



# BONKHOUSE GAZETTE

## August 2019 issue

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### Young People's Ministry

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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 Event Center

### Sunday School Bible Class—Note New Time

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

### Do You Need a Wheel Chair?

The church has two wheel chairs to give away to those who need one. Contact Charles @ 576-5549.

### Calendar of Events

#### August 2019

Every Sunday evening	Youth Group (ages 14-17)
Nathan Isakson, 573-578-2518	4:30 p.m. Event Center
Every Sunday night:	BAND of BROTHERS
Doug Evans, 417-429-5563	6:00 p.m. Event Center
Every Monday evening	Community Line Dancing Class
Beverly Killingsworth, 880-1011	4:30 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
Every Friday Night	Game Night
Brenda Green, 417-860-4510,	5:30-8:00 p.m. Event Center

\*Game night is for ages 13 and over

Aug 4	Potluck after 2 <sup>nd</sup> service, 11:30, upstairs
Aug 20	Deadline for Gazette articles

### LOOKING AHEAD

Sep 8	Annual Baptism Event at Turk's Farm
	See Map on page 7
Sep 28	Couples Date Night

### Cowboy Riddle

Why did the cowboy's car stop?

### Bible Trivia from Mark

What was in the jar that the woman poured on Jesus' head?

### Cowboy Wisdom

The most wasted day of all is that during which we have not laughed.  
*Nicholas Chamfort*

### SRCC on the Web.

SacRiverCowboyChurch.com  
 and on Facebook: Sac River Cowboy Church

If you take photos in any of the services, please send them to Fran at frances\_b\_65705@yahoo.com for possible inclusion in the Gazette. Include your name, so I can give you credit.

## Quote of the Month

"And can the liberties of a nation be thought secure when we have removed their only firm basis, a conviction in the minds of the people that these liberties are of the gift of God? That they are not to be violated but with His wrath? Indeed I tremble for my country when I reflect that God is just; that His justice cannot sleep forever."

*Thomas Jefferson*

## Inspiration

Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that He may lift you up in due time. Cast all your anxiety on Him because He cares for you. Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that the family of believers throughout the world is undergoing the same kind of sufferings.

*1 Peter 5: 6-9*

## 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. Call Tami Greene, 417-861-8922.

## Church Outreach

If you know someone who needs a card, call or text Virginia Andrews @ 214-293-5945. Or call Sally Ray @ 417-886-9164.

## Cowboy Riddle Answer:

It had Injun (engine) trouble.

## Bible Trivia Answer:

Nard, also called spikenard, a very expensive perfume.

*Mark 14: 3 NKJV*

## WANTED:

Old horse collars for craft projects. Please contact Doug Evans at 417 429-5563

## PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

A Prayer Shawl Ministry has now begun. We hope to be a blessing to others by giving those who are homebound, suffering from an illness, in nursing facility, etc. a shawl.

How you can help:

Crochet or knit (we need shawls)

Contribute supplies (Decorative boxes- 14X12 or 10X8, Tulle 3 inch wide, yarn)

Let us know anyone in need of a shawl. (We will bring to you for delivery, or we would be happy to deliver.

Please contact the following for any of the above:

Lori Copeland 417-838-3452

Dianne Ivey 417-844-9126

Thanks in advance!

## Special Needs at Dynamic Strides Therapy

Do you have a **good horse** that could use a **good home** to do **good work**?

**Dynamic Strides Therapy** is in need of horses in order to provide their waiting list of disabled children with life-changing hippotherapy. A new hippotherapist has been hired to help meet the increasing demand for these therapies, but many of the current horses are aging and need to be replaced with younger horses. Ponies welcome as well! Horses/ponies must be 14 hands or less, preferably geldings, that are **gentle**, relatively sound, and flat gaited (unable to use fox trotters or Tennessee walkers). **Your donated horse will be appreciated and very well cared for.** If you have a horse/pony that could be a true blessing to Dynamic Strides Therapy and the children it serves, please call Jackie Gilkey (417-844-7011), Barbara Joyce, Equine Professional (417-849-8825), or Marge Cheesman, Director (417-300-3192).

