



The Life and Times

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Newsletter

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Lots Available for Lease

There are currently no lots available to lease for RVs or Park Models.

The following lots are available for a modular home to be put on them:

5359 Beulah Land

5885 Shiloh Path

Call the Park Office at 863-858-7504 for information.

News from the Park Administrator

It's July! Summer has arrived and, with it, the rainy season. The pond is finally starting to fill up. The mosquitos are making their presence known. The yards have gotten greener, the mowers are whirring more often, and the temperature gauge has climbed. Yes, summer has arrived.

Earlier this month we had our annual Hurricane Preparedness meeting. We had the largest turnout since I have been here—of course, we offered cookies this time! We are grateful to Polk County Fire Rescue Public Education Manager, Kathy Sellen, for helping us prepare for the coming season. For those who are in the Park during the hurricane season, please ensure that everything outside your house or storage unit is securely protected from high winds—either move them to your house or storage unit or anchor them so that those items do not become wind-blown projectiles.

Earlier this year we started an audio/video center in Hood Hall. With the help of several people, we have made slow but steady progress. There is still lots of work to be done! Some drywall needs to be hung, some more cables need to be run, and some of the cables still need to be installed in the wall boxes. The walls will need to be painted when we get to that point. Some cabinetry work will need to be done later. Finally, before we can use the center, we will need to do lots of testing. If anyone in the Park during the summer is able to assist with any of this, please let me know so the project can be completed sooner.

Work continues on the Ebenezer/Zion water line. The people working on that had hoped to have it completed this month. Due to some unforeseen circumstances, the project has been delayed. However, it is well on its way to completion. It will likely be finished by the time the residents along those streets return to the Park.

Please welcome our newest maintenance staff person, Ryan Roberts. Many of you know his mother, Debbie Roberts, who has a place in the Park. Since Tom has been given the green


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light by the doctor to travel, he and Sherry will be gone for several weeks to visit friends and family. In his absence, Ryan will be handling the maintenance duties. If you know of any maintenance issues, be sure to direct them to me either verbally or by email. Ryan and I will be working together to address those issues.

The purchase contract for the proposed property acquisition has not yet been agreed to. We are continuing to discuss the details of that agreement with the seller to be certain both parties can agree to the terms. Continue to be in prayer as we proceed with the details and keep watching your email for updates.

Now that summer is in full swing and June is over, we will soon be commemorating Independence Day. As you celebrate, be safe. Enjoy the time you have with family and friends. Have a great summer!


Office News

Things have been warm in the Park so it must be time for July activities. The rain has started so it is greener but not enough water yet to fill the pond. The creek has risen slightly.

We would like to remind you that you need to notify the Office if you have arrived for even a short visit or if you have someone staying in your residence. This is especially important during the summer months as we need to know who is here if we are threatened by a storm.

If you have made any moves during your time away, please provide your new information for directory updates. Also, if your telephone number has changed, we need the new information for directory and records so we can contact you. Please check the information in the digital directory, if you are in it, to be sure the information is correct. You may make the changes or ask us to help.

Lori has been missing some during the month of June due to an unexpected gall bladder surgery.

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We are glad to have her back working again and feeling better.

The Enjoyment Book contacted us to reorder. When we advised them that frequent buyers had said don't get it again, they asked us for suggestions. They are attempting to add new locations and improve over last year. The new person that is going to approach restaurants is just coming on board so if you could let us know right away, maybe they will secure some discounts from your favorites. Just call the Office or email one of us with your suggestions.

We have begun working on the handout directory for next season. Many of you are responsible for clubs or organizations listed in the Directory. Please pull out your current directory and read what is there for your organization and provide any updated information if it has changed.

There were 4 closings during the month of June due to people who left the Park and were able to secure buyers. Here are the new neighbors:

- Dawn Probst (daughter of Dave and Char) has purchased 5343 Ebenezer Place from Duane and Janet Dodds. We wish the Dodds the best. Welcome to Dawn.
- Hope and Jerry Bernard have purchased the Villa at 5401 Bethany Way #9 from Ruby Smith. We wish Ruby the best in her new home and will miss her immensely. We welcome the Bernards to the Villas and to the Park.
- Glen and Roseann Leafloor have purchased the Villa at 5401 #20 from Les and Colleen Sellers. We were glad that Sellers got to stay a little longer and wish them much happiness in Arbor North. Be sure to welcome Leafloors when you can and get to know them.
- Greg and Deborah Merrriam have purchased Bill Clark's home on Zion Avenue. She is a sister to current Resident Roger Haskins. We are glad to have them join our family. Bill Clark will be sorely missed after so many years in the Park.

