



“Honor Your Mother”

By Pastor Loescher

The state of motherhood in our country is in crisis. The number of teenage unwed mothers staggers our senses and pains our hearts. The killing of the unborn to avoid motherhood only underscores the selfishness that infects us all, a selfishness that makes being a godly mother impossible. “For without faith it is impossible to please God” (Hebrews 11:6).

A woman can become a mother through a relatively simple biological act. But for a woman to actually be a mother means sacrifice and diligent care for those to whom she has given birth. While she might consider herself free of the rigors of motherhood once her children are adults striking out on their own, not so a godly woman. For a woman to be a godly mother takes a lifetime of prayer for her children. A godly mother fills herself with the goodness of God. She worships. She devotes time to communing with God in his Holy Word. Through this she remains a haven of good counsel for her children. A godly mother is an icon of God’s love to her children even after she is gone because she was serious about standing at God’s side, representing God to them.

Indeed being a mother is much more than having a baby, especially if a woman intends to be a godly mother. Martin Luther said this about parents in his commentary on the fourth commandment:

To this estate of fatherhood and motherhood God has given the special distinction above all estates that are beneath it that He not simply commands us to love our parents, but to honor them. For with respect to brothers, sisters, and our neighbors in general He commands nothing higher than that we love them, so that He separates and distinguishes father and mother above all other persons upon earth, and places them at His side.¹

Having a baby puts a woman into a most high and noble office, but who is equal to the task? Can any earthly woman fill the requirements of God who has given them not only the charge to feed,

clothe and protect a child, but to raise this child to fear, love and trust in God?

If you are a mother, or one looking forward to the day of motherhood, do not despair over the impossibility of such a task. Trust the power of the Lord. Trust the gift of the Holy Spirit to work in you through the Word and Sacrament. When the day comes that you do not feel you deserve to be called “mother”, when you have failed to be as God to your children. If you have despised the Word of God by neglecting it, taught your children by example that worship is unimportant, and failed to pray for your children, you have sinned against God and against your children. But you have not yet failed. Just take your child in your arms (or if she is too big for that anymore, in your heart) pray for forgiveness and pray for your child. You have simply been what we all are—sinners in need of Jesus. Then, once again, in the fear and power of the Lord, take up the joyful burden of godly motherhood.

To the single moms, you have a special burden. May all the church pray for your strength and continued commitment to being a godly mother. Thanks to God for the men of your lives who try to be godly men for your children and model what a father should do. To the husbands, be a father to your children, treat your wife with gentleness and respect, pray for her, guide her with the Lord’s counsel that she may be strengthened in her task. To the children, don’t simply love your mother, honor her. There can be no greater Mother’s Day tribute than that.

Motherhood in our world is in crisis, but it need not be so among us. Our mothers have the wisdom and power of God to strengthen them that they may offer it to their children. We have the strength and wisdom of God to give true honor to those who are mothers among us that we may support them in their task. Thanks be to God that nothing is impossible for him! He forgives and he strengthens that we may all live and serve in the light of his love.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY SENIORS!!!

- Myrtle Ehlke...5/4/1918...92 yrs. old
- Eleanor Gronemeyer...5/8/1924...86 yrs. old
- Dorothy Turek...5/8/1923...87 yrs. old
- Roger Liesener...5/19/1925...85 yrs. old
- Margaret Becker...5/23/1923...87 yrs. old
- Ruth Laverenz...5/26/1927...83 yrs. old
- Donald Herther...5/28/1927...83 yrs. old
- Lorain Kison...5/29/1919..91 yrs. old
- Al Laverenz...5/31/1926...84 yrs. old



Parish Nurse News

LOOKING FOR OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE?

I recently received an email from Pastor Bob Fleischmann, National Director of Christian Life Resources that now has their national office just down the road from us and across from Cabelas. They have a very real need for more volunteers and would like to get that word out to us, as David's Star has already sent many valuable volunteers their way!

One of their needs is for someone who is comfortable with the computer and can wade through files, dispose of duplicate information, sort file topics logically, and organize them into a system that is easily understood and followed. They have 25+ years of files that have accumulated and the pre-computer hard copies need to be scanned by a high-speed scanner. This person needs to be self-motivated, reliable, easy going, and technology skilled! The number of hours volunteered per week is certainly up to the volunteer but a regular and reliable schedule is appreciated! These types of volunteers are the kinds they keep in mind when the day comes to add a paid position on the staff. While Pastor can promise nothing now (especially now with their budget crunch) he does say that some of their current staff began as a volunteer.

