

# News-Line

*Lincoln Park Community United Methodist Church Newsletter*  
*Lincoln Park, Pennsylvania*

*June, 2004*

## You're Invited for Contemporary Worship & Annual Church Picnic

From Tracy Goldsborough

Mohnton Playground will be the site of our annual worship and picnic on **Sunday, June 6**. This is the kick-off of our new summer worship schedule (see below). A contemporary worship service will begin at 11 am at the large pavilion at Mohnton Playground; our picnic will immediately follow. There will be lots to do for all ages at this rain-or-shine event (the pavilion comes with sides that can be put down in bad weather).

Everyone is asked to bring a salad or dessert. The Nurture & Witness Committee will supply drinks, barbeque and hot dogs. Please RSVP as soon as possible, no later than June 1. If you have questions, need directions, or to RSVP, call **Tracy Panase**, 610-775-7401.



### Summer Worship Schedule

**Worship at 10:15 am.** This schedule will continue until the Sunday after Labor Day.

On **June 13** we'll begin our regular summer schedule with our **Contemporary Worship at 9 am** and **Traditional**

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# WORSHIP IN JUNE

From Pastor Larry Carl

**Sunday, June 6** – TRINITY SUNDAY – PICNIC SUNDAY – **There will be an 8:15 am service in the church sanctuary and an 11 am service at the Mohnton playground to begin our picnic.** The sermon will be entitled *The Original Amateur Hour*, based John 16:12-13, *I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come.*



## SUNDAY SERVICES

**Sunday, June 13** – THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – **Senior Recognition Sunday.** The sermon will be entitled *What a Character!* based on Luke 7:44-46, *Then turning toward the woman, he (Jesus) said to Simon, 'Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave me no water for my feet, but she has bathed my feet with her tears and dried them with her hair. You gave me no kiss, but from the time I came in she has not stopped kissing my feet. You did not anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with ointment.'*

**Sunday, June 20** – THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – FATHER'S DAY – The sermon will be entitled *All in the Family*, based on Galatians 3:26, *for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith.*

**Sunday, June 27** – THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – **BLENDED SERVICE – SINGLE SERVICE AT 10 AM.** The sermon will be entitled *From Here to There!* based on Luke 9:61-62, *Another said, 'I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home.'* Jesus said to him, *'No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'*

## Welcome Newcomers!

We invite you to any meetings or activities you read about here. Please call the church office, 610-777-1422, for names, phone numbers, information, or to speak with our pastor. If you'd like to receive *News-Linc* in the mail, just notify our secretary. Please join in at Lincoln Park!

# SUMMER BRUNCH TO OFFER FELLOWSHIP AND MISSION STORY

From Dorris McCoy



Coming on **Sunday, June 27**---in the Social Room---a wonderful opportunity to eat, meet and greet fellow church members. All ages of children, youth and adults are invited to hear stories of the medical mission field in Africa!

**Dr. David Brock and Betty Frederickson**, a registered nurse, will share their experiences of their recent medical mission trip to Cameroon. This intergenerational brunch and power-point presentation follow a **10 AM BLENDED WORSHIP SERVICE**.

Sign-up information will be posted in the Wagner Room in early June---mark your calendars now. Anyone desiring to help with the brunch, may contact

**Linda Hope**, 610-670-9731, or **Dorris McCoy**. Come, one and all---hear how God's love is shared in the mission field in many special ways!

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From Pastor Larry Carl

Confirmation was held on Sunday, May 30, during the 10:45 am service. We welcomed five young people into church membership:

**Martha Blakely**

**Ricky Blank**

**Andrew Lee**

**Joshua Lee**

**Kenny Stanitis**

Join us in praying for these young people as take up their place in the life and ministry of our church. May they find within our fellowship a nurturing and encouraging environment as they grow in their Christian faith.

# From the Pastor's Desk

From Pastor Larry Carl

**C**onfirmation is on my mind. I have had a delightful time working with the young people in the confirmation class this year. I am happy to have had this time with them and proud of their accomplishments and achievements.

