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Church Office Hours:

*Monday: No office hours.
Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
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Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.*

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<i>Bill White</i>	<i>November 1</i>
<i>Katherine Beck</i>	<i>November 4</i>
<i>Daniel Onelangsy</i>	<i>November 4</i>
<i>Braden Miller</i>	<i>November 6</i>
<i>Luisa Miller</i>	<i>November 6</i>
<i>Jeff Krug</i>	<i>November 8</i>
<i>Robert Saline</i>	<i>November 10</i>
<i>Lee Roland</i>	<i>November 13</i>
<i>Dottie Seitz</i>	<i>November 13</i>
<i>Brandon Whitesel</i>	<i>November 16</i>
<i>Julie Zook</i>	<i>November 17</i>
<i>Jill Risser</i>	<i>November 19</i>
<i>Matthew Fasick</i>	<i>November 20</i>
<i>Jeremy Stoltzfus</i>	<i>November 22</i>
<i>Roger Myers</i>	<i>November 24</i>
<i>Richard Mininger</i>	<i>November 24</i>
<i>Roseann Sachs</i>	<i>November 25</i>
<i>Marc Hershey</i>	<i>November 27</i>
<i>Janaya Sachs</i>	<i>November 29</i>
<i>William Hart</i>	<i>November 30</i>

Happy Birthday



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Lynn & Dawn Sherzter
November 3

Dan & Jacquie Hower
November 7

Wayne & Debbie Bechtold
November 9

Tom & Beth Barnes
November 25





Paul & Janet Zimmerman
November 29



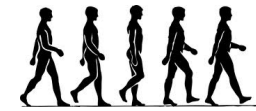
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Monthly Schedule Of Events

- November 2 Wednesday Night Out 5:45p.m.
- November 3 C.E. Meeting 7:00p.m.
- November 4 Ladies Fellowship 9:30 a.m.
- November 5 Turn Your Clocks Back One Hour! 
- November 6 Young Adult Get Together noon
- November 9 Wednesday Night Out 5:45p.m.
- November 10 Trustee Meeting 7:00p.m.
- November 15 MCC Project Night 7:00p.m. 
- November 16 Wednesday Night Out 5:45p.m.
- November 18 Ladies Fellowship 9:30 a.m. 
- November 20 Young Adult Get Together noon
- November 24  HAPPY THANKSGIVING!
- November 30 Wednesday Night Out 5:45p.m.

CROP Walk Update



It was a beautiful Sunday afternoon on Oct. 16 for the annual CROP Walk, in which 11 Slate Hillers took part in order to raise money to fight hunger.

Five young men from our church were especially excited about the event, which began at the Mechanicsburg Presbyterian Church. "I liked it because it pushed me to the limit," said Sam Zercher, 10, who walked the maximum distance of 10 miles with his mom, Valerie. His friend, Matt Fasick, was there and said, "I liked being able to socialize with my friends as I walked."

Sam said, "I liked walking and talking with the Fasick's and another friend from school."

Matt's brother, Ben, and their mom, Joy, also walked to fight hunger. Ben said afterward, "I liked walking 10 miles, but I didn't want to go to school the next day because my feet hurt, but my mom made me go."

All the boys did great jobs in getting sponsors for the walk and collecting donations. All together, Slate Hillers raised almost \$1,000 to feed hungry people.

Sam's younger brother, Henry, said the long walk "was tiring, but I liked going through the big piles of leaves" along the curbs. Brother Isaiah added, "I liked when we got our feet wet," referring to one spot along the route along Mechanicsburg streets where walkers had to trudge through a big puddle.

Other walkers included Ulli and Theda Klemm (Ulli showed off by jogging seven of the 10 miles), and Beth and Tom Barnes. Tom showed his age and pooped out after two miles, but Theda and Beth went the intermediate distance of four miles.

This year's walk was a milestone -- the 40th year the event had been held. State Sen. Pat Vance was on hand to read a proclamation honoring the walk which had been approved by the Senate and the Mechanicsburg High School cheerleaders did cheers to send the participants off.

"Thanks to all from Slate Hill who participated and supported the 2011 CROP Walk," said event coordinator Kathy Wells. "The boys did really well, and were delighted to find there was still cake available for them afterward. And they were thrilled with how much money they had raised. Way to go!"



