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## An Opportunity to Give!

Our Joint Mission Festival on August 15<sup>th</sup> we present us with an opportunity to hear what is happening on the WELS world mission scene. Pastor Dan Koelpin, our synod's Board for World Missions administrator will bring us a message from God's Word. Mission festival also presents us with the opportunity to participate in gospel outreach through our offerings. Please consider giving a special gift for mission work at our mission festival service. As always, what we choose to give as Christians is a response to God's grace and blessings received. I thought it might be worthwhile to rerun a lead article which appeared in our newsletter a few years ago.

### *How Much Should I Put In?*

*We're used to being told how much we owe. The power company tells us how much we owe. The credit card company provides us with information about our current balance and minimum payment. Our car loans and mortgages come with payment booklets or coupons. In most areas of life we know exactly how much we owe.*

*How do you decide what to put in the offering plate when you come to church? No one tells us how much we owe when we take our place in the pew. Do you look in your purse or wallet to see what you have left after Friday night? Do you glance at the balance in your checkbook? Do you think about all the bills you have to pay in the coming week? Are you still giving the same amount you've given for the past five, ten or twenty years?*

*Are you giving too little? Are you giving too much? How much should you put in?*

*I suppose some people might suggest formulas. Take the budget and divide it by the number of communicant members. Others might say suggest that parents of*

*school children should "pay their fair share" since the cost of Christian education has a major impact on our congregational budget. Still others seem to give only when the church "gets behind" and really needs the money. Do you recognize your approach?*

*What does the bible have to say about how much we should put in the offering plate? First and foremost, it's a matter of Christian freedom. The Old Testament formula was 10 percent of all income. That may still be a good guide or goal, but it is not a mandate. The New Testament frees us to give whatever we feel like giving as a redeemed child of God.*

*But as we exercise our Christian freedom, we will listen to the inspired encouragement that Scripture provides. The apostle Paul reminded the people at Corinth to "set aside a sum of money in keeping with their income." In other words, give as the Lord blesses you. (Read 2 Corinthians 8 and 9 for more information on Christian giving.)*

*How much should I put in? You can't answer that question until you know how much Jesus has put on the table for you. He gave himself. He laid down his life. Your sins are forgiven and you have eternal life with God in heaven. How much is that worth? How large an offering will it take to reflect your thankful heart?*

*If every member of David's Star gave as the Lord has blessed us, we'd be knee deep in a pile of money looking for ways to expand our mission locally and globally. How much should you put in? Before you answer that question, consider what the Lord has done for you. Then give what you have decided to give with a cheerful heart!*

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY SENIORS!!!**

Anita Eulert...8/9/1919...91 yrs. old  
Vernon Schultz...8/14/1929...81 yrs. old

**August 2010  
GREETERS**

- Aug. 1; 7:45 John and Melanie Giddings  
9:30 Paul & Beth Steinbrenner
- Aug. 7<sup>th</sup>; 5:00 John and Laura Brown
- Aug. 8; 7:45 Steve and Kathy Bintz  
9:30
- Aug. 14<sup>th</sup>; 5:00 Dennis & Kathy Guhl
- Aug. 15<sup>th</sup>; 9:30 Andy and Colleen Loeffler  
Mark & Terry Brazell
- Aug. 21<sup>st</sup>; 5:00
- Aug. 22<sup>nd</sup>; 7:45 Leonard and Dorothy Rusch  
9:30
- Aug. 28<sup>th</sup>; 5:00
- Aug. 29<sup>th</sup>; 7:45 Rick and Nancy Ebeling  
9:30 Tom & Jane Neuman

**COLLEGE ADDRESSES AND E-MAIL  
ADDRESSES**

We would like to keep in contact with our members who are away at college during the school year. Please consider sharing both their mailing address along with their e-mail address so we can keep them updated of things going on at David's Star during the school year. Please e-mail this information to [church@davidstar.org](mailto:church@davidstar.org)  
This information is kept confidential.



**Parish Nurse News**

**BE ON GUARD! BE  
ALERT!**

Mark 13: 33 encourages us to "Be on guard! Be alert! You do not know when that time will come". This is reminding us to be ready when Christ comes again. Wise words indeed and a good idea too, for us Wisconsinites as we enjoy the beautiful outdoors.

