

## Update on Office Staffing

Just before Christmas we updated the congregation in Buzz on our office staffing situation. Since then, with the addition of Tony Miller as Interim Administrative Assistant for Communications, we have gotten valuable experience living into what it's like having some additional staffing. Along with the gains of Jan Oostland stepping in as Facilities Manager, this has really freed up time for Coordinator of Administrative Ministries Angela Ingle for other needed projects in our offices.

The last two months have helped us see that the combined bookkeeper/administrative assistant position we had sought would not help our overall office functioning as much as originally thought. We are therefore retaining Elvina Schmidt as bookkeeper, basically continuing with her under the current arrangement of hours and responsibilities (not the previously advertised position). This continuity will prove very valuable. The only change the congregation may see here is a four-way shuffling of office configurations that is underway now. Worship Coordinator JD Smucker has moved in to share the office where pastor Lyle Miller is. After some reorganizing of pastor Velma Swartz's office space, Elvina will join her in that office, with all this happening before pastor Cindy Voth's March 22 return from maternity leave.

As for a communications person, we will republicize the 16-hour-per-week position of Administrative Assistant for Communications, to be filled following the current interim arrangement with Tony. We wish to hire that person as soon as possible, but certainly before the end of May, when Tony wishes to give more time to his other job at Goshen College. The position is needed for Tuesdays through Fridays, but there will be some flexibility with the working hours. In order to maximize office coverage and to allow for some tasks that regularly occur away from the office, we have reconsidered how the current Secretary position (filled by Michelle Lehman) fits into this picture. Michelle will now be retained indefinitely, continuing to do certain after-hours administrative tasks. If you know people interested in a part-time administrative and communications position, please refer them to Veronica Berkey. The job description for Administrative Assistant for Communications remains posted on our church website. As we try to conclude this extended search process, please pray for the right person to fill this position, which facilitates many other ministries that happen at our church.

—Administrative Staffing Group (Neil Amstutz,  
Lyle Miller, Veronica Berkey, Angela Ingle)

## MYF Supper and Auction

Plan to attend the 12th Annual MYF Service Auction and Pulled Pork Supper this evening, with the meal beginning at 5 p.m. and the auction following at 6 p.m.

This activity serves as the primary fundraiser to support faith formation activities such as Winter Youth Retreats, Mennonite Church USA conventions, and service trips. This year, the meal will feature pulled pork and side dishes which are part of traditional barbecue in Kansas City, home to this year's convention. The meal is by donation.

The auction will feature home-cooked meals, handcrafted items made by youth and others in the congregation, labor of various kinds, food available at the auction and later, and much more. Child care will be available.

*The youth group is pictured at the Phoenix Mennonite Youth Convention in 2013 on top, and below on the service and learning trip to Chicago in 2014. These opportunities are available because of service auction. Thank you!*





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### Staff Team

#### Administrative Ministry

- Angela Ingle  
*Coordinator of  
Administrative Ministries*
- Michelle Lehman  
*Secretary*
- Tony Miller  
*Interim Administrative  
Assistant for  
Communications*
- Elvina Schmidt  
*Bookkeeper*
- JD Smucker  
*Worship Coordinator*

#### Facilities Ministry

- Judy Kniesly
- Jan Oostland  
*Facilities Manager*
- Courtney Shetler

#### Pastoral Ministry

- Neil Amstutz  
*Pastoral Team Leader*
- Lyle Miller  
*Pastor of Family Life and  
Financial Stewardship*
- Velma Swartz  
*Pastor of Senior Ministries*
- Cindy Voth  
*Pastor of Community Life  
(on maternity leave)*

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## News from the Kitchen

We're glad to announce that due in part to a nice donation we were able to purchase a new set of Cutco knives. The idea is that they will only be used for church member events and they are located out of sight in the kitchen.

If there are any items you would like to borrow from the kitchen please contact Angela in the church office and she will be glad to reserve them for you for a particular date. The sign-out sheet has been removed and we ask that no one removes anything from the kitchen without letting the office know ahead of time. There is list of items in the pantry of items that may be borrowed.

There also has been some confusion of what we regularly stock in consumable items such as paper plates and napkins and we have a list in the pantry for this as well. The idea is that these items will only be used for church events and not for private parties.

If you have any questions about the kitchen don't hesitate to contact me via e-mail at facilities@waterfordchurch.org or you can give me a call.

—Jan Oostland, facilities manager

## Sharing Fund

The Everence Sharing Funds provided \$3,000.00 in matching funds to support special needs in our church last year. Miriam Stauffer serves as the Everence advocate for our congregation. Please contact her for more information.

## WMC Church Library

The video cassette tapes for adults are being withdrawn from the library. A few tapes which the librarians felt they still wanted as part of the church's collection will be replaced in DVD format. The librarians are also searching for newer materials for some of the subject matter that is being withdrawn. By the library there is a table which has these VHS tapes. Please feel free to take the tapes on the table.

## Stephen Ministry Training Continues

This coming week the Stephen Ministry training class will be considering the subject of using mental health professionals and other community resources. During this session they will be discovering the many and varied resources that exist in our community to help meet people's specific needs.

## Reviewing Presentation on Proverbs and Job

If you are interested in Safwat Marzouk's PowerPoint notes from his presentation February 25 in Soul Food Wednesday, please contact the church office.

## Wireless Internet

To help accommodate internet access in the northwest of the building, the wireless internet extender has been updated. If you are in the fellowship hall, MYF or adult Sunday School rooms in that area of the building, you will get a better signal if you connect to the "WMC Guest\_Ext" network. The password is the same as the guest network: WMCguest.

## Thank You to the MYF

It was exciting to have you at the February 20-21 Winter Youth Retreat at Amigo Centre! You were a great group that gave your attention, and you were fun to have! Thanks to the sponsors for your part in helping this retreat happen! You did a great job, and it couldn't have been done without you. A special thank you, Waterford Mennonite Church for your part in making it possible for your outstanding youth group and sponsors to attend, and for praying and expecting God to be at work in their lives during the weekend and now! We look forward to having you back next year!

—Kenzie Intemann,  
Youth Program Coordinator

## Soul Food Wednesday

Please consider joining us for SFW this week. If you haven't signed up yet, the sign up sheet is still at the participation station, or you can send a message to the church office, or you can just show up. We'll be sharing a simple meal together from 5:30-6:30, before adjourning for the evening's activities at 6:30. Children, Venture Club, Jr MYF, and MYF will be meeting as normal.

Aaron Lehman will be leading the evening's Bible study for adults. The focus of the evening will be on the Gospel of Luke. Specifically - what does it mean to speak of "Gospel?" Just like Feb 25th when Safwat Marzouk helped us to see how the Wisdom books of the Old Testament both fit in with and stand out from the rest of the Bible, this week's study will attempt to show how the Gospel of Luke relates to the rest of the Bible.