



News From The Rock

August 2010

Solid Rock United Methodist Church • Warren, Indiana

Cornhole Tournament

A "Battle of the Churches Cornhole Tournament" will be held starting at noon on August 15 at Tower Park. Come represent your church and have a chance to hold the Cornhole trophy for the year, along with bragging rights. Invite your friends and family to cheer you on. There will be concessions and a DJ. Contact Randy Richardson if you would like to enter a team.

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UMYF

We went to Paige's Crossing for putt-putt golf and games on Sunday, July 17.

We've have several kids attend church camp during June and July.

We will be going to a Tin Caps game on August 7. This is the kick-off for the year for UMYF. Please let Marie know by August 1 if you plan to go (375-2060).

We have a regular meeting on August 15, from 4:00 to 5:30. The mentors are invited to this meeting.

Young Adults

Young adults will meet at Cindy Boxell's house on Sunday, August 8, after church. Please bring lawn chairs if you have them. Lunch will be provided.

Thank You!

S.O.S. would like to thank everyone who helped at the food booth during the festival. We have an awesome church family.

S.O.S.

S.O.S. met at the house of Vicki Sieberns on July 8, with 12 members present. Vice President, Linda Mc-Howell, opened the meeting. Joys and concerns were spoken.

Vicki gave a lesson on Freedom. Lana read cards that were received and a list of cards that were sent.

A report was given on the food booth. We will decide next meeting, after the final figures are in, the amount of donations we will give. Cindy asked to have some Sam-burgers donated for the Young Adults lunch.

It was asked if anyone had any suggestions for an S.O.S. retreat. A love offering was taken and is to go to Liz Bolinger for missions.

The benediction was sung and refreshments were served.

Recent special music

Recent specials were provided by Randy Hensley singing "Morning Has Broken," and LeAnn Shultz and friends, Lana Myers, Tamara Spahr, and Cheryl DeWeese, singing "Alleluia" and "Come Just As You Are."

New address

Ron and Myrna Neff's new address is 198 Dogwood Dr., Warren, IN 46792.

June Offerings

General Offerings.....\$12,567
Building Fund Contributions.....\$12,625

Bucket list, continued

Journal Entry: June 25, 2010

Objective: to see how many states I can traverse to visit the highest and lowest elevations and the geographic midpoints of each. First on the list is Indiana, where the highest elevation is Hoosier Hill. Left Warren at 9:00 a.m. and drove toward Muncie where another hour of driving put me in the vicinity. Eventually I realized I had crossed the state line and was in Ohio. Began to backtrack. More important at this point was the need to find a public restroom. Forty minutes, no restroom and no sign of Hoosier Hill. Finally found a fuel stop. Inside, the hallway to the restroom made a right angle and there you were. It wasn't really a room, just an open space with no door, three dirty stalls, two of which had no locks. No choice.

Afterward, approaching the clerk and another woman out at the counter, I explained my quest. They jointly tried to explain how to get there but could not agree on the best way. When an elderly man came in, he directed me to follow him outside so he could point the way. "Turn right at the dead-end, then left and there is a

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gravel road going into the woods. You have to leave your car and walk in, but there is an altar and a book for you to sign."

Back to the car, back on the road and back into Ohio. More backtracking. In a really small town, stopped at a gas station where I was directed to the Court House since no one at the station had heard of Hoosier Hill. In the Court House talked with a clerk, who called a mechanic from the garage next door. Back on the road, back into Ohio. More backtracking, which brought me back to the earlier fuel stop.

Saw a man with no shirt riding his John Deere mower: "The kids always steal the signs. Go to the second road, or maybe it's the third, turn left. Go 'til you come to the 'S' curve. If you go through the curve, you've gone too far. Turn left and it's about a mile down the road." Still no signs and I couldn't find the curve. Stopped by a cornfield where two men were working on a tractor. "Go back the way you came, turn left at the highway and keep going until you see a sign, 'Indiana's Highest Eleva-

tion.'" Found the sign, turned left as directed and found a gravel driveway approximately 100 feet long which ended at the woods. Parked and took a very narrow muddy path into a dense woods. There was a circular clearing about 30 feet in diameter. No altar, no book to sign, but there were two rotting wooden benches and a fire pit. The trees were so thick I didn't think there was enough light to get a good picture, but took some anyway. Left ASAP. Next stop, Logan County, which is purported to be the geographic center of the state and then to Posey County for the lowest point in Indiana. Second destination state, Illinois, to begin the search again. (Will save the rest of this three-day jaunt for another newsletter.)

Traveled all of the back roads in Randolph County multiple times, stood on Hoosier Hill but don't have a T-shirt to show for it. At this rate, my plan is likely to take the greater share of the next 40-50 years.

Barbara Kleinhans

Lord God of earth and heaven,

you know better than we that plenty can be as great a spiritual burden as poverty.

Forgive us ...

who have so many

blessings, for

taking them

so much for

granted ... For

thinking that they

are ours to do with as we please

... For squandering so many of them in such irresponsible and irretrievable ways.



Remind us that your Word is more precious by far than the things we treasure ... more powerful by far than the people and policies we trust ... more promising by far than the schemes we try for gaining the world while giving up our souls.

- William Russell



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