What should we be alert and watch for? A tiny mite the size of a poppy seed also called a deer tick that can carry Lyme disease! The prevalence of Lyme disease around here is not as high as in Northern Wisconsin but with many people traveling north this summer for vacations, a "tick check" after being in an area of long grasses or piles of leaves or wood is a good idea!

Deerticks can be hard to spot as they are light in color and look like shiny freckles. Check especially under arms, the groin, and neck. Remove them with a tweezers as soon as possible and not by crushing them between the fingers.

A red, circular "bull's eye" rash is a telltale sign of a tick bite. In addition to the rash, which may not always be present, flu-like symptoms may occur: fever, chills, muscle aches, and joint pain. Left untreated, Lyme disease can cause arthritis, nervous system and heart problems.

Antibiotics are effective in treating Lyme disease. Contact your primary care physician for diagnosing and treatment. A blood test can confirm the diagnosis.

Going up North for one last weekend before school starts back up? Protect yourself from Lyme disease and wear long sleeves, long pants, and use a repellent containing DEET.

Then, "Be on guard! Be alert"! Do a tick check after outdoor fun and stay in God's Word until such time as He comes again!

Together in Christ,

*Sae Bolha*

Sue Bolha RN, Parish Nurse  
677-3485  
[Parishnurse@davidstar.org](mailto:Parishnurse@davidstar.org)

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

Members in attendance: Pastor Woldt, Pastor Loescher, David Nunez, Kevin Behm, Randy Matter, Joel Pless, David Zarling, Dennis Bell, Brian Lee, Jim Korthals, Tim Gustafson

Absent: Jeff Morgan, Rob Schneider

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 June 15, 2010.

**Committee Reports**

**Membership Report (Pastor Woldt)**

**Incoming:** None  
**Outgoing:** Kuester, Michael Sr.  
*Release from membership*

**Pastors' report (Pastor Loescher, Telephone # 677-0919 [kloescher@davidstar.org](mailto:kloescher@davidstar.org) & Pastor Woldt, Telephone # 377-1019 [woldt@nconnect.net](mailto:woldt@nconnect.net) )**

Most items will be covered in various board and committee reports. Sometime in the next few months. We will need to designate an alternate lay delegate for the 2011 WELS Convention to be held August 1-5 at Luther Prep in Watertown, WI. The alternate delegate would serve only if the assigned congregations form our conference were not able to provide a lay delegate.

**President's report (David Nunez, Telephone 677-2467, [David.Nunez@ipaper.com](mailto:David.Nunez@ipaper.com) ).**

**Shepherd's Staff Update** – Barry and I have been discussing this process and have been contacting potential candidates for the position we need to fill for this. I will have further updates as we progress. Awaiting replies from two people that Barry had contacted. I told Barry that I need to know within the next two weeks if these gentlemen are willing to help. If not, we will have to move to the next level and place some sort of notice in the bulletin.

**New Building Committee** – This report will be primarily the new recommendation I will be proposing in New Business for the parking lot completion.

**Technology Committee** – This committee has been hard at work with the construction of the new internet tower. Exact location will be spelled out at the voters meeting.

**Summer Fellowship** – After a few weeks of this, I have heard numerous compliments about having this inside in our new narthex. It seems like having it available inside during this hot, humid time has really helped people realize how great the new space is, and how we can use it.

**Fall Events** - One item that I would like to get back into doing is to have a member of each of the different council committees give a 5-7 minute update on what they are

working on, and any important information they would like to share with the congregation. I would like to start with the Stewardship Committee as I would like to follow through on a commitment we (council) made last fall during the budgeting process, that we would not wait until that time again to give an update on where we stand and how we are tracking.

Also, coming very soon will be an outline to a project I would like to start working on with all the council leaders, and that is refining the "Vision Plan" for our congregation in accordance with the one that was worked on previously. It will dovetail into our current plan for the building and also help plan for the upcoming years. I will have more on this in the upcoming months.

**Board for Buildings and Grounds (Robert Schneider, Telephone # 677-2584 [schneikerconcrete@gmail.com](mailto:schneikerconcrete@gmail.com) )**

No report.

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

Enrollment for the coming school year is projected to be flat compared to last year with around 148 students projected. Registration starts the first week of August. Classroom moves were left to Tim and the staff, and everything has gone relatively smooth. Bookshelves are being built for the 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> grade classrooms where heating registers had been located.

