

YOUTH NEWS

By Nancy Glodich, Director of Youth Ministries.

Our youth are doing some amazing things!

Did you know our two youth groups, both the middle school and high school, participate in some sort of mission or service activity every month? On a Saturday evening in September we helped lead games while the local mission team served dinner at the Wayne County Family Shelter and during Geneva's Trick or Trunk event in October, the youth helped to lead games for the children who attended. In November one of our favorite local mission activities takes place. We will be getting up super early on a Sunday morning to prepare and serve a hearty, hot breakfast to the homeless guests who stay the week at the FUMC in Plymouth. And in December, we will have our annual Boxing Night event that raises awareness and collects clothing and blankets for the homeless of Detroit. If you have any local service ideas for our youth, please contact me. We are always looking for new ways we can help others.

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The Habitat for Humanity Apostle's Build churches have two current build projects. An existing house in Taylor had minor work to be done in a rehab, and that house is almost complete and ready for a partner family. Originally, we were to have built a new house in Taylor as well, but the lot site had problems and so far the foundation hasn't been put in. After some delay waiting to see if the problems could be resolved, a new build site in Westland was then designated for the Apostle's churches and a groundbreaking ceremony for it and the site next door, sponsored by Delta, was held on October 21. We might have some work dates on the Westland house in November, weather permitting, but it looks like we won't be scheduling Geneva volunteers until the spring. Thanks to all who have asked about the status of the Habitat projects, and continue to pray for the work of Habitat for Humanity, both in western Wayne County and world-wide.



Middle school group at the corn maze

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT GENEVA

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Global Ministries Team:

Bill Stuart (Elder), Carol Isakson, James Moon-Dupree, Jan Mathews and Sue Carlson.

Sunday, **December 11th** is the date for the *Alternative Christmas Holiday* gift selection. There will be both gifts to purchase and take home that day and ticket items to provide animals and scholarships for people in developing nations.

Saturday, **December 3rd** is the date for the annual *Presbyterian Men's Advent Breakfast* at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 5 Mile and Inkster Road in Livonia. Registration is at 7:30 AM, Communion from 8-8:30, breakfast from 8:30-9, and a talk by Lloyd Carr, former football coach at the University of Michigan. The cost is \$12.00 and payable by check, to Bill Stuart, no later than **December 1st**. There will be a car pool leaving from Geneva Church at 7 AM.



Habitat for Humanity is in the process of constructing a home in western Wayne County. Sue Carlson and Virginia

Kennedy will be looking for Geneva workers in **November** to spend a Saturday in November to enclose the building. Watch for a notice in the Good News and be ready for a **day of service**.

Friday, November 17th and **Saturday, November 18th**, are the afternoons when Geneva folks will be ringing bells for the *Salvation Army red kettles* again this year. Put the dates on your calendars and sign up on the bulletin board at church for this very special event.

Global ministries is always looking for projects to carry on the mission of Geneva Church. Please contact any of the team members or come to our monthly meeting listed in the Good News.

Along with local mission activities, each summer our middle school and high school youth travel a little farther to help communities in other areas. In June, the high school youth will be heading to Washington, DC to work in that community. In late July/early August, the middle school youth will be travelling to Cincinnati, OH to serve for a week. The trips cost over \$300 for each youth. We appreciate your generosity during our fundraisers – the middle school holiday bake sale in December; the senior high Super Bowl sub sale; and our dinner/auction in March. If you are interested in being an adult leader for either of these trips or have any questions, I'd love to speak with you.

Did you also know that each month, during the 11:00 service a youth worship team helps to prepare and lead worship for 2nd-12th grade students in the Lighthouse? This dedicated group meets Sunday mornings to create a theme, pick scripture, practice puppet skits or dramas, write readers' theaters and more to be able to prepare an awesome worship experience. Our next youth-led worship for 2nd-12th grade students will be Sunday, November 27.

You are encouraged to visit the senior high and middle school blogs on the Web. We post pictures of past events, reflect on activities, and announce upcoming activities. You can visit the senior high blog at genevaseniorhighs.blogspot.com and you can visit the middle school blog at genevamidhighs.blogspot.com. Check it out!

Geneva's Mission

We are a church that has been drawn together by God to: *Embody* the fullness of Christ; *Exalt* God through Christ-centered worship; *Edify* each other in the faith through Godly nurture and Christian love; *Equip* God's people to Engage the world with Spirit-empowered ministry.

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The Geneva Gems is published 11 times a year to keep members and friends informed of programs and events of the church. Article submissions should be received by the 25th of the month. E-mail articles to Denise Barkume at genevagems@genevachurch.org or place it in the Geneva Gems mailbox.

NOVEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
8:30am Worship 9:45am Education Hour 11am Worship 12:30pm Youth Fellowship	30 6:30pm Handbell Choir (F)	31 10am Staff Meeting (L)	Nov 1 7pm Adult Classes 7:45pm Men's Group	2 6pm Prayz Team 7:30pm Women's Bible Study (LH)	3 6:30pm First Friday (LH)	4
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Current Elders on Session

Worship / Education

Children - Cindy Revezzo

Youth - Dan Degener

Adult - Dave McCreedy

Worship - Cindy Thomas

Discipleship

Clerk of Session - Cindy Thomas

Local Mission - Sandy Stoecklein

Global Mission - Bill Stuart

Fellowship - Jackie Van Netta

Hospitality - Keith Christenson

Stewardship - Chuck Ten Broeck

Membership - Cindy Foley

Property - Stu Delaney



DEACONS

JULIE GRAUNSTADT -

MARILYN GARDNER -

SARAH CLAY -

MARILYN HOREN -

JACKIE MARCHEWKA -

DAVE & ROSEMARY -
LESLIE

JOHN & ROBIN WOLSKI-

ALAN & LINDA PRINCE -

VIRGINIA KENNEDY -

FAMILIES

ADEDEJI-BRUSKI

BUNCH- DAUBENMEYER

DEGENER-FRANKS

FRIEDOW-HARRIS

HARRY-LESLIE

LOWMASTER-OSTASIEWICZ

PASKIEWICZ-SANTTI

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