



# BONKHOUSE GAZETTE

## December 2018 issue

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### Service Times

Sunday Services: 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. at SRCC  
 11:30 at SRCC Event Center  
 Thursday Services: 7:00 p.m. at SRCC

### Sunday School Bible Class

Sundays: 10:30-11:15 a.m. SRCC Event Center  
 Taught by David and Cindy Hancock

### MOVIE NIGHT at the Event Center

Saturday, December 1, 6 p.m.  
 Free movie and popcorn!  
 Movie: *God Is Not Dead*

### Calendar of Events December 2018

Every Sunday night: BAND of BROTHERS  
 Doug Evans, 417-429-5563 6:00 p.m. Event Center  
 Every Monday night: CIRCLE of SISTERS  
 Bonita Hines, 817-228-6654 6:00 p.m. Event Center  
 Every Tuesday Night Stretch Fitness Class  
 Tami Greene, 417-861-8922 5-6 p.m. Event Center  
 Dec 1 Movie Night, 6 p.m. Event Center  
 Dec 7 \*Game Night, 5:30-8:00 p.m. Event Center  
 Dec 9 Youth Group (ages 14-17), 5 p.m., Event Center  
 Dec 14 \*Game Night, 5:30-8:00 p.m. Event Center  
 Dec 16 Christmas Program, 7 p.m., Event Center,  
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 Dec 21 \*Game Night, 5:30-8:00 p.m. Event Center  
 Dec 20 Deadline for Gazette articles  
 Dec 23 Youth Group (ages 14-17), 5 p.m., Event Center  
 Dec 24 Christmas Eve Service, Event Center 5 p.m.  
 see page 3  
 Dec 28 \*Game Night, 5:30-8:00 p.m. Event Center  
 Dec 28 Jam Session, 5:30-?, Event Center  
 Looking ahead:  
 Jan 5 Teaching Seminar, 9 a.m. Event Center, see page 2  
 Jan 8 Financial Peace University 7-8:30 p.m. Event Center  
 see pages 7 & 8

\*Game night is for ages 13 and over

### Cowboy Riddle

Why couldn't the bell keep a secret?

### Bible Trivia

Why did Joseph and Mary give the baby the name Jesus?

### Cowboy Wisdom

No one can make you feel inferior without your consent.

*Eleanor Roosevelt*

Treva Henry, 94 years young, is now at the Cambridge, Room 309, 2900 S. Jefferson. She would love visitors.

## Quote of the Month

“It is in giving oneself that one receives.”

*Francis of Assisi*

## Inspiration

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder; and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, the mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end.....

*Isaiah 9: 6-7*

## Stretch Fitness Class

Great for all ages to gain flexibility, strength and balance. Donation based class. Every Tuesday from 5 to 6 at the Event Center.

Questions? Call Tami Greene, 417-861-8922.

## Church Outreach

If you know someone who needs a card, call or text Virginia Andrews @ 214-293-5945.

## Cowboy Riddle Answer:

Because it always tolled.

## Bible Trivia Answer:

They were instructed by an angel. *Matthew 1: 20-21*

## Christmas Program

All are invited to attend the Christmas program at the Event Center on December 16 at 7 p.m. It will be a “dinner theatre” with sweets, wassail, and coffee being served instead of a meal.

Children wishing to be in the play should come to practice on Sunday afternoons from 1 – 3 p.m. at the Event Center.

## Thanksgiving Baskets Report

I cannot express enough how much I appreciate all the donations given to help feed 253 Families, 1241 people for Thanksgiving from our community, local schools and Church! Last year we fed 207 families at Thanksgiving! It takes a lot of planning and organizing to put this all together ! There is no way I could do this without the Help of all of our Volunteers THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH !!

We have a great group of people that give up their day or days to have fun and fellowship along with Feeding Families in need !

I try to schedule everything within a half hour one way or another but on Friday the AWG truck was scheduled for 10:00 am and at 7:00 am they called and said your

delivery is waiting at the Gate !! I was on my way and then My heart started racing and I was stressing !! How am I going to unload all those Hams and reload all 13 empty pallets from Tuesday by MYSELF ?? I round the corner at AB and EE and it was then that I knew “ God had this already taken care of.”

At Pat Whitman’s Convenience Store sat 3 Trucks ! I pulled up to door and when I say up to door it was like I almost made a Drive Thru !!

There sat my answer: Max and Bill were drinking coffee and Brian was getting a Dr Pepper !! I bet they wish they had parked out back that morning !! Lol ! Those guys jumped in their trucks after I explained AWG was 3 hours early ! You could not ask for a better response from these 3 guys !! I want to give a BIG shout out to Brian, Max, and Bill for answering my Prayers and Saving my Day !!