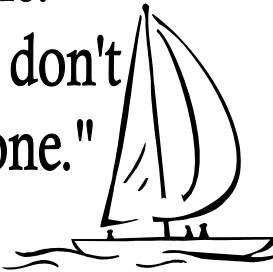
But I am also concerned for them. It is a real challenge to live a committed Christian life these days. They will need support and encouragement as they develop in their Christian faith. And I fear that all too often the church fails its young people in this regard. We are often apathetic to the needs and struggles of our young people or even, sadly, hostile to their interests and needs.

Years ago, when our children were toddlers, we had a plaque on the wall entitled *Children Learn What They Live*. Some of the text on that plaque reads, *If children live with criticism, they learn to condemn. If children live with hostility, they learn to fight. If children live with jealousy, they learn what envy is. . . If*

*children live with encouragement, they learn to be confident. If children live with acceptance, they learn to find love in the world. . . If children live with honesty and fairness, they learn what truth and justice are.*

We would do well to appropriate these insights into the way we model for our young people what Christian faith is all about. Sadly, all too often we lose our young people to the realization that people in the church do not live life any differently than those outside the church..

They are disappointed and turned off by what they witness and experience in the church.



**"Disciples are on a journey, sailing toward home.**

**But we don't sail alone."**

Nurturing young people in the faith is an awesome responsibility for the church. And yet, unfortunately, all too often it is a responsibility that we do not take seriously. Our young people are left to wonder whether there is a place for them in the church and whether their needs and/or interests as developing Christians are given credence. Confirmation is only the begin-

ning of their relationship with the church as members. As we wrestle with issues of assimilating adult members, we ought also give attention to the importance of assimilating our young members into the life and fellowship of the church.

Yes, Confirmation is on my mind. And with thoughts of Confirmation come thoughts of church membership. As we concern ourselves with assimilating members into the life and fellowship of our church, we must also concern ourselves with those who have joined the church but have not fulfilled their membership vows. When we join the church, we promise to remain active and to support it with our prayers, our presence, our gifts, and our service. Undoubtedly, there are some who cannot fulfill all these vows for a variety of reasons. But most who take these vows are quite capable of fulfilling them.

I am often perplexed and troubled by the number of people on our church membership rolls who do not take an active part in the church's life and ministry. To be sure, there are times when the church is at fault for their inactivity. But it is also evident that many who join the church never take their vows as seriously as they should. Often it seems as though there are ulterior motives for seeking church membership, rather than an earnest desire to

find a place to live out one's commitment to Christ.

I have frequently – though mostly in jest – suggested annual renewal of church membership. Of course, our United Methodist polity and order would not allow for such an approach to membership. But it seems to me we would do well to examine on some kind of regular basis our desire and/or intent to maintain an active relationship with the church.

That desire and/or intent should be reflective of our commitment to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ, of our desire to grow in our faith, and our willingness to be of service to God's kingdom. In the book, *A is for Abductive: The Language of the Emerging Church*, the authors write, *The main space in church is called 'nave,' a word that comes from the Latin word for 'ship.'* *Disci-*



*ples are on a journey, sailing toward home. But we don't sail alone. Our highly personalized journeys of faith need co-journers. **Believing, becoming, and behaving all require belonging.***

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# Stewardship Thoughts

From Pastor Larry Carl

There is an old story about the Sufi prophet, Nasrudin, who was approached by his neighbor to borrow his clothesline. Nasrudin said, *I cannot loan you my clothesline. I am drying flour on it.* The neighbor exclaimed, *I didn't know you could dry flour on a clothesline!* And Nasrudin replied, *It is amazing how many things you can do with a clothesline when you don't want to lend it out.*



On the other hand, if people want to share in extending God's kingdom, there is no limit to the reasons that will encourage them to do so.

We have never been in short supply so far as reasons or excuses are concerned. Stewardship of time, talent, and treasure comes down to *desire!* Do we want to give or don't we? People who want to give always find some way to do so!

PRAYER: Loving God, restore in us a desire to do more. Keep us from making lame excuses for not being generous. Help us to say, *I will!* In Jesus' name. Amen.

---Laurence C. Keene

If people do not want to make a contribution to the Lord's work – financially or otherwise, there is no limit to the number of excuses that can be found.

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Church membership should never be separated from our commitment to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ. And to the extent that we pursue that commitment, the church will have a central and increasingly important place in our lives. That is true for new young members, for adult members, and for anyone in the church who seeks to be nurtured – and to nurture others – in the faith.



