



# STREAMER

Willow Creek Presbyterian Church of Argyle

7300 Belvidere Road

Caledonia, Illinois 61011

815-885-3455

April 2017

## Cage-Free Living in an Easter Egg World

Easter is coming, and so my thoughts and prayers and conversations have been bombarded with deeply authentic questions and realizations of faith as well as several more shallow cultural signs, symbols and metaphors. Everywhere I go I see Easter banners, eggs, and candy. Everywhere I turn, I run into people who are either celebrating or struggling with the coming and going of Spring and its promises of new life.

I've heard from and spoken to so many people these past few weeks who aren't sure what to make of this time anymore, both in our culture/politics and in our faith/church doctrine. Some have remarked how enjoyable our Undying Love readings have been, and others have observed how constricting some of the doctrines now feel. Some are struggling with what they actually believe about the life of Jesus, about his divinity, about how salvation works, and about the resurrection which sits at the very center of Easter—and that makes this journey, these devotions, and this Lent both strange and wonderful.

One conversation in particular, with a young-ish worshipper recently in our sanctuary, was both strange and wonderful. (I've been given permission to share the content of our ongoing conversation.) There is this sort of religious muscle memory that says we *should* be in church together, but there is also a profound and growing sense that this *religious* tradition no longer feels *spiritually* right. The conversation has been filled with both deep faith and disquieting doubt—what are the *essentials* of belief that one must both profess and abide?

First, we decided that this whole “church thing” is not about pageantry; it's about authenticity. There is no need to dress up, speak politely and pull the wool over God's eyes; we should be able to give God the full weight of who and where we are, without shame. Part of God's undying love for us is that even when we are struggling, God is not. God is still God even if we can't see that from where we're standing; the same way the sun is shining somewhere, even when all appears dark to us.

Second, though others may lose patience or not understand, don't worry. Church folk sometimes like to think we live in an Easter Egg world, where all God's truths can be nicely captured. But trees are strengthened by the wind. Bones are fortified by resistance training. Butterflies can only fly after struggling to break free from the cocoon. The caged hen actually lays less healthy eggs. Some of the doubts, traditions, doctrines and cages with which we struggle may help to lead us into a more authentic relationship with God-in-Christ.

Chasing down a rabbit hole, so to speak, we found a description of what early Christianity looked like. In a semi-philosophical description of God, various peoples are described as worshipping the elements or planets or animals or even human characteristics, all within rigid or ritualistic systems (or cages).

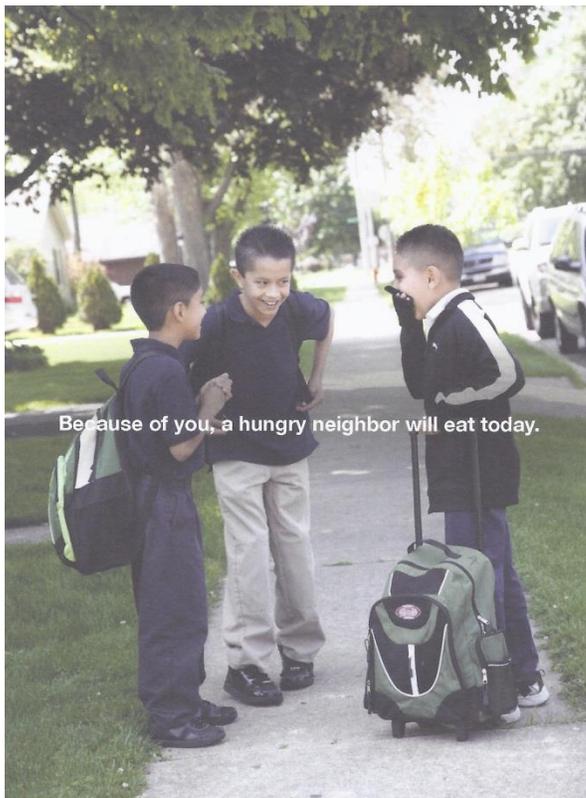
Christians, however, differed in how they traced their way of living back to Jesus' practice of love and benevolence (*The Anchor Bible Dictionary*, vol. 1, p. 382).