Prayer and Praise



Health Concerns

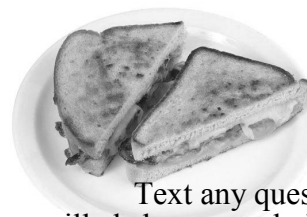
- Bill Crouse is recovering from bypass surgery.
- Lisa Tothoro's sister, Vanessa was recently diagnosed with breast cancer and is recovering from surgery.
- Jessica, daughter of a friend of Sharon Doll's is recovering from breast cancer surgery.
- Teresa Makesel's surgery was successful. Pray for pain relief as she recovers.
- The Makesel's have a family member who is going through internal family issues of a serious nature.
- Kelly Kahler (friend of the Krug's) who is receiving chemotherapy treatments.
- Blake, friend of Dan and Jacquie Hower, is battling additional tumors. Pray for guidance as they decide whether chemo or radiation is the next step.
- Lois Rohr for health concerns.
- Praise that Philip Bounma, the preemie son of Khaek & Boualay is home from the hospital. He is on oxygen. Please pray as Khaek and Boualay adjust to this situation.
- Joyce Eby as she goes through chemotherapy.

Grief

- Jerry Bush (friend of Darlene Harbold) whose father passed away.
- Lisa and Darrell Mast, daughter and son-in-law of Paul and Janet Zimmerman, in the loss of their baby girl, Amanda Michelle.
- Kara Miller and family in the loss of her mother Sarah Hass.
- Jeremy and Stacy Stoltzfus and family in the tragic loss of Jeremy's father, Richard.

Outreach & Missions

- Slate Hill's monthly ministry with the Cumberland Vista Group home in Dillsburg.
- Pray for our spirits to be receptive to God's leading us to be missional.
- Pray for the work of the Partnership for Missional Congregations as they help us discern how God wants us to reach out to our community.



Grilled Cheese? Text, Please”

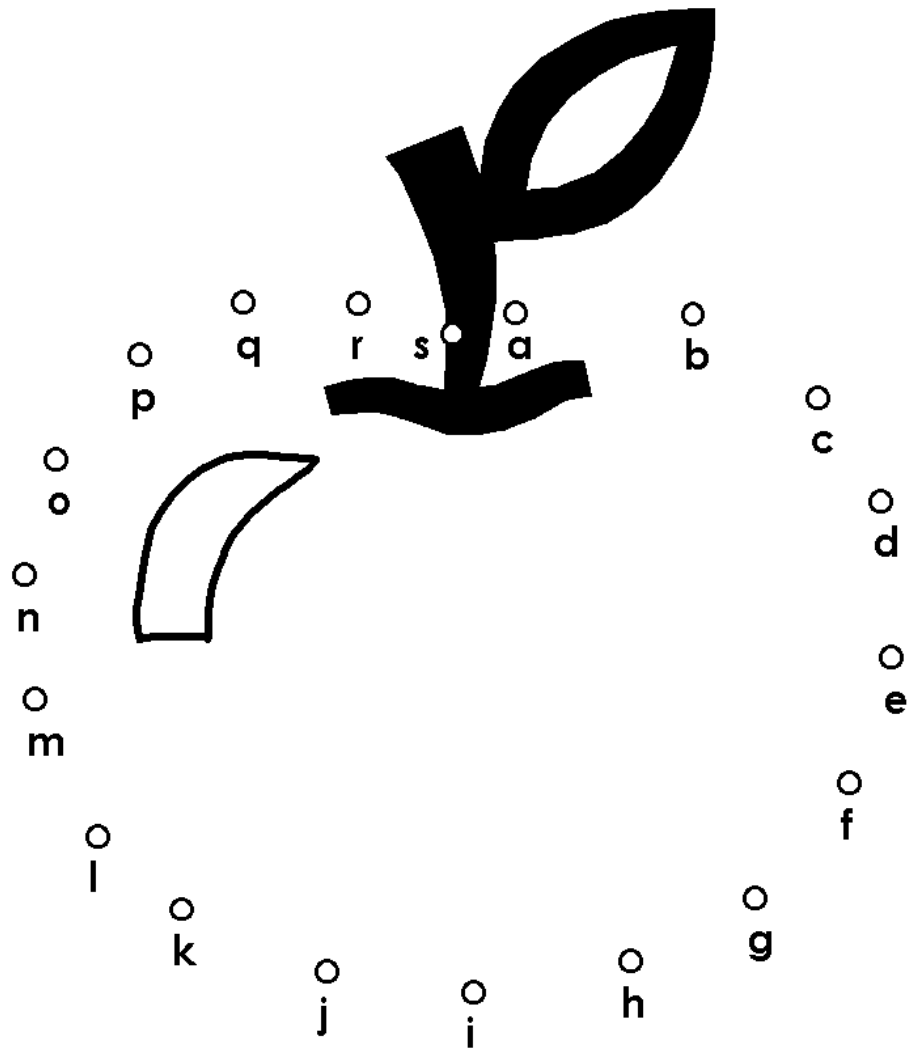
Text any question about Christianity and get an answer and a grilled cheese sandwich. That was the idea at a recent Dickinson InterVarsity Christian Fellowship (IVCF) event called “Grilled Cheese? Text, Please.” Kara Miller of Slate Hill, campus staff member for IVCF at Dickinson College, says that the October 4 event, designed to engage students around their questions about Christian faith, exceeded the group’s expectations. Fifty-five Dickinson students texted questions about Christianity throughout the evening, and then students from the InterVarsity group would show up at their dorm rooms with a toasted cheese sandwich and an answer. Questions texted to the Dickinson IVCF group included: When was the Bible compiled? What are the essential principles or beliefs of Christianity? What exactly is a Latter Day Saint? Is the idea of God inherent in humans or is it a construction of human thought? Can you explain the Father/Son/Holy Spirit concept? Why do we depict Jesus as being white when he was born in Palestine?

