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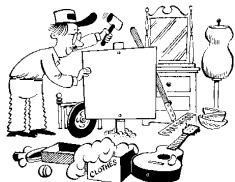
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## SPRING GARAGE SALE



It's that time of year again. Clean out your attics and garages and bring your clean, reusable items to the church starting at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, April 21, but not later than noon on Wednesday, April 22. Small appliances, good used furniture, good clean toys and other baby items, bedding, clothing and what-nots go very well.

MEMBERS' SALE WILL BE WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

PUBLIC SALE WILL BE THURSDAY, APRIL 23 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., with BAG SALE at 2 p.m.

Help is always needed for setting up, sorting, selling and cleaning up. Any time you can contribute will be appreciated, whether it's an hour or all day, or all three days!

All proceeds go to our MISSIONS PROGRAMS.

Thanks,

Nancy Wright, Daneen White,  
Sue Rutherford & Karen Sabiers



The Methodist Men's Breakfast will be Saturday, April 4, 2009 at 8 a.m. Pastor Denise will present the program. All Methodist men are invited.

## HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

### PALM SUNDAY

April 5

8:30 a.m. Contemporary Service

10:30 a.m. Traditional Service

Kids' Sunday/Confirmation

"Hosanna Praise with Palm Leaves"

### KID'S EASTER PARTY

April 8

Kids 12 and under will hunt for eggs, have crafts and play various games.

6-7:30 p.m.

### MAUNDY THURSDAY

April 9

Service of Holy Penitents

7:00 p.m.

### GOOD FRIDAY

April 10

Fish Dinner

4:30-7:30 p.m.

### EASTER SUNDAY

April 12

8:00 a.m.-Continental Breakfast

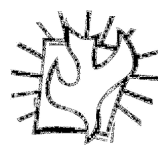
Fellowship Time

8:30 a.m.-Contemporary Service

9:30 a.m. Sunday School Classes

10:30 a.m.-Traditional Worship

10:45 a.m.-Junior Church



Confirmation is Sunday, April 5, 2009 at the 8:30 a.m. service. Joining our faith family will be Abigail Hasselbach, Briannah Jenkins, Robert Root and Kaylee Sherer.

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**SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:**

- *Spring Garage Sale is April 22 and 23.*
- *United Methodist Men's Breakfast is April 4*
- *Kid's Easter Party is April 8*
- *Hayes Memorial UMC Fish Fry is April 10*
- *We're looking for names of 2009 graduates*
- *Ushers are needed*
- *A Relay for Life Team is being formed*
- *Men are taking orders for Easter flowers*

**FROM PASTOR DENISE.....**

**Jesus Asks Us This Question: Do You Love Me?**

*We are the essence of our risk to explore, by stretching out our faith in the act of love.*

I came across my statement as I began reviewing what books to keep in my library. When I wrote the statement above, I was struggling with completing Seminary, working part-time as Assistant Pastor in the Baptist church and working full-time at a high school as their Drug Free Schools Coordinator.

Today, I was struggling with what to share with you in this article. Life challenges us daily to give birth to a new self, new possibilities and new beginnings as we leave behind the things that compromise our wholeness. All of these challenges present us with taking RISK to yield our will to God. In essence, there is a part of us, "the will" that assists God in his dealing with us. Our will determines how much of God's blessings given to us can be identified as actually coming from GOD.

One of our highest priorities in healing our brokenness is centered in where we place

Christ in our lives. We need intimacy, that inner experience with God through Christ Jesus. As Robert Flatt once said, "The resurrection gives my life meaning and direction and opportunity to start over no matter what my circumstance."

So let us together risk to explore the meaning of Christ in our lives as we are resurrected daily to many acts of love, faith and hope.

*"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life."*

*John 3:16*



Hayes Memorial Church will be hosting a Fish Fry on Good Friday, April 10, 2009 from 4:30-7:30 p.m.

The Arthur Treacher's All-You-Can-Eat Fish Dinner includes fish, chips, hushpuppies, coleslaw, dessert and drink for \$8.00 adult, \$4.00 child and \$6.00 carryout. A Shrimp Dinner and a Chicken Dinner will also be available for \$6.00 each. A Silent Auction will also take place. See Kelley or Denny Hasselbach, 665-2625, or Troy or Barb Wildermuth, 334-7447, if you have questions or can help in any way.

**Preparing for Worship April, 2009**

**April 5 - "The Example of Christ"**

Philippians 2:5-11

From riches to rags, not rags to riches.

**April 12 - "Eyewitness News"**

Acts 10:34-43

Eyewitnesses account of Christ's resurrection.

**April 19 - "An Experience to Share"**

I John 1:1-2:2

Sharing our faith and our experiences.

**April 26 - "God Made Convertibles"**

Acts 3:12-20

Let the wind of His spirit blow on and in you.

**The Youth Were Snoozin' at the Toledo Zoo**

Because of the on-going support of the congregation, the youth of Hayes Memorial UMC were able to go on an overnight trip to the Toledo Zoo. Members of the congregation were asked to sponsor a child for \$35, and we were able to have 23 children attend, along with five chaperones.