Although a few volunteers to accomplish the above is their most pressing need there are other opportunities. There is a need for a warm and inviting receptionist to greet guest and visitors at the door and handle incoming phone calls.

An A/V Tech with a creative side to help Tim Snyder, the media coordinator would be appreciated. Are you able and willing to help with the creation of educational A/V material either in front of the camera or behind it?

How about a website Guru? Someone who is skilled in Share point and Word Press for the creation of an Intranet and Website/Blog would be very helpful! What about a college student with a major in graphics design or someone with excellent writing skills to help research and write articles for their periodicals and pamphlets?

Pastor Fleischmann finished by saying that the needs are great and varied but that perhaps the most important trait for their corps of volunteers is to be a self-starter who has a great intuition and a passion for whatever they volunteer to do!

Any questions? Contact Helen Fleischmann, volunteer coordinator at 677-5230.

Serving each other in Christ's love,

Sue Bolha

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MAY 2010 GREETERS

- May 1st 5:00 Pastor and Mrs. Janke
- May 2nd 7:45 Jody & Amy Hansen
- May 2nd 10:15 Mel & Eunice Heckendorf

- May 8th 5:00 Gene and Marlene Hagenow
- May 9th 7:45 To be assigned
- May 9th 10:15 Pat & Lynet Steele

- May 15th 5:00 Betty Gumm
- May 16th 7:45 Mark & Jen Otte
- May 16th 10:15

- May 22nd 5:00 Fritz & Omi Mahnke
- May 23rd 7:45 John & Nelda Clemens
- May 23rd 10:15

- May 29th 5:00 Neil and Barb Thompson
- May 30th 7:45 Myron & Delores Philipps
- May 30th 9:30

DEDICATION

Of new ministry spaces will be on May 23rd. This dedication will be held in conjunction with our All Praise Service

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Thank you to everyone who collects General Mills Box Tops. The school received a check for \$290 and it was put into our School Wish List Fund. The school is planning on purchasing another Smartboard for a classroom. We are still collecting the Kempfs, Morning Glory and Golden Guernsey Milk Caps but need at least 1000 of each in order to receive a check.

David's Star Church
Council Meeting Minutes / Capsule
April 13, 2010

Members in attendance: Pastor Woldt, Pastor Loescher, David Nunez, Kevin Behm, Randy Matter, Tim Gustafson, Joel Pless, David Zarling, Jim Korthals, Rob Schneiker, Jeff Morgan

Absent: Dennis Bell, Brian Lee

The meeting was called to order by David Nunez. The meeting was opened with a prayer. A motion was made and carried to approve the minutes from the regularly scheduled meeting on March 16, 2010.

Committee Reports

Membership Report (Pastor Woldt)

Incoming: None

Outgoing: Steinbrenner, Benjamin
*Transfer to Resurrection,
 Chesapeake, VA*

Pastors' report

(Pastor Loescher, Telephone # 677-0919

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Telephone # 377-1019 woldt@nconnect.net)

What a blessing Holy Week was here at David's Star as we worshipped together and witnessed 15 young people confirm their faith in Jesus. Pastor Woldt spent four days at Martin Luther College for governing board meetings and for the new chapel; dedication ceremonies. What a joy to be present on campus of our WELS college of ministry for these events. Preaching schedules are being worked out to accommodate two Woldt weddings and one Loescher wedding this summer. Pastors attended a one day pastoral conference today in Brownsville.

President's report

(David Nunez, Telephone 677-2467,

David.Nunez@ipaper.com.)

Ministry Budget - This will continue to be a focus for me, once Randy has a comfortable feeling of all the numbers and everything balances properly, he & I will continue to monitor the progress and as our schedules permit meet on a weekly basis for updates.

Shepherd's Staff Update – This project is in my “In Basket” and will be completed within the next 30 days. I have met with Barry Washburn and have discussed at a high level but have not come up with the “Job Description” as of yet. I will have something for him to review shortly.

New Building Committee – A number of items are being completed as we were notified at the last meeting. The main projects that will be moving forward with are the paving, landscaping, cement work and other inside design elements. Randy Vogel will be addressing us this evening to give us an update. The design sub-committee has been doing a fantastic job working on furnishings for the new narthex, new signage for the entire campus and sound deadening tiles for the new upper gathering area leading from the upper hallway into the school, as well as new narrow conference tables for Bible Classes in the multi-purpose room.

