



GUNNISONVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Our steeple was struck by lightning on Sunday evening May 29. The picture was taken by David Hundt

OTHER STEEPLES

The Ulm Minster Cathedral in Germany has three steeples. The west one is the world's tallest steeple measuring 161 meters tall, 528 feet and has 768 steps to arrive at the top. The final stairway to the top known as the Third Gallery is a tall spirally staircase that has barely enough room for one person.

During World War II in an air raid on Ulm, Germany, everything was destroyed around the cathedral, but the cathedral hardly received a scratch. The steeples have been hit with lightning six times.

This information is from the internet.

NEW DIRECTORY

2011 Gunnisonville United Methodist Church Directory-

It's time for a new church directory and we have scheduled dates for this fall.

September 8, 9 and 10 have been reserved for photo sessions at Gunnisonville; afternoon and evening appointments will be available. We will also have the opportunity to schedule appointments at the Bath church as they will be doing a directory this fall as well. This will work out nicely in case our dates aren't convenient for everyone. More information will be coming in the next couple of months, but keep those dates in mind....we don't want to miss anyone! For more information, see Kathy Hundt.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

04 Dorothy Harris
07 Beth Williams
09 Johnie Johnson
11 Edith Fulkerson
13 Bonnetta Placer
13 Lyle Sample
14 Julie Proux
14 Jerry Taylor
19 Dustin Cable
19 Phyllis Murray
23 Ross Hill
23 Phyllis Rhynard

JULY ANNIVERSARIES

07 Jim & Barb Wicker
09 Marv & Phyllis Rhynard
14 Elwin & Edith Fulkerson
18 Chris & Charlene Bisel
24 Al & Helen Holcomb
26 Jeff & Dawn Kelly

JULY HOSTESSES

03 Ande Glasmacher
10 Dorene Allen
17 Billie Gladstone
24 Florence Hartman
31 Julie Reed

NEW EMAIL CHANGE

Beri Wolford has a new email address:

berewolford@yahoo.com

Scheduling Events for the Church: Contact Florence Hartman at 517.333.3616

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:

Sunday, August 21, 2011

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

01 Eloise Mahoney
02 Diana Sebolt
05 Bill Barker
06 Virginia Zeeb
08 Michael Hundt
09 Jane Casler
11 Ross Wilkinson
15 Beri Wolford
21 Gary Baker
21 Nicholas Reed
28 Katey Kelly
29 Aileen Elkins
30 Randy Kinsey

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

06 Leo & Kay Jolley
09 Jerry & Sandy Taylor
14 Jeff & Shannon Proctor
22 Allen & Elaine Cable
28 Lyle & Lorraine Sample

AUGUST HOSTESSES

07 Dawn Kelly
14 Linda Parkinson
21 Billy, Katie, Matthew
28 Phyllis Rhynard

WEDNESDAY, JULY 13, 2011

The July meeting of the Service Club will be on Wednesday, July 13 at 12:00 noon in the Fellowship Hall. Our speaker will be Pam Hahn who will talk to us about her work at the hospital with ladies who have cancer and who have to wear wigs. Bring your own sandwich. Everyone is welcome.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10, 2011

I would like to invite the members of the Service Club and any others that would be interested to visit Ivan Reed's mini museum located outside of Baldwin, MI. We will meet at the church and carpool.

We will stop at the Ponderosa Restaurant (buffet \$8.00) in Clare, MI and then proceed on to the Carr Settlement area. The drive is about 150 miles which takes (including stopping for lunch) about 3 hours. If you have any questions please call **Alta Reed at 993.5020** or **Lora Mae 484.8087**. If interested, please sign the list on the table in the Fellowship Hall. **Alta Reed.**

FAMILY FUN DAY SUNDAY, JULY 17

Morning services will be at 9:15 am outside under a tent. Our potluck dinner will be at 12:30 pm. There will be hamburgers, hot dogs and brats on the grill so just bring a dish to pass. Everything else will be furnished. At 2:00pm there will be ice cream provided by the Sunday School. Please come and join us for a great fun filled day. There will be games to play along with lots of conversation. Any questions: call **Nancy Drolett 668.9035**

3RD ANNUAL GOLF OUTING SUNDAY, AUGUST 28

Due to some conflicts in July, our 4th annual Golf Outing will be held on August 28. We will tee off at 2 pm at Twin Oaks Golf Course, (5 miles north of St. Johns). It will be a 4 person scramble. This outing is for anyone who would like to play. After golf we will be meeting at Wheel Inn Restaurant in St. Johns for dinner and prizes. If you would like to join us for dinner only, that is fine. There will be a sign up sheet downstairs. If you have not played with us before, it's a lot of fun. If you want to bring friend or a relative to play, that is fine too. Any questions call: **Nancy Drolett 668.9035**