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for BAPTISM EVENT

We had some serious volunteering last year and I would love to have you volunteer again this year. Even if you have never volunteered before we would appreciate any time given. We have all kinds of things for you to do to enrich our Baptism Event. Please, text or call Brenda Green if you will be able to help us. It will also be fulfilling, not to mention the fun you will have!! 417-860-4610.

or e-mail: [pmsiam1@aol.com](mailto:pmsiam1@aol.com)

THANK YOU in advance.

*Brenda Green*

## Do YOU want to be BAPTIZED?

If you want to be baptized at the annual Baptism Event, please sign up on the sheets that will be available at all services.

## DIRECTORIES ARE AVAILABLE

Copies of the directory are still available in the office. See Ollie Long

## COUPLES DATE NIGHT

Coming this Fall

September 28

October 12

November 9

6:00 pm @ Event Center

FREE CHILDCARE

\*more info coming up\*

Call Kevin & Lisa Clinton for info

417-379-5821

## A SPECIAL THANK YOU to the CLAIR'S



Tommy and Brenda Clair have been keeping the area used for the Baptism event at Turk's farm in beautiful condition. Our special thanks to them for their service and dedication!

## DIRECTORY ADDENDUM

If you are new to the church and would like your contact information added to the future Directory Addendum, please complete the form below and leave it in the office.

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone  
Number(s) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail  
Address \_\_\_\_\_

## MEET SRCC's NEW BOARD MEMBER

### Tami Greene



Tami and her husband, Mark, have been attending SRCC since 2010. They have two sons and four grandchildren who attend occasionally. What Tami loves most about SRCC is the relaxed atmosphere and how eloquently Pastor Scotty

teaches the word of God.

Tami works full time for Greene County Highway Department, but loves to give back to her church when she can. She has been on the audit committee for eight years and has taught Sunday school in the children's ministry for about three years.

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

### ISN'T IT AMAZING WHAT ONE LITTLE SEED CAN DO?

Most of us are enjoying a delicious bounty of home grown tomatoes right now. Have you ever stopped to think about how amazing it is that from one little seed grows a tomato plant and from that plant many more tomatoes grow? Inside each tomato are many more seeds that can also be planted to grow many more tomatoes.

Jesus in Matthew chapter 13 tells his disciples parables about seeds. We should all be looking for opportunities to plant seeds. A seed is planted when we make a visitor to Cowboy Church feel welcome through a hand shake and a smile or invite them to set next to us instead of saving those seats for friends or family that we see all the time. A seed is planted too when we invite someone to Cowboy Church.

A seed is planted when, as a church, we reach out to people in the community who are in need of help. A seed is planted through cards, phone calls, e-mails and even text messages to those who need to know you care.

A seed is planted when we use our God given gifts to touch others. Your seed may be the gift of song, playing a musical instrument, leadership, teaching, cooking, or prayer. God didn't give you gifts to hide them but to use them to reach others for him.

A seed is planted when someone sees us act like a Christian should and wants to have what we have. A seed is planted when we boldly tell someone about Jesus.

Plant seeds and someday you will meet Jesus and he will say, "Come let me introduce you to some people." There before you is the visitor you made feel welcome, the one you invited to church, the one you helped, the one you taught. Behind them is the one you sent a card or called. To the side is the one you witnessed to and next to them is the one you didn't even know was looking.

Behind these people are many more people stretching as far as you can see. Because of the seed you planted in one person that seed grew into many other seeds that touched someone and each one of those seeds grew to touch many, many more people.

Isn't it amazing what one little seed can do?

## LETTER FROM PASTOR SCOTTY

### Friends and family of the SRCC

I have always tried to be completely honest with you and admit when I make wrong decisions. Part of my personality leads me to be experimental and entrepreneurial which makes me an early adapter to change. Later, after a change is made, I will, sometimes, have a moment of clarity and realize my error. I want to make a change in our Thursday night schedule. Our new Event Center is amazing and is a huge blessing to our church and community. I can't say enough about the people who gave to provide it and to the people who designed, built and use it. Originally my heart was captured by the idea of bringing the Word of God to people in a market space environment. At the Livestock Marketing Center (LMC) people who would never visit a church, much less regularly attend one, find themselves loving Jesus without all the church baggage. For all the years we have worshipped at the LMC my heart has been blessed and at peace. I feel the Lord's presence and sense his blessing on us every service. I believe the Lord called me to pastor the SRCC primarily at the LMC. I plan to never leave it until the Lord puts me on the shelf or hands me my robe for the heavenly choir.