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Tom and Sherry LaBrie are on vacation for a couple of months, and they request your prayers as they travel and see family. Hopefully they will be refreshed and ready to go when they return.

The summer heat will still be here in August but that will not deter the Park staff and summer residents from doing what they do and fellowshiping together. Be blessed until we see you again.

The Office Staff**News from the Board of Directors**

Summer is here. That of course means the rainy season in Florida and very warm and dry here in Michigan. So, send some of that rain our way!

A few weeks ago, we sent out to the membership our clarification on *Pets in the Park*. The following are some more details to add to that, starting with some definitions.

Emotional Support Animals - aka ESAs, is defined as an animal that provides a therapeutic benefit (e.g., emotional support, comfort, companionship) to a person with a mental health or psychiatric disability. Emotional support animals are not considered Service animals under Title III of the Americans with Disabilities Act, aka ADA.

Service Animal - aka SAs, (of which a dog can be an SA) is an animal that is individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability, including a physical, sensory, psychiatric, intellectual, or other mental disability.

After careful research into what, if any, obligations the Light & Life Park has for Title III of the ADA or Florida Fair Housing Act, we have determined that **religious entities** are completely exempt from Title III of the ADA.

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All their facilities, programs, and activities, whether they are religious or secular in nature, are exempt. Nothing in the Florida Fair Housing Act nullifies that. Therefore, we are under No obligation to allow any animals, not even Service dogs, in the Park.

Therefore, we believe that a clarification of the pet policy is in order. Upon review of the March 2021 ballot that was put forth to membership vote, it appears that the intent of the members' vote was to prohibit animals in the park. No thought was given to differentiating between pets, or Emotional Support Animals Service animals.

So, we recommend changing the rule for Pets to read "Animals", recognizing that not all animals are pets. We also believe that removing the 2-day allowance for visitors' pets is in order. Thus, no members' animals will be allowed in the park, except for a Service Dog, which will be determined on a case-by-case basis. The Rules and Regs committee will be putting together the changes to present to the Board at our next meeting.

Thank you all for your continued support, prayers, and patience as we continue to serve and represent you.

Larry Putnam Board President

Check out the park website!

Copies of the newsletter, the Park calendar, places for sale, and much more can be found there.

www.lightandlifepark.org



Where to Donate your Goods

The donations given at the Park to help others are appreciated. **Please take your donations to the following places:**

Food donations for Briarwood may be left on the designated table in Hood Hall.

We will now be accepting "linens" for Senior Orphans. Please refer to Senior Orphans article in this newsletter.

Jean Whipple takes several items to Talbot House weekly. See that article in this newsletter for details.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Stamps for Missions

All donated stamps are sent to Alliance Stamp Ministry in Fort Myers where they are sold to dealers. The money is sent to a publisher in Buenos Aires, Argentina where they publish Sunday school material in Spanish that are sold to at least eight Latin American Countries as well as Spain and the US. They are used by over 40 Protestant Denominations.

Try to leave at least 1/4 inch or more around each stamp or strip of stamps. They now collect picture post cards both unused and used. If used, please leave the stamps on the cards. Thank you. The container is in **Hood Hall** for your convenience.

We want to thank Colleen Sellers for all her hard work in keeping this Mission going.

If you don't save your stamps, consider doing so. Many children learn about Jesus because of the sale of stamps.

Thank you. *Marilyn Stone*

A note about pop/soda cans:

Thank you for saving your aluminum cans which are taken by us to a recycling center in east Lakeland. The money received is being used to help our Park.

I am happy to pick up your pop/soda cans to haul to the Recycling Center, however it will make my job a lot easier if you remember the cans from canned goods **CANNOT** go in with the aluminum pop cans. These are picked up by someone else and need to be kept separate.

There is a bin in the metal recycling collection center near the dumpsters which is marked "POP CANS"--that's the one to use!

Thanks for your help.

