

Chonda Pierce On Tour: Getting Back To Funny will be in Cedar Rapids on Sunday, November 19th at 7 PM. If anyone is interested in going with a group from KMC contact Janice in the church office, 656-2736 or text 319-530-9534.

Reminder that at noon today, West Union MYF will be holding a fundraiser meal to benefit the Max and Gloria Villatoro family. Friends of Pastor Max put out a call to Central Plains churches this fall to help replenish the Villatoro Family Fund and our MYF was excited to be able to serve in this way. Most in our group are friends with the Villatoro family. Our goal is to raise \$2000. Please come enjoy a delicious haystack meal and help us reach our goal to serve our friends and neighbors.

You can still register for *Listen Closely: Facilitating good discussion*, a Bible study webinar provided for you from Central Plains Mennonite Conference on Tuesday at 7:30pm. Fill out the RSVP form on the Bible Study Webinars page at www.centralplainsmc.org by noon Tuesday.

Pleasantview Home: Save the Date! November 3 beginning at 4 pm and morning of November 4 at IMS: Pleasantview Home Benefit Sale. Silent auction, live auction, bake sale, turkey tenderloin supper, pancake and sausage breakfast, musical entertainment by Myrtle Avenue Duo and Great Bluegrass Herons. Non-perishable auction items need to be collected by October 27th. Call 656-2421 for more info and check website at <http://www.pvhomebenefit.org> to view auction items collected so far.

MCC is responding to disasters taking place around the world. Even before the most recent natural disasters from hurricanes, earthquakes and floods, MCC was running extremely low on comforters and relief kits. Our goal is to ship 83,000 relief kits by March 2018 and we need 7,000 comforters by November. Visit mcc.org/mrc/kits for full kit information and from there click through to our Amazon Wish List for easier shopping and shipping. Just bring or ship kit items to MCC Central States 121 E. 30th St. North Newton, KS 67117. It's not too early to start thinking about holiday giving projects like a relief kit collection drive! Call MCC with questions at 316-283-2720.

The MDS Region 3 Annual meeting will be held at Beemer, NE on Saturday Nov. 11th. Friday evenings meal will be held at Pilger, NE on the 10th. Anyone is welcome to attend. Please contact Doug Slaubaugh for more information.

Mennonite Historical Society Meeting: All are invited to hear Dr. Nyle Kauffman's presentation on early medical practices in the local Amish and Mennonite community at 7:00 on October 23 at Kalona Mennonite Church. There will also be an opportunity to join the Iowa Mennonite Historical Society, renew your membership and to buy apple butter. Refreshments will be served.

Iowa Mennonite School:

- **Thanks** to all who was on campus last weekend for Homecoming & Alumni Family Weekend. Our generous and supportive community of alumni and friends are what make us great. **#weareims**
- **IMS will present the fall musical, *Anne of Green Gables***, directed by Alisa Kandel and Michael Swartzendruber. Performances are Nov 4 at 7:00PM and Nov 5 at 3:00PM. Call the office 319-656-2073 now to reserve your tickets. Adults \$9 and Students \$5.
- **Students in grades 6-8 and their families** are invited to join us November 5th following the musical performance for a backstage tour and meet-the-cast event. Refreshments will be served. Come and see this important part of our school. Be sure to reserve your free tickets to the performance by calling the office 319-656-2073.
- **FFA members are selling fruit** from now through November 13. Delivery will be the 1st week of December. Contact the office 319-656-2073 or an FFA member to purchase.
- **IMS student athletes** are selling pre-cut cookie dough and cheesecake to support the Athletic Department. This fundraiser goes through Oct and delivery of the items is in time for the holidays on Nov 7.
- **Visit Days** are coming up November 15 and November 27. 8th grade and transfer students are invited to IMS for the day to shadow a current student. Parents are also invited to have coffee with school administration team members at the beginning of the day. Details and registration can be found at: <http://www.iowamennonite.org/visit/>

Crooked Creek Christian Camp

- Employment Opportunities are available at Crooked Creek that include Office & Guest Services Manager and Housekeeping Manager. Go to our website for more details. crookedcreekcamp.org
- November 11 is WOOD CUTTING DAY starting at 8am until finished. Lunch provided, please RSVP by calling the camp office.
- November 14 is ANNUAL MEETING with dinner served at 6:15pm. All are invited to celebrate camp ministry.
- November 17-18 is CRAFT RETREAT from 3pm to 3pm. Details available at crookedcreekcamp.org

Serve MCC locally. Crowded Closet Thrift Shop is seeking a full-time **Processing Assistant Manager**. Applicant will lead workroom process and support volunteers. Must be able to lift and carry 30-50 pounds regularly. Qualified candidates should have strong organizational and interpersonal skills. *For more information or a detailed job description contact Crowded Closet at 319-337-5924 or email the Executive Director at crowdedcloset.gm@gmail.com.*

WEDNESDAY October 25th, **Curtis Fry** is coming to Kalona. You have two different opportunities to hear him: **9:30 a.m.** @ IMS (sponsored by IMS PTO) and **6:30 p.m.** @ the Middle School (sponsored by local business') Families, youth, and all of the community are welcome to come hear him share his testimony about how the choices we make everyday impact our lives path. The choices he made on his 21st birthday changed the direction of his life. Read more about Curtis at curtisfry.com Questions please email Cindy Bontrager at cindybon14@gmail.com

Pleasantview Home:

- You are invited to the **Pleasantview Home Benefit Sale November 3 and 4 at IMS.** **Friday:** Turkey tenderloin meal (by donation) served 4:00 – 7:30 pm. Silent auction 4:00 – 6:30 pm, followed by live auction. Bake Sale 5:00 pm and Concession Stand with pie and ice cream throughout. Myrtle Ave Duo and Great Bluegrass Herons 5:15 – 6:35 pm. **Saturday:** All you can eat pancakes & sausage breakfast (by donation) served 7:00 – 10:00 am; live auction 8:30 am until all items sold, or about noon. Bake sale 8:00 til all items sold. See <http://www.pvhomebenefit.org>. More info: 656-2421.
- **Bakers needed** for bake sale for Pleasantview Benefit! White bread, wheat bread, cinnamon rolls, pies, cookies, party mix, packaged to sell. Please label items with ingredients so people are alerted to possible allergies. Bring items to IMS gym after 1:00 on Friday or by 8:00 Saturday morning.
- Pleasantview Home will be hosting a monthly Family Support Group for persons whose family member is experiencing dementia. The next meeting will be held in the Chapel on Thursday, October 26 from 4:30 – 5:30 p.m. This group is open to the community and the family member does not need to live at Pleasantview.

Fall Harvest Celebration Bring your family for hayrack rides, pumpkin bowling, face painting, photo booth and more! Costumes are welcome (nothing scary or graphic). We will be serving free hot dogs, chips and drinks. October 31, 5:30-7:30 pm; Lower Deer Creek Church.

THIS WEEK

Today

6-9:00 PM MYF at Larry's
7-8:00 PM Bible Study

Wednesday

9-10:00 AM Women's Prayer Group
6:30 PM The Quest Women's Bible Study
6:45 PM All Things New Women's Bible Study

Thursday

9-11:00 AM MOPS
7:00 PM Worship Team Practice

Friday

6-7:00 AM Men's Bible Study

LOOKING AHEAD

November 3-4		Pleasantview Home Benefit Sale
November 5		Communion Service
November 7		Pillow Cleaning
November 9	7:00 PM	Fall with Friends Women's Event
November 19		Missions Sunday