We started the adventure on February 15 at 7 p.m. with one of the zoo keepers who told us amazing stories, and what he does at the zoo. From there we got to touch lizards, bugs, and rats and played a few games!

Then around 10 p.m., after eating pizza, the kids made all kinds of food items for the animals, called enrichment items,

**See Snoozin', pg. 5**

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

|                                     | <u>February</u><br><u>2009</u> | <u>February YTD</u><br><u>2009</u> | <u>Projected for</u><br><u>March, 2009</u>            |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Income                              | 16,501.73                      | 32,731.13                          | 11,787.50   |
| Expenses                            | 18,580.29                      | 38,880.30                          | 20,295.22 Includes current month's apportionment      |
| Previous months' O/S Apportionments |                                |                                    | <u>5,599.58</u>                                       |
| NET                                 | (-2,078.56)                    | (-6,149.17)                        | <b>25,894.80</b> Estimated Expenses to pay everything |

# APRIL BIRTHDAYS

**April 2**

Madison Casdorff, 386 Sheraton Drive, Beech Island, SC 29842

**April 3**

Robert Carr, 1409 White Ave.  
Eric Draeger, 820 Morrison Rd.

**April 4**

Jordan Depew, 2298 Woodmont Dr.

**April 5**

Mandy Mueller, 3882 Co. Rd. 168  
Pamela Warren, 1200 Franklin Ave.

**April 6**

Joshua Smith, 1130 Western Ave.

**April 7**

Bryson Fox, 1051 County Road 37

**April 8**

Irene Bray, 114 Briarwood Circle  
Amy DeRodes, 1015 Buckland Ave  
Carol Dixon, 2425 Buckland Ave.

**April 9**

Duncan Moor, 328 Whittelsey St.

**April 13**

Holly Phillips, 216 County Road 73

**April 14**

Charles Eberhardt, 913 Carbon St.  
Trenda Ehemann, 1628 Arrowhead Drive

**April 15**

Charlotte Taylor, 1348 Fleetwood Drive

**April 16**

Jared Weissinger, 1924 Valley View Terrace

**April 18**

Brett Irick, 2 Brookwood Lane,  
Dearborn, MI 48120

**April 19**

Rylann Fox, 1051 County Road 37

**April 20**

Kirsten Baker, 1521 Arrowhead Dr.  
Graham Hogan, 105 Whitford Lane,  
New Bern, NC 28562

**April 21**

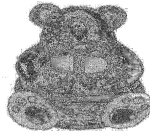
Al Gorman, 1687 Tomahawk Trace

**April 23**

Wesley Brown, 761 Barker Road

**April 24**

Evelyn Michael, 3483 Hayes Ave.  
Marty Moor, 328 Whittelsey St.  
Jane Stout, 35 Paula Court



**April 26**

Karl Boegli, 309 McDonald North,  
BGSU, Bowling Green, OH 43403  
Ron Shoemaker, 1629 Arrowhead Dr

**April 27**

Andrea Everett, 779 Barberry Spur Ave., Delaware, Ohio 43015

**April 29**

Ruth Ann Kiss, 447 Morrison St.

**April 30**

Amy O'Brien, 1090 Co. Rd. 238

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**CRADLE ROLL:** Two year's old—Rylann Fox on the 19th.

**WEDDING**

**ANNIVERSARIES**



April 6 - Michael & Laura Casdorff

April 26 - John & Peggy Zinkand



**Our Sympathy** goes out to the family of Hazel Arnold on her death March 22, 2009. Hazel joined the former Memorial UMC in December, 1980. A private graveside service was held for her on March 27, 2009, at Lindsey Cemetery.



Dear Church family,

I want to thank you all for the...

Blessings...

Prayers...

Lots of love...

and for the goodies!

As I am sure you are aware, mail for college students is rare, and packages almost non-existent.

So getting this package not only brightens our day, but reminds us of all of you. That you are thinking of us and much more. Thanks!

Hope to see all of you soon!

Blessings,

Jackson D. Stults

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I want to thank everyone for their prayers, gifts, cards and visits during my hip replacement surgery and recovery. It is great to be able to walk pain free. The doctor released me March 2 so can pretty much do what I want, with some hip restrictions.

Jeanne Warren



**ATTENTION GRADUATES!**

We are looking for names of all our 2009 graduates, both high school and college. Please let the church office know of anyone graduating this year so they can be properly acknowledged. We'll also be wanting Senior Pictures from the high school graduates for our bulletin.

## ***On Top of Heaven's Roof***

*by John C. Moor*

Signs, Signs, Everywhere a Sign...

It looked innocent enough—a piece of paper ripped from a notebook and folded in half laying on one of the study tables in the back of the college library.

But it was more than that.

It was a bomb, a booby trap, just waiting for some curious person to pick it up.

I was that person, and when I opened it, its blue inked words in neat script exploded: "I hate you. I hope you die."