Always Remember God Has Your Back even when your Best Game Plan gets a kink thrown in it !

We have heard many stories from many families in need and when listening, it is then that I realize how Truly Blessed We Are !!

Thank each and every one of you for your time, donations, advice and fellowship!!

You are truly Blessed and a Blessing !!

Happy Thanksgiving!

*Judy Thomas*

## Save the Date: Teaching Seminar, January 5

Mark your calendar now and plan to attend the Teaching Seminar at the Event Center, January 5, 2019, at 9 a.m. Here’s the schedule:

9:00 - Scotty - (Before Adam) The war in heaven

10:00 - Break

10:15 - Gary (The Garden of Eden) Creation, Temptation and Fall

11:15 - Scotty (Genesis 6 and the flood) Fallen Angels and Nephilim

12:00 - noon meal

1:00 - Annie Jones (Post Flood seed war) From Abraham Through David

2:00 - Break

2:15 - Gary (The Apocalypse) The end of the seed war

3:15 - Scotty (Matthew 24 Deception)

## Christmas Eve Service

The annual Christmas Eve Service and Candle lighting will be Monday, December 24 at 5 p.m. at the Event Center, followed by the Lord’s Supper.

## SRCC Classified Advertisements

We will be offering limited space each month to SRCC folks who are looking for work, needing work to be

done, wanting to sell something, or looking to buy something.

You will be limited to 30 words including your contact info, in order to get in as many as we can.

Send your classified to the editor, Fran Black, at frances\_b\_65705@yahoo.com or text her at 417-631-5898.

- ❖ WANTED: Landscape laborer-Foreman. Must have valid driver's license. Experience – Tree planting (3 years), landscaping maintenance. M&K Waterworks, Springfield, MO 65803 \$12.00-\$14.00 an hour. Inquire by phone, text or e-mail. 417-619-2060, M&Kww@hotmail.com
- ❖ FOR SALE: 1931 GE refrigerator. Includes glass meat tray and one double aluminum ice cube tray. Includes laminated original newspaper ads from 1931. Very nice condition. \$800. Call Kathy West @ 417-540-5395.
- ❖ FOR SALE. Quilts for sale. Sizes baby to queen size, needle turn applique, wall hangings, hand pieced and hand quilted quilts. Heirloom quality. Call or text Betty @ 417-619-8431.
- ❖ FOR SALE: 8ft x 8ft round rug, Oriental, Burgandyand Navy. In very good shape. Came from Midwest Rug. \$200. J.D. & Reta Edwards 417-224-0851

## SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT.....by Larry Whiteley

That night was like no other. There were no bright lights and TV cameras there to report what was happening. No reporters sticking a microphone in Mary's face or asking Joseph questions. No politicians to take credit for it. The only people who came were a whole lot wiser than politicians and news media.

God had entered this world in a smelly old stable surrounded by sleepy sheep, stubborn donkeys, cows chewing cud and all of them stunk up the place. There were no spotlights, only candlelight and a very bright star.

God had come to this world as a baby named Jesus and when he was born, so was our hope. In this world we live in today we need hope and we need the reminder of what Christmas really means. We need this time dedicated to giving, not receiving; to caring, not bad mouthing. We need to put away our differences and put up the Christmas tree.

Just like the wise men that got on their knees to see Jesus on that special night, we need to get on our knees and seek Jesus for He is the reason for the season and He is the hope for the world.

May you have a very, merry Christmas!

## Conundrum

Do you know the meaning of the word "conundrum?" It is defined as being a difficult problem or question. It usually has two points of view. That's what SRCC has....a conundrum.

For several years, members have enjoyed a Pot Luck Lunch on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month after second service. Attendees could drop off their dishes before services and those in charge would begin preparing for the Pot Luck during the second service.

Biscuits & Gravy were served on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month after the first service.

Our members, the Board, and our Pastors saw a need to provide spiritual education for our children and Children's Church was born. Those in leadership positions set up a system to keep the children safe and secure while they are in the "upper room" for Children's Church.

This is the conundrum...how to allow attendees of the Pot Luck lunch and Biscuits & Gravy breakfast and those preparing for those meals to access the "upper room" while keeping the children safe and secure? Please know that the Board, our Pastors, and Children's Church leaders are looking for a way to accommodate Pot Luck, Biscuits & Gravy, and Children's Church, but for the present time, there will be no Pot Luck or Biscuits & Gravy.

## Judy Stories

One year we helped a family of 9. The dad was working but even when he could get overtime it wasn't enough. Mom had to stay home and take care of the babies.