New Building Dedication – Full plans are being worked on with Pastor Woldt working with Ladies Aid, the new Fellowship Committee and other volunteers to make this a very memorable Dedication Day for our congregation. We will be finalizing plans throughout the next couple of weeks so that we can make sure and get word out to all channels.

Congregational Meeting Chairman – Since Randy Matter is now the Church Treasurer, we were in need of a new Meeting Chairman, I have asked Bill Truebenbach and he has accepted to be our Meeting Chairman.

KMLHS Delegates – It was discussed in the last meeting that we have not had a consistent number of delegates at the KML General Board meetings. I will be reviewing that with our Head Delegate – Joel Pless to verify our members and contact them to make sure we are attending the meetings. We will also discuss the transferring of the Head Delegate responsibility to another person since Joel is now our Spiritual Growth Committee Chairman.

Board for Buildings and Grounds

(Robert Schneiker, Telephone # 677-2584

schneikerconcrete@gmail.com)

The Board went through the classrooms with Brian Lee to see what need to be done. Work on the heat registers is one big item to be done in the classrooms.

Arbor Day is May 3rd at 5:30PM.

Another card reader to be used for the northeast door is being ordered. Upon receiving the card reader, we can begin using the card reader system.

Work will be done in the 6th grade classroom. The paneling will be ripped down and drywall will be installed, as a donation from Behm Brothers Drywall. To do lists for the committee are being developed including one for what needs to be done in the new pastors' offices.

Board for Elementary Education
(Brian Lee, Telephone #377-9419 brian.lee@jci.com)
(Principal Tim Gustafson Telephone # 338-3992
tgustafson@davidstar.org)

Tim Gustafson reported that tuition rates for next year will be discussed under new business.

Board of Elders
(Dennis Bell, Telephone # 677-2248
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Pastor Woldt reported that Rev. Dan Koelpin, the administrator of the Board for World Missions, will be our Mission Festival speaker this year.

Evangelism Committee
(David Zarling, Telephone # 674-1094
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120 children attended our Easter Egg Hunt this year in which we had the opportunity to share the Easter message in a fun environment. We enjoyed good weather. There were many volunteers for this event from the 7th and 8th grade classes, as well as KML.

The Committee discussed a Welcome and Information Desk to be used in the narthex with the Design Committee. They also discussed the usage of the TV monitor in the narthex.

Stewardship Committee
(Jim Korthals, Telephone # 242-8143
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The first installment of stewardship articles appeared in the April newsletter

The Synod's four year stewardship program will be launched at this year's convention. The first year is entitled "Love Takes Time".

Spiritual Growth Committee
(Joel Pless, Telephone # 677-2109 joel_pless@wic.edu)

A new round of Bible Classes will begin soon. Joel will be doing a class for the teens regarding Christian marriage and dating. Pastors Woldt and Loescher will be doing the adult classes.

Traditional Vacation Bible Class will be held the week of the 4th of July.

Family Bible Week will also be held the last full week of July.

Building Committee Update (Randy Vogel)

Randy overviewed his quarterly report to be presented to the voters on Thursday.

Fundraising Committee Update (Gary Heckendorf)
Gary Heckendorf and Darvin Behm are working on something to be presented to the voters at the meeting on Thursday.

Treasurer's report
(Randy Matter, Telephone #376-1585
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The Council reviewed revised financial information presented by Randy for the year ended December 31, 2009. The revised final 12/31/2009 operating fund balance is (\$77,702.51) compared to ((\$132,877.74) at the beginning of 2009. The 12/31/09 revised ending balance differs from the originally reported value of (\$82,558.27) – a favorable difference of \$4855.76. The March 31, 2010 report was then presented indicating an ending operating fund balance at 3/31/10 in the amount of (\$134,543.10).

Vice President Report
(Jeff Morgan, Telephone # 377-7532,
jmorgan@theinntrendcorp.com)

No report.

A motion was made and carried to accept all reports except those items that needed separate action under old or new business.

Old Business

Future of "Parish Center" – This item remains open.

New Business

Recommendations from Cemetery Committee – A draft of proposed changes to the cemetery rules and regulations were distributed to Council members. As we are in the early stages of revising our cemetery regulations, Council felt the best course of action was to distribute these proposed revisions to the voters at our quarterly meeting on Thursday. These revisions are to be considered informational only, and we would like input from everyone as far as what their thoughts are regarding these proposed changes.