Shaken by the impact, I instinctively glanced about to see if the perpetrator was still there, hiding in the stacks, spying to see what damage his note had caused.

Nothing.

Even though I was sure the note wasn't meant for me, it felt like it. The words were personal, raw and stinging. Why would anyone write such a thing, let alone leave it for someone else to find and fret over? This person didn't even know me, I tried to reassure myself. How could he hate me? Why would he waste precious hope on my death?

In 1970, The Five Man Electric Band sang: "Sign, Sign everywhere a sign/Blocking out the scenery, breaking my mind/Do this, don't do that, can't you read the sign?" In the course of a single day, thousands of signs clutter our lives, directing us, instructing us, warning us, forbidding us, threatening us and guiding us. And for the most part, they become a smear across our collective conscious, seen but often forgotten.

But every now and then one sticks out, like the note, and it not only "breaks our minds", but bends our spirits in uncomfortable and

disheartening ways. It leaves us wondering how anyone could generate enough dislike for a person or people that he would actually take the time and effort to write it down and leave it behind for the world to find.

Instead, I prefer signs of a kinder sort, like the ones left by a woman several years ago. On her morning walks, she would leave a single flower on a car. One morning she would place it carefully on the door handle; the next day she would raise one of the windshield wipers and pinch it gently against the front glass. She did this almost every morning and always on the same car. It was only later that I found out that the car belonged to another woman—her friend—who was battling cancer. So, every day when she went to get into her car to go to work, she started her day with a sign—of beauty, of life, of hope, of friendship.

In the mid-1960's, Lady Bird Johnson decided to make her cause the beautification of America. One way of doing that was by reducing the number of highway signs that pockmarked the national landscape. We should do the same in our own lives. We need to do away with the ugly signs and replace them with ones that are more pleasant to the eye and comforting to the soul.

Maybe something like this: "And the sign said everybody welcome, come in, kneel down and pray/But when they passed around the plate at the end of it all/I didn't have a penny to pay, so I got me a pen and paper and I made up my own little sign/I said thank you Lord for thinking about me, I'm alive and doing fine."

## **Snoozin', cont'd. from pg. 2**

including huge pixy sticks for the elephants, big feed bags with straw and dog bones for the wolves, paper towel tubes full of fruit for the monkeys, and fun little nests for the birds.

Then it was bedtime, and we slept in the fish aquarium! The girls had sharks swimming right above their heads as they slept! In the morning, after breakfast, we traveled to many animal exhibits. All of the enrichment items that the kids made from the night before were given to the animals while we were watching. The kids loved seeing the wolves and monkeys rip apart the things that they had made the night before. After a fun and eventful morning, we concluded the trip at 10 a.m.

The kids absolutely loved the trip and learned a ton of things about animals, reptiles, and fish! The trip was a definite success, and we thank all of you who sponsored a child and your continuing support of our youth.

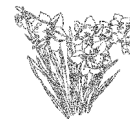
Kyle Hintze

Youth Coordinator

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## **Easter Flower Orders are Being Taken**

The United Methodist Men are selling Lilies and Daffodils for Easter. The Lilies are \$9.00 and the Daffodils are \$11.00. Orders will be taken through April 6. See Mike Geiger, phone 419-332-8680.



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**RELAY FOR LIFE TEAM IS  
BEING FORMED**

Hayes Memorial and Trinity UMC are teaming up for Relay for Life. Eleanor's Angels are looking for anyone interested in being on our team to walk or give support. Our team is in memory of Eleanor Peterson. Date is June 19 & 20.

If you are interested, please see Marie Zimmerman, 419-334-9469.



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**Web Sites:**

Church—www.hayesmemorialumc.org  
District—www.maumee watershed.org  
Conference—www.westhioiumc.org

**HISPANIC MINISTRY EVENTS  
FOR 2009**

**Taste of Home:**

Sunday, June 14, 11:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

**Fiesta:**

Sunday, July 19, 11:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

**Farm Workers' Day:**

Saturday, August 1, 2-6 p.m.  
(at Walsh Park)

Help is needed at all these events. Please contact me, at 419-334-2605 if you can volunteer.

Thank you.  
Alamar Arriaga



**USHERS** Ushers are needed for the second, fourth and fifth Sundays of the following months: May, July, August, September, October, November & December. Persons interested in serving, see or call Eve Mason, 333-9119, or Kirby Ehemann, 332-5949.

**GREETERS**

- April 5 - Jane Stout
- April 12 - Steve Root
- April 19 - Betty Burr
- April 26 - Barb Batesole

**USHERS**

**April 5** - Dennis Hasselbach, Jane Stout, Charles & Phyllis Eberhardt, Jackson Stults

**April 12** - Steve Root, Jodi Cummings, George Weissinger, Jackson Stults, Cody Bowman

**April 19** - Carl Hahn, Barb Kennedy, Betty Burr, Kathy Beck, Jodi Cummings

**April 26** - Barb Batesole, Jackson Stults, Cody Bowman, Jenny Beal, Jim Humburg

Door Opener and Greeter:  
Roger Stout