It came down to a decision to buy Christmas and groceries or pay utility bills. Someone that knew about them turned in one of our applications for them.

When we took them to the store the Mom was being very frugal and not trying to take advantage of us. So, I said to the four littlest kids, "How about some cereal and chocolate milk?"

They each picked out their own cereal and when the 8-year old little girl picked up a gallon of chocolate milk she took my hand and said "Miss Judy this is the best day of my life!"

Before Christmas, ladies from the Church chipped in and made all the kids and Mom & Dad blankets. They sent a video of them jumping up and down with their blankets and presents and we all cried. That is how collecting blankets for families each Christmas also started.

Thanks so much to all of you for helping however you can, so more lives can be touched at Christmas.

## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD Report

Thank you for opening your hearts to the Operation Christmas Child ministry. We filled **771 boxes** to be shipped all over the world. They say one box spreads the word of Jesus to 10 people so we have touched over 7000 people with our boxes of love and joy.

Now what happens to your box and will they receive the box by Christmas?

The shoebox gifts are shipped out from the processing centers by the middle of December, and depending on the distance they must travel, some are delivered by Christmas—primarily those in Central/South America and Eastern Europe. Most of the gifts are sent via ship. Although the collection of Operation Christmas Child gifts is during the Thanksgiving/Christmas season, the delivery of some gifts is sometimes delayed due to international shipping. They may not clear customs in receiving countries until spring. In addition, many countries that receive the gifts must transport the gifts to rural areas using very poor roads. Distributions typically occur from late December through spring each year, extending the joy of Christmas to children that receive them!

**Thank you to all the volunteers** that made the ministry such a success for our church. Everyone who has helped in this journey has said it has been a blessing and they were glad to be a part of something so positive for Jesus. Thank you to all!

*Cindy Hancock*



Volunteers preparing for shipment of Shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child.

*Photos Courtesy Cindy Hancock*



**Volunteer of the Year Award**

It's a dirty job but someone has to do it!

*Photo Courtesy Cindy Hancock*

*SAC RIVER COWBOY CHURCH*

# ***Thanksgiving / Christmas Food Roundup***

The Holidays are almost upon us, and while we have much to be thankful for, there are others in need of our help. Together we can join forces and bring many smiles to those in need.

“LET NO CHILD/ADULT GO HUNGRY THIS SEASON. “

HAPPY MERRY  
THANKSGIVING CHRISTMAS

## **OUR NEEDS:**

### **BLANKETS AND / OR MONETARY DONATIONS**

*LAST YEAR WE FED OVER 1400 PEOPLE IN 8 SCHOOLS AND THE COMMUNITY*

### **BASKETS TO BE PICKED UP**

**FRIDAY NOVEMBER 16<sup>th</sup> AND DECEMBER 14<sup>th</sup>**

**BETWEEN 9 A.M. AND 1 P.M AT SRCC ON EE HWY**

**APPLICATION DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 9th and DECEMBER 7TH**

### **RETURN TO JUDY THOMAS**

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO DONATE, KNOW SOMEONE OR YOU ARE IN NEED OF HELP

**PLEASE CONTACT JUDY THOMAS 417-425-8052 OR [dbarjlivestock@yahoo.com](mailto:dbarjlivestock@yahoo.com)**

## ITEMS NEEDED

We are having a Blanket Drive for Christmas for Parents as well as Children.

Please bring to Church and I will pick them up.

This year each child will also get a Christmas Stocking in the Food Box.

IN EVERYTHING GIVE THANKS;  
FOR THIS IS GOD’S WILL FOR YOU IN JESUS CHRIST

“ LET NO CHILD/ADULT GO HUNGRY THIS SEASON. “

*SAC RIVER COWBOY CHURCH*  
***Thanksgiving / Christmas Food***  
***Roundup***

**SCHOOL**

**VERY IMPORTANT**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

PERSON PICKING UP BASKET \_\_\_\_\_ **VERY IMPORTANT**

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ **VERY IMPORTANT**

NUMBER OF CHILDREN \_\_\_\_\_ AGES \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER OF ADULTS \_\_\_\_\_

**CIRCLE ONE OR BOTH PLEASE**

\* \* \* \* **THANKSGIVING** \* \* \* \*

APPLICATION DEADLINE FRIDAY NOVEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup>

PICKUP FRIDAY NOVEMBER 16<sup>TH</sup> BETWEEN 9 A.M. AND 1 P.M.