Member request of join Camp Phillip Association – There was discussion regarding a request to join the Camp Phillip Association. A motion was carried to join the association. This will be brought to the voters for their approval at the quarterly meeting.

Internet Service – The Council reviewed a recommendation from the Technology Committee that

we partner with Bertram Wireless for Internet Service at a minimal cost not to exceed \$750 excluding fence with funds to be taken from the technology funds of the church and school. Bertram would be allowed to construct a tower to the east of Woldt's at the 918' elevation. That we provide a 20 amp electrical circuit to the structure form the residence and a conduit for future fiber installation. That we might determine at a later date to erect a fence around the structure in order to secure it from the children of the school and that we in the future install fiber to the structure in order to achieve the Internet speed required by school. This recommendation was approved by Council and will be brought to the voters for their approval at the voters meeting.

Tuition – The Council reviewed a recommendation from the Board of Education to approve the following tuition rates for next school year:

Preschool: \$1200 Member of Non-member

Kindergarten: \$860 Member, Non-member, \$2265 (\$2065 for the 2nd Kindergarten student)

Grades 1-8: \$1000 Member (\$950 after first student), Non-member \$3605 (\$3005 after first student)

The above tuition rates were approved by Council and will be brought to the voters for their approval at the voters meeting.

The congregation will need to select a delegate for the Southeast Wisconsin District convention to be held June 8th and June 9th. We will be looking for nominations at the voters meeting.

Items for Voters (for the April voters meeting)

Review recommendations from Cemetery Committee
Member request to join Camp Phillip Association
Internet service
Tuition rates for 2010-11 school year
Delegate for Southeast Wisconsin district convention

Next months meeting is **Tuesday, May 11, 2010 at 7:00 P.M.** The next Voters meeting will be **Thursday, April 15, 2010 at 8:00 PM.**

A motion was made and carried to adjourn. The meeting was closed with prayer.
Respectively submitted,

Kevin A. Behm, Recording Secretary
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PLANNED GIVING MAY 2010

Be Doers, Not Only Hearers

In James 1:22-25, God's Word focuses on not only hearing the Word, but doing the Word. This can encompass many areas of our Christian lives. The image of a person looking at their face in the mirror is used as an example. The mirror of the Word shows us our sin. Be the Word also tells us of the righteousness we already have in Christ.

Here is a riddle you may have heard but is worth sharing again. "Five frogs sat on a log. Four decided to jump off. How many frogs are left on the log?"

What is your answer to this riddle? Was it one, two, three, or four? According to the way the riddle is worded the answer is five. "How come?" you ask? It's because there is a big difference between deciding and doing. To put it another way: "To believe and not act is not yet to believe, for I only truly believe that which motivates me to action."

As part of our appreciation for what God has done for us and to be a faithful follower and disciple of Jesus we need to take action. Just being an admirer or a hearer of the Word is not enough.

If you do not have your estate plan completed, now is the time to be a doer, not just a hearer. Though it is good to consider what type of gift, when a gift will be made, or how a gift will be made through an estate plan, the real focus should be on the why we make a gift through an estate plan. Our motivation for making a gift, the why, is because God first loved us. God not only decided to send His Son, he followed it up with action.

If you need help with your estate plan, there are people who can help. Contact Bill Truebenbach, David's Star Planned Giving Chairman at 677-2066 or via Email: btruebenbach@tlha.org



WHAT: ARBOR NIGHT

**WHEN: MONDAY, MAY 3RD;
4:00 PM**

Raindate: May 10th, 2010

Looking for able bodied persons to help tidy up the grounds around campus. Please bring rakes, chain saws, skid steers and plenty of muscle.

We would appreciate any youth (7th grade and up) providing they have their homework finished to help also.

If you have any questions, please contact Rob Schneiker at 677-2584.

Ladies Aid will be serving a lunch on Monday evening.

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DID YOU KNOW? David's Star is now on Facebook. Logon and become a fan to see what's new and happening at David's Star. Become a fan. Write on our wall. Send us a message. Meet other friends from David's Star. See you online!

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It's MINE – or Is It?

“What’s yours is mine, and what’s mine is my own.” It’s amazing how early we pick up on that idea. Toddlers want the toy the other child has, but at the same they are not willing to give up the toy they have. They want them both. They want to get and not to give. Of course, that desire doesn’t magically stop after a few more birthdays. To have and not to give seems to stick with us throughout our lives. Even newly weds struggle to learn the art of sharing within the confines of marriage. When we are accustomed to think only of ourselves, it’s hard to keep other people in mind.

