

JUNE 1,
2009

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Southwest Central Church of Christ

Cafe Grace Summer Series

Our Summer Café Grace kicks off this Wednesday, June 3, with hot dogs and hamburgers at 6:30 and our informal program and classes at 7:00. We will maintain our informal fellowship in the Fellowship Hall, and will sing and have a message from Steve Sandifer to introduce our topic of "A Heritage of Faith." There will be no ESL or FriendSpeak during the summer.

On following Wednesdays we will have guest speaks from area Churches of Christ as well as a few of our neighborhood denominations. We will hear messages of faith concerning Daniel, Abraham, David, Moses, Esther, Manasseh, and the woman of Luke 7 along with others to be determined.

We open the doors at 6:30 with refreshments. The program starts at 7:00 and we stay until somebody turns out the lights and locks the doors. **Our school year Café Grace workers have been given the summer off, so we need volunteers to put the refreshments on plates, make the lemonade, and clean up after us. Call the office or just show up.**

Make this the peak of your week!

Men's Prayer Lunch

The men's prayer lunch will meet on Sunday, June 7 at 12:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All men aged 13 and up are invited to attend. Lunch is provided and transportation assistance is available. Please contact Dick Darroh if you have any questions.

Prayer Team Meeting

The prayer team will meet on Sunday, June 7 at 12:00 p.m. in the office conference room. Any who are interested are invited to attend. Please bring a sack lunch.

A Special Thank You

From: Ronnie Cauley

I would like to thank everyone who has invested time, energy and money into helping me further my education beyond high school. I would like to give a special thanks to the individuals who took the time to work with me in my youth (I know it was a job!).

Thank you for believing in me throughout my immature acts and continuing to push me to be better. I remember years ago when I spoke to the church on behalf of the youth and I quoted the words of Peter: "When I was a child, I walked like a child, talked like a child, thought like a child, but when I became a man I put away all childish things." Now I am a man and have put away my childish ways.

To the men of the church, thank you for teaching

me how to be a responsible hard-working man. To the women, thank you for showing me what real love feels like. I recently graduated from Stephen F. Austin with my Master's of Social work and have accepted a position with the Texas Department of Family and Protective services as a Family Based Safety Specialist.

I ask that you pray for me during this time of transition—that God will help me get adjusted to Austin and that I will be an effective worker for the families and find a church home.

All My Love,

Ronnie Cauley
9323 Manchaca Rd.
Austin, TX 78748

Braes Resale & Consignment Shop (Braes Interfaith ministries)



Saturday, June 6

50% off Clothing, Shoes, Purses

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In Sympathy...

SWC extends sympathy to Lois Oden on the death of her niece (by marriage), Linda Calhoun. Mrs. Calhoun passed away unexpectedly following minor surgery on May 25 in Abilene.

SWC also offers sympathy to Virgil Fry and family on the death of Virgil's mother. She passed away on May 31. Services will be held in Ballinger, TX at the Avenue B Church of Christ (at press time the service is tentatively set for Wednesday, June 3.).

Thank you...

SWC,

thank you for your cards, visits and prayers. They were wonderful! It is so special to be a member of such a caring group of people. God bless you!

Joan Gemoets

As God has loved us, we will meet people on common ground and journey together to the higher ground of life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

We're Looking for a Secretary!

Our current secretary, Beth Brown, will be leaving at the end of June and is eager to train a new recruit in the ways of running the church office. We currently envision 30-32 hours/week, with the job to begin June 15th. Exact hours/days are to be decided, and benefits include health insurance. A successful candidate will have intermediate computer skills, the ability to work on multiple projects at the same time, familiarity with MS Office and email. Details about the position are available on request. If interested, please send a resume and cover letter to the church office at 4011 W. Belfort, Houston, TX 77025 or by email to reception@swcentral.org. Come join our staff as we lead the life of God's community in this place!

Keenager Summer Outings

On Thursday, July 2, we will visit **Lake Jackson**, leaving at 9:00a. First stop will be Sea Center Texas, operated by your Texas Parks and Wildlife. At the center we will be self guided for the first part of our visit, seeing their various aquariums and displays inside along with a wetlands area and boardwalk outside. You will see various fish from our area of the Gulf. The 600 foot boardwalk through the wetlands gives close-up views of green tree frogs, humming birds, dragonflies, turtles, and an immense array of birds. At 11:00 we have a tour scheduled of the fish hatchery where 15 million red drum and spotted seatrout begin their lives before being release into the Gulf.