Wes Crist

Medical Equipment Available

Maxwell Commons at The Villa has some medical equipment available that can be borrowed by any Park resident. Call someone you know in the Villa to help you. Please sign out the equipment you are borrowing. There are wheelchairs, walkers, rollators, portable pots, and shower seats. Please notify a Villa member when you are returning an item, so we know it has been returned. Please **don't** leave it on the porch. We are **not** presently accepting any equipment donations due to lack of storage space.

Talbot House Ministry

The ongoing deliveries of prescription bottles, unused medicines, good clean clothing that you no longer use, and small household items is an ongoing project. Please continue to save these helpful items for the homeless shelter and the Good Samaritan Clinic. Please deliver them to the Whipple's porch at 5866 Deeson Road any time. Jean will get them delivered.

Jean will take your items to Talbot House on Wednesdays. **Please note this change! Donations will be accepted all day on Tuesdays and until 10:30 AM on Wednesdays. PLEASE leave your items in Jean's screened porch.**

Should you wish to send financial assistance to this work, the address is: 814 North Kentucky Avenue, Lakeland.

Thank you! Jean Whipple

SENIOR-ORPHANS IS BACK!

For several years prior to covid, residents of Light and Life Park had the opportunity to bless those less fortunate through a program called Senior Orphans.

Senior Orphans helps local, indigent seniors living with no family support and meager monthly incomes.

We will again be collecting items to donate to this foundation. Please feel free to drop off clean, gently used bedding, linens, and towels to the totes in Hood Hall designated for Senior Orphans.

If you have any questions, please contact:

Terri Boda at 5378 Bethel Drive or phone 434-270-2840.

Bucket Listers

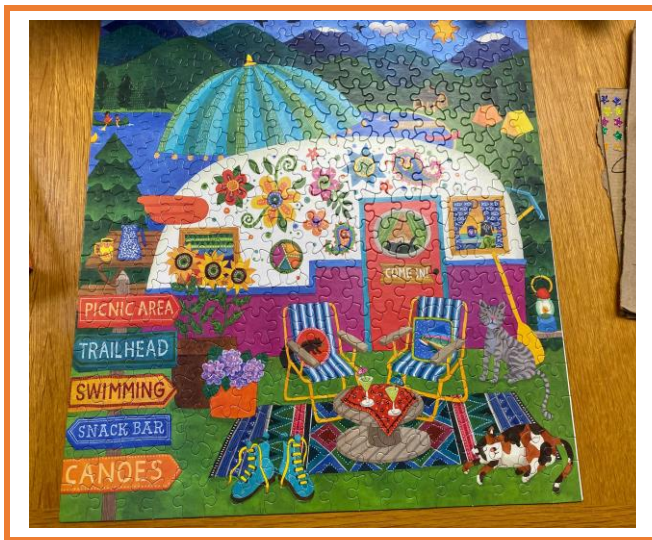


Most of us are STILL looking for warm summer weather!

Bucket Lister Projects for next year include buying televisions for Hood Hall, building a shade structure at the pool, buying new side tables for the pool area, screening in the lanai by the pool and building a pavilion near hood hall!

The Bucket Listers will continue to offer Tuesday Night Movies, Tuesday Night Trivia, Cinnamon Rolls Sales, and Hot Dog Lunches during the next winter season. Your support of these activities is amazing and appreciated!

While you are going to yard sales this summer keep your eyes open for jigsaw puzzles. We have an extensive collection but could always use one or two more!



Please take Note

The 2022 Drinking Water Quality Report (also called the Consumer Confidence Report) is NOT being mailed to the Park's residents. Instead, a copy of the report is located on the counter at the communications center in Hood Hall and online at <https://lightandlifepark.org/ccr-2022>.

If you have difficulty locating any of these resources, please contact the office.

Stan Welton, Park Administrator

Blood Pressure Clinic

Even though the blood pressure clinic has been suspended for this year, I am a full-time resident now, and am willing to take anyone's blood pressure at any time.

I can come to your house, or you can come to mine, 5437 Bethel Dr.

JoAnn Willet RN

989-615-8430



L & L Aqua Splash Water Aerobics

Come & enjoy fun in the sun with a low-impact workout in the water to enhance health & wellbeing.

Routines are choreographed to music and designed to promote improved muscle strength, endurance, flexibility & core balance without the stress of land exercise.