To help us deal with ourselves, the Lord inspired David to write, “The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it” (Psalm 24:1). That’s a truth that is so difficult to accept. We respond by saying, “I work hard for what I have. What I have belongs to me!” Did King David get it wrong in the psalm? Of course not. What we fail to appreciate is this, “How did I get the skills to hold the job that I have?” Or maybe we should ask,

“How is it that I have a job in this economy, when so many people are without jobs?”

The Lord gives us our abilities according to his good and gracious will. “Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights” (James 1:17). We are to use what God gives faithfully. God allows us to use these gifts for many purposes. He certainly wants us to provide for ourselves and for those people who are dependent upon us. Without too much difficulty we recognize those responsibilities.

It’s not always so easy for us to see that we have responsibilities that are outside our immediate family circle. Giving to a charity which assists people with their physical needs may be ignored because we think our needs are greater.

God in his love for us has given us spiritual blessings, as well as physical blessings. We don’t deserve those blessings. We have no right to demand those blessings, yet God freely gives us forgiveness. We need what God has to offer and so does everyone else, both people we know and people we have never met.

Our Lord brings us together in a congregation like David’s Star Lutheran Church. It’s a spiritual family where we help each other. Recognizing that we can give what others need, we also reach out with the saving message of Jesus. We do together what we would not be able to do by ourselves. We are served by pastors and teachers. We work together with other congregations to provide educational opportunities beyond our campus. We send workers to represent us in mission field across the country and around the world.

What’s mine is not really my own. God provides for us so that we can provide for ourselves AND others. “The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it.” May our God bless us – not only with material things, but also with a desire to support his work. Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Pray to God also for a generous heart – a heart willing to share good news.

The Stewardship Committee

Quarterly Voters Meeting

April 15, 2010

David's Star Ev. Lutheran Church,
Jackson, WI 8:00 pm

The meeting was opened with devotion by Pastor Loescher.

The meeting was called to order by congregational meeting chairman Bill Truebenbach.

A motion was made and carried to approve the minutes from the January voter's meeting.

The agenda was adopted by the voter's Membership Report (since January Meeting)

Incoming: Carris, Amy; Courtney

Profession of faith

Moldenhauer, Jessica; Alexander

Transfer from Morning Star, Jackson, WI

Hopeman, Jason

Profession of faith

Outgoing: Backus, Steve

Transfer to St. John's, Newburg, WI

DeNoyer, April; Ethan & Leila

Transfer to Bethany, Manitowoc, WI

Draxler, Linda

Transfer to St. John's, Lomira, WI

Steinbrenner, Benjamin

Transfer to Resurrection, Chesapeake, VA

Watts, Christopher

Transfer to Redeemer, Cedarburg, WI

Watts, Catherine; Alyssa

Transfer to Redeemer, Cedarburg, WI

Signing of Constitution by new voters

No new members were present

Pastors' report (Pastor Loescher, 677-0919, kloescher@davidstar.org and Pastor Woldt, 377-1019, woldt@nconnect.net)

The pastors enjoyed confirming 15 eighth graders on Palm Sunday. The gathering space in the narthex was very useful for greeting the confirmands.

Holy Week worship went well. There were at least four new potential church families in attendance for Easter services.

Pastor Woldt just returned from MLC as he was there for the MLC governing board, as well as the dedication of the new MLC chapel. The dedication reminded him of what a blessing MLC is to our synod.

President's report

(David Nunez, 677-2467,
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Over the past months, many final projects have focused on the new building and the improvements on the existing campus.

Many thanks need to go out to individuals who have spent numerous hours helping make this project a huge success. I can speak for the entire congregation that the entire project, although having a few hiccups along the way, still is a tremendous improvement and will be enjoyed for many years to come. There are still many steps we need to take care of over the next number of years before we can take the next big step, but I am sure with the Lord's guidance we will accomplish that as well.

Other than the building program, there are a few other projects that we have been focusing on: Shepherd's Staff – We are in the process of making sure we have the proper training of the users of the systems and try to establish a process of centralizing our congregation's information into a main database. The software does allow for this and is utilized by many congregations that way. We just need to make sure we have the training available and make sure our users are comfortable working the software.

Technology Committee – I am working with this group personally to enhance the ability to utilize the tools we have that can enhance our worship experience and also give abilities to help in the education of the school children and Bible class sessions. This group has been very busy working behind the scenes working on things that I am not exactly sure of from time to time.

