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School News

SMITHVILLE CHRISTIAN HIGHSCHOOL

Smithville Christian High School Open House and Celebration of Learning, January 15: Did you know the typical high school student spends close to 1,000 hours a year in class? What are students doing all that time? This is your chance to find out. Come to Smithville Christian High School's Open House and Celebration of Learning, January 15, 2015. There will be a special information session for prospective Grade 9 students and their families from 7 to 7:30 p.m. followed by the Open House and Celebration of Learning from 7:30 to 9. You will see displays of student learning in every subject area, plus art, worship, praise team, student testimonies and more. For more information contact the school at 905.957.3255 or office@smithvillechristian.ca This event is for parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins neighbours and friends. Everyone is welcome, bring a friend. We Believe. You Belong Here.

www.smithvillechristian.ca

NACE FUNDRAISING VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

It is time once again for the annual NACE Volleyball Tournament (for John Knox Christian School and Covenant Christian School). This is always a great day of sport, fellowship and fundraising. It will be held on Saturday, January 31, 2015 in Smithville. Please email or call/text Debbie van Oord at debbievanoord@gmail.com or 905-932-3586 if you would like to put a team in. The cost is \$150 per team and there is a possibility of both a recreational and competitive division. Each team needs to have 2 females and 2 males, the remaining players are your choice.

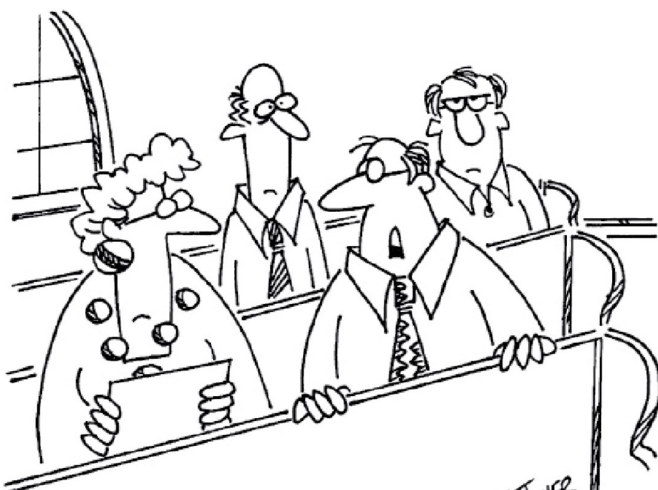


Indoor Soccer at Smithville Christian High School ...get moving with 8 weeks of indoor soccer training and scrimmaging for only \$30. 30 minutes of training and a 30 minute game every week. When: Saturdays from January-March starting Jan. 10. Ages 6-9 @ 10-11am. Ages 10-13 @ 11am-12pm. To sign up or if you have any questions contact Sam Iriarte @ 289-228-6399 or sameduardo@yahoo.com. All you need are shin pads and a pair of runners/indoor soccer shoes.

REDEEMER UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

"Buying TOMS, Saving Soles?" Please join Redeemer University College on Wednesday, January 21 at 7:30 pm as we welcome Dr. Craig Mattson from Trinity Christian College, who will be speaking on Christian Attention for Cause Marketing. Please see www.redeemer.ca/ARCUlectures to register & for more information on this free event.

Save the Date! On March 3 and 4, 2015, Dr. Reginald Bibby will be headlining two events at Redeemer University College, the Be Inspired ministry conference and the annual World and our Calling Lectures. Visit www.redeemer.ca for more information.



"Wait a minute! ... I distinctly remember ignoring this same sermon two years ago!"

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Other News

Coffee Break: Happy New Year to everyone. Now it is time to get back to our normal routines again. This coming Tuesday we will meet again for our regular Bible Study session. As we get together again and get caught up with each other over coffee and goodies we can will be ready to study God's Word again. In this new year We will be studying "Decisions" Jane's group will finish the study of "Integrity" :) In our first lesson based on Isaiah 58 We deal with the question "Why is God Silent?" If you could ask God one question and be assured of an answer what would it be? Join us at Grace CRC. Coffee will be ready at 9:15 and we will start promptly at 9:30. **Snacks: Wendy L., April L., Sylvie B., and Marg V.** See you!!

Elisha House is offering the Biblical Peacemaking and Sexual Abuse Biblical Healing Groups on Thursday evenings from 7-9pm starting in January/early February.