Splash times are offered **year-round**, twice weekly, and free of charge.

Coordinator:

Karen Castle-Williams

allforyum@aol.com

704-502-0466.



Fellowship Dinners

The 4th of July Dinner will be different this year because so many of the Dinner Committee have left the park right now,

Thank you to Carol Smith and Paula Daughenbaugh for being willing to help set things up. The dinner will start at 6:00 pm this month on Tuesday, July 4. Please sign up at Hood Hall before the dinner so there will be enough meat. Hot dogs and hamburgers will be cooked on a grill by Dave Cook. Participants will need to bring their own buns and drinks as well as a dish to pass that goes with the meat. A donation of \$2.00 per person is asked to cover the cost of meat. Place servings and condiments will be provided.

Following the dinner, there will be a singspiration and some watermelon. If you would like to bring games to play, feel free. When darkness sets in, sparklers will be available so you may want a lawn chair as you move outside for that.

The August signup sheets will be put up after that. Dave and Gail Cook will work with the committee members to prepare pulled pork and all the fixins. That meal will be \$6.00, and all the food will be provided.

The main course for the September dinner will be Spaghetti.



Game Night

Game Night is held on most **Friday evenings** at 7:00 PM in **Maxwell Commons**.

Bring your favorite game and friends and have an evening of fun and fellowship.

50th Anniversary Celebration

Plans are underway for the 2024 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration.

We will be honoring the following couples who will be celebrating 50 years of marriage in 2024.

Randy & Faith Reesman
EJ & Brenda Miller
Stan & Gloria Welton
Richard & Patty Bohms
Fred & Barb Hartson
David & Gayle Hooks
Dennis & Jill Wood

These couples **should have received** an email listing all the information and what to do to ensure a wonderful open house.

If your name is not listed above and you are celebrating your golden anniversary next year, we would love to include you! Just send me your names and contact information.

Perhaps you'd like to serve on the committee for the 50th celebration or help with the event – you are most welcome to join in by contacting me and expressing your interest.

Thank you,

Carolyn Lindley
carolyn_lindley@yahoo.com
50th Anniversary Chair



Update on Benches

We spoke with Ed Hamilton recently and he assured us that he is still optimistic that someone will take over the Park Bench manufacture so we can get more benches. He hopes to know within the next few weeks for sure. He already has some benches requested but would like other requests to be made to the Park Office until the details are sorted out on getting them.

You may continue to collect plastic lids. Please be sure they are clean. If they are stored at his place this summer, they need to be put inside his storage containers.

We will keep you posted if anything further develops.

2024 CPC golf tournaments!

Save the dates!

Two-person (men and women) Tournament
(18 holes Scramble)! Bring your partner!
Jan 5, 2024 (Friday) Earlier start time 10:00 AM

Club Championship Tournament (two flights) for
Men's & Women's categories (18 holes) Feb 2, 2024
(Friday)

Note: if Field Day doesn't happen in 2024, the
closest to the pin and longest drive contest will be
held as part of the Club Championship!

Two-person Blind Draw tournament (18 holes)
March 8, 2024 (Friday) Shot gun start at 10:00 AM.
Men's & Women's Categories. \$50 to each winning
team, plus, names on a trophy in Hood Hall.

Three club Co-Ed tournament
April 1, 2024, Monday, 18 holes. 10:00 AM

The Player's Club

Ed Stockwell 517 861-0481
edstockwell48@gmail.com



For anyone in the Area!

Roy and Janet Wight will be hosting the Second
Annual Saturday Before the 4th of July Picnic for
Light and Life Park residents at Manton Christian
Camp in Manton, Michigan on 7-1-23.

Manton Christian Camp is the campgrounds for the
North Michigan Conference of the Free Methodist
Church located in Manton, Michigan.

There will be a potluck dinner at 1:00 pm.
Bring a dish to pass, a chair and a story to tell. We
have reserved the pavilion by the flagpole.

Gad-About News

Thank you to all the ladies that joined us on the
trips in 2023.

A special "Thank You" to all the ladies who drove
us there and back safely.

Here is a peek into what we have planned for next
season, 2024

Jan 11 - HSN Shopping Outlet
Jan 25 - Secret Staircase Restaurant
Feb 15 - Lunch on Limoges & Giraffe Ranch
Feb 29 - Silver Springs Park & Glass-bottom Boat
Tour
Mar 14 - Back Porch & Stable Home Decor
Mar 28 - Russell Stover Chocolate & The Villages
West Tour

Things are subject to change until we can confirm
all the details in November/December when we
return to the park.