**Board of Elders (Dennis Bell, Telephone # 677-2248 [dandmbell@sbc.global](mailto:dandmbell@sbc.global) )**

The Board of Elders has agreed to accept the motion from our Worship Committee to start a new liturgy rotation in September. The new rotation will be as follows:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday – Service of Word and Sacrament (CW – page 26)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday – Service of the Word (CW – page 38)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday – Divine Service I (CW Supplement)
- 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday – Morning Praise (CW – page 45)
- 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday – Common Service (CW – page 15)

The new Supplement liturgy has been worked into some of our services already, such as the one at the dedication service. The choirs will be assisting the congregation through the new liturgy.

**Evangelism Committee**  
**(David Zarling, Telephone # 674-1094**  
**[david.zarling@gmail.com](mailto:david.zarling@gmail.com) )**

The Committee has been involved in distributing a number of publications and postcards relative to Vacation Bible School, school registration, and Family Bible Week. 150 people attended the Church Cookout on Saturday July 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Stewardship Committee (Jim Korthals, Telephone #**  
**[korthalj@wls.wels.net](mailto:korthalj@wls.wels.net) )**

A handout was distributed outlining the four week stewardship program which will begin Reformation Sunday and conclude on Christ the King Sunday. The focus of stewardship of time corresponds well with the emphasis of End Time. Even though the periscope will not be preached those four weeks, the thematic emphasis of End Time will not be lost.

**Spiritual Growth Committee**

**(Joel Pless, Telephone # 677-2109 [joel\\_pless@wic.edu](mailto:joel_pless@wic.edu) )**

Vacation Bible School which was held July 5-9 was an outstanding success. Joel will also give a report on the time capsule at the voters meeting.

**Building Committee Update (Randy Vogel)**

There will be a recommendation from this committee under new business.

**Fundraising Committee Update (Gary Heckendorf)**

As of June 30, 61.68% of pledges have been collected., with \$530,921 of \$860,645 having been received.

**Treasurer's report (Randy Matter, Telephone #376-1585**  
**[matters@nconnect.net](mailto:matters@nconnect.net) )**

The May 31, 2010 report was presented indicating an ending operating fund balance at 6/30/10 in the amount of (\$157,277.46).

Randy also distributed a revised "scholarship funds investment policy". The policy incorporated the changes that were discussed by council at the June meeting.

**Vice President Report**

**(Jeff Morgan, Telephone # 377-7532,**  
**[jmorgan@heinntrendcorp.com](mailto:jmorgan@heinntrendcorp.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**

Parking Lot Work/Resurfacing – The Building Committee recommended that we move forward with the completion of

the final piece of Phase 1 of the Building Project. This will be the reconstruction and new layout of the parking lot in the accordance with the approved building plans.

The project will include 89 new parking spaces directly west of the church and 14 new parking spaces at the bus turnaround. Also included will be additional parking for handicap members and visitors. This will also include a new center "round-about" that will not only give a very pleasant look to the grounds, but will also provide an area that cars will need to slow down as they come through the area where the school children go to the outdoor basketball courts.

The cost for the project will be approximately \$180,000. Funding for this project will be as follows: \$50,000 from the remaining balance in the building fund (which is still within the congregation approval of \$3,300,000 project total), and the additional \$130,000 would be funded with \$50,000 from the Building and Improvement Fund for the completion of the repaving and resurfacing amount not previously used when the driveway north of Carl Schramm's place was completed, and \$80,000 from the Restricted Building Fund which is over and above the congregational approval of \$3,300,000.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the above project. It was carried, and this will be brought to the voters for their approval at the quarterly meeting.

Internet Tower – There was discussion regarding the potential dismantling of this tower should Bertram go out of business, and what type of surety bond would be necessary for this potential cost. It was decided that a surety bond from Bertram for perhaps \$10,000 or \$20,000 would be appropriate.

**Items for Voters (for the July 15<sup>th</sup> voters meeting)**

Cemetery Committee recommendations

Parking lot project

Next months meeting is **Tuesday, August 10, 2010 at 7:00 P.M.** The next Voters meeting will be **Thursday, July 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  
[kevinbehm@att.net](mailto:kevinbehm@att.net).

**YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY**

You are invited to be a part of David's Star Young Adult Bible study. It is a study comprised of people around 20-30 years old. We are currently going through the "Prepared to Answer" book written by one of our synod's college professors, Mark Paustian. We meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month from 6:30 to

7:30 PM. Our next study will be held on August 14<sup>th</sup> at Pastor Loescher's house and there will be a bonfire to follow. We also have a facebook page under the title David's Star young adult Barnabas group for more information.

### **SUPPLY LISTS & SCHOOL CALENDAR**

The calendar for the 2010 – 2011 school year and supply lists are in the back of church. Supply lists will be posted at Wal-Mart in West Bend, Shopko in Grafton & West Bend, Fleet Farm in Germantown and Office Max.

Home visits will begin August 1<sup>st</sup> and Registration Materials have been sent out. School Registration will be held in the gym on August 8<sup>th</sup> after services and August 9<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 pm. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

### **WRITER'S BLOCK**

Did you ever need to write something and didn't have the foggiest idea what you were going to write? That's where I am at today. I know the topic. It's planned giving. I have been writing about it and sharing my thoughts with you for two years now. But as I approach the next church newsletter deadline I am stuck in a rut. In looking at my bible concordance for the word rut, it is not there. Ah ha, the word "block" is there.

Romans 14:13 reads, "Therefore let us not pass judgment on one another any longer, but rather decide never to put a stumbling block or hindrance in the way of a brother." In this section of Romans, Paul is giving us counsel on how mature Christians should use their freedom. Paul in this verse reminds us that the conduct of mature Christians should not cause others to stumble in their faith. Paul is also dealing with first century Christians issues that were controversial between the Jewish and Gentile Christians.

It was about the freedom they had in Christ, the same freedom we have in Christ. Our freedom was given to us for a purpose; to serve others in love. When we don't follow through with the actions we should and go against our own Spirit-informed Christian conscience, we sin. When the freedom we have of sharing our love for others is blocked by something such as not having a will or estate plan in place, we have misused the freedom Christ gave us.

One of the simplest ways to show our love for others and for our church and church related organizations is to have a plan that does not block where our earthly assets will go when the Lord calls us home. Having a will in place is part of being a mature Christian. Having a will with a Christian preamble will not cause anyone to stumble in their faith. Having a will is not controversial. God has given us a purpose to plan for all that he has given us. He won't block your plan, he will bless it.

If you need assistance with your planned giving, contact Bill Truebenbach, David's Star Planned Giving Chairman at 677-2066 or [btruebenbach@tlha.org](mailto:btruebenbach@tlha.org)

## **Discipleship**

Jesus' last command before his ascension was, "Therefore go and make disciples" (Matthew 28:19). A disciple is a follower of Christ. Just as Jesus called the Twelve, Jesus has called us through the working of the Holy Spirit in his Word and sacraments to follow him as his disciples.

In Mark 8:34, Jesus defines discipleship. "If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me." First he says "If anyone would come after me." The Holy Spirit works faith in the Christian's heart compelling him or her to follow Jesus. Some, however, reject the good news of a Savior.

"He must deny himself." Faith in God's grace changes reality in the lives of Christians. No longer are we living for ourselves but for Christ (2 Corinthians 5:15, Galatians 2:20). This is our life of sanctification after being made holy through the sacrifice of Jesus. A disciple of Jesus keeps his or her eyes on Christ, without thinking of self, and can "consider it pure joy" (James 1:2) to face the trials and testing of faith.

"And take up his cross." Christ knew the road that lay ahead of him, and he chose it willingly, joyfully enduring the cross. If we look to ourselves, the crosses in our lives become unbearably heavy. Looking to Jesus, we find peace even as we struggle with the burdens of our crosses; we view our lives of discipleship as a joy.

This exhortation concludes with Jesus' command "Follow me." All of us are called to die to ourselves and to our attachment to the things of the world. As disciples, we are called to become involved in sharing the gospel. Part of sharing the gospel is supporting the proclamation of the gospel. At David's Star we are not only blessed to be a part of a bible-proclaiming church but we are also involved in a bible-teaching school. To outsiders the support of our ministry efforts may seem to be a burden. But we know better. This support is an important part of our lives of discipleship. What a joy to hear and to share what Jesus has done for us all.

