more about the Great Banquet, please contact Pastors Deb Roberts, Clint Roberts, Cindy Karis or Robert Thomas Quiring. More information can also be found at www.ipgb.org.



Thank You



THANK YOU FROM OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Thank you to all who brought in Operation Christmas Child boxes and donations! With your donations we were able to donate a total of 75 boxes.

Angel Tree Thank You

I was remembering the sermon about "Who is your neighbor?" and I thought about the children in Sisseton and children closer to home. Children in need are everywhere and I want to thank you on behalf of the children who go to Spring Trail Elementary in Carol Stream. The children who received your generous gifts would not have had any if it weren't for you. Many families are hurting, out of work, living in assisted section 8 housing and struggling to put food on the table. Your gifts put tears in the eyes of the parents and joy on the faces of the children. We are asked to put others first, ahead of ourselves, and you have done that. Thank you for letting the love of Jesus Christ shine through you and have a joy filled New Year.



Sincerely,

Amy Kendryna, Principal Spring Trail Elementary

Thank You for Supporting Undie Sunday

HANK YOU to the congregation of Knox for making "Undie Sunday" a HUGE success!

Because of your open hearts and generosity, hundreds of children who live in Tecina, Cite Soleil, Haiti, will have new underwear, flip flops and dresses/clothes to wear. In sharing of yourselves, you have shown these children the love of Christ and that there are people in the United States who care about them. There is no greater gift to give this Christmas season.

The items donated include:

884 pairs of underwear	11 T-shirts
319 pairs of flip flops/shoes	9 camis
41 sundresses	3 onesies
34 pairs of socks	



On behalf of the children of Tecina, I humbly say "thank you" for your overwhelming support of this little project. Please know that you have made a big difference in their lives.

Blessings on each of you,
Jeneane Ryan

Companions Christmas Card Project '12 for Prisoners A Card & Name Makes A Difference!

To all of you who contributed cards, stamps and calendars or helped sign or address cards, your efforts make a difference. God's love did shine inside prison walls because of you.

Below is a sample of thank you notes we received.

"Thank you so kindly for thinking about me. Mail is so very important in here and during the holidays. You tend to feel you're forgotten about. Again thank you all for your kind work and for all that you do for everyone that is locked-up." Nancy

"I'll keep everyone at Companions, Inc in my heart and in my prayers. You shine a little light of hope on a dark-dark-world I and all those you do reach out to must endure. May you understand what a blessing you are to those who have none or nothing. But we never really walk alone for our Father God is always with us. Sincerely, John"



Knox, you made a difference! Look for Mothers' Day Card collection in the spring.



A Big Thank You From the Knox Staff!

Thank you so much for all of your care and support during the year and for the wonderful abundance of scrumptious treats at Christmas time!



2011 KNOX CHRISTMAS CARD FUND

Thanks to the following persons who contributed to the Knox Christmas Card Fund in lieu of sending cards to Knox members:

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Thank You for Supporting PW Handmade Card Fundraiser

The Presbyterian Women of Knox wish to thank all of you who supported our fundraising efforts recently selling our handcrafted greeting cards. Because of you we were able to raise over \$550 dollars. This money will go to the missions our group supports which are those that help women and children in need. Your support and generosity will be a blessing to many in need. Thank you again.



Ministry to Seniors

Hall of Famers: A Year in Kenya Thursday, January 10, 2013

We begin another year of gatherings with none other than our own Associate Pastor for Youth and Young Adult, Rev. Robert Thomas Quiring. Robert is well traveled for his young years and has also been involved in leading many mission trips out of the country. But one of the most formative things he has experienced himself is serving as a missionary in Kenya for a year before coming to Knox. He will share his insights and photos with us as he helps us understand how cultures share the same faith and needs but also differ in so many ways. We have a lot to learn from one another.

Don't miss this luncheon and interesting program. Lunch will be simple fair fit for a winters day: soup, sandwich and salad with a cost of \$5.00 per person.

Lunch begins at noon. Worship and communion will meet in the Chapel at 11:30. Notice that we will meet the second Thursday in January rather than the first January. RSVP to Anne Mair at 630-983-5166. Thanks for all the fun in December!

We had a lovely time in December with our homegrown Christmas. Thank you to Rev. Cindy's Thursday morning Bible Study gals and to Anne Mair, Bonnie Olson, Amy Bratsos and Margaret Thomas for making sure we were well fed and well decorated. Thanks to JoAnn Sault for accompanying our singing and Clinton for leading AND for that wonderful clarinet trio of Dick Wheeler, Marty Rench and Kiera Timko.

Support Group for Adult Caregivers



Knox is beginning a group where caregivers can come together in an atmosphere of support, prayer and love. Come visit with us to share experiences, give advice, support others, and to learn from others' experience. We will be meeting on the 2nd Sunday of each month, the next meeting will be January 13 at 10:30 in the Parlor. Please contact

Doug Varney at epseedoug@yahoo.com.

Care Ministries

Nursing Home/Home Bound:

Pick up a weekly prayer concerns card in the Commons for a list of our members who are in nursing homes & home bound.

Illness/Health Concerns:

Millie Blumenfield (Beth Burner's mother)
Sharon Bergland
Nancy Drepeau (Alice Birzetis' niece)
Flo Foltz (Jeff Foltz' mother)
Beverly Fordham (Patti's DeNichols mother)
Bev Frier
Jo Anne Gaspar (Suzanne Harris' sister)
Leona Haworth
Gary Hargis
Daniel Helf
Joan Hilton (Bill Hilton's sister)
Isabella Holden (Tiller's)
Norah Johnson
Paul Jones (Alden Village, Bloomingdale)
Karen Kerns (friend of Todd Goll)
Tammy Kiewit (Alice Birzetis' niece)
Chris Koeppen
Rev. David Means (Mary Ellen Neumeister's brother)
Sharon Mulqueen (Ed Wiles' sister)
Maura Rego (Pat Real's daughter)
Lillian Robinson (Alden)
Faith Robinson (friend of Greg Scott)
Helene Schaefer
Graham Shepard
Helen Souta
Justin Souta (Helen's grandson)
Andrew Tihlarik
Cheri Tompkins
Betty Truitt (Linda Gerner's mother)

Jenna Via (Joyce McClure's sister, in Arizona)
Connie & Vaju Vyas (Sunita Lindberg's mother & father)
Erich Wachendorf

Grieving:

Laura Mundi on the death of her father Charles Camel
Ian Rowell on the death of his mother
Carol Boals on the death of her cousin's wife Anne Fredine
The Burkelman Family on the death of Bruce's father Charlie

Celebrating:

Jonathan & Amy Mings on the birth of their son Graeme Edward on November 13.
Sven & Jennifer Norgaard on the birth of their son Olin Andersen on November 27.
Proud grandparents are Lorne & Sue Pollard.

Military:

Jonathan Ballew
Nico De Coning
Andrew Whitmer
Morgan Plummer
Calvin Warren
Scott Zwiers
All military personnel & their families.

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