Just a mile away we will lunch at Luby's or Ryan's – you get to vote on it. Then we will visit the Brazosport Museum of Natural Science before returning home around 3:30.

A sign-up sheet is outside of the kitchen. We will limit this to Keenagers until June 20 and then open it to anyone. The only cost of this tour is your lunch.

Our Second tour will be to the **Terra Cotta Warriors: Guardians of China's First Emperor**, at the Houston Museum of Natural Science on August 6. This exhibit is only scheduled for three museums in the US, so we are honored to be able to see it. Senior price is \$18, but if we can get 20 or more, the price drops to \$15. Our exact time has yet to be determined.

In September, two trips are planned. The annual **Prayer Workshop** in Calhoun, Louisiana, is scheduled for September 11-13. The **ACU Summit** (formerly called lectureship) is September 20-24. Sign up for those will take place later in the summer.

Mark Your Calendar...

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3

Café Grace Summer Series kick-off and cookout, 6:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, JUNE 5

Bridge Night, 7:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, JUNE 7

Men's Prayer Lunch, 12:00 p.m.

Prayer Team Meeting, 12:00 p.m.

Elder's Meeting, 4:00 p.m.

MONDAY, JUNE 8

Summer Youth Series

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10

Café Grace Summer Series

SATURDAY, JUNE 13

Shower for Joseph Niles & Monica Dangerfield, 10:00 a.m.

SUNDAY, JUNE 14

Care Groups

Youth leave for ACU Camps

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17

Café Grace Summer Series

FRIDAY, JUNE 19

Bridge Night, 7:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 20

SEASONS, 8:30 a.m.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

June 1.....Ezra 9, 10

June 2.....Nehemiah 1-3

June 3.....Nehemiah 4-6

June 4Nehemiah 7, 8

June 5.....Nehemiah 9, 10

June 6.....Nehemiah 11-13

June 7.....Esther 1-3

June 8.....Esther 4-7

June 9.....Esther 8-10

June 10.....Job 1-5

June 11.....Job 6-10

Family Matters

Congratulations to Jeremy **Brown** who has successfully completed a medical residency in Internal Medicine. A banquet was held in honor of the "graduates" last Friday... Congratulations to Caleb **McDaniel** whose article titled *Repealing Unions: American Abolitionists, Irish Repeal and the Origins of Garrisonian Disunionism* was chosen as article of the year for **Journal of the Early Republic** (Summer 2008)... Ginger **Hanning** has returned from a cruise to Alaska, where she especially enjoyed all the wildlife including whales, eagles and sea lions... Wini & Bill **Robertson** were glad to have their daughter, Anne, visiting from Vail, CO last Sunday.

Remember in Prayer...

Joyce Toellner, recovering from hip replacement surgery at Founders Hospital, room 320.



Continue to Remember:

Mary Drehsel... Ken Evans...
Christin Fletcher... Joan Gemoets...
Raydoe Goree... Carol Homan...
Lawrence McAfee III... Kay Parsons...
June Rutledge Tharp...
Laura Warfel... SWC friends & family in the US military... SWC families who are grieving.

Just for the Record May 31, 2009

Class	68
AM Assembly	120
Budget Gifts	\$6,631.35
Designated Gifts	\$100.00
Year-to-Date	
Planned Giving	\$301,000.00
Actual Giving	\$303,639.91
Giving Over Budget	\$2,639.91
Other Gifts	\$30,851.01

Elders

Dick Darroh	David Pipes
Michael Tucker	Larry Watson

Staff

Mike McAlister	<i>Interim Pulpit Minister</i>
Steve Sargent	<i>Youth & Family Minister</i>
Steve Sandifer	<i>Pastoral Minister</i>
Beth Brown	<i>Secretary</i>
Antonio Zapata	<i>Maintenance</i>
David Louis	<i>Keymaster</i>

Assembly Times

Bible Class.....	9:00 a.m.
Worship Assembly.....	10:15 a.m.
Evening Assembly	6:00 p.m.

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