Our Lord was our example. As he gave himself on our behalf, he moves us to give of ourselves on behalf of others. We may have to risk our health, wealth, status—even our lives—in our involvement, but that is when we find the real life and joy in being a child of God and servant of the living and everlasting God.

The Stewardship Committee



# 11<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL THUNDERBOLT OPEN

## THUNDERBOLT OPEN REGISTRATION FORM 2010

PLEASE SEND ONE CHECK PER  
FOURSOME OR FOR AS MANY GOLFERS  
AS YOU ARE REGISTERING. FULL  
PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY  
REGISTRATION FOR IT TO BE  
RECORDED. **Please add all email  
addresses so that I can forward this info.  
to you every year.**

**DATE: Saturday, September 11, 2010**

**Time:** 12:00 PM Registration  
1:00 PM Shotgun Start –  
Scramble Format  
Dinner will start at approx. 6:00 at  
West Bend Lakes

FREE SODA AND BEER AFTER GOLF  
PRIZES AND SILENT AUCTION TO FOLLOW

MONEY RAISED FROM THIS OUTING WILL  
GO TOWARDS ITEMS THAT ARE NOT  
BUDGETED AT DAVID'S STAR LUTHERAN  
SCHOOL!

**PLACE: WEST BEND LAKES / HWY. 33 IN  
WEST BEND**

**COST: GOLF/CART/DINNER PACKAGE...\$75  
DINNER ONLY.....\$15.00  
ALL GOLFERS MUST BE 16 YEARS OLD OR  
OLDER. GOLF CART RENTAL IS  
MANDATORY. IN CASE OF RAIN, RAIN  
CHECKS WILL BE GIVEN FOR GOLF ONLY.  
DINNER WILL BE HELD RAIN OR SHINE!**

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE: ON A FIRST COME BASIS!  
LIMITED TO THE FIRST 144 PAID GOLFERS!**

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR YOU WOULD LIKE TO DONATE A  
DOOR PRIZE,  
PLEASE CALL ONE OF THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

GLENN RUSCH 262-208-6471	RANDY ESENBERG 677-2713
TERRY KOTH 677-4247	TODD JAHNS 677-0366
KURT LIESENER 677-4360	KURT HENNING 677-2797
SHANNON LEITZKE 677-2944	

SEND YOUR CHECK MADE PAYABLE TO **DAVID'S  
STAR** AND SEND THE REGISTRATION AND CHECK  
TO:

GLENN RUSCH  
1157 SPRING VALLEY ROAD  
JACKSON, WI 53037

1<sup>ST</sup> GOLFER'S  
NAME \_\_\_\_\_

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E-MAIL ADDRESS

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PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_

2<sup>ND</sup> GOLFER'S NAME  
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E-MAIL ADDRESS

3<sup>RD</sup> GOLFER'S NAME  
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E-MAIL ADDRESS

4<sup>TH</sup> GOLFER'S NAME  
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E-MAIL ADDRESS

COMPLETE GOLF/CART/DINNER  
PACKAGE IS \$75 PER PERSON  
GOLF ONLY IS NOT AN OPTION  
DINNER ONLY IS \$15.00 PER PERSON.

NAMES OF THOSE ATTENDING ONLY  
THE DINNER:  
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**Quarterly Voters Meeting  
July 15, 2010**

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

The meeting was opened with devotion by Pastor Woldt.  
The meeting was called to order by acting congregational meeting chairman Bob Traska.

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

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

Incoming: Munn, Jeffrey  
*Adult confirmation*

Sabie, Kami

*Adult confirmation*

Outgoing: Kuester, Michael Sr.

*Release from membership*

Tetzlaff, Jeff & Mariana; Analeigh

*Transfer to St. John's, Newburg, WI*

**Signing of Constitution by new voters**

Benjamin Traucht signed the constitution and a motion was passed to accept him as a voting member.

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

The pastors will be busy as they will be having three family weddings coming up in less than two months.

We will need to look at choosing an alternate delegate for the WELS Synod Convention to be held at Luther Prep in Watertown, WI next summer 2011.

**President's report (David Nunez, 677-2467,  
[David.Nunez@ipaper.com](mailto:David.Nunez@ipaper.com) )**

Over the past 6 months, the focus has been primarily the new addition and renovation of the church and school. But now that this is coming to an end, with the exception of a few things that we will cover later this evening, the focus will now shift to a number of very important items.