New Building Dedication – Mark your calendars...May 23, 2010. Pastor Woldt and I did meet regarding this, and final preparations are being made as we speak. This ceremony will include opening up the Date Stone contents that were found during the demolition of the school. It will also include the setting of the new Date Stone that Joel Pless will be working out regarding the contents to include.

These, along with many other projects being worked on, will be discussed by the individual committees and boards.

**Treasurer's report
(Randy Matter, 376-1585,
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Randy highlighted the March 31 financial report. There is an ending deficit balance in the operating fund of \$ 134,543. Operating fund receipts in the amount of \$208,677 for the YTD are 1.95% over budget. YTD building fund receipts total \$72,866.

**Board of Elders (Dennis Bell, 677-2248,
dandmbell@sbcglobal.net)**

A. We welcomed Tony Gromacki to our committee in January. He will be a great asset to our work.

B. The Building our Spiritual House initiative has been kicked off by the Persistent Love Program through introduction and training meetings held in March. Another session will be scheduled some time in April. It has been well received by the people involved.

C. The Parish Nurses have been very busy over the past quarter with blood pressure screenings, as well as attending workshops. They are very appreciative for the new Health Office that they now have. The Parish Nurses held a community Blood Pressure Screening at Jackson Community Center during their open house. They were kept fairly busy and had opportunities to meet others in the community.

**Board for Elementary Education
(Brian Lee, 377-9419, brian.lee@jci.com)**

The Science Curriculum has been reviewed and updates will be put in place for the 2010-2011 school year. We are planning on incorporating more hands-on activities by purchasing various Science kits. We are hoping that these changes will help our students become better prepared for high school.

Plans are being made for moving most of the classrooms after the school year has finished. This will group grades together with other grades that interact with each other the most.

Kindergarten and Preschool registration was held in the middle of March. Currently, we have 7 enrolled in Preschool and 10 enrolled in Kindergarten.

We have received donations for tables in the concession area. In a few weeks, we will order the tables so they will be in place and ready for the next school year.

In March, our Forensics team took first place at KML. This was one of the biggest teams win recent years, and everyone did very well.

Christian Education Week was once again a big success. The students involved in various activities during the week. Some of the highlights were Parents/Grandparents Day, Hoops for Heart, an afternoon of science activities, and Sally Severson from Channel 12 visited our campus and gave a presentation.

**Spiritual Growth Committee
(Joel Pless, 677-2109, joel_pless@wlc.edu)**

There will be a new round of Bible classes starting soon. I will be starting a new class with the teens on the subject of Christian dating, spouse selection and marriage. Pastor Woldt will soon finish his class on the book of Revelation. Pastor Loescher will soon begin a topical Bible study on life issues. There will be no Bible classes on Dedication Sunday.

This year, Mrs. Doris Koeller will be organizing a traditional Vacation Bible School during the first full week of July from 9:00-11:30AM. Family Bible Week is tentatively scheduled for the last full week of July 26-30, 2010. The first Sunday of adult, teen and children's classes in fall will be September 12, 2010.

**Evangelism Committee
(David Zarling, 674-1094,
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Four(4) new member families or individuals were welcomed to David's Star in the past three months. Special thanks to Beth Steinbrenner, Kathy Smith and Diane Kowalske for their welcoming efforts. The Committee hosted a new member welcome on March 14th with 6 new member families/ individuals attending.

Representatives from the Evangelism and Technology Committees attended, and are in the process of implementing recommendations from the "Reaching Out in a Digital World" workshop that was on January 23rd.

Fellowship Committee under the leadership of Dennis Sprenger started up with an event where 35 members attended a trip to the Milwaukee Public Museum to view the Dead Sea Scrolls on February 27th.

The committee has purchased age-specific mailing lists for the surrounding area for the purposes of promoting the school/good news.

Ongoing marketing pieces produced by the committee include a Winter Events bookmark, Easter Services ad & postcard, Pizza Station's/Heidel's "Food for your soul" placemat ad, Easter Egg hunt ad & door hangers, 2010 event banners, new member welcome invite postcards,

multiple website/facebook updates, and public service announcements and press releases. Special thanks to Nelson Erdman, Lindsay Schultz, Aaron Matter, Joe Stickney, Connie Enevold, and David Porth for their work on these items. 1000+ Easter postcards were mailed to the surrounding area and 900 were distributed by hand. 1600+ Easter Egg hunt flyers were also distributed by hand. Special thanks to Christie Fischer for organizing these efforts.

