

Distinguished Service Award

PCN's first Distinguished Service Award was recently presented to **George and Lea Spanos**. They were a unanimous choice for recognition from the Missions small group. Their award read in part "presented in recognition of their support and many sacrifices to see that PCN survives and thrives."

Distinguished Service Awards are presented to persons who have gone the second, third or fourth mile in service of Jesus Christ and His church. Presentation documents are made available for a \$100 donation to to Missionary Healthcare.

At right, George plants a smooch on his bride for her part in their efforts to support Petoskey Church of the Nazarene together.



Lea and George Spanos

Now and Then -- Do a Little Crisis Care Kit Shopping

January is the month designated for rolling up our sleeves for Crisis Care Kits and actually putting them together. Boxes ready for shipping by February 25 can be taken to the annual TEAM Day in Perry, MI, thus avoiding shipping fees of \$20+ per box.

But **now** is a great time to start picking up CCK items. Find a friend or even two friends, and pool your efforts. Last year, we sent 18 complete kits in 3 boxes, providing basic personal hygiene essentials for 36 people. This year our goal is 24 kits or 4 boxes; goods for 48 people. We can do this; we just have to plan ahead and start early.

A Crisis Care Kit is one of the surest investments in missions work that you can make. It will definitely be needed by someone --somewhere in the world-- probably sooner than later. Below is the shopping list. Remember, buy only the items on the list and nothing more.

Crisis Care Kits Inventory

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| 1 12-18 oz. bottle of shampoo
(Please tape flip tops closed.) | 1 fingernail clipper |
| 2 bars of soap, bathsize or larger | 1 sturdy hair comb |
| 1 medium toothpaste (4.0-6.4 oz) | 2 hand towels |
| 3 toothbrushes | 4 pocket-size pkgs of facial tissue |
| 1 box of Band-aids (30 or more) | 1 Beanie Baby-size stuffed toy |
- All in a 2-gallon Zip-Loc bag*--

*Missions Group already has 2-gallon Zip-Loc bags on hand.

Mission Journal is a quarterly publication of the Petoskey Church of the Nazarene Missions Small Group and is intended to inform church members and friends of current Missions projects and plans. The Group meets from 3 - 5pm the first Thursday of March, June, September and December. All questions, comments, suggestions, etc. should be forwarded to Missions President Penny Harrison at 231-838-1947 or send e-mail to: churchlady@speednetllc.com.

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"For we do not preach ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake." --2Cor. 4:5



Missions Bake Sale is Near!

Plans are coming together nicely for PCN's Third Annual Missions Bake Sale, set for Friday, July 30 and Saturday, July 31 in downtown Petoskey. This is PCN's Missions only fundraising event and it provides:



- ◆Missions Books and CDs
 - ◆PCN's District Mission budget
 - ◆LINKS budget (supports missionaries)
 - ◆School Pal Paks - mission school supplies
 - ◆Missionary Health Care support\
- and more.



The 2009 Bake Sale profit was roughly \$770. With careful managing, it has kept our Missions activities afloat for almost an entire year. Thank you, Church Family -- You made it possible!

Lessons learned from the 2009 Bake Sale:

1. Pie is King, especially fruit pies. They sell like 89-cent/gallon gas.
2. There are people who do want cookies, especially old-fashioned, big ones like oatmeal-raisin, chocolate chip, frosted sugar cookies, etc.
3. Homemade breads are good sellers. Any kind, any size.
4. We were asked for homemade jams/jellies.
5. Brownies are sought after, especially chocolate-frosted ones.
6. Cinnamon Rolls - folks will take out a mortgage for these.
7. Cakes are popular, but need an extra something to catch the eye.
8. Rice-Krispy Treats -- we were asked for those, too.
9. Sadly, we cannot package individual cookies, rolls or bars for immediate consumption, as this is seen as competition with downtown eateries.

A new wrinkle will be added this year in the form of **Christian books** made available in exchange for donations. About 30 books have already been donated for this purpose. You are welcome to donate, too.

Are you feeding your Alabaster box? It gets hungry!

Knitting Challenge Update

Remember the knit/crochet challenge from last March? PCN's knitters are trying to match **Shirley Houseworth's** annual output of twelve sets of kids' hats and mittens. She does this every year, and in the fall, donates them to area agencies to distribute them to youngsters who really need them.

THUS FAR, the count is:

4 sets of hats and mittens

4 sets of hats and scarves

An observation here: everything

turned in thus far looks like "girl colors." If you are planning to contribute to this effort, please drift toward "boy colors." These would be red, blue, brown, black, gray, etc.

If you don't knit or crochet, would you consider buying some yarn for those that do? If so, call Missions Prez. Penny Harrison at 231-838-1947.



Mission Books & CDs - for this new church year.



Hands down, this year's missions readings are decidedly better than last year, probably because we are *not* celebrating a milestone in church history. Those who have ventured into this year's offerings are saying good things about what they have read.

For those who love the feel of a real book in their hands, there are books. For those who prefer "listening" to a book, there are CDs. You're covered either way -- you just need to get started.

Only two people have read all six of this year's books. A few others have read one or two, but thus far, this year's reading program has not been a resounding success. If you have any theories why, please share them with Pastor Gomez or to Penny Harrison. How can we make missions come alive and be relevant to you?

New Links Missionaries Will Be Here on Monday!

David and Kimberly Hane from the Asia Pacific Regional Office in Singapore will be at **BOYNE CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE ON MONDAY, JUNE 28** for a deputation speaking engagement. The service starts at 7pm. Call Penny Harrison at 838-1947 for a ride.

The Hane family has two children: Jonathan, age 15, and Joy, age 9.

"Warm Baby" Project

We have a new opportunity to be "the hands and feet of Jesus." Kudjip Nazarene Hospital in Papua, New Guinea is asking for "**Warm Baby Kits,**" in any quantity we can put together. More than 1200 babies were delivered there in 2008. Many of these mothers are very young. Most have little or nothing for at-home baby care.

Hospital staff put together a list of the barest supplies. It's very little in comparison to the abundance most Americans have for their babies, and it all fits in a one-gallon Zip-Loc bag.



When gathered, the kits go to Dr. Todd Winter in Medford, Oregon. We plan to work on this project in August of this year, and we just might allow ourselves to have some fun along the way. Stay tuned. ~;<)

PCN MISSIONS SMALL GROUP WILL NEXT MEET 3-5^{PM}, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND, IN THE ACTIVITY ROOM OF CEDARCREST APARTMENTS .



Googling for Goggles

OK, that's a bit of a stretch, but we really are looking for eyeglasses -- used, no longer needed, outdated. Turns out that **Dr. Paul Gamertsfelder**, the man who started Work and Witness* is a retired optometrist. Over the years, he made many mission trips taking thousands of used eyeglasses with him.

Though Gamertsfelder no longer makes regular mission trips, his work has been picked up by another optometrist, **Dr. Doug McCloy**. He is currently fundraising to build a \$500,000 medical clinic in Jamaica that will be named for Dr. Gamertsfelder.

Dr. McCloy has also picked up the ministry of collecting used eyeglasses for Jamaicans in need. If you have glasses you are no longer using, please give them to Missions Prez. Penny Harrison. She will send them to a collection point in Ohio.



*FYI - Work and Witness was originally known as "Men in Missions" (circa 1973) but had to change its name (in 1984) when women began tagging along. Last year, 639 Work and Witness teams fanned out across the globe, each of them going in the name of Jesus to help brothers and sisters in the faith that we share.