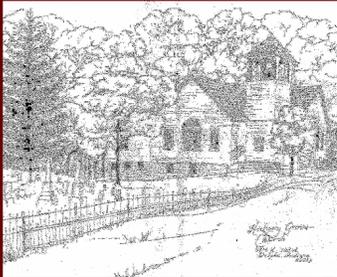


Hickory Grove Church

Hickory Switch

July
2016



Upcoming Events

July

- 6th-Golden Agers
- 6th-Women's Fellowship
- 7th-Business Meeting
- 16th-Women's Prayer
- 18th-Deacon's Meeting

LET FREEDOM RING
 PROUD TO BE AN AMERICAN
 stars and stripes fireworks
 4TH OF JULY AMERICA
 RED WHITE BLUE
 God Bless the USA
 FREEDOM
 HOME OF THE BRAVE Patriotic
 One Nation Under God
 CELEBRATE sparklers USA
 Independence Day



Vacation Bible School



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Congratulations!

Submitted by Helen Hanna

Lindsey Hanna received a doctoral degree in Education and Health Science from Bradley University, Peoria, Illinois on May 14. She is the daughter of Kris Hanna and granddaughter of Helen Hanna. Lindsey starts her new job May 31 in Chicago where she will be working with cancer survivors. Congratulations Lindsey!

PASTOR'S PEN

WHAT EVER HAPPENED TO A DAY OF REST?

Welcome to the beginning of a series of Hickory Switch Messages that I have titled: "Whatever Happened to a Day of Rest?". I started to title it: "Whatever Happened to Sundays?". However, the Jewish and Seventh Day Adventist acknowledge Saturday as their Day of Rest. I am sure there are other faiths as well that I am unaware. Also there are professions such as Doctors, Nurses, Pastors, Dairy Farmers (no spigots on utters), Police and others that their services are in demand on Sundays and they of necessity must work. (Personally I don't look to it as work, it is my calling.) But that does not negate the need for a day of rest, or at least God feeling we have a need of one.

Now the 1st day of rest was this: Gen 2:2 By the seventh day God had finished the work he had been doing; so on the seventh day he rested from all his work. Then God instructed His people: Ex 31:15 "For six days work may be done, but on the seventh day there is a sabbath of complete rest, holy to the Lord; whoever does any work on the sabbath day shall surely be put to death (guess He was serious)". He didn't even want them gathering the manna on the 7th day: Ex 16:26 "You may gather the food for six days, but the seventh day is the Sabbath. There will be no food on the ground that day."

Then Further instructions: Deut 5:14 "but the seventh day is a sabbath of the Lord your God; in it you shall not do any work, you or your son or your daughter or your male servant or your female servant or your ox or your donkey or any of your cattle or your sojourner who stays with you, so that your male servant and your female servant may rest as well as you". In Mark 2:27 "Then he(Jesus) said to them, "The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath (niv)". God's Word Translation says: "Then he added, "The day of worship was made for people, not people for the day of worship(niv)."

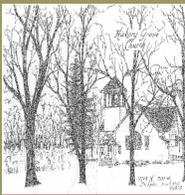
Life, evidently, went on fairly well in those early days. The plan was to rest from labors, spend leisure time with family and friends and worship together with fellow believers. Evidently they did all right with God's plan; for the most part. We do have to acknowledge they were having some problems after Jesus came, was crucified, resurrected, rose again and returned to His (and our) Father in Heaven. Paul, however, had to exhort the Hebrews in 10:25 "Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another--and all the more as you see the Day approaching".

Notice Paul did not say as some "occasionally do". He said are in the habit of. Truth is every one of us has had something come up on a Sunday from "time to time". I have told many farmers I would help bale hay on Sunday or I would drive their tractors on Sunday if rain was threatening Monday morning. I have milked many cows and goats on Sunday. I have helped round up calves that got out on Sundays. These things are scriptural as well. Jesus tells us in Matt 12:11 "If any of you has a sheep and it falls into a pit on the Sabbath, will you not take hold of it and lift it out?" You see things will come up for all of us. But when it gets to the place when it is an almost every "day of rest" event, rather than an occasional, we must re-evaluate our commitment to what God has planned for us. You see, this is exactly why God made for us a day of rest. A day that we could prioritize what is really important for us – in Him.

Now I have put a lot of thought into this subject; and feel like we are getting, as a whole, to the opposite end of the spectrum on this. I was born in 1951 – YEAH go 50's!! I have seen a tremendous change just in my lifetime. So when did things begin to make a gigantically enormous change that I could witness? Well I have the (an) answer and will share it with you in future months so look forward to the next issue of the Hickory Switch. In the meantime, I am asking some of you that have been blessed to be older than I am to write some things down and give them to me. Here is what I am asking you: "How were your Sundays spent when you were a child?" i.e. – Where did you go, what did you do?