The Easter Egg hunt was held on March 27th with 120 children attending, 97 volunteers, 1700 eggs and one saving message.

**Stewardship Committee
(Jim Korthals, 242-8143,
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In January, we adopted our budget for 2010. In the minds of many developing the budget may be the sole purpose of the Stewardship Committee. If that is true, then the Stewardship Committee is on vacation until September when the next round of budget development begins.

In fact, the time from January's adoption of the budget until September is even more important for our stewardship. This is a time for all of us to review what God's Word has to say about our lives as God's people. We have just been blessed to celebrate another Easter season where we once saw how great God's love for us is. Jesus Christ, true God and true man, was offered up for our sins. Jesus gave himself so that we wouldn't be separated from our God for eternity. In light of God's love for us, we have opportunities to give thanks as we live our lives to His glory.

During the spring and summer months, the Stewardship Committee will continue to call our attention to what God has done for us, what he has given us, and how we can say "thank you". The April newsletter began a series of articles on what our stewardship is and what it means for our lives. As you read this article and the articles to come, if you have any questions give me a call or drop me an email and I would be happy to try to answer your questions.

Likewise the committee will continue to provide information that deals with Planned Giving. Perhaps you read the article by Bill Truebenbach in the last newsletter that dealt with "Leaving a Legacy". If you have questions, again I'm sure Bill would also be happy to discuss them with you.

Finally, this summer our WELS will be rolling out materials that center around the theme "Christ's Love, Our Calling". The committee will examine these materials and incorporate whatever is

appropriate for our own growth and education in God's Word.

**Board for Buildings and Grounds
(Robert Schneiker, Telephone # 677-2584
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Brian Heckendorf gave a brief report. The odor issue in the lower level of the school has been resolved. The committee is developing a game plan for moving the classrooms in school. The committee is looking at removing the heat registers in the classrooms and replacing with bookshelves. Arbor Day is scheduled for May 3rd.

Cemetery Committee (Wally Miller)

Water lines should be done by the middle of May. Kurt Liesener will help fill in the low spots in the cemetery with fill.

**Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School
(Joel Pless)**

I attended the General Board meeting of KMLHS on November 24, 2009, but due to meeting and preaching commitments at WLC, I was not able to attend the February 22, 2010 meeting. At this meeting, it was reported that the food program has nearly reached self-supporting status. The life and faith service of Linda Fuller was reviewed, who taught Spanish at KML and was called home to heaven earlier this year. The general board issued a divine call to April Alones to permanently fill the vacancy left by Linda's death.

The major news from KML is that the high school successfully completed its self-study. A seven member visitation team visited the campus. They offered at least thirty recommendations. These, along with the self-study, will now become the long range plan for KML. The final budget will be approved at the April 26, 2010 meeting, a major meeting. Unfortunately, since the date was changed from May 24 to April 26, this now conflicts with another WLC responsibility that evening for me. I will be contacting all of the other David's Star delegates and asking them to make a special effort to attend this meeting in my place.

Building Committee (Randy Vogel)

Gary Heckendorf delivered this report. While most of the construction was completed before Christmas, many details remained to be finished. Final decisions on decorating and furnishings needed to be made and implemented. Also, problems with acoustics in the main hallway, start up problems with the heating system and odor problems that were discovered

needed to be resolved. Landscaping plans are being reviewed and finalized for installation in spring.

Carl Jakubowski custom built the cubbies and storage cabinets for the K4 and K5 rooms. Thank you to Jeff Wenzel for doing the staining and sealing of these cabinets.

The Design subcommittee, spearheaded by Mel Heckendorf, worked with a daughter of the congregation, Shandra (Beeler) Kwiatkowski, on the interior design for the narthex, hallways and meeting rooms. Additional portable coat racks were purchased and installed. A signage plan for the interior has been developed along with a map of the campus layout that will be installed at our entrances. Seven benches have been selected and ordered for the narthex area. Acoustical tiles have been researched, ordered and will be installed by our volunteers to resolve the echo issues at the end of the main level hallway. Presentation tables have been ordered for the multipurpose room that will help facilitate Bible studies in this room. The purchase of cafeteria type tables has been coordinated with the parents group. Furnishings for the counseling rooms are being selected. A permanent coffee station is being considered. Plants in the narthex were donated by Groth's Country Gardens. Thank you to Shandra and Mel for their diligent efforts regarding their interior design.

