The Beacon

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Dad I just want you to know That you mean so much to me Through all the years of growing up You taught me how to be Someone that has faith in God And accepts responsibility Someone that has a love for life And hope for eternity And there's still more that you imparted In everything you taught But one that meant the most to me Was how to love the Lord.



We want to help you celebrate Your very special day This moment you've been waiting for Has finally come your way We give all glory to the Lord For bringing you to this place And now that you have graduated Go forth and take God's grace.

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June 2012



Dear Friends,

Summer is almost here; a change in rhythm for most of us. Whether or not we have to take notice of the beginning and end of the school year, this change does mark a change in traffic patterns and in the number of young people at the mall and local stores. End of school year also generally means more time away from home and more time outside. This is certainly the case for my family. We'll be in Oregon together for a few days early in June, and at Camp Lodestar in Wilseyville later in the summer.

We have some fun things going on at Sunnyhills, too!

June 10 is our annual end-of-school BBQ. Rolf Haas will ably man the grill (In Jack Freeman's absence. Jack will be on vacation) Sunnyhills will provide meat and buns; you bring a dish to share.

That same day we'll be packing Cleaning Buckets for Annual Conference. Each of these buckets has a specific list of ingredients. Our goal is a minimum of 4 buckets, but we're hoping for enough to fill 8. You will find the content list later in the Beacon.

This summer, I'll be preaching a series of sermons: Hot Topics for Hot Summer Days. Over the course of the summer, we'll look at topics such as same-sex relationships; the role of religion in politics, rights issues: Men's Women's, our own bodies, employment, and roles in the church. My list isn't complete yet, so if you've got a topic you'd like to hear about, drop me a line.

Most Sundays after the Hot Topics, I'll lead a short discussion group to debrief the topic of the day, and introduce the next week's topic. You'll find a schedule of these topics in the Beacon.

If you travel this summer, I pray you travel safely. And please remember, your church has expenses year round, whether you are in worship or not. Give ahead, send a check in the mail, or have your bank send a check when you are out of town. Our staff and creditors appreciate it!

Blessings,

Pastor Shirley

Hot Topics For Hot Summer Days

The following is the Sermon Schedule for summer months ahead. Please remember Pastor Shirley is in the process of completing this list. If there is an additional topic you would like to learn more about, please don't hesitate to contact her.

Black, White and Gray: Where do Christians Stand?
Emil Sazon, preaching
How do we speak of other religions?
Pastor Shirley out - TBD
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Religion and Politics
Dealing with Same Sex Relationships
Religion and Science

Cleaning Bucket Collection

As mentioned in the May Beacon, the United Methodist Volunteers in Mission (UMVIM) will collect cleaning buckets at the Annual Conference this year.



Each kit contains items costing about \$56 total

For your convenience, the following are the items required, listed in a Shopping/Check List format. Please bring the items and buckets to the Church office on or before June 10th. Happy Shopping and don't forget to use Script when you fill that bucket to make this a "win-win" scenario for your church.

Items Needed to Fill the Bucket	Got it!
1 five-gallon bucket with resealable lid	
1 roll heavy duty trash bags, 24 to 28 count (30-45 gallon): Remove from box)	
5 scouring pads	
1 dry laundry detergent, 50-78 oz	
1 bottle liquid concentrated household cleaner (such as Lysol®), 12 oz	
1 bottle liquid antibacterial dish soap (such as Dawn®), 25 oz.	
Clothesline, two 50 ft. or one 100 ft.	
50 clothespins	
1 scrub brush (remove packaging)	
1 pair work gloves	
2 pairs latex gloves (i.e. Playtex®)	
7 sponges, assorted sizes	



► The <u>Sunnyhills United Methodist Church</u> <u>Choir</u>

After June 10, the Choir is on hiatus for the summer, but that doesn't mean we'll lack for special music. Some Sundays we will learn a new hymn before worship to sing between the scripture readings. Some Sundays we'll have special music from members or visitors. If you would like to lift your voice or musical instrument this summer, contact Pastor Shirley to get on the schedule.

