

North Cross Spirit

... telling the news of North Cross Church

May 24th, 2010

...coming up in Worship...

*We Conclude the Sermon Series:
The Christian Philosophy of
Conventional Wisdom*

This week...

**“Out, Out brief candle!
Life’s but a walking shadow,
a poor player, that struts and frets
his hour upon the stage,
and then is heard no more.”**

**Macbeth Act 5, Scene 5
— Shakespeare**

Join adults in Sunday study: 9:45 a.m.

You're invited to share in study and fellowship with these classes this Sunday:

Wesleyan Class: Room 215

Lesson: *“At Risk in the Community”*

Jan Braker

Good News: Room 206

Lesson: *“The Greatest Gift”*

Jim Funk

Friendship: Room 202

Lesson: *“Who Am I?”*

Rev. Neal Lassinger

Inquirer's: Fellowship Hall

Lesson: *“Social Breakfast”*

FaithWorks: Room 207

Lesson: *“The Attitude of Trust”*

Becky Batchelor

Pathfinders: Room 200

Lesson: *“Methodist Beliefs: We Believe in
Conversion, Assurance and
Scriptural Holiness”*

Joyce Singley

Contemporary Conversations: Lounge

Lesson: *“Contemporary Issue”*

Kathy Baharaeen



NORTH CROSS VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

**June 15th - 19th
Tuesday thru Friday evenings
6:10 p.m. until 8:15 p.m.**

Dinner served at 5:55 p.m.

**Saturday morning
9 a.m. until 11 a.m.
Program at 11:30 a.m.**

We are still in need of volunteers to assist in various areas. Please contact the church office at 452.2939 or Stephanie Gray if you can help.

We are also collecting aluminum pie tins and old CDs/DVDs for our crafts and any space-themed items for decorations.



Transformed by Christ's love to make disciples and serve others.

Service opportunity

We need people who would like to run the Power Presentation for the 8:30 and 11 a.m. worship services once a month. You do *not* have to prepare the Power Point.

Training would be provided. Please call the church office at 452.2939 and ask for Patsy if you are able to help.

Volunteers needed

Help is needed to support our children and youth ministries. We especially need children's Summer Sunday school teachers and Vacation Bible school leaders and assistants.

If we are committed to seeing our young families grow in numbers and spirit, then we need to step forward and support their children and youth with our time and service.

Please stop by the sign-up table in the Narthex to see where your talents and gifts can best be utilized. If you still have questions or concerns about where you fit into all of this, please feel free to talk to Vickie Linch. There are places for everyone, and everyone has a place in helping North Cross to grow and make disciples.

Congratulations, 2010 Graduates

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Natalie Grace Lassinger
Belmont University, Nashville, TN
Bachelor of Music in Music Performance,
Magna Cum Laude
Daughter of Rev. Neal and Lorie Lassinger

Aaron Welk, graduation December, 2009
Logan College of Chiropractic in Chesterfield,
MO
Doctor of Chiropractic degree
Son of Craig and Beth Welk



CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations, 2010 Graduates

High School Graduates

Sarah Dykes, North Kansas City High School
Daughter of Bob and Sheryl Dykes

Amy King, Park Hill South High School
Daughter of Deana King

Caitlin O'Donnell, Oak Park High School
Daughter of Anson and Candy O'Donnell

Matt Terrell, Park Hill High School
Son of Jay and Cara Terrell; nephew of Henry
and Vickie Linch

Stacy Whiston, Staley High School
Member of the first graduating class from Staley
High School
Daughter of Glenn and Jackie Whiston

Amanda Winans, North Kansas City High School
Daughter of Ron and Mindy Winans

Morgan Thompson, North Kansas City High
School
Daughter of Mark and Patty Thompson

Robert Miller, Washington High School, KCK
Grandson of Charles and Sharon Weems

College Graduates

Adam Hoefler, graduation December, 2009
University of Missouri at Rolla
Degree in Aerospace Engineering
Son of Joyce Hoefler

Karen Ullery Williams
Park University
Masters in Public Affairs; concentration in
Nonprofit and Community Service;
Graduating with distinction
Granddaughter of Mildred St. Clair

Matthew A. Sherman
Central Methodist University, BS in Education
Son of Julee and Jeff Sherman; grandson of
Roberta Richey

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Coming This Week...

Thursday, May 27th

6:00 a.m. Tai Chi
11:30 a.m. Tai Chi
4:30 p.m. 4 One Band Practice
6:30 p.m. Concerned Care

Friday, May 28th

9:00 a.m. Line Dancing
5:15 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday, May 29th

3:00 p.m. Hurst Wedding &
Reception

Sunday, May 30th

8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship
9:30 a.m. Children's Music
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship
4:30 p.m. Hand Bell Practice

Monday, May 31st

Memorial Day—Office Closed

Tuesday, June 1st

9:00 a.m. TOPS
10:00 a.m. Paint for Fun
10:30 a.m. O.P. Bridge
6:30 p.m. Duplicate Bridge
7:00 p.m. Piano Recital
7:00 p.m. Wood Carvers

Wednesday, June 2nd

8:00 a.m. Men Golf at Excelsior
Springs
Ladies attending Expo at
Tiffany Springs

Thursday, June 3rd

6:00 a.m. Tai Chi
9:00 a.m. UMW Sewing & Quilting
11:30 a.m. Tai Chi
6:30 p.m. 60th Anniversary Mtg.