Some projects such as the new internet tower that is being constructed very soon, once the paperwork issues are ironed out, is to be completed that will give us a tremendous boost to our internet capabilities.

Others are finishing up some of the school projects that are being worked on with Buildings & Grounds, and the Board of Education.

Other major projects that need to be planned out and worked on are the repayment of the debt and how we can reduce our deficit. This is being worked on with Stewardship and the Built-on-the Rock committee.

These are just to name a few that will be worked on and planned within the next 6 months.

Continue to pray for your leaders that they continue to do the work of the congregation to the very best of their abilities.

**Treasurer's report (Randy Matter  
376-1585, [matters@nconnect.net](mailto:matters@nconnect.net))**

Randy highlighted the June 30 financial report. There is an ending deficit balance in the operating fund of \$ 157,277. Operating fund receipts in the amount of \$397,202 for the YTD are 3.8% under budget. YTD building fund receipts total \$180,063

Randy informed the voters of a new policy being developed by Council whereby we will be investing our endowment funds in the WELS Investment Funds. Under this policy, we will be able to achieve increased earnings beyond what we had typically received with certificate of deposits.

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

A. The Board of Elders and the Board of Elementary Ed provided an acknowledgement plan to insure that our called workers are treated consistently for their years of service in the field of ministry, as well as the number of years at David's Star.

B. The Persistent Love Program has been well received by the people involved. A follow-up session was held with more coming. The overall feeling is that contacts are being made and we will await the results of the contacts.

C. The Parish Nurses have been very busy over the past quarter with blood pressure screenings, as well as attending workshops. The Ladies Aid Spa Night was well attended and enjoyed by all. Sue is part of the WELS Parish Nurse Taskforce meeting to discuss the formation of a WELS Nurses Organization across the country. More information is forthcoming. A new program centered around the expectant families of our congregation with family devotions for prior and after the baby's birth.

D. Our board has approved the new liturgy rotation that was proposed by the Worship Committee: 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday – Service of Word and Sacrament, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday – Service of the Word, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday – Divine Service I (from the supplement), 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday – Morning Praise, 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday – Common Service. The new rotation will begin in September.

**Board for Elementary Education  
(Brian Lee, 377-9419, [brian.lee@ici.com](mailto:brian.lee@ici.com) )**

Fourteen 8<sup>th</sup> graders graduated this year. The 2010-11 projected enrollment is flat or a slight decline over last year's count of 149.

Tuition increased \$150.00 per student for the 2010-11 school year. The BOE is prepared to offer assistance where needed. David's Star Tuition assistance fund is available for use. Work has started in gathering data to determine the cost of education per student. Our goal is not to raise tuition for 2011-12, if at all possible.

Classroom moves are complete and teachers are settling in. Thanks to all of the teachers for their efforts. They took the lead on making these moves, and have done the majority of the work themselves.

The Unit Vents were removed from all classrooms. Construction of bookshelves are underway. The gym floor has been refinished. Lockers will need to be installed for the 6<sup>th</sup> grade classroom, as these were removed during last year's construction. A couple of classrooms need to be painted yet, This will occur once the walls are repaired. The multipurpose room need to be cleaned out, and will be set up for use by the congregation as planned. Thanks for all the volunteers that are helping in getting the school prepared for the coming school year.

### **Spiritual Growth Committee**

**(Joel Pless, 677-2109 joel\_pless@wlc.edu)**

The highpoint of the summer so far here at David's Star has been the traditional Vacation Bible School which was conducted on our campus from July 5-9, 2010. By any measurement, it was incredibly successful, with around sixty children participating on at least one of the five days. While God the Holy Spirit deserves the most credit for our memorable VBS, Mrs. Doris Koeller must be singled out as the one person – humanly speaking – who really planned and put it all together. We thank Doris for her service to God's kingdom. We also wish to recognize everyone else who helped with VBS. Especially noteworthy were the older children of David's Star who served as cabin leaders and helpers and new member, Mrs. Tanya Anderson, who did an outstanding job teaching and leading the songs. Special thanks to David Zarling and his Evangelism Committee for helping get the word out about VBS.

Family Bible Week will be conducted the last full week of July, July 25-29, with the first session taking place on Sunday evening, July 25.

