

News Around The Charge

CHARGE LENTEN SERVICES

2012 Buffalo Run Charge Lenten services will follow the theme "Seven Last Words of Christ." All services will be on Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. Services are as follows:



- February 22, Ash Wednesday at Valley View
- February 29, at Fillmore
- March 7, at Buffalo Run
- March 14, at Valley View
- March 21, at Fillmore
- March 28, at Buffalo Run
- April 5, Maundy Thursday at Valley View
- April 6, Good Friday at Fillmore

Easter Sunday, April 8:

- 6 a.m. Sunrise Service at Buffalo Run

Sunrise services on Easter Sunday will be followed with regular Sunday church services at each individual church. ❖

GIRLS GATHERING FOR GOD

OVERNIGHT RETREAT sponsored by Susquehanna Conference United Methodist Women for girls grades 7 through 12.

Feb. 3 & 4, 2012: 7 p.m. Friday to 3 p.m. Saturday, Faith UMC, 512 Hughes St., Bellefonte, PA 16823

Registration Details:

- Teen participant registration - \$18
 - Accompanying Female Adult Leader/Chaperone registration - \$30
- Note: There will be sufficient adult coverage; youth may attend without an adult.
- Registration Deadline – Thursday, January 19, 2012

Event Activities:

Worship: Live Band Concert by Waters Edge
Spiritual Enrichment Workshops: Bible Study, Crafts, and Games.

For details and registration information, contact your youth leader, youth group president, pastor, local UMW President or Susquehanna Conference website (susumc.org) ❖

LAY SPEAKER COURSES WINTER 2012

Advanced Lay Speaker Course: "Preaching Skills"

Where: Lewistown

First Leader: Rev. Roz Mason

Dates: Saturdays, March 3, 10, 17, 24

Time: 9:30 a.m. - Noon

Cost: \$40.00 (Checks made payable to: "Susquehanna Conference")

Basic Lay Speaker Course:

(This course must be taken before any Advanced Courses)

Where: Lewistown

First Leader: Rev. Roz Mason

Dates: Sundays, March 4, 11, 18 and 25

Time: 2:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Cost: \$40.00 (Checks made payable to: "Susquehanna Conference")

Send check and registration form to:

State College District UMC

Attention: Leann

1200 Haymaker Rd., State College, PA
16801

So that we are able to order sufficient materials please register by the deadline:

DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION is February 20, 2012

Registration Form –Lay Speaker Courses 2012

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____

Email _____

Local Church: _____

Please check course you will be attending:

____ Advanced Course – Lewistown First

____ Basic Course – Lewistown First

HATS OFF! Approximately 115 shoeboxes and \$215 dollars were donated for Operation Christmas Child from the Buffalo Run Charge. Next year this important mission will be done as a charge project combining all three churches for an afternoon of fellowship. For information or questions, contact Kathy Houser (355-4585 or klh1757@yahoo.com). ❖

MANY THANKS to all who contributed gifts in support of the Angel Trees. Each church had 12 Angel tags on their Christmas tree with the need or wish of a child for Christmas. Our charge made 36 Christmas wishes come true. ❖



THANK YOU to Kris Koski for the generous Giant Food Gift cards donated to the Fillmore Food Bank Pantry in memory of her mother, Karen E. Seagren. Such generosity helps so many. ❖

WE ALL LOVE SPAGHETTI The first Friday evening each month the Fillmore Church provides a spaghetti dinner to the community asking only for a donation. Last year Fillmore's Spaghetti fund made contributions to such worthy causes as the Susan G. Komen (walk for the cure), UMCOR (tornado victims), Center Volunteers in Medicine, Greene Hills Camp, Bloomsburg Salvation Army (flood victims), Mechanicsburg Children's Home, Epworth Manor, and the Agape Fund, just to name a few. So when you're wondering what to cook for dinner give yourself a break and enjoy a spaghetti dinner that supports so many worthy causes. ❖

MISSIONS OPPORTUNITY

The Bellefonte/Bald Eagle Cluster will be sponsoring a mission to North East Pennsylvania, Sunday, July 15, 2012, through Saturday, July 21, 2012. Anyone interested in participating should contact Pastor Doug Mellott, 814-353-8380 or dmellott@susumc.org (Runville UMC) for specific details and costs. An organizational meeting is tentatively scheduled for Friday, May 11, 2012, 7:00 p.m. at the Runville UM church. ❖

SAFE SANCTUARY TRAINING

Those who work with children are required to participate in Safe Sanctuary training every three years. New training sessions will soon begin. See Terry Bardo, Gloria Lohr, or Barry Ishler for details. ❖

SAVE THE DATE April 28 from 9:00–11:30 a.m. at the Pleasant Gap UMC, 179 S. Main St., Pleasant Gap, a variety of workshops will be offered for the laity of the State College District. More details to follow. ❖

2012 CAMP REGISTRATION AVAILABLE

Online registration for 2012 is now available online at www.susumcamps.org or the forms may be downloaded and mailed to the camping office. A 50% deposit will be required per registration. There are many camps available for ALL ages including some new camps. The entire brochure may be viewed online as well as a full schedule of events at Camps-at-a-Glance. We are looking forward to seeing YOU at camp next summer! ❖



HIGH SPEED INTERNET ACCESS IS AVAILABLE TO LOW INCOME FAMILIES

High speed Internet access is available to low income families for an affordable rate of \$9.95 per month. Additionally, program participants may qualify to purchase a low cost (\$150) computer and to receive free Internet training. According to Comcast, this is permanent pricing (it is not introductory rate pricing) and there are no activation fees, rental fees, or the like. Learn more at <http://www.internetessentials.com/>. ❖

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