Thanks a ton!

The help on Saturday to clean up debris from the ditch on the west side was tremendous. A big thanks go to Larry Wickham, Bryce Strong, Carl West, Dave Gaebler, Ron Petitt, George Greer, Henry Linch, Aaron Tracy, Tom Schmutz, Jerry Shreeves, Ray Hughes, and Dale Dennis.

Keith Jackson
Trustees Chair

Job Club continues to help those seeking employment

The North Cross Job Club meets on the first Monday of each month in Room 202. Steve Lindsay is the Job Club Coordinator, and he may be reached by e-mail at slindsay48@Yahoo.com or by phone at 816.459.7119. If you know of employment possibilities, please feel free to contact Steve with job leads for those attending the meetings.

The following two people are presently seeking employment:

- ◆ A person with 15+ years of customer service experience, experience in the life insurance industry, with a Bachelor's degree. He would like a customer service or IT position.
- ◆ A person with a degree in accounting who has several years of experience in software programming and is accomplished in the use of Excel. He would consider part time work or contract work.

Job Hunter's "Tip of the Week"

Do a little research about an organization before you have an interview. The only thing that will impress an interviewer more than excellent qualifications for the position is for the person being interviewed to have some intelligent questions about the company when he or she is asked. Always have good questions about the position or the organization ready before an interview.

Home of Jeneva Myers to be one of seven featured on The Gardens of Briarcliff Tour

On Saturday, June 5th, 2010, from 9 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., seven beautiful gardens in the Briarcliff area will be featured on a tour. One of the homes featured will be the home of Jeneva Myers, North Cross member.

Tickets for the tour are \$12 each and are on sale at L & L Home Goods & Gifts in Briarcliff Village. Tickets may also be purchased at all of the seven gardens on tour day.

For photos of the gardens and a list of vendors, artists and sponsors, call 816.529.6319, or go to www.briarcliffcommunityalliance.org and click on "Garden Tour." All seven of the gardens are within a 30-mile radius!

BUILDING on our PAST while CHARTING our FUTURE

**Cursillo
by Patsy Schmutz**

Cursillo is a strange-looking word, pronounced many ways. Cur-see-o is how to say it, and it means a “short course” or “a little journey.” The Cursillo movement originated in Majorca, Spain, in the 1940’s. Though Roman Catholic in origin, it has spread throughout the world as a major renewal movement in Christianity. In 1988, Methodists in the midland adapted the experience to the Methodist doctrines and started a Methodist cursillo.

Simply stated, Midland United Methodist Cursillo (MUMC) is a wonderful method for experiencing God’s love, the teachings of Christ and the devotions of the United Methodist church. Even though each individual’s experience is unique and different, it is an experience that you want to pass on to others. It begins with faith and provides a path toward understanding how living a life of grace through faith can result in action, both in the church and in the world. Lay people and pastors work together to provide the experience and foster understanding.

North Cross hosted the first MUMC weekend in June of 1988 with Rev. Ken Lutgen as one of the original Spiritual Leaders. It has grown to be a major force in developing and strengthening local Methodist churches. Currently, 113 Methodist churches from Missouri and Kansas are involved in MUMC, churches from Rolla to Sedalia and Savannah to Overland Park and beyond. Over one hundred people from North Cross have attended a weekend, and many have returned to help on subsequent weekends. Most report a renewed spirit to serve Jesus and their church because of the experiences.

The \$65 cost covers and includes holy time, music, fun, meals, and comes with a money-back guarantee. Weekends are held twice a year, beginning on a Thursday evening and going to Sunday afternoon. At first, it may seem like a long time to be away from home and family, but when you feel yourself surrounded by God’s love, sitting at the feet of Jesus, time means nothing and Sunday comes too soon. You leave looking at the world with a new set of eyes and with new friends in churches from all over. But more than that, you may have seen the face of Jesus and felt angel wings on your shoulder.

60th Anniversary Celebration — June 27

Person to person:

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

- **Hospitalized:** Frank Cutitta, NKC; Nancy West, Overland Park Regional Medical Center

✠ We offer our sympathy to Bets Hammen in the death of her granddaughter, Wendy Dintino, on May 21st.

- Dear North Cross Friends, What a blessing you have been to us during John’s illness and passing. All the many cards, calls, hugs and prayers have been comforting and given us support. To Neal, Dennis, and Patsy, a million thanks for being by our side. With love and appreciation, *Carol Zigeler and Family*
- Special thanks to all of my North Cross friends for your cards, prayers and visits while I was hospitalized. Thank you Dennis for your prayers and visits. I am home recuperating and hope to be back to church before long.

Jane Wright

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