A problem with odors in the former sixth grade room/multipurpose room was resolved. Thank you to newly elected B & G Chairman, Rob Schneiker and Carl Jakubowski of CD Smith for (literally) digging to the bottom of this problem. The odor problem was preexisting for a number of years and was not due to the recent construction. An abandoned trap was the source of the odor.

Start up problems with the heating system has been resolved. Thank you to all of the staff for their patience while the odor problem and the HVAC problems were being solved.

The installation of the electronic key entrances by the contractor was completed on March 23. All mechanical keys for the new construction have been turned over to the B & G Chairman. The B & G Committee will work with the Technology Committee to implement the new electronic key system.

The Technology Committee has been very active. Thank you to all of the tech committee members for volunteering their expertise in this area! The video monitors are being used in conjunction with the HD cameras that are installed in the church. The camera and monitors allow for overflow capacity in the narthex.

Funding Campaign (Gary Heckendorf)

We are winding down with only one draw during the quarter for \$22,390.65. We have received the final draw from the building contractor, and we are done with paying CD Smith. The balance on the loan is \$2,128,229.37.

A motion was made and carried to accept all reports.

Old Business

None

New Business

The Council recommends that David's Star partners with Bertram Wireless for internet service, that Bertram Wireless be allowed to construct a tower to the east of Woldt's parsonage at the 918' elevation with initial costs to David's Star not to exceed \$750.00 for providing a 20 amp electrical circuit to the structure from the residence and a conduit for future fiber installation. (In the future, David's Star might determine to erect a fence around the structure at our expense in order to secure it from the children of the school. Future plans may also include the installation of fiber to the structure in order to achieve the internet speed required by the school. Also note that in partnering with Bertram Wireless, the Council plans to seek legal advice to protect our property rights and to minimize potential liability issues related to the construction of a tower on our property.)

A motion was made and carried to accept this recommendation.

The Council recommends that fees for David's Star School 2010-2011 school year be set at the following rates: Preschool \$1,200 member or nonmember; Kindergarten \$860 member \$2,265 nonmember (\$2065 for 2nd kindergarten student); grades 1-8 \$1,000 member (\$950 after 1st student), \$3,605 nonmembers (3,005 after the 1st student). (Note: these rates represent a \$150 across the board increase over the present school year, and were assumed in the 2010 ministry budget for David's Star.)

A motion was made and carried to accept this recommendation.

The Council recommends that David's Star become a member of the Camp Phillip association.

A motion was made and carried to accept this recommendation.

There was preliminary discussion among the voters regarding a Cemetery Committee recommendation regarding changes to the Cemetery Rules and Regulations.

The first amendment is the allowance of pre-need burial lots in the cemetery.

The second amendment is the collection of a one-time \$150.00 cemetery maintenance fee per lot.

The third amendment is the allowance of families to place any style, type and size of memorial on the respective lots in agreement with new size restrictions.

The Council and Cemetery Committee is looking for feedback from the congregation regarding these proposed amendments, and will utilize this feedback to develop a recommendation to the voters possibly for the July voters meeting.

Pastor Woldt indicated that the congregation is looking for a lay delegate to represent our congregation at the SEW District Convention to be held June 8 and 9. Anyone interested in serving in this capacity, should let either Dave Nunez or one of the pastors know.

As the normal July voters meeting date would be July 8th, and fall before the Council meeting for the month, it was recommended that we change the date to one week later, July 15th.

A motion was made and carried to accept this recommendation.

Announcements

Next quarterly meeting is July 15, 2010 at 7PM.

Dedication Sunday is May 23, 2010.

The meeting was adjourned.

The Meeting closed with a closing Prayer and Benediction by Pastor Loescher.

Respectfully submitted,
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(kevinbehm@att.net)

ADDITIONAL DETAILS ON THE

DEDICATION OF NEW MINISTRY SPACES

The official dedication of new and remodeled ministry spaces at David's Star will take place in both of our services on Sunday, May 23rd. The services at 7:45am and 10:15am will include participation of our vocal and handbell choirs. Refreshments will be available after the first service. A light lunch will be served after the second service. A short program will begin at noon in our gymnasium. The contents of a time capsule placed behind the 1943 date stone in the school building will be revealed as part of this program. The program will end outside with the placing of a new date stone at the lower level south canopy entrance. Our facilities will be open for touring from 11:30am - 1:30pm. We welcome all to share in our joy as we give thanks to God for these new spaces designed to support gospel ministry.