Keep thinking of things for the future and let me or
Peggy know. Our hope is that we can keep the
away trips to 2 hours or less whenever possible.

Flo Grabowski

Cell 931-797-2639 coachflolc@gmail.com

Peggy Dunn

Cell 248-766-5537 pegjim2000@yahoo.com



*Last
year's
get
together
at
Manton.*

Library Information



Library Notes

Presently we are placing “**date due**” slips in each of our books. This is so you may write the due date on the slip to help you remember. We have lost an immense number of books this year due to no returns or books being taken out without signing the card and placing it in the correct box. **In fact, some people owe \$100 plus dollars for unreturned books.** This is not fair to others!

We are presently redoing the drama section of our DVDs and classifying each section to help you find a movie of your choice quicker and easier. Please be patient while we get this done.

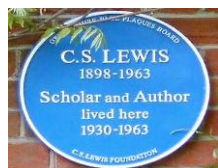
Two new clocks are now up. They are easier to see and keeping time accurately!

See you in a few months!

Book Review

Last month’s book review, *Becoming Mrs. Lewis*, is a story well worth the read. I have received positive comments from our own members, and from Stan’s brother, Gary, who is a professor at Grove City College in Pennsylvania. I recommended it to his wife, Gaye. Gary sent back favorable comments and loved it. I recommend it to anyone who enjoys C. S. Lewis’s works.

This month’s book is even better. *Once Upon a Wardrobe*, also by Patti Callahan, is one to grab, read, meditate on, and realize there was more to C.S. Lewis which made him a great writer.



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Once Upon a Wardrobe

by Patti Callahan

Eight-year-old George is an invalid with a severe congenital heart defect. He’s only given a few months to live. He loved to read books and picture the details in his mind. He had a vivid imagination that showed he was a very intelligent child. His sister, Megs, was going to one of the Oxford colleges for women. At that time, Oxford had male and female schools.

Megs was a mathematical, analytical, and physics major. She excelled in her schoolwork. Due to George’s short life expectations, she took the train home every weekend to visit him. They were reading the first book of the Narnia series, *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*. George would ask questions such as, “Where did he get his ideas?”; “How did he create Narnia?” He begged Megs to ask Mr. Lewis as he was a literature tutor at Oxford.

Through the stories she brought back from talking with Mr. Lewis, George came up with more and more stories and began to realize that what influenced the writer was his own personal experience melded with imagination—the good with the bad.

I don’t dare tell you anymore, or there would be no need to read it. The book gives an insight into C.S. Lewis that there would be no other way to learn. Read this book. You won’t be sorry. It’s on the shelves with the New Books.

Gloria Welton
Librarian

Cars and Coffee

2nd Saturday of every month 8:00am to 10am,
April 8th everyone is welcome to come and enjoy the vehicles of all years, sizes, and shapes at:

5221 Deeson Road, Lakeland, Florida.

Come, join the fun, and have a cup of coffee and a doughnut!

Larry Thomas 540-447-0458

A Good Read

Mel Starr, our resident author, has copies of his medieval mysteries, including the newest, #15, **SUPPRESSION AND SUSPICION**, which was released in October.

He has a new book being released in October just in time for the next winter season here in the park.

Even though the Starr's have left the park for the summer, you can find all his books at Amazon.com.

"Growing old is like a grammar lesson: we find the present **tense** and the past **perfect**."



Shuffleboard

Just a reminder for the summer! The courts are always open, and the pucks will be waxed. You are always welcome to play if the sun and bugs don't deter you. Enjoy! We will resume a regular schedule in the Fall.

Dale Schantz

989 975 6710 or 863 816 5422

Pickleball and Tennis

The pickleball/tennis players would like to thank those who attended and supported the two fundraisers'/dinner this year.

The courts are always open but are undergoing some construction so play carefully.

See you in the Fall.



Denise Tomasello

517-250-1420

Our HORSESHOE pits are open.

The pits are located between the miniature golf and shuffleboard courts.

You might want to check out the new construction around the pits. It might be easier to work on improving your game, and safer, too.

