

# NORTHERN BOULEVARD UNITED METHODIST CIRCUIT RIDER

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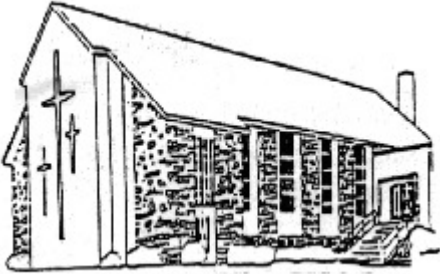
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Northern Boulevard United Methodist Church is a community of Christians serving Christ through worship, education, fellowship, and service.



April 30, 2009

## Help Needed for the Annual Rummage Sale

Our annual Rummage Sale is almost here! We are in need of several volunteers to help set up and price items on Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, starting at 9:00am. The sale will run from Wednesday, May 6<sup>th</sup> through Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup>.

We will also need several volunteers, especially if you have a truck to help us deliver the items that do not sell to the Dream Center at Englewood when the sale is over on Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup>. We hope to be ready to load by 1:00pm.

It is because of all the hard work of the volunteers and all the wonderful items everyone donates to the sell that make this such a successful fundraiser!

## Biscuits & Gravy

The next Biscuits and Gravy Breakfast will be on Saturday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> from 8:00 to 11:00am. We will only have one Biscuits and Gravy Breakfast each month throughout the summer on the fourth Saturday of the month. For \$4 you can get all you can eat biscuits and gravy and help pay for our yearly apportionments.

## Newsletter Deadline

If you have items to go into the next newsletter, please make sure they are turned in to the office no later than first thing, Thursday, May 14<sup>th</sup>.

## Monthly Collections

For the month of May we are collecting Washcloths for Crossroads Temporary Housing Shelter.



For the Food Pantry we are collecting Tuna and Tuna Helper. Please make sure the expiration date on your donations have not passed.

### OUR STEWARDSHIP OF PRESENCE & GIFTS

#### ATTENDANCE

Worship	4/19	74
	4/26	78
Sunday School	4/19	31
	4/26	42

#### OFFERING

	4/19	\$1,485
	4/26	\$1,142
Noisy Offering for 4/19-4/26		\$97.57
Budget Needed Weekly in 2009		\$2,987

Native American Ministries Offering		\$65
Elevator Fund		\$30

<u>MISSIONAL GIVING:</u>	<u>To Date</u>	<u>Remaining</u>
Conference Apportionments	\$2,726	\$13,855
District Apportionments	\$100	\$1,900
2 <sup>nd</sup> Mile Goals	\$843	\$2,132

April's income was \$857.39 more than expenses.

General Fund Total as of 4/30/09: **\$ - 10,922.35**

## Upcoming Dates To Remember

- Domino Club, every Friday at 1:00pm.
- Cinco de Mayo Camp Fundraiser Dinner, Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 5:00-7:30pm - \$1 tacos
- Safe Sanctuary Training during the Sunday School hour at 9:30am on Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup>.
- Red Ribbon BBQ: Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup> after church. The meat will be provided. We ask that you please bring a side dish.

## Coupons

We have coupons available in the narthex for all to look through and take what they need. They are divided up by categories.

Also, if you receive coupons in the paper or mail that you will not be using, please bring them to the church so that others might be able to use them.

## Welcome

We want to welcome our newest member, Jennifer Johnson Brooks to Northern Boulevard United Methodist Church. Jennifer joined on Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2009. We are so glad to have her here! Please be sure to introduce yourself to Jennifer and make her feel welcomed. Also, please add Jennifer to your directory:

Jennifer Johnson Brooks  
1507 W. College, Apt. A  
Independence, MO 64050  
816-252-0890

## Thank You!

Thank you so much to all who gave me the beautiful cards for Secretary's Day. I enjoyed reading them so much, and all the kind words were so nice to hear. I'm so blessed to be able to work here, and I appreciate you all for making my job such a joy!

- Rebecca Henning

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We would like to thank the Neighborhood Council for donating the advertising space in the Neighborhood newsletter to Northern Boulevard United Methodist Church. They have graciously allowed us to advertise in their newsletter free of charge as an appreciation of being able to meet at the church.