My hope and prayer is that we would all be active participants in the life of the church, members who in the life and fellowship of the church are living out their commitment to Christ.

# Missions Committee Makes Donations

From Barbara Wenger

In March the Missions Committee decided to leave some seed money in its account, praying that the account would grow. Sure enough, “April showers brought May flowers” for the account, and we were able to make these donations to some good causes:

Dr Brock Mission Trip	\$630.00
Erika Garrity Account	\$ 27.00
Erika Garrity —Support to Communities—Buy medical books in Armenia	\$250.00

Dennis Antune’s father (MEFIJA)	\$500.00
House of Opportunity	\$200.00
Greater Food Bank	\$200.00
Red Bird Mission	\$ 75.00
Camp Innabah	\$100.00
Mt. Gretna Camp	\$100.00
First Baptist Church	\$150.00

Wishing everyone a safe and happy summer! The Missions Committee will not meet during June, July, and August. We will resume meeting on the second Tuesday in September (14th).

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## SUMMER CHURCH SCHOOL SCHEDULE UPDATE

From Dorris McCoy

Worship and Church School begin a new summer schedule in June. Something different will be happening for kids during the summer worship hours beginning June 12 (remember the Family Picnic on June 6, see page 1) with youth and adults taking a summer break.

At the 9 am **Contemporary Worship Service** children will be encouraged to worship with their families. During the sermon, a worship theme-related activity will be offered for children at the rear in the Wagner Room.

At the 10:15 am **Traditional Worship Service** a multi-age learning opportunity using KIDS OWN WORSHIP resources will be presented in Room 104. Volunteers are needed to lead both options---Please call **Debbie Bartal**, Schedule Coordinator, 610-670-0847, to offer your leadership and dates available, during either worship hour. Get involved to make a difference and help kids grow with God!



# ALPHA IN THE FUTURE

From Dorris McCoy

The Spring Alpha sessions have ended. Participants' comments were extremely positive. All input is being evaluated by the small group leaders and coordinators as plans for the Fall series are initiated. Persons with gifts/interests in the areas of hospitality, cooking, organizing, and/or small group leadership are encouraged to chat with **Jerry Pawlikowski** or **Dorris McCoy** to join the next Alpha Planning Team; pray that we may all be open to wise use of the tools the Lord and Alpha offer to challenge our spiritual growth and learning.



For all who haven't been able to participate in ALPHA, here's a brief review of just what ALPHA is. ALPHA is a 10-week (15-sessions total, including an opening introductory session and a 4-session, day-long retreat) practical introduction to the Christian faith. Although designed primarily for non-churchgoers and new Christians, the challenging talks by Nikki Gumbel, vicar at Holy Trinity Brompton Church in London, refresh and refuel all. The talks and small group discussions provide opportunities for people of all backgrounds and beliefs to explore the meaning of life in a safe, fun and non-threatening atmosphere.

The ALPHA course began at Holy Trinity Brompton more than 25 years ago and is now running successfully all over the world, in virtually all denominations and settings that range from campuses to prisons. The next beginning ALPHA with additional options for past participants will be offered in September---stay tuned!

Also...persons interested in leadership positions with future ALPHA courses may want to seek uplifting and informative training at the area ALPHA PHILADELPHIA CONFERENCE 2004, June 3 and 4, hosted by Covenant Fellowship Church in Glen Mills, PA. Please see **Dorris McCoy** immediately.



## Graduate Recognition

From Pastor Larry Carl



**Sunday, June 13**, will be GRADUATE RECOGNITION SUNDAY. If someone in your family will be graduating from high school, technical school, or college, please inform the office as soon as possible. We will recognize their achievement during the **10:15 am service** on June 13.

## BIBLE BYTES IN THE CHURCH

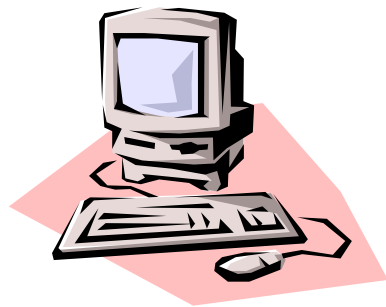
From Dorris McCoy

Today, technology is entering church programming and the Sunday Church School classroom. Think back---at first it was the record player and the filmstrip projector. These made way for the cassette player, overhead projector and videotapes. Then CD's and DVD's entered the playing field. Now churches are turning to computers to enliven the Sunday morning learning experience.