TRINKETS AND TREASURES AUGUST 19, 2011 8:30 TO 3:00

The annual Trinkets and Treasures sale will be held August 19, 2011. This is a reminder to keep your boxes out where you can see them and drop in those "goodies" that are no longer useful to you, but are wanted by others. We also need baked goods. And for all of us who don't bake anymore, it is a delight to see all the good things only you with that special recipe can provide. And don't forget, we need your help. Please volunteer a bit of your time to making this year's Trinkets and Treasures a success. **Billie Gladstone**

NEW TO ALL HOSTESSES

Beginning September 4 all hostesses for coffee hour will need to arrive a little early to make the coffee. In the past, Florence has always seen to this project, but with some time restraints, she is relinquishing that duty. See Florence if you have any questions about how to make the coffee.

**ON THE APPLACHIAN TRAIL
EXCERPT FROM MARK'S SUNDAY JUNE 12, 2011 JOURNAL**



Destination: Walnut Mountain Shelter
Starting Location: Standing Bear Hostel
Today's miles: 20.30
Trip miles: 455.50

Today was a challenging day. I started out at 7:40 and immediately hit a 4 mile, 2,500 ft. climb up Snowbird Mountain. That was followed by 1,200 ft. descent to Deep Gap followed by another climb of 1,600 ft. over 6.5 miles. According to my guide book the climb for northbound hikers in the section between Davenport Gap and Max Patch Rd. totals 5,100 ft. I started part way up, but the summit of Max Patch is also a bit higher than the road. So 5,100 ft. is likely what I climbed over this stretch.

I was hoping for a grand view of the Smokies from Max Patch, but when I arrived a thunderstorm was passing through the park. It looked like I would miss the rain being dumped on the Smokies, but another cell poured rain on me for 45 minutes and stopped just before I reached Roaring Fork Shelter. There was a young couple at the shelter waiting out the storm, but left as I arrived. I was planning on staying there until I saw a sign indicating that there was bear activity in the area and warning people to hang their food immediately or risk losing it.

I checked my map and saw that the next shelter was only 4 miles down the trail. So I decided to hike on. Most of that leg of the journey was fairly level, but it concluded with a 700 ft. climb up Walnut Mt. So all in total I climbed approximately 5,800 ft. today. To put in perspective, northbound hikers climb a total of 6,800 ft. in Smoky Mountain National Park. I did 5,800ft. or 1.1 mile in one day!

I arrived at Walnut Mountain Shelter at 5:30. Shortly after another rain storm blew through, my two young friends hustled into the shelter. After the rain, we set up tents, cooked and ate dinner and then turned in for the night.

Mark.

A Day at Comerica Park **by Billy Baker**

On Thursday, May 5th, I was invited, along with some of my colleagues, to Comerica Park for a very special occasion. The Detroit Tigers organization was celebrating PAWS' 16th birthday. We received an invitation telling of a sure to be fun afternoon of celebration and excitement. Along with our invitation, we received a list of fellow mascot brethren that would be making trips from all over the state and Midwest to attend the festivities. The list kept going and going as we read through the names. Seeing that there would be 15 other mascots in attendance to goof around with and get to know, how could we pass up this opportunity?

The morning of the 5th, we packed up all our necessary belongings from our stadium and began our venture down to Detroit. After what seemed like forever due to the excitement, we arrived at Comerica Park in downtown Detroit. We parked in our designated area and proceeded into the stadium with all of our equipment. We were put through security where the officials checked all of our bags to make sure we weren't smuggling in any items that could be considered dangerous and require security action. After passing through security, we hopped on the elevator and headed to the basement to meet up with all the other mascots that were in attendance. As we headed into a conference room where they had all of us change and take breaks, we noticed the room was full to the brim with mascots, equipment bags, and their handlers. Once all the mascots that were supposed to be present were there, the staff took all of us on a tour of the stadium to show us where we would be hanging out and where we would need to go during certain parts of the game. As we were walking around for our tour, I happened to look up as I walked very closely past a very nicely dressed man in a fancy suit, to realize that the nice dressed man was none other than Alex Rodriguez, the starting third baseman for the New York Yankees. As chills ran through me, I was very excited, as we continued on our tour. After being shown where everything was, we all headed back to our room to suit up and get ready for the events to take place. Once we were all dressed, we headed out in front of the stadium to stand on the huge float that was parked out front to show that it was PAWS' birthday. After a ton of pictures were taken and a solid 30 minutes of nonstop dancing and goofing around, we all headed to the basement to get in place for our pregame introductions. As game-time grew closer, we lined up in our specified order that would be announced over the P.A for our intros. One by one each of the mascots were introduced and ran out onto the field to line up for the singing and wishing PAWS happy birthday. All the mascots helped lead the crowd in singing happy birthday and then watch in amazement and total jealousy as PAWS' father rode out from the outfield gate in a brand new black 2012 Camaro SS convertible. After gazing in awe and