PICKUP AT SRCC EVENT CENTER EE HWY 1 MILE EAST OF AB

\* \* \* \* **CHRISTMAS** \* \* \* \*

APPLICATION DEADLINE IS FRIDAY DECEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>

PICKUP IS FRIDAY DECEMBER 14<sup>TH</sup> AT

SRCC EVENT CENTER EE HWY 1 MILE EAST OF AB HWY

PLEASE RETURN TO JUDY THOMAS 417-425-8052 OR [dbarjlivestock@yahoo.com](mailto:dbarjlivestock@yahoo.com)

Thank each and every one of you for your generosity

WE ARE A VERY BLESSED CHURCH FAMILY.....

“ LET NO CHILD/ADULT GO HUNGRY THIS SEASON. “

FINANCIAL *Peace*  
UNIVERSITY

# IT'S TIME TO TAKE *Financial* PEACE!

Join the millions who  
never worry about money!

Dave Ramsey and his team of financial experts will  
teach you how to beat debt and build wealth with the  
most powerful tool there is . . . your income.

***And it's time to sign up!***

SRCC Financial Peace University classes will be held at the Event Center. The nine sessions are scheduled on Tuesday nights from 7:00 PM to around 8:30 PM with the first class beginning on January 8, 2019. The basic cost for the Financial Peace University course is \$69. All educational material necessary for the course is included in the fee.

To sign up or ask questions please email Fred Rosenberger, Coordinator, at [fredr@msn.com](mailto:fredr@msn.com).

"The rich rule over the poor, and the borrower is slave to the lender." Proverbs 22:7 (NIV)

# FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

## An Overview of Financial Peace

Financial Peace University began in 1994. About five million people later, FPU continues to encourage accountability and discipleship while teaching God's ways of managing money. FPU members are living – and giving – like no one else.

Through video teaching (the fun, weekly educational video lessons feature Dave Ramsey and the FPU teaching team), class discussions, and interactive small group activities, this nine-week course presents practical, biblical steps to win with money. You'll learn how to get out of debt, build significant savings, and leave a lasting legacy for your family, church and community.

## Lesson Outline

- 1) **Super Saving**-We're not a nation of savers. The typical American could not even cover a \$5,000 emergency without having to borrow money. You'll learn why saving is important, how to be prepared for emergencies, and how to build genuine wealth-without luck or the lottery.
- 2) **Relating with Money**-How we handle money impacts every part of our lives. It is a huge factor in marriage, an important responsibility in parenting and a potential land mine for singles.
- 3) **Cash Flow Planning**-Make your money work for you. If you don't tell your money where to go and what to do, it will definitely master you and you'll wonder where it went the rest of your life.
- 4) **Dumping Debt**-Stumbling into debt can be easy-banks, credit cards, stores, etc. Debt is the most successfully, aggressively marketed product in history. What? Yep! Learn how to walk right out of debt with the simple, clear and effective debt snowball technique.
- 5) **Buyer Beware**-Thousands of companies are clamoring for our money-and we usually run to hand it to them! Learn how to get the best deals when you're ready to buy and avoid those you really don't need. Gain power over your purchases.
- 6) **The Role of Insurance**- "Oh no, a whole lesson on insurance? Sweet mercy!" But you will learn that your insurance plan can make or break your whole financial life. Learn which ones you need and which ones you don't.
- 7) **Retirement and College Planning**-We think we'll never get there. Then one day, we wake up and boom! It's time to retire or maybe help the kids after high school. Learn how to be ready with the right plan for every stage of life.
- 8) **Real Estate and Mortgages**-Real estate can be the biggest blessing—or the biggest curse—in your financial life. It all depends on how well you buy and sell. Learn effective tips for buying and selling real estate as well as the best (and worst) mortgage options.
- 9) **The Great Misunderstanding**-Unleashing the power of generous giving. There are three things we can do with our money: spend, save and give. Learn the true key to winning—both in your life and with your money.

## CHECK THESE OUT (You Tube Videos)

11 Join FPU Dave Ramsey

<https://youtu.be/FrG8KErOZOk>

9 Join FPU Chris Hogan

<https://youtu.be/ufsanavd7Qs>

FPU Take Control of Your Money

<https://youtu.be/QhGgHuEYF5Q>

Dave Ramsey's FPU Congregation Preview

<https://youtu.be/9PoOb6ninBA>

Helping Families Get a Plan

<https://youtu.be/iDvOnt1nUxw>

Getting Out of Debt (Financial Peace University)

<https://youtu.be/r5y5numJoYo>

Dave Ramsey's FPU It's Time for Financial Peace

<https://youtu.be/KFZAtUANCr8>

To sign up or ask for more information, please email Fred Rosenberger, Course Coordinator, at [fredr@msn.com](mailto:fredr@msn.com). Check SRCC website, Education tab, for FPU info.