Many churches use computers in their worship services and, like LP, have Web sites and e-mail to keep in touch. Publishers and denominational offices offer online access to

- curriculum
- distance-learning
- teacher training
- updated weekly resources.

Some churches have computer labs for senior adults to learn computers skills so they can e-mail grandkids. Others provide computers for elementary after-school kids' programs. Growing technology can help the church in outreach, communication and teaching. To be on board in developing the vision for increased technology use at LP, please contact **Dorris McCoy** or **Bob Erskine**.



# LAVA LAVA ISLAND VBS ERUPTS WITH FUN

From Dorris McCoy

LP Church will overflow with excitement as VBS 2004 explores **LAVA LAVA ISLAND**. The program provides fun, memorable Bible-learning activities for preschoolers through upper elementary ages (youth helpers report just as much fun and learning). Each day kids

- ☺ sing catchy songs,
- ☺ play teamwork-building games
- ☺ nibble Tropical Treats
- ☺ take on a Daily Challenge to let Jesus' love flow home
- ☺ experience electrifying Bible adventures (for a first hand report, ask last year's helper, **Barbara Wenger**)
- ☺ collect Bible Memory Buddies to remember God's Word
- ☺ watch Chadder's Theater Adventure
- ☺ create Bible Point Crafts to take home and enjoy all summer long (**Mrs. Osika** and I already know 'cause we took a peek).

**LAVA LAVA ISLAND'S** VBS is a fast-paced way for kids to learn more about Jesus' love and take part in a hands-on mission project that will reach needy children involved in *First Baptist Church's Homework Study Program* (collecting new and gently-used children's books for grades 1, 2 & 3). Each day concludes with a festive Lava Lava Luau to celebrate the day's learning. Family and friends are encouraged to join in this special time each day at 11:45 am and catch the spirit and love!

**LAVA LAVA ISLAND** erupts daily at LP Church, Monday through Friday, June 21-25, from 9 am through noon with an Early Bird Special at 8:30 am for those who must arrive early. For information or to register, call Coordinator, **Karen Osika**, 610-670-4726, or the Church Office, 610-777-1422, ext. 24.

Registration forms may also be dropped in the VBS display in

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the Wagner Room---Come for a swinging good time!

Teachers, helpers and youth crew leaders make all this happen so....if you love the Lord, love children, are flexible and fun-loving, and have some time to share, please call **Karen or Dorris**. Staff members stay with the same station each day so just let us know your special talents, and we'll match you where your creativity will kindle God's love! Lots of resources and encouragement are provided! For those who want to help but can't teach, donations of island/luau type decorations and supplies for snacks/crafts/games are always welcomed---check the Wagner Room display for specifics!

Things are heating up at **LAVA LAVA ISLAND!** Get ready to see God's love flow!

## Junior Youth Fellowship Pool Party

From Tracy Goldsborough



Jr. Youth (new 4th graders, 5th graders, 6th graders & old 6th graders) are invited to **Matt Hope's** house on **June 27** from 2— 6 pm for a picnic and pool party. Please come rain or shine. Don't worry if it rains, Matt has lots to do in his game room. Please RSVP as soon as possible but no later than June 21 by calling or e-mailing

**Linda Hope**, 610-670-9731, or [lsllhope@aol.com](mailto:lsllhope@aol.com).

# WISHES COME TRUE AT LINCOLN PARK

From George Weikel

Good news! A number of donations have been made to our church recently that will enable the Trustees to accomplish some of the projects you've been reading about on our wish list.



- Our Social Hall can now be painted.
- A projector ceiling mount will be installed, enhancing our increasingly popular contemporary worship service.
- New brass colonial entrance lights...
- And new lanterns and posts will be installed at the front entrance on Jefferson Boulevard.

Many thanks to those who made these generous donations. If you would like to help realize more wishes, a complete wish list is available through the church office. You may donate funds or designate a memorial fund toward any of the items on the *wish list* by contacting **Pastor Carl**, 610-777-1422 Ext 44, the Chairman of the Trustee Committee, **George Weikel**, 610-777-3678, or the Treasurer of the Trustees, **Tom Carlson**, 610-373-0018. All donations are tax exempt.