Adult and children's Bible class will begin the weekend after Labor Day, September 12. Bible class leaders are presently being sought for the fall and winter. Two adult Bible classes which will definitely be held will be a study of the apostle Paul's mission journeys based upon my recent trip to Pauline Greece and Turkey in September, and a four-week stewardship Bible class led by Prof. James Korthals, beginning October 31. Prof Korthals' Bible classes will be the only teen and adult class offered for four weeks and will be part of a congregation-wide stewardship program.

Joel also gave a report on the 1948 and 2010 David's Star Time Capsules:

A 62 year old time capsule was found by Todd Weyker as he worked in the new addition on August 19, 2009. It was located behind the 1948 school cornerstone. It was a small rectangular copper box which was soldered shut. The decision was subsequently made by the church council to have the time capsule opened at the time of the dedication of the new addition. About a week before the May 23 dedication, the time capsule was opened with an electric grinder in Rob Schneiker's garage. The results were more than a bit disappointing. Probably already back in the 1940's, moisture had seeped into the box and slowly caused the contents to deteriorate. Everything was damp and blackened with mold.

What did members of David's Star include in their 1948 time capsule? While some of the contents were in such poor shape they could not be made out, a Bible, a 1941 Lutheran Hymnal, Luther's Small Catechism, some school "readers", a membership roster (which listed the payment of church dues), a synod yearbook and copies of several church periodicals were the significant items found. None of what was found has been thrown away, but frustratingly, most of the items further disintegrate when one attempts to examine them.

The decision was then made to purchase professionally made aluminum time capsules from a company in suburban Los Angeles. Two eighteen inch tubes were ordered, one for the church and one for the school, to be preserved behind the 2010 cornerstone, underneath the car port on the south side of the new addition. The new time capsules were donated and arrived in time for them to be displayed at the dedication. In the church's time capsule, a copy of the latest pictorial directory and church roster, several church bulletins and newsletters, Kettle Moraine Lutheran High publications, and numerous church periodicals such as Forward in Christ and the Wisconsin Lutheran Quarterly were included. A special feature were signatures of the attendees of the May 23, 2010 dedication services, young and old.

Regarding how much contemporary technology should be preserved in the time capsules, Laurie Howard creatively came up with the idea of including descriptions/pictures of various electronic technologies; Todd Oestreich gave excellent advice on technological issues; and Roger and Lynne Tews were instrumental in recording and then preserving on a flash drive video of the dedication service. These technological additions will be included in the school capsule.

Special thanks are also in order to Principal Tim Gustafson and the David's Star faculty for having the

student body contribute to the time capsule. Each faculty member was more than cooperative in having each grade level contribute their signatures – including Kathy Bintz’s preschoolers – while the older students contributed essays describing what David’s Star Lutheran School means to them. A copy of the most recent David’s Star school yearbook and other school memorabilia will also be included.

Commendations are also in order to congregational president David Nunez, our two pastors and the entire church council for their wise counsel concerning this project. When these time capsules will be opened will be left to a future generation of leaders at David’s Star. God willing, by August, the aluminum capsules will be cold welded shut and permanently placed behind the 2010 cornerstone, which will then be cemented in place. Thank you again to everyone who contributed to this project. In my parish ministry in Wausau, I always believed it was important to publicly commend those who faithfully labored on congregational projects. If I have omitted anyone, I only plead forgiveness.

#### **Evangelism Committee**

**(David Zarling, 674-1094, [david.zarling@gmail.com](mailto:david.zarling@gmail.com))**

A. 2 new members 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.

B. Two logo revisions have been started and will be revisited in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter.

C. Fellowship Committee planned and implemented a church cookout on July 10<sup>th</sup>.

150 people attended. Thanks to Dennis Sprenger, Colleen Loeffler, Theresa Ahrens, Joel Hintz and everyone who helped make it a special event.

D. The committee is making plans for a Fall 2010 art show in the woods and the Living Nativity in December 2010.

E. Ongoing marketing pieces produced by the committee include a Women’s Health & Wellness Spa Night button and banner, VBS and FBW bookmarks, VBS, FBW and School Registration postcards, 2010 event banners, ongoing website/facebook updates, and ongoing 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+ VBS postcards were mailed to the surrounding area and 900 were distributed by hand.