Until then: "See you next Sunday"!

Pastor Ken



July '16

Hickory Grove Church

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1	2 Chad & Danielle Wharff
3 Carrie Bishop	4 Justin & Donna Wilson <i>Happy Fourth of July!</i>	5	6 Golden Agers Women's Fellowship	7 Shirley Inman Scott & Beth Jones Business Meeting	8	9
10	11 Jonah Peterson Evan Crowel David & Stephanie Veach Bill Summerfield	12 Gary Reedy Bob & Mary Blount Alicia Medley	13	14 Jesse Kelly	15	16 Women's Prayer
17 Angie Jacob	18 Deacon Meeting	19 Bob & Jo White Mason Bishop	20	21 Justin Wilson	22 Gary & Martha Reedy Joan Elston	23
24 Martha Reedy Caleb Bowlin	25 Sherry Hantschel	26	27 Grant Emmons Ryan Emmons	28 Sam Jacob	29 Kenny Hill	30 Seth Jacob
31 Pat Cotner Carl Christiansen	1	2 Bryan Felz	3	4	5 Dave & Angie Jacob	6
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Women's Fellowship-June 1st, 2016

Submitted by Secretary, Brenda Johns
President Leisha Hill opened with prayer. Donna Le-wellen hosted our meeting in her home. She gave devo-tions on her plant named "Naomi". She named the plant that after receiving it some 4 1/2 to 5 years ago at a women's fellowship meeting that we had in her home where we swapped plants. The plant she re-ceived was from Ruth Crawn. Thus, as Ruth was the plants original "mother", Donna named it Naomi. The plant has had many struggles over the past few years but is looking pretty good these days. Donna contributes the fact that it is still living to its good be-ginning and strong foundation.

13 women answered roll call of "if you were a plant, what kind would you be?"

Secretary's report was provided by Brenda Johns. Vicki Criswell motioned they be accepted as submit- ted. Gloria Wharff 2nd motion, motion carried. Treas- urer report was given with a balance on June 1, 2016 of \$763.01.

Mary Black passed cards to be signed for sick and shut- ins.

Material aid report was given on Ronald McDonald House meal. Discussion was made on whether to con- tinue with it as volunteers were down. Judy Crowel is to call them and discuss options. Items are in bulletin

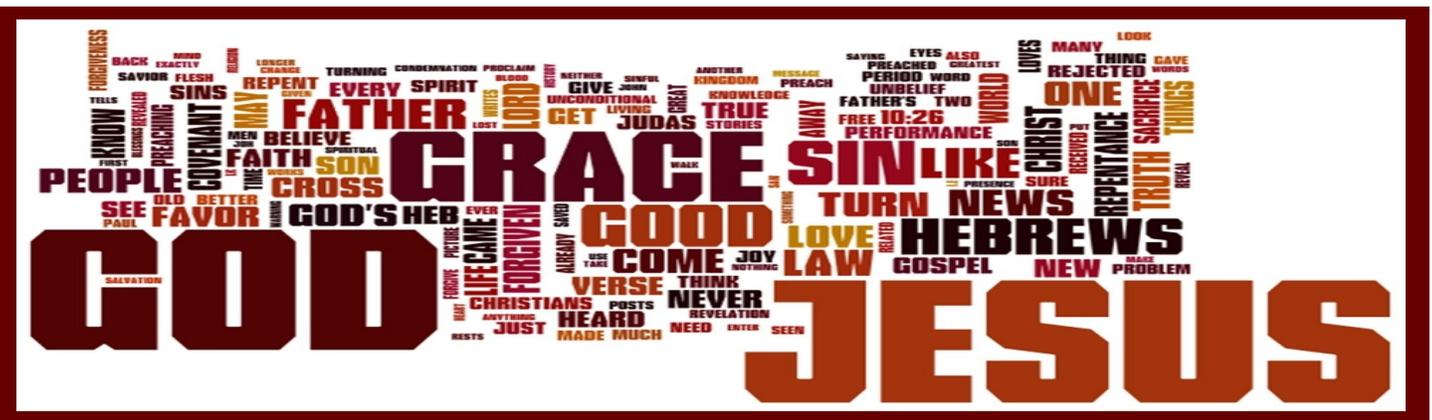
that are being collected to be delivered on June 18th. A label needs placed on the containers in the back of the church telling what the containers are for. Lonetta Felz motioned that we give material aid committee \$200 to purchase supplies for Ronald McDonald House. Pat Cotner 2nd motion, motion carried. Local family house fire was discussed and Gloria Heber motioned we give \$100, Brenda Johns 2nd mo- tion, motion carried.

Mother-Daughter-Friend Banquet was discussed. No recommendations were made to improve in the fu- ture. Everyone agreed all went very well. 87 women/ children attended at \$5 each for total collection of \$435. Expenses associated with the event of \$362 were paid out as if May 31st.