**LOOKING AHEAD TO JULY 6--**

Supper Preparation and Serving at Opportunity House----contact **Charlene and Jerry Evaul**, 610-927-1692, to volunteer time, food or \$\$\$ toward meal costs.

# A Word of Thanks

From Pastor Larry Carl

A sincere word of appreciation goes to **Drs. Michael Avedissian and Earl Hope** for their contribution to the church of a portable defibrillator. This device will make it possible to provide appropriate assistance in the event a cardiac emergency warrants its use.



As Dr. Avedissian said, *I hope it never has to be used.* But it is available in the church should it ever be needed. (The device is located in the alcove next to the Music Director's office.)

Our Parish Nurse, **Tina Goshert**, has arranged for the training of a number of individuals who have been certified in Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and the use of the defibrillator. She hopes to have additional individuals go through the training in the near future. Since many different groups and people use our facility it is reassuring to know that this device is in place

and that we have individuals trained to provide appropriate aid.

Again, our thanks to **Drs. Avedissian and Hope** for their generous contribution in donating this potentially life-saving device to our church.

## ...And Another Thank You

We received a very generous donation from the **Rev. and Mrs. Mark Hostetter** to be used for one or more of the items on the Trustee Wish List. The Rev. Hostetter served as the first pastor at Lincoln Park.

Their gift was presented in recognition of the good things that are happening at Lincoln Park UMC. We are grateful to the Hostetters for their generous gift and for their continuing interest in the church upon which Rev. Hostetter had such a profound influence in its formative years.

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On **June 6**, when we will hold our church picnic at Mohnton Playground, **an 8:15 am** service will take place in the church sanctuary, and the **11 am** service at the playground will begin our picnic.

# Congratulations to Our Graduates!

From Cheri Fallon

Lincoln Park Church is blessed with a number of outstanding members who completed academic studies this spring. They are:

## **Heather Avedissian...**

Graduated from Georgetown University as a Health Sciences Major and will attend Georgetown University Medical School this fall. Daughter of (Dr.) Mike and Kathy, Heather was recently inducted into Phi Beta Kappa.

It seems Heather has always been interested in medicine. "She was leaning that way from the beginning," says her mother Kathy. Heather says that a big influence on her decision to go in medicine has been "definitely my Dad, but without putting any pressure on." At this point she's most interested in pediatrics and pediatric specialties.

Some of you must remember Heather's musical talents. She had a Music Minor at Georgetown, and "she's still playing the piano for pleasure," says her Dad. "It's nice and relaxing for her."

Somehow Heather found time to be a mentor to 6th grade Washington, DC school district kids, in a program called PALS, tutoring or taking them out to



Georgetown and to places in the city.

Many good wishes from Lincoln Park to a great girl as she begins her medical career!

## **Laura Bilger...**

will graduate in June from Governor Mifflin HS and attend Alvernia College this fall. Laura is the daughter of Kim Dubois and Chip Bilger. Laura plans to major in nursing. "I have some background of family in medicine. My aunt is a PA and my Dad was on the ski patrol," says Laura.

Laura will play field hockey at Alvernia also. She's been playing hockey at Governor Mifflin since 7th grade and made All Division Honorable Mention this year. "I'll miss the friends and relationships I made in high school field hockey," she says.

Laura was a member of the Ski Club, won the Student of the Month award, and participated in Track and Field. She throws the discus and recently placed 4th in the county.

Laura plans to do some babysitting this summer but mostly "I'm full of vacations," she says, "and preparing for school. I'm very excited about college. I'm living on campus, but I like the

idea of family being close and coming to my games.”

Best wishes to Laura in her studies and her hockey!

### **Andrew Fallon...**

was awarded a BA degree from American University, Washington, DC, with a major in Law and Society and a minor in Business Administration. Andrew is the son of Ed and Cheri.

One of his most interesting college experiences was with the Washington Redskins as a Public Relations Department Intern. He helped compile their media guide and press releases, and also acted as liaison between the players and the media. “I was able to learn what goes on behind the scenes at the NFL,” says Andrew. Meeting the players was a special bonus. “Everybody knows LaVar Arrington as a phenomenal running back from Penn State. I was lucky enough to get to talk with him personally.”