*It is the Christians, O Emperor, who have sought and found the truth, for they acknowledge God. They do not keep for themselves the goods entrusted to them. They do not covet what belongs to others. They show love to their neighbors. ... Every one of them who has anything gives ungrudgingly to the one who has nothing. If they see a traveling stranger, they bring him under their roof. They rejoice over him as over a real brother, for they do not call one another brothers after the flesh, but they know they are brothers in the Spirit and in God. ... If anyone among them is poor or comes into want while they themselves have nothing to spare, they fast two or three days for him. In this way they can supply any poor man with the food he needs. This, O Emperor, is the rule of life of the Christians. ~Aristides*

We have come a long way since the early days of Christianity, and we have created traditions, rituals, doctrines and sometimes even cages to protect and project the ways of Christ into the world through the lives of the faithful. As Presbyterians, we remain Christian, and affirm that as the body of Christ, we are the church, reformed and always being reformed by God-in-Christ. And thankfully, even as we aspire to climb out of our tombs into new life, the God we follow, the God we worship is always going to be more loving, forgiving, understanding, and Grace-giving than God's followers.

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Judith



3/17/2017

Dear Members of  
Willowcreek Church:  
Thank you for  
your support of our  
programs and for  
inviting me to speak  
on behalf of the Northern  
Illinois Food Bank!  
The service was  
delightful & uplifting!  
Regards,  
Emily N.



I want to thank each and everyone of you for your prayers and thoughtfulness for me and for my son Tim. My cancer has progressed and my son was diagnosed back in August. Recently, he was rushed to the hospital and was in the ICU in Freeport. He is doing better now, but not out of the woods yet by any means. He is only 38 and has three children. With my health it is very hard to get around and very painful. Cancer is, well cancer just isn't fair by any means. You can fight it for awhile, but...

Thank you again for your prayers and support. It means more than you will ever know.

Thank You Again,  
Doris Pacek and Son Tim Pacek ❤️

Dear Friends,

On behalf of the children and staff of Kemmerer Village, we would like to express our sincere appreciation for your recent gift of \$98 (Christmas Card Tree Donations). We continue to be grateful for your interest and support of our ministry.

Spring is quickly approaching at Kemmerer Village. The trees are budding, daffodils are poking their heads up and birds are happily chirping. However, nothing is as melodious as the sound of children's laughter as they step outside and feel the sun on their faces. During this season, a sunny day will find our youth throwing a football, kicking a soccer ball around, shooting a basket, or maybe just taking a stroll around our campus. They will also learn life skills like gardening and landscaping and participate in many field trips and outdoor activities that encourage their growth. Our children experience a new beginning at Kemmerer Village thanks to generous donors like you.

We are always happy to schedule lunch and a tour of our campus. Feel free to contact us. We are grateful for your continued support.

Sincerely, Michael A. Havera

May God bless you one and all for your kindness and generosity.





Thank you to my family and friends of Willow Creek. You generously donated \$790 for Special Olympics. I was thinking after ten years I was going to "retire." Evidently some in church thought since there was no ice they did not get their monies worth. So, I will do it again. I am thankful and appreciative for all your support for this organization.

Ed Rottman



**rockford rescue mission**  
**rescue + recover + restore**

March 6, 2017

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7300 Belvidere Rd  
Caledonia IL 61011-9608

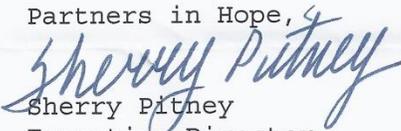
Dear Friends:

Words simply cannot express what your generosity means to Rockford Rescue Mission and the individuals we serve. *Thank you for your gift.*

Your compassion for homeless and hurting individuals during this season of new beginnings is such a blessing. The celebration of Christ's resurrection brings hope in so many different forms. Forgiveness from past wrongs. Comfort in the Lord's unconditional love. Understanding that life can have joy and meaning for those who invite Him into their hearts.

This "good news" gives homeless and hurting men and women the freedom to believe their lives can be restored. Your heartfelt generosity allows the Mission to provide the tools - food and shelter, life skills training, Christian guidance and advocacy - to help them realize God's promises and empower them to build bright futures.

You are an integral part of our Mission team. Your gifts and prayers make all we do possible and I'm so grateful for your continued support.