For more information about these groups go to <http://www.elishahouse.on.ca/biblicalhealing.html>. To sign up or for more info call 905-735-9934 or email info@elishahouse.on.ca

Harvest Kitchen

On Thursday, Dec. 18th at the Hope Center, we served approx. 45 people for dinner. The evening went well with talk and laughter and joy as we all worked together to serve our friends of Harvest Kitchen. Everyone was so grateful for the food they ate and for many, the food to take home! I would like to thank Alfred and Ann Kiers, Al and Lynn Janssen, Serena Vanderhout, my family; Matt, Josh, Luke, Ben and Katelin for helping. As well, behind the scenes, Leah Vahrmeyer, Betty Gritter, Hennie Vellenga, Brenda Vanderhout, Barb Janssen and Teryl Dam for preparing food! This Christmas, as tradition holds, everyone was given a stocking filled with water, an apple donated by DeVries Farms (thank you very much), cookies, chips, granola bar, a candy cane, mittens, a toothbrush and toothpaste donated by Peace Park Dental (thank you very much)! Everyone was so appreciative and delighted with their little Christmas gift and for this I am so grateful that we could make a difference at this season of giving. There is nothing more priceless than making someone smile J Remember that we can always use your help for next month's gathering on January 15th. You may reach me at my hm# 892-8018, text me at 289-241-4555 or email at my3sons@cogeco.ca. I wish all of you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Angela Oussoren

CRC Announcements

CALVIN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY - Faculty Openings at Calvin Seminary: Calvin Theological Seminary has two faculty openings: one in Missiology and Missional Ministry (responsibilities to begin July 1, 2015) and one in the Moral or Moral and Philosophical Theology (responsibilities to begin July 1, 2016). Faculty members must be committed to the confessions and mission of the Christian Reformed Church in North America. If you would like more information, would like to nominate someone, or would like to apply for either position, visit www.calvinseminary.edu/jobopenings. The Search Team will begin reviewing applications by Feb. 1.

GROUNDWORK - Prayer and Fasting: Today on Groundwork we'll use Matthew 6:1-6 and 16-18 as a basis for discussing prayer and fasting, two ways we can nurture our relationship with God. Subscribe for free weekly email notifications at ListenToGroundwork.com; visit GroundworkOnline.com to find a local radio station or listen now.

KIDS CORNER - 18 Holes: Morrie Clumptoos is back in town! Liz and Spike have the whole weekend planned, but Morrie has his own ideas. This week's Kids Corner has some valuable lessons

about friendship, and is also a reminder that Jesus will always be our friend. Follow the adventures of Liz and his pals every week: subscribe for free at getkidscorner.com. Find more great resources for kids and parents at kidscorner.net.

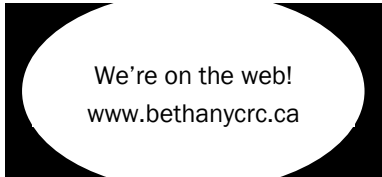
JANUARY SERIES IN BURLINGTON - The Burlington office of the Christian Reformed Church in North America (CRCNA) invites you to the Calvin College January Series beginning Jan. 7, 2015 and continuing weekdays through Jan. 27 at 3475 Mainway, Burlington, Ont. Each lecture will be shown via a "live feed" from Calvin College from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. and will cover topics ranging from the art of storytelling, the social and spiritual effects of technology, an insider's view of global affairs and much more. The CRCNA Office is one of 45 remote webcast sites. For information about the speakers and topics, visit www.calvin.edu/january/2015.

KENYA PRAYER SAFARI - Do you have a heart for missions and the missionaries who serve in Africa? This is the final call to join the Kenya Prayer Safari in February 2015 and strengthen, spiritually encourage and refresh Christian missionary workers in various missions settings. Additional details can be found at www.crw.org or contact volunteer@crcna.org.

FOOD SECURITY & JUSTICE VOLUNTEER - Are you interested in agriculture, food security and justice, health and nutrition? Parlez vous francais aussi? Come alongside WORLD RENEW staff for 18 months in Niger and see your BA degree come alive with hands-on experience as you bless others. Details on this substantially funded volunteer position can be found at www.worldrenew.net or contact volunteer@crcna.org.

WORLD MISSIONS - Is God calling you to serve God's global mission field? CRWM has four opportunities available for long-term mission work in Uganda, Mexico, Haiti, and West Africa. Go to crwm.org/serve to see if these opportunities fit with the gifts that God has given you.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES ARE LOCATED ON BULLETIN BOARD BY THE BACK STAIRS



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www.bethanycrc.ca