A completely different experience was his work with the US Postal Inspection Service as Prohibitive Mailing Narcotics Team Student Intern. This “coincided with what I had been studying at AU,” with his Law and Society major. He participated in daily activities involved with money laundering and drug investigations, searched databases for suspicious individuals, addresses, and companies, assisted in surveillance missions. Andrew found this

internship especially valuable in that he discovered, “I’m probably not the personality that’s going to be working in law enforcement.”

At American, Andrew participated in intramural sports and was a member of the Golden Key Honor Society recognizing scholastic excellence. Congratulations, Andrew!

Incidentally, Andrew says his most vivid memories at Lincoln Park Church are from the time spent at Lincoln Park Nursery School with his friend Dave and Mrs. **Suzanne Romig** (Weeber) his teacher.

### **Scott Moulin...**

son of David and Donna, will graduate from Governor Mifflin HS in June and attend Shippensburg University to study Secondary Education. He hopes to teach Accounting and Business.

“I enjoy Accounting a lot,” says Scott on choosing Education as a career, “but I don’t see myself behind a desk. I’m a bit of a mover. I have thought about being a teacher since I was little.”

Recently Scott was nominated by his Accounting teacher for the *Reading Eagle’s* Berks Best in Business. “I was a little surprised!” Scott says.

Scott was a member of the French Club in HS and is a bowler, averaging about 200. “Mifflin’s best in the county,” he says.

Scott recalls coming to youth group at Lincoln Park: “I remember enjoying

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# Welcome to Our New Members

From Nancy Dettra

*Nelson J. Loeb*

323 Walnuttown Rd, Fleetwood 19522,  
610-944-9339...

was born in Reading, graduated from Hamburg HS, and received a certificate in computer repair from Berks Technical Institute. He is presently employed in System Tech Verizon. Nelson's hobbies include camping, wood-working, and volunteering as a firefighter.

*Cynthia Loeb*

Wife of Nelson, was born in Reading and graduated from Muhlenberg HS; she works as a consultant for Verizon. Cynthia enjoys reading and camping, and the couple has one daughter, Ashley, age 10. They join by letter of transfer from Good

Shepherd Lutheran Church, Stoudts  
Ferry Bridge Rd, Reading.

*Pamela Stanitis*

1321 Chestnut Hill Rd, Morgantown  
19543, 610-286-9274...

was born in Pottsville and graduated from North Schuylkill HS, Schuylkill County Vo-Tech School and Cosmetology School. She is presently employed as an office clerk at Twin Valley Medical.

Pamela and her husband Kenneth have two children, Tara, 17 years, and Kenny, 14 years old.

Her hobbies are sewing, reading, basket weaving, and baking. In her previous church she served as a Sunday School teacher, Bible school teacher, and Disciples of Today helper. She joins by letter of transfer from Robeson Lutheran Church, Mohnton.



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my time there.”

Scott says he'll miss his friends from Governor Mifflin, especially seeing them everyday, but at Ship-pensburg “I want to meet new people.”

Lots of luck to you Scott as you move on to new places and people!

**We hope to have news next month about more Lincoln Park graduates, like Janelle Mann and others. If someone in your family is graduating, contact Cheri Fallon, 610-678-8735, or [cherifallon@earthlink.net](mailto:cherifallon@earthlink.net) so that we may honor him or her.**