cheering for PAWS as he rode away in the convertible, all the mascots were lead off the field in the outfield so that we all had a chance to high-five some fans on our way out. After a short break for some much needed water and snackage in the form of fruit, trail mix, and light sandwiches, we all were free to roam around the stadium to meet and greet the fans that were in attendance for the game. After a few innings of goofing off and having a great time with fans, we all headed back to the basement to get undressed, pack up our belongings and get ready to head back to our home cities, and stadiums. As we left we were given some awesome parting gifts from PAWS and from the Tigers Organization in the form of a t-shirt, a poster, an official game ticket, and a coffee mug. We grabbed our belongings and headed to our vehicle to begin the trip back to Lansing. As we drove back, I had the chance to reminisce on the amazing events that had taken place that day. It was truly the best appearance that I have ever been to and Thursday, May 5th 2011 will always be a day that I will remember as one of the most exciting and fun filled days that I have ever had the pleasure of experiencing.



ELWIN AND EDITH FULKERSON

Interviewed by **ALTA REED**

When Norma Jean met the Fulkerson's, she recognized the name as being in her family tree. She was pleased to discover her grandmother's name was Margaret Fulkerson.

Edith grew up in the DeWitt area and met Elwin when he was visiting the home where her best girl friend was babying sitting. They were married by Reverend Buck in the Methodist Church on Grand River in North Lansing in 1943.

Edith and Elwin had one son, Elwin who in time gave them two grandsons, Elwin III and Jeffrey. Now they enjoy three grandchildren, Sterling, Brianna and Jakery.

Elwin was in the service in the 530 Medical Corp and served as a cook. He retired after thirty six years as a foreman for the City of Lansing. Edith was with the telephone company for thirty six years. They moved to Cadgewith twenty six years ago. When they left their New York avenue home in Lansing, their neighbor dog mourned their leaving and enjoyed having them come back to visit.

They traveled to Hawaii and Las Vegas on their twenty fifth anniversary, the Inside Passage to Alaska on their thirty fifth, and a cruise to San Juan, Puerto Rico. Their fiftieth anniversary was enjoyed at Cadgewith. In the eighties they spent two months in Germany. They visited the mountains outside of Shingledorf. The country side was beautiful, Edith said. They have also enjoyed a cabin at Indian Head Lake close to Lake Montcalm. Both of them are avid fisherman. Another activity they enjoyed was square dancing which takes a lot of energy.

They like the friendliness of Gunnisonville Church something they didn't find in some of the churches they attended. We are glad they are here.

A man who could make one rose... would be accounted most wonderful; yet God scatters countless such flowers around us! His gifts are so infinite that we do not see them.

Martin Luther

Find the Celery Words

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Celery
 Crunchy
 Vitamins
 Stalk
 Seeds
 Leaves
 Vegetable
 Green
 Pascal
 Kalamazoo
 Healthy
 Soup
 Yummy
 Snack
 Potassium

Puzzle and information from United Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Association Alexandria, Virginia.

Try one of God's vegetables in a whole new way.

- Stuff celery with peanut butter, soft cheese or cottage cheese
- Chop sautéed celery into scrambled eggs for wake-up texture in this breakfast favorite.
- Add diced celery to taco fillings, tossed salads and slaws for more fresh taste and texture.

CELERY STIR-FRY

- ¼ cup salad oil
- 3 ribs celery, cut in julienne strips
- 1 green pepper cut in strips
- 1 red pepper cut in strips
- ¼ cup sliced scallions
- 1 Tbs. soy sauce
- 1 tbs. sherry
- ½ tsp. cornstarch
- ¼ tsp. salt

In a large skillet, heat oil over high heat. Add celery, peppers and scallions; cook, stirring constantly for 3 to 5 minutes until crisp and tender. Mix soy sauce, sherry, cornstarch, and salt. Stir into vegetables in skillet and cook 1 minute longer, continuing to stir. Makes 4 to 6 servings.