About three months ago we experimented with moving our Thursday night service to the Event Center (EC). The rationale was to move into more comfortable environs and the EC met that need in spades. The change has accomplished much of what we hoped for and even increased our comfort and attendance. What I did not expect was finding my heart longing for and being led to return to the LMC.

Now - how do we fix this problem? The service at the EC is loved by so many. The EC is temperature controlled, it has amazing sound equipment, the kitchen is so handy and the air has a more pleasant smell etc. It is absolutely great worship space. Here is a solution I have come up with. Allow me to offer two Thursday night services - one at the LMC and one at the EC. We could offer a 6 PM service at the LMC and a 7 PM service at the EC. I will offer my services to be the lead teacher in both services. I expect the 6 PM service at the LMC to be shorter, smaller and focus more on teaching, prayer and fellowship and less on the music worship. This means our wonderful music program will stay the same at the EC.

When do we begin with the new 6 PM service on Thursday?

For many years I have taken a late summer vacation the week or so following our Sac River Creek baptism. I want to lead us to start the 6 PM service at the LMC when I come back to service in mid September. I realize this change both solves and creates problems. Leadership is not a science and our humanity doesn't always find God's direction perfectly. Thank you for your understanding and for loving me enough to trust me with this change.

*Scotty*

## THURSDAY NIGHTS at the EC

Pot Luck at 6 - Music at 7

August 29

### GOLDWING EXPRESS

Bluegrass, country and gospel band that originally from Okmulgee, OK. Regular performers in Branson and TX, this year having 700 show dates.

"We love and strive to make folks happy when they come to see Goldwing Express in concert."



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## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

The time is coming quick to start packing our shoeboxes. Wanted to give you the date of the upcoming event to look forward to this year. On Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> we will have a short presentation by a guest speaker at the beginning of each service who will share with us their experience of receiving a box and what an impact it made in their life. It will also be the first day that you can get your shoeboxes to start packing. This is a great time of year to pick up close out summer clothes and flip flops and with school starting it will be easy to find pencils, notebook paper etc. Remember the amazing journey of a shoebox begins with you, and the results of our shoeboxes will spread God's word to the world.

**Girls and boys age groups: 2-4 year 5-9 years 10-14 years**

### **"Wow" item**

Example: Doll, Soccer ball with pump, stuffed animal, Harmonica, outfit, Slinky, etch a sketch, play cars, for older boys tools, fishing kit, or older girls sewing kit

### **Personal Care Items**

Example: comb, hairbrush, toothbrush (no toothpaste), washcloth, Ivory soap, Bandages, reusable plastic containers, blanket

### **Clothing and Accessories**

Example: shirts and pants, underwear, shoes and socks, totē bags/purse, hair bows sunglasses, hats

### **Crafts and Activities**

Example: Pencils, pencil sharpener, colored pencils, pencil case, crayons, markers, pens, coloring pad and books, notebooks, stickers, jump ropes

**\*\*\*\*\*No liquid items, candy or toothpaste\*\*\*\*\***

Don't worry about sizes if the shoebox recipient can't wear it I'm sure a family member or someone they know will be able to. Remember God knows who needs these items. Rest assured they will get into the right hands.

If you have any questions or would like to be a volunteer please call  
Cindy Hancock @ 417-773-2482.





# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

## Paul's Adventures in Athens



Our Journey with Paul to Athens, Greece was fun! Students enjoyed dressing up as children from Greece and traveling to the Market place every day. Paul's house was a great place to go to hear about his adventures in spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ. Students even tasted good Greek food prepared by "Clarice" (our very own Brenda Greene played this role very well!). All the students loved the food and "Clarice."

There was music and Greek Circle dancing, truly a fun way to experience the Bible.



**KEY:**

- ☆ - Pavillion
- ⊕ - Willard Water Tower
- ⬆ - Cowboy Church
- ⬆ - Greens Acres Farm
- XXX - Baptism