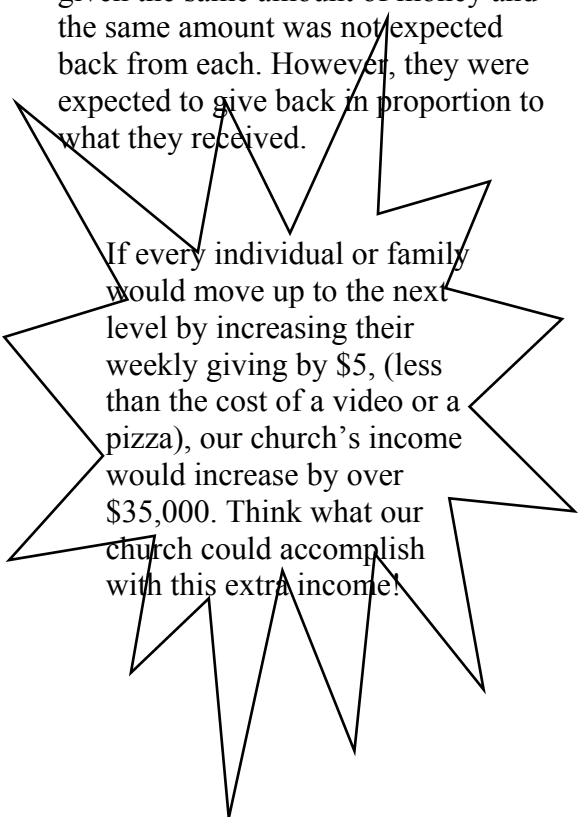


# WHERE ARE YOU ON THE LIST?

By Jerry Manhart

It may be helpful in considering your estimate or your family's estimate of giving for 2005 to know the pattern of regular giving of our members during 2004. Wayne Barrett in his book "The Church Finance Idea Book" suggests that givers should know how their contribution compares to others.

Remember the parable about the good and faithful servant (Matt 25:14-30)? The servants were not all given the same amount of money and the same amount was not expected back from each. However, they were expected to give back in proportion to what they received.



If every individual or family would move up to the next level by increasing their weekly giving by \$5, (less than the cost of a video or a pizza), our church's income would increase by over \$35,000. Think what our church could accomplish with this extra income!

# Our *News-Linc* Makes the News

From Cheri Fallon



Our *News-Linc* was recognized in the May issue of *The Newsletter Newsletter*, a publication from Communication Resources, which includes monthly a how-to section, clip art and content pages.

The article, *Nameplates Build Identity*, points out the importance of a newsletter's nameplate, in giving a first impression and setting the tone for what follows. It "also gives readers a peek at the personality of the church."

Some examples were given of actual church newsletters and ours was among them. "We chose them for the attractive designs and/or interesting names," the article says.

Our name was conceived by former assistant editor **Bonnie Knutsen**. The intent with *News-Linc* has always been to link people at home with goings-on

at church and also with other people at church (as stated monthly on the Bulletin Board page). We wanted the name and the nameplate to reflect that idea and also the friendly nature that Lincoln Park Church seems to have.

My daughter **Christine Fallon** developed the current nameplate when she was taking a Digital Art class at Georgetown University.

There are an amazing number of people who have contributed their ideas, writing, and suggestions over the years, including our staff (listed on p. 19) who quietly help every month without fanfare or applause.

You are welcome to help out in anyway. We always need reporters, writers, columnists, office and telephone help, collators, artists, creative thinkers! To volunteer, call Cheri, 610-678-8735.



# Lincoln Park's Bulletin Board

## News-Linc Deadline



*June 15  
For Our  
July/August  
Issue*

*News-Linc*, monthly publication of Lincoln Park Community United Methodist Church, hopes to link you to your church with information about its programs, plans, and people. Your comments and suggestions are welcome and may be left in the newsletter mailbox by the church office.

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### Baptisms

**Ella Britton Hubric**, daughter of **Tom** and **Kimberly**, on May 2, and **Kara Faith Brown**, daughter of **Nate** and **Cynthia**, on April 18. May God bless these little ones as they grow in love and faith.

### Wedding

Congratulations to **Jennifer Troutman**, daughter of **Dean** and **Nancy**, and Michael Gilinger, of Norristown, who were married in our church on April 17.

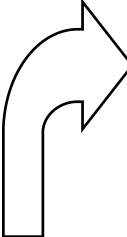
### Birth

Congratulations to **James** and **Melissa Raimo** on the birth of son Mason on April 2. **Bruce** and **Elaine Meckes** are the proud grandparents.

**"I choose love...No occasion justifies hatred; no injustice warrants bitterness."**

**—Max Lucado**

## GOOD NEWS!! From Harry Garrity



**Our Flea Market helped a lot of people: Red Cross, Salvation Army, Women in Crisis, Goodwill, Opportunity House, Hope Rescue Mission, and we earned \$ 5,090.00++ which helps our church. We wish to thank everyone who worked to make this effort a success. This was our 30th success, yes, 1974 was our first year - a Great Tradition lives on....Thanks very much for caring.**

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