For nighttime play the light switch is inside the miniature golf shed on the east wall.

Help yourself to horseshoe fun.

Keith Childerhose

L & L Bowling League

Bowling is complete for this season, and we look forward to next January when we organize our teams again.

Some of us will be bowling for fun over the summer, if you have an interest, please let me know.

Please join us next year, you don't have to be good just diligent.



Barb Hartson bfhartson@gmail.com



Practice up!! The season will be here before you know it.

REPORT OF PASTORAL DISCERNMENT TASK TEAM

June 27, 2023

I want to keep everyone informed about where the Pastoral Discernment Task Team is in working with the Conference MEGA Board. The Task Force works to inform the MEGA Board about the needs, wishes and dynamics of our unique congregation. The Task Force will not make the decision as to who will be the new pastor. The new pastor will be appointed by the Conference MEGA Board.

We met with Superintendent Mike McAvoy on Wednesday, June 21, for two hours. He led us in devotions from Acts 13:1-4. The passage describes how the Holy Spirit led the prophets and teachers, after they had fasted and prayed, to set aside Barnabas and Saul for a special work. Superintendent McAvoy then reminded us that Light and Life Free Methodist Church is God's church. God is the one who calls people to serve Him. God already has a pastor chosen for us. It is the task of the Pastoral Discernment Task Team to work with the Conference MEGA Board in discerning that choice.

Superintendent McAvoy urged us to spend time as a church and Task Team fasting and praying for God to show us who He has chosen to lead us as pastor. We ask that you join us by fasting and praying for the MEGA Board and us as the Task Team.

The church BOA was asked to prepare a statement of the church's Purpose, Mission and Values. That has already been done and given to the Superintendent.

The Task Force shared with the Superintendent their expectations, giftedness, and qualities desired in a new pastor for this church.

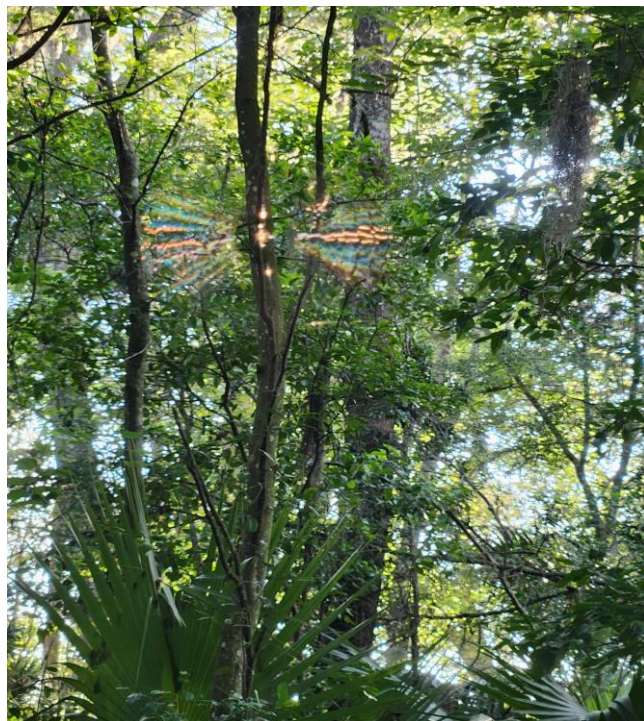
The church Finance Committee is to present the Superintendent and MEGA Board with a proposal for the new pastor containing salary, days off, housing, etc. After this is done, the Task Force will continue communication with Superintendent McAvoy.

Superintendent McAvoy stated we could have an appointment of a pastor sometime in September. He wants to be sure God's choice is chosen.

Sylvia Stevenson, Chairperson

517-882-5881

Our beautiful Park



God is the designer, but thanks Marva for capturing it on film.

Note from the editor.

I am going to keep you guessing as to "where in the newsletter" will be the next Picture of what God is letting us enjoy and what Marva is capturing on her walks around the Park.

Thanks Marva!!

Newsletter Deadline

Please be sure that your submissions to **The Life and Times** are delivered to the newsletter editor, Barb Hartson by the **20th** of the month prior to publication.

If you have pictures of an activity you would like to share, send them to me I will do my best to put them in the newsletter.

Please use this email: bfhartson@gmail.com (Barb Hartson). Email is the preferred method.

