

Indiana Dunes Great Banquet & Awakening Community Newsletter

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR COMMUNITY LAY DIRECTOR

Greetings to the IDGB community and welcome to our first online newsletter! We hope to refine this and get it to a point that we can email it to you so you can keep up with what's going on with IDGB. Speaking of what's going on...

IDGB 61 and 62 team meetings are in full swing and the men and women are looking forward to hosting their weekends coming up on Sept. 24-27th for the men and Oct. 1st thru Oct. 4th for the women. There are still plenty of open spots for guests, so please prayerfully consider those people who have been on your mind to ask, and take the step and ask them to attend. It's also a good time to check with those you may have asked in the past and have been unable to attend. This may be God's time for them. You are invited and encouraged to come to the First Presbyterian Church in Crown Point on Wednesday, Sept. 16, at 7 P.M. where we will be dedicating the teams prior to their weekends.

We would ask that you please visit the 72 hour Prayer Chart online and also the Servers Chart to sign up for the many opportunities there are to be the hands and feet of Christ during the upcoming weekends! Also, please remember the Saturday night Candlelight Services at 8:30 P.M. on Sept. 26th and Oct. 3rd.

The Agape and Kitchen teams would graciously accept all of your support. As a reminder, it's important for the community to be aware that when they come to serve a meal, they should not be expecting to be fed. We are on a tight budget, and the weekends are all about the guests. It's our jobs to serve, so that we can continue to be the sower of seeds and we ask that you please remember this, as it is financially critical to the community.

As many of you may not know, the community collects gently used books to be set out at the Awakening for the teens to be able to look thru and to have. There is no "new" book table at the Awakening, as there is no charge to the youth for books they want to pick up. We would encourage the community to bring "gently used" books that would be age appropriate to community gatherings, candlelight service, and team dedications.

Remember if you would like to provide Agape, which is always welcome, you need around 40 pieces if you only want to provide it for the guests, which can only be bed agape, or around 75 pieces for the team and guests. We LOVE Agape!!

Awakening: It should be noted that the board voted back in May to hold just one Awakening a year, which will be held the first weekend of November. Due to very low attendance by guests and the difficulty of the spring time attendance of team members, it was decided that one fall Awakening is the best course of action at this time.

Finally, we have a Fourth Day Gathering on Saturday, October 10th at First Presbyterian Church of Valparaiso with a light supper starting at 6 P.M., and worship at 7 P.M. with fellowship to follow. This is a great opportunity to reconnect with those friendships you have made during weekends you have attended or worked.

Blessings to you all and I hope that we see you at sponsor's hour on the Thursday nights of the weekend, or at the Candlelight at 8:30 P.M. on Saturday night, or at Closing on Sundays at 4:30 P.M.

Mark Robison
Community Lay Director

**WELCOME TO OUR
NEWEST MEMBERS!**

Spring Men's Banquet #59

Ryan Phillips, John F. Zehner, Steve Sixta, Justin Kauffman, Jamie Rouse, Carl Hale, Tim Norman, Mike Moseng, Hank Cook, Paul Ortega, John Eltzroth, Bill Smith, Mike Urbanczyk, Zach Ailes, Jerry Iwachiw, John Brown, David Varella, Cliff Dimascio, Bobby Joe Moore, David Bartlett, Steve Parker, Mark Brunette, Gene Moore.

Spring Women's Banquet #60

Jenn Ransom, Linda Johnson, Diane Adelman, Carol Zehner, Tammy Phillips, Sharon Goodall, Susan Radovich, Mary Ann Skaggs, Liz Saliweczyk, Angie Croarkin, Bev Sawyer, Jane Petrone, Betty Sirko, Laura Reason, Kathy Ragon, Karen Noble, Christina Iwachiw, Sally Saculla, Monica Ball, Juanita Brown, Judy Lundie, Pat Buckler, Wendy Bartlett, Catherine Harvey, Deb Armstrong, Beth Zacarias, Jane Elder, Kristen Allen, Stacie Winstead.

*Until you are convinced
that prayer is the best use
of your time,
you will not find time for
PRAYER.*

~Fr. Hilary Ottensmeyer, OSB

IDGB Community

As we prepare for the Fall Banquet, I'm excited to announce that eight men guests from Banquet #59 will be serving as team members at Banquet #61. Please pray for all team members and guests.

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Tom Stewart
Lay Director Banquet #59



NEW SONGBOOKS

Thank you to Jane Lang and Jeri Kris for completing the new songbooks in time for the awakening/banquet weekends. Also, thank you to the many hands that were involved in the editing and proofing. The cost of printing the new songbooks were generously paid for by an anonymous donor.

FALL WEEKENDS

Please be in prayer for the fall weekends, including the following:

MEN'S TEAM #61

Lay Director: Jack Walter. Assistant Lay Directors: Doug Riddell & Ray Ison. Table Leaders Hank Cook, Bill Smith, Dale Bartlett, Trevor Mahle, Robert John Harkins, Nicholas Svetich. Speakers: Rick Comingore, Carl Hale, Mike Zimmer, Fred Carpenter, Gary Germann, Corlin Stein. Music Team: David Varella. Kitchen: Head, Mark Skaggs, Andrew Bennett, Doug Buuck, Tom Kuznicki. Agape: Head Bill Markve, Zach Ailes, Art Castanedas, Ryan Phillips. Floater: Daniel Lang, RG Skadberg. Dining Room Coord.: Tom Stewart. Spiritual Director Head: Tim Reyna, Mike Becker, Ed Fabrici, Mark Moseng.

WOMEN'S TEAM #62

Lay Director: Lori Hanaway. Asst Lay Directors: Jean Stewart, Beth Germann. Speakers: Charlene Grant, Khrailla Yowell, Kathryn Midkiff, Jan Swift, Kathy Stein, Judy Hollar, Karen Robison. Table Leaders: Linda Comingore, Rebecca Hunt, Therese Morfas, Dian Reyome, Sharon Merrifield, Kathleen Jeanor, Tammy Phillips. Music Head: Bev Collom, Sandy Hurst. Kitchen Head: Penny Luchene, Norma Ozelie, Marie Cost, Wendy Buuck, Marilyn Mussman. Table Decs: Linda Marrs, Catherine Harvey. Agape Head: Leisa Greene, Krista Taylor, Lisa Pavlopoulos, Judy Leetz, Mary Lou DiCostanzo. Floater: Lynni Bainbridge. Spiritual Director: Nancy Becker, Nancy Walter, Lolly Dogan.



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Jim and Nancy Norris. Jim is the new Pastor of Boone Grove Christian Church.

Congratulations to Mark Killmer, Our Community Spiritual Director. Mark is now a member of the core faculty of Adler School of Professional Psychology in Chicago. We are thankful that God's calling allowed him to stay with our Great Banquet Community.

DATES TO REMEMBER

2009 Events:

- *Sept. 16* IDGB #61 & #62 Team Dedication CP Presby.
- *Sept. 24-27* IDGB Men's #61 Camp Lawrence
- *Oct. 1-4* IDGB Women's #62 Camp Lawrence
- *Oct. 10* 4th Day Gathering/Board Meeting TBD
- *Oct. 9-11* Kairos Outside #7 Camp Lawrence
- *Nov. 6-8* Awakening #19 Camp Lawrence

2010 Events:

- *Jan. 30, 2010* 4th Day Gathering/ Board Meeting TBD Annual Community Meeting
- *For additional Community news, visit our Website at www.idgb.net*