Modeled after a similar event in Great Britain, which a student on a study abroad program observed, the text-and-grilled-cheese evening enabled members of the Dickinson IVCF group to start conversations with students who were truly interested in exploring issues around Christianity—and those just hungry for a sandwich. “And that was fine, too,” Kara says with a laugh; the event still enabled Dickinson’s IVCF students to start conversations about faith. “Other students would often see the toasted cheese sandwiches being delivered and ask, ‘How can I get one of those?’” Kara recounts. The IVCF students would tell such inquirers, “Just text a question about Christianity to this number.” Students would sometimes then seem stumped and say, “Well, what should I ask?” And the IVCF members would often reply, “What do you wonder about?” Kara says that this question—“What do you wonder about?”—provided a nice model of invitation to faith for those who unfamiliar with or suspicious of Christianity.

The Dickinson IVCF chapter also held their annual “Skeptics Night” on October 6. Every year IVCF invites a resource person to come and share about a topic related to faith or Christianity and advertises the evening as a time to bring questions about Christianity. Dakota Pippins, the regional director for the mid-Atlantic region of IVCF, spoke to attendees this year. A graduate of Harvard University who became a Christian during his time at Harvard, Pippins gave about his journey to faith and answered questions from the audience. Two of the non-Christian students stayed and spoke with the speaker for an hour following the event.

Slate Hill supports Kara Miller’s work through prayer, homemade cookies for new student outreach, and funding through the Evangelism, Peace, and Service Commission. Several individuals from Slate Hill also give to Kara’s work in addition to the church’s funding.

Fall Harvest



Please consider helping us make the Hilltop News a great source for information and entertainment. You are encouraged to submit articles. Deadline for the December, 2011, Hilltop News is Tuesday, November 22, 2011 at 8:00 a.m.

Lookin' For A Book?

If you are looking for a very interesting, intriguing fiction book with Christian values and historical facts, you should check out *The Eleventh Hour* by Michael Phillips. This is the first in his collection of *The Secret of the Rose*.

The Prologue begins in the year 1961 only to immediately switch to the summer of 1937 in Berlin, Germany, which is rapidly becoming a military power again. An American diplomat and his seventeen year old son are among the elite and the military personnel gathered for this black tie and tux occasion in Berlin, “the eye of the hurricane whence all the windy tumult originated but where none of it could yet be felt.”

Soon you are transported to the Dortmann country estate known as *Lebenshaus* where roses grow in a variety of colors and fragrances. Thus begins a friendship between the American father Thaddeus McCallum, his son Matthew and Baron Heinrich Dortmann, his wife Marion and teenage daughter Sabina. *Lebenshaus* becomes a safe haven for people such as Herr Bonhoeffer, but a relentless obsession for childhood friend and neighbor, Gustav Schmudt, who has personal reasons for wanting Sabina as his wife.

These different families with their Christian, Jewish, and Gestapo beliefs create a story of love, hate, outreach to others, selfish personal greed, networks of escape for Christian as well as Jewish people. Stranger helping stranger in a selfless way. The Baron said, “...I do not believe in chance encounters. Everything has a purpose. There are no accidents.”

Near the end of this book in the year 1944, The Baron tells his daughter Sabina, “You know that for those who love, the petals have fragrance. Such is the pleasant portion of the lesson of the roses. It is not so easy to see that sometimes the fragrance of love must come from the thorns. Our Master’s crown was not made from fragrant blossoms....”

You will not want to put this book down.
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