The August deadline is July 20th unless the activity is in the latter half of the month. Then check with me to see if you can still make it in.

Outreach Ministry

It is officially Summer. What a wonderful time of year. Hopefully many of us have had a chance to visit our children and grandchildren, catch some sunshine, or maybe travel to a fun destination.

Kids are home from school, which is fun but can create an issue for those who we are serving with the food bank because with schools shut down there is no more school breakfast and lunch. The need is much greater in Summer, but many of our volunteers and awesome donors have headed North for the season. Please consider sending a financial gift or why not call and have groceries sent to Hood Hall so you can decide what to give.

I enjoy gifting my little ones in Michigan with fun groceries by ordering from the nearest Walmart for their mom to pick up. It helps the family, and it is fun. If you want to try that, I am willing to pick up your order here in Lakeland, just let me know. It would be nice to have some healthy food like canned goods or fresh fruit to add to their donation box. Sam's Club or Publix works too. Try it, you help and have fun at the same.

Christine Aurich

Program Director Chrisaurich@hotmail.com
616 402 8241

Ladies at Prayer

"Ladies at Prayer" will be meeting again weekly, beginning Wednesday April 5th at 1:30 p.m. in the Light and Life Church annex.

We pray for needs of our families, the church, the park, missions, and the world.

All ladies are welcome to join us.

If you have questions, contact:



Annie Frankenfeld (316-213-5848).

Helping to pack Christmas boxes for distribution



Volunteer Mondays 3 pm at Hood Hall.
Send donations ANYTIME... your help is appreciated immensely...

An update on the Pictorial Directory

Well, we got the directory back for the final correction's process...BUT...we noticed that there were no northern addresses in it.

We were assured at the beginning that putting in two addresses each would not be a problem.

Now Darlene, our contact person, is in discussion with the design team to straighten out the problem.

Please pray that we can resolve the problem and get them to you in a timely manner.

Barb Hartson and Pat Wilkins

Light and Life Free Methodist Church

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Lakeland, FL 33810
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Fax (863) 858-3982
Email: church@lfmc.org

Pastor: Chuck Frankenfeld
Evangelism & Outreach: Jeff Bellinger
Secretary: Pam Hill
Email: church@lfmc.org

A Note from Pastor Chuck...

The bracelet says, "CAPT. WILLIAM R. BEAN JR. 5-23-72". The date is when Captain Bean was shot down over Vietnam. He spent 310 days in captivity until released during "Operation Homecoming" on March 28, 1973. He retired from the Air Force on October 1, 1997, as a Colonel. In retirement he joined the Civil Air Patrol.

Memorial Day has come and gone but July 4 is near. We remember and celebrate the nation's independence and the ongoing commitment and cost of our freedom. I received the POW bracelet of Captain Bean Jr. along with a commitment to pray for him while he was in captivity. Recently I looked him up on the internet to find he "Flew West on January 18, 2014."

We, as followers of Jesus, are also called to the commitment of prayer for all who continue in captivity, chains of their sinful nature. Jesus has made it possible for the prisoners to be set free. The cross is our reminder of the cost of freedom. Prayer is our commitment to set the prisoners free. Yes, I repeated that.... prayer is a commitment.... are you committed to Jesus and seeing folks freed from the wrath of God? Pray for one another and whomever we encounter.... that they might know the freedom of new life in Jesus!

In Christ,
Pastor Chuck

Prayer initiative

It was announced at church recently, that our Southeast Regions Conference is starting a 24/7 prayer initiative.

We are looking for all people willing to pray for 30 minutes per week to keep our conference churches, ministries and personnel covered with prayer for the upcoming conference year.

If you are willing to take your place as a prayer warrior, we will give your name to the Conference office, and they will guide you on how to pray moving forward.

Thank you for standing together with us, in this Kingdom work.

Please let me know asap if you can stand with us.

Pastor Jeff



PRAYER PARTNERS May 8 – August 21

This is how prayer partners works:

1. Put information form in the box in Hood Hall or the box in the Church Foyer or drop off at the church office.
2. Meet at Hood Hall at 3pm on Monday, May 8th. We will have lite snacks and you will receive your prayer partner.
3. Remember, even if you go up north during this time you can still participate by mail to the office to be put on table in foyer.
4. Any Questions contact.

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