

**NEWS FROM THE
LAMONI HEARTLAND MISSION CENTER
April 20, 2008**



Senior High Youth High Adventure Trip

The senior high youth will be taking a High Adventure Trip to Wheatland, Wyoming June 19-28. Registration cost is \$475.00 per person. A non-refundable deposit of \$75.00 is now due to reserve your spot. See your youth newsletter for details and registration form.

Extreme Makeover: Youth Ministry Edition

Larry and Sharon Norris, Dave Harrington and Carla Crosser-Harrington will be the guest ministry for this one-day workshop on Saturday, August 16, 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the West Des Moines Church. The theme of the day is "Boosting Your Youth Ministry." You'll receive concrete ideas for your youth ministry programs for all ages (children through senior high). We invite all to come and learn about the "Forty Assets That Help Youth Succeed in Life." This is a free workshop, sponsored by the Heartland North Youth Ministries Council.

Personal and Spiritual Growth Camp for Single Adults

"Living Green" is the theme for the Personal and Spiritual Growth Camp for Single Adults to be held July 6-12, 2008 on the Graceland University Campus. R. Paul Davis, Counselor to the Presiding Bishopric, will be the guest minister for the reunion. Other class instructors include Bill Russell and Dave and Dustee Heinze. Tom Morain will provide the music. For a registration form, contact the Lamoni Mission Center Office or email Betty Noble, Camp Director, at BettyNoble6@aol.com.

College Age Camp

"Share the Peace of Jesus" will be the theme for the College Age Camp to be held May 27-31, 2008 at Guthrie Grove Campgrounds. This camp is for young adults one full year out of high school to 24 years old. The Presiding Evangelist of our Church, David Brock, and the World Church Spiritual Life Ministries Specialist, Carolyn Brock, will be providing guest ministry at the camp. The camp begins Tuesday, May 27 at 4:00 p.m. and ends at noon on Saturday, May 31. Cost is \$110.00 per person (includes all food, housing in air-conditioned cabins, insurance, activities, guest ministry, etc.). Registration forms are available at the Mission Center Offices and in your congregations.

Celebration (Praise) Services

All are invited to the Celebration Services held at the Runnells Congregation on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month. The service begins at 5:30 p.m.

2008 Ecumenical Women's Gathering

"Claim a New Vision Together" is the theme for the 2008 Ecumenical Women's Gathering to be held at the Temple in Independence on June 19-22. Women are invited to "Come experience a fresh, new vision." There will be Bible study, plenary sessions, workshops, forums, music, creative worship, celebrations, denominational dinners, regional gatherings, and small groups. Registration fee is \$200.00. Contact your local pastor or the Mission Center for registration forms, or go online at www.gathering08.org.

Work days at Guthrie Grove

Plan now to join dozens of your friends for work days at Guthrie Grove on May 10 and 17. There are jobs for all skill levels from holding shovels in an upright position to advanced structural engineering (repairing the swinging bridge). Tools are provided or you can bring your own. Lunch will be provided. You can't have this much fun working in your own yard so come to Guthrie Grove on one or both work days and help get the grounds ready for the summer camping season. You won't regret it.

Reunion Help Needed

Needing a Life Changing Experience?? This is your opportunity! We are searching for teachers for classes for Reunion #1 (June 7-11) and Reunion #2 (July 12-18). Please check your schedules -- plan to attend, volunteer, and expect something great to happen to you! To help with Reunion #1, please call Dan and Becky Long, ph. 641/784-8800 or email bekilong44@yahoo.com. To help with Reunion #2, please call Sandy Ranney, ph. 641/784-3840 or email sranney@lamoni.k12.ia.us; Chauntel Ranney, ph. 641/784-3533; or Skyla Mann, ph. 515/221-3333 or email skylamann@yahoo.com.

PLAN AHEAD . . .

Summer Camps and Reunions

College Age Camp – May 27-31 at Guthrie Grove
Early Registration Deadline: May 15th

Personal & Spiritual Growth Camp for Single Adults – July 6-12 at Graceland

Reunion #1 – June 7-11 at Guthrie Grove

Junior Camp #1 – June 14-18 at Guthrie Grove
Early Registration Deadline: May 2nd

Ecumenical Women's Gathering at the Temple in Independence – June 19-22

Senior High Youth High Adventure Trip – June 19-28 in Wyoming

Junior High Camp – June 29-July 5 at Guthrie Grove
Early Registration Deadline: May 16th

Senior High Camp – July 6-12 at Guthrie Grove
Early Registration Deadline: May 23rd

Reunion #2 – July 12-18 at Guthrie Grove

Spectacular – July 19-26 at Graceland

Junior Camp #2 – July 27-31 at Guthrie Grove
Early Registration Deadline: June 13th

Congregational Life Workshop – July 27-August 1 at Graceland

Special Needs Camp – August 1-3 at Guthrie Grove
Early Registration Deadline: June 20th

To the Lamoni Heartland Mission Center:

We are looking forward to the Lamoni Heartland Mission Center reunions this summer. These yearly Christian Family Camps prove to be special times spent at Guthrie Grove Campground where we share in worship, fellowship, fun, and reconnecting with our God. The reunion theme this year is "A Community of Peace: Becoming Community."

The June reunion begins on Saturday, June 7 and ends on Wednesday, June 11. Dan and Becky Long of the Lamoni Congregation will be the directors. Apostle Mary Jacks Dynes will be the guest minister.

The July reunion begins on Saturday, July 12 and ends on Friday, July 18. Brian and Skyla Mann from Northwest Congregation will be directing this reunion, assisted by Sandy Ranney and Chauntel Ranney of the Bloomington Congregation. Guest ministry will be Wim van Klinken and Don McLaughlin. Wim is the Director of International Headquarters. Don is a Missionary Coordinator in the Midlands USA Mission Center.

We recognize that reunion represents vacation time, so the schedule for these camps will reflect a variety of activities for all ages. Our schedules this year include children's activities, recreational events in the afternoon, time to worship, time to study, time to relax, time to enjoy your family, and time to get to know others in our Mission Center.

To keep the costs low, offerings will be received at the worship services to cover the expenses for the reunions. Please come prepared to participate as a disciple who gives generously.

During reunion it is the people who really make the experience worthwhile. As reunion planners, we want to invite you to join us at Guthrie Grove for an experience that will be a blessing for you and your family.

Registration forms are now available for both the June and July reunions. Request one from your pastor or the mission center office. **NEW THIS YEAR...** registrations and payments for both reunions may be made online.

1. visit www.cofchristlhmc.org
2. select "Summer 2008 Reunions" from the choices on the left
3. select "online registration"
4. you will be redirected to the Guthrie Grove site where you can register and pay for the reunion of your choice

Please be sure to invite your friends and family to join us. We are looking forward to our time together!

Reunion Directors

Dan and Becky Long
Sandy Ranney

Brian and Skyla Mann
Chauntel Ranney