► Ad Council

The Administrative Council for SUMC will meet at 7:00PM on Wednesday, June 13, 2012 in Jones Hall. All are welcome. If you have any questions, please contact Guy Haas.





► <u>Change-Over Sunday</u>

The next **Change-Over Sunday is June 24, 2012.** This is such a significant service to your community. Especially now when the Milpitas Food Bank and the San Jose Family Shelter are providing for so many during these difficult times. *Thank you again!*

► <u>Polling Place – Tuesday, June 5th</u> Please be reminded, SUMC will host the

June 5, 2012 election. The Sanctuary will be closed to all other activities from 7:00AM to 8:30PM, Tuesday, June 5, 2012. The Registrar of Voter's appreciates your space and cooperation.



Happy Birthday Wishes to...

Happy Anniversary!!

- 06/18 Lola Dorsey06/22 Catherine Deppe06/24 Erik Larsen
- 06/28 Laine Sazon
- 06/30 Jacob Feldman



06/21 Janyce and Jim Singleton06/23 Jack and Marley Spilman06/27 Eugenia and Don Egbert06/27 Anna and Huy Phan

Income and Expenses April 2012

INCOME	April
Offerings	\$5,307.04
Bldg. Use, etc.	\$5,162.27
Special Giving	\$ 249.98
TOTAL	\$10,719.29

EXPENSES	April
Mission & Outreach	\$ 1,278.43
Operating Expense	\$ 3,702.90
Pastor and Staff	\$ 5,649.07
TOTAL	\$10,630.40

FUND BALANCES

Cash on hand	\$56,749.12
(Designated and Undesignated)	
Designated funds	\$26,093.08



Beginning of Summer/End of School Year BBQ



- When: June 10, 2012, just after worship
- **Where**: Sunnyhills, in the area between Jones Hall and the Education Building



What to bring: Sunnyhills will provide hotdogs, sausage, and hamburgers, condiments and paper goods. You bring a dish to share and a good appetite.



Community Breakfast Schedule



The next Milpitas Community Breakfast is scheduled for Saturday, June 2, 2012, at 8:00 a.m.

The Milpitas City Manager, Tom Williams, will host the next breakfast. Against the combined background of a multi-year national recession, the recent dissolution of the Redevelopment Agency, and ever-tightening State budgets, Milpitas has a \$9M financial hole to fill this year. Every department has been impacted as about 25% of city staff was cut over the past few years. Learn what additional impacts are coming, and what Milpitas leadership plans to do.

The breakfast, a 50-year old tradition in Milpitas, is sponsored by the Sunnyhills United Methodist Church and Sunnyhills Neighborhood Association. Breakfast is free (donations requested). All Milpitas residents and business owners are invited to attend and participate. Breakfasts run from 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. at Jones Hall, Sunnyhills United Methodist Church, 355 Dixon Road (across from Weller School playground). The Milpitas Community Breakfast occurs the first (non-holiday) Saturday of the month except July and August. For more information, call 263-8942.

There's a Blood Drive on the Horizon.... More Information to Come.



There is an inter-faith blood drive in the works for July. This annual event began a few years back between the LDS Church and the Catholic diocese in Oakland, and has been growing from year to year. This July, Catholics, Latter-Day Saints, Sufis, Methodists, and others across the east and south bay areas are mounting an effort to hold over 100 donation events.

This year, the LDS stake center at the northeast corner of the Scott Creek - 680 interchange is coordinating a local donation site.

Problem is, we don't have firm date OR location just yet. They have a large basketballcourt/multipurpose room in their facility, but they have a union issue that keeps the workers from crossing into Alameda County to set it up as a donation site. They are seeking another site and, frankly, SUMC does not have a large enough space for the number of donors they are expecting.

Dear Folks who make a practice of donating, if you would like to participate in this effort, don't visit your regular blood bank in June – please hold off until you know whether you can participate in this interfaith effort.

Keep watch for more information in the July Beacon. Guy Haas

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