## Family Day at the "K"

United Methodist Day at the "K" will be on Friday, July 17, 2009. The KC Royals will play Tampa Bay. This evening will also be the grand opening of the Royals Hall of Fame plus the Hall of Fame Classic Game. Gates will open early for these events giving fans an opportunity to tour the Hall of Fame and watch batting practice prior to the Classic. The Classic Exhibition Game at 5pm will feature Royal greats against former MLB stars. The Royals game will be at 7:10pm, after the Classic Exhibition Game. There will also be a great fireworks show after the game. You can see all of this for \$14 a ticket. Please have your orders into the church office by July 1<sup>st</sup>.

## United Methodist Men

The UMM met on Sunday, April 26, for their monthly breakfast meeting. After a blessing was asked, all enjoyed a good breakfast. There were 13 present.

Morris read an item from the Internet, "God's accuracy may be observed in the hatching of eggs," about the precision of the growth, development, and construction of plants and animals.

Morris reported on the District's Lenten breakfast, held last month at Christ United Methodist Church. He suggested that we volunteer to host it next year. After much discussion, we agreed to offer to do this, being sure to make it clear our church's amount of room and stair steps.

The United Methodist Men's special baseball game night at Kauffman stadium will be Friday, July 17, with several special features. There is a flyer posted on the bulletin board at the top of the stairs.

Morris reminded us that the "Red Ribbon Barbecue" is coming up, Sunday, May 31, right after church. The United Methodist Men are providing and cooking the hot dogs and hamburgers, and he asked that anyone who can bring a grill, please do so. Everyone else is requested to bring a dish to share.

Rev. Sally informed the group that there will be a Mission Interpreter in Independence, at First United Methodist Church, on Saturday, May 2 at 7:30 a.m. for a breakfast presentation about prison ministry. This event is intended for both United Methodist Men and Women. The church's Church Camp Fund was mentioned, also.

Since the Talent Show was not going to be held tonight, Gary Hard played guitar and sang us a comical song about taxation.

There being no further business, the meeting ended, and most of the group helped to set up more tables for the coming Rummage Sale.

## **Something from Sally**

Dear Friends,

As I write this, it is the last day of April, April 30, and tomorrow is the first of May. What an April it has been! Who knows what May has in store?

Actually, we have a calendar full of plans for the month of May. Besides our usual church services, meetings, and activities, there are Mother's Day, school graduations, and Pentecost. And you may be surprised to learn that Sunday the 24<sup>th</sup> is called "Aldersgate Sunday" in the United Methodist Church, to commemorate the turning point in the Christian faith of John Wesley, founder of the Methodists.

On Mother's Day, we honor our mothers, thanks to Anna Jarvis, who began the custom in 1907. This day is sometimes called "Festival of the Christian Home" by the United Methodist Church, and is intended to "celebrate the gift of Christian homes and affirms the Christian family in its wholeness."

Aldersgate Sunday is given this description in our Book of Worship:

On Wednesday, May 24, 1738, John Wesley experienced "his heart strangely warmed." [This event took place at a religious meeting held on Aldersgate Street.] This Aldersgate experience was crucial for his own life and became a touchstone for the Wesleyan movement. [Up until that time, John Wesley had never **felt** he had true Christian salvation, although he was a minister in the Church of England.]

The "grand finale" of May, so to speak will be the last day, May 31, which is Pentecost, the birthday of the church, when the Holy Spirit came to the disciples, after Jesus had gone up to heaven, after his 40 days of resurrected life after the crucifixion. We are going to celebrate this wonderful day with our Red Ribbon Barbecue, and "feast in fellowship with the Lord" and one another.

Both Aldersgate Sunday and Pentecost Sunday are very important times for our church, for they brought faith and renewal and God's grace to the followers of Jesus. Let us do all we can to be ready for such blessings ourselves, this month!

God bless you,

*Rev. Sally*

## **Address Change**

After 64 years in my home on Cedar Ave I have decided it is time to try something new. As of May 4<sup>th</sup>, my new address will be: 1411 Hidden Lake Drive, Apt. 703, Raytown, MO 64133. My new phone number is: (816)356-1657.

Please continue to keep in touch,  
Bertha Hawley

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