#### **Stewardship Committee**

**(Jim Korthals, 242-8143, [korthalj@wls.wels.net](mailto:korthalj@wls.wels.net))**

Our Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod has adopted as its theme “Christ’s Love, Our Calling” to describe the work that we do. As a synod and as a congregation it is our purpose, our calling, to proclaim Christ’s love to the

world. Christ showed his love for us and for all in his suffering, death, and resurrection.

“Christ’s Love, Our Calling” will also serve as the stewardship series for the next four years. Each year will focus on a different area of our life that God has given us to manage for his benefit and the benefit of our family, our Church family, and our neighbors. The focus of the first year is our stewardship of time – “Love Takes Time”.

Beginning on Reformation Sunday and concluding on Christ the King Sunday, we will spend the last four weeks of the church year considering God’s gift of time and how we can use it in a way that gives glory to God and benefits us and those around us. The theme “Love Takes Time” will be evident in our worship services and in our Bible classes during those four weeks.

The Lord Jesus gives us direction in our lives when he tells us “Love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and with all your mind”. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: “Love your neighbor as yourself”. (Matthew 22:37-39) We ask the Lord to shower his blessings upon us as we use this opportunity to develop an even greater appreciation of the fact that Christ’s Love is our calling.

#### **Board for Buildings and Grounds**

**(Rob Schneiker, 677-2584,**

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Special thanks to all who came on Arbor Night. The registers have been removed from the classrooms. Thanks to Myron Philipps for his work on cutting the grass. Also, thanks to Jeff Wenzel for all his work around the campus. Shelves are being built for classrooms, and Eugene Kannenberg is heading up this project.

#### **Cemetery Committee (Wally Miller)**

Arbor Night was a success as many graves were leveled, raked and seeded. Thank you to all of the volunteers, Liesener Soils for providing the top soil, and to Randy Vogel for providing the seed.

Part of the waterline was replaced, so it is now functional. A bit more work is yet to be completed on some indoor and outdoor plumbing related to the cemetery. However, the plumber was out with knee surgery. These repairs will be completed in the next several weeks.

Four memorials were repaired in the cemetery.

Thank you to Myron Philipps for keeping the grass cut and the cemetery looking nice in the old, and especially the new sections.

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

School will start on August 26<sup>th</sup> with a projected enrollment of 435-440. We are currently looking for three men to join me as delegates to KML, replacing members who have resigned.

**Building Committee (Randy Vogel)**

The contractor has been very responsive to resolving any issues relevant to the addition to our campus. Thanks to Mel Heckendorf and the design committee for their work in resolving a problem by having acoustical tiles installed in the hallway. Architectural fees have been settled. Thanks to the Building & Grounds Committee, Matthew Hartwig and Arborscape, and to the Technology Committee for their help with our committee. Jackson has approved the site plan for our new parking lot. Thanks to all who helped with Dedication Sunday.

**Funding Campaign (Gary Heckendorf)**

\$530,929 of \$860,845 in pledges have been collected to date.

A motion was made and carried to accept all reports.

**Old Business**

None.

**New Business**

The Council recommends that our Cemetery rules and regulations be revised with the amendment that there be an allowance of pre-need burial lots in David’s Star Church Cemetery.

A motion was made and carried to accept this recommendation.

The Council recommends that our Cemetery rules and regulations be revised with the amendment that there be a collection of a one-time \$150.00 cemetery maintenance fee per lot as recommended by the Cemetery Committee.

A motion was made and carried to accept this recommendation.

The Council recommends that our Cemetery rules and regulations be revised with the amendment that there be an allowance of families to place any style, type and size of memorial on the respective lots in agreement with new size regulations as recommended by the Cemetery Committee: single memorials have a maximum overall length of 34 inches, width of 14 inches and height of 30 inches, double memorials have a maximum overall length of 54 inches, width of 16 inches and height of 36 inches, family memorials, which include three or four individuals, have a maximum overall length of 66 inches, width of 16 inches and height of 42 inches, with any other size or unique style requests needing the approval of the Cemetery Committee and the Church Council.

A motion was made and carried to accept this recommendation.

The Council recommends that the congregation allow the additional \$80,000 for the completion of the parking lot project with the funds being used from the Restricted Building Fund.

A motion was made and carried to accept this recommendation.

**Announcements**

Next quarterly meeting is October 14, 2010 at 8PM.

Mission Festival Joint Service and Meal is August 15<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting was adjourned.

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

Respectfully submitted,  
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