Craft day is scheduled for June 4th. We will be work- ing on pillowcases for Women 2 Women. Much help is needed cutting, pinning, ironing and sewing. Material is also needed. Cotton or satin is best but flannel can be used. The fee for this day is a bottle of body wash to go to Women 2 Women. We are still collected magazines, books and Bibles which Don Hughes will deliver to Women 2 Women for us.

Secret Sister applications were passed out to those attending. The rest will be mailed out.

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Golden Agers

Submitted by Sherry Hantschel

The Good Lord stopped the rain showers just in time for 14 Golden Agers to make it into Cindi's house for our luncheon without getting wet.

Don Hughes asked the blessing for our food.

With our tummies full, the meeting was called to order.

Bob Tobey asked that as many of us that can go visit Don Dill.

Arlene Stangle read to us "The Pledge of Allegiance" written by Red Skelton and a funny from "Humor in Uni- form" from Reader's Digest.

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Golden Agers-Con't.

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Sherry Hantschel shared a poem written by Dieter's fraternity brother, von Otto Scheid entitled: "LOVE"

" Love is a very splendid thing"
whether you speak it or you sing.
It sounds so wonderful and kind
and makes us happy in our mind.

Love is a word that serves us all
no matter if we rise or if we fall.
Use it always to stay in touch,
for true love never costs too much!

From a book "50 Inspiring Poems",
Sherry read 'A Prayer of Praise.'

The question of whether we want to meet during the summer months was brought up for a vote. It was voted that we would meet each month during the summer-time.

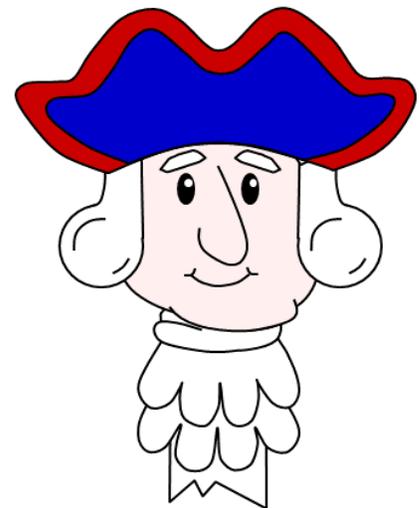
Bob Tobey dismissed us with prayer.

Our next meeting will be at Cindi Anderson's house at 12 noon, on July 6, 2014.

For the Young at Heart

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Women's Fellowship-June 1st, 2016

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Leisha is to contact the "Wall that Heals" people closer to our next meeting and find out what needs remain. We will make definitive plans at July meeting.

The Deacon's asked that we provide main dish and salad or desert for carry in on June 26th when the Jacob Family will be in for a visit.

Gloria Heber won our door prize this month and will be responsible for providing next month's door prize.

Lonetta Felz is hosting July meeting at the church.

Mary Black closed our meeting with prayer. Donna Lewellen provided wonderful refreshments and we had our "plant swap". We had a great assortment of plants to choose from!

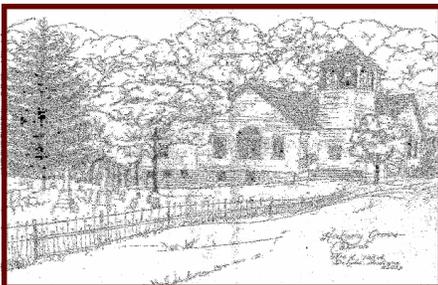
CHRISTIAN RADIO STATIONS

Submitted by Stephanie Felz
For those who may be interested in listening to Christians music or Christian talk radio, here are a few stations you might tune into!
90.7 FM (Christian Talk radio)
100.1 FM (Christian music)
106.7 FM (Christian music)



YOUTH GROUP INFO

Submitted by Melanie Campbell
No meetings this month!
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People who may appreciate your cards, prayers and visits:

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Dee Davis
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Don Dill
White Oak 814 S 6th Street,
Monticello IN 47960

Wanda Gayer
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Francesville, IN 47946
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Irma Jenni
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Monticello IN 47960

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Tipton, IN 46072

In Your Moment of Need...



In your moment of
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call:

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Phone: 574-826-4307
Pager: 574-722-0173

Or one of our Deacons:
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Ron Felz 574-965-4239
Rob Hill 574-686-2092
Alan Sickler 574-943-3236
Ron Simons 574-943-3382
Gloria Heber 765-564-4386

Have something you want to share...

If you have any minutes to meetings, class party info or anything you think the rest of us might enjoy hearing about, please get it to Amy or Brenda. We can be reached at:

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Sundays in Review...

Did you miss a Sunday recently? No problem, you can now borrow a taped copy of the Sunday service! Copies are made every Sunday to be distributed to Shut-ins or those who were absent for whatever reason. Just contact anyone from the church, and they can get you a copy!