Partners in Hope,  
  
Sherry Pitney  
Executive Director

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Official Gift Receipt for Rockford Rescue Mission

Gift Amount: \$100.00

Check Number: 2328

Processed Date: 3/6/2017



*Please join us in the 75<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary Celebration for  
**Gordon and Pat Bindenagel**  
 Saturday, April 15, 3:00-5:00 pm  
 Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2955, 11385 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Roscoe IL*



**STEWARDSHIP RECOGNITION**

ABOVE and BEYOND the CALL of DUTY recognizes individuals, couples or groups that serve God through Willow Creek Presbyterian Church.

Nominations forms can be obtained on the welcome stand outside Fellowship Hall near the Education Wing. Completed nominations can be deposited in the box on the welcome stand. Nominations can also be made directly to Pastor Judith.



**Fellowship is an important part of our gathering. Sign-up is available in the Kitchen Window.** Help us welcome newcomers with light refreshments and warm hearts. If you need any assistance setting up or serving for Fellowship, please call Sandy Bell cell # 815-871-6301.



**WCPC Operating Statistics**

For the second month in a row, we find ourselves relying on our monetary reserves to cover our expenses. We averaged \$15,374 per month for January and February in expense, while our income average was \$12,062. The deficit averaged **\$3,312.**



Thank you for your continued support.

**WCPC Operating Statistics**

	February, 2017	Year-to-Date
Income	11,375.48	24,123.99
Expenses	15,358.46	30,747.91
	<b>(3,982.98)</b>	<b>(6,623.92)</b>



## Grace and Gratitude Fellowship Hour (with refreshments after worship)

April 2, and May 7

Please help us pass the faith and a little Bible knowledge on to our children. As we do not have Children's Sunday School this year, your participation in these monthly experiences is invaluable for our children and our future.



## The Shack Bible Study

Our book discussions have been wonderfully uplifting. We hope, even if you haven't been able to join the discussions, even if you haven't read the book itself, that you will make time to **see the movie** with us. Showtime will be announced by Friday, April 7. Call the church for more information.



### April 2

Chancel Choir rehearses 8:30  
Chancel Choir sings for worship  
Young People's Choir rehearses 11:00

### April 9 Palm Sunday

Chancel Choir rehearses 9:00  
Young People's Choir joins them at 9:30  
Young People's Choir sings for Worship

### April 16 Easter Sunday

Both choirs rehearse after breakfast  
Both choirs sing for Worship

### April 23 and 30

Chancel Choir rehearses 8:30  
Chancel Choir sings for Worship  
Young People's choir rehearses 11:00



**Bell Rehearsal:** Thursday, April 6 @ 7:00 pm & Saturday, April 15 @ 8:00 am  
Bells are ringing for worship on Easter Sunday.

## Willow Creek Youth Group & Confirmation Class

Sun, April 9, 23, & 30 - 11:30-12:45 - Confirmation Class  
1:00-3:00 pm - Youth Group



### **Rockford Presbytery Meeting – Tuesday, April 4<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 am**

Meet at Westminster Church for Fellowship from 9-9:30 and Worship from 9:45-10:45. Come and join us for an excellent opportunity to see how to host a Presbytery Meeting (we host this June 13<sup>th</sup>). You are welcome to stay through the end of the meeting (around 2:30 pm).

### **Mariner Luncheon Meeting - Tuesday, April 11 at 11:30 am**

@ Garrett's 1631 Bell School Road (Richard & Pat Nortch Hosting)  
Deputy Chief Shane Lynch will speak on scams.



### **Save the Date Mariner May Meeting Thursday, May 11**



White Pines for Lunch & Musical (Please note, this is not on our regular meeting day.)  
We have 20 tickets so we will have a few tickets to offer to others. The cost is \$35.00 per person. That includes lunch and show. We will carpool from WCPC and probably leave about 10 a.m. We will have more information soon.

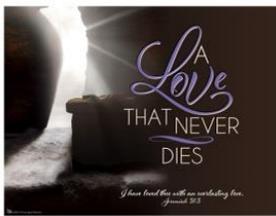
### **Martha Ruth Circle**

Tuesday, April 25 @ 9:30 am  
at Willow Creek Presbyterian Church  
(Elaine Zotas Hosting)



### **Saturday, April 22 @ 10:30 am @ WCPC**

Healthy Living to 100 with Dr. Blahnik  
Managing Time, Managing Stress and Having Faith!  
Hosted by: Better Together Life & Recovery Coaching, LLC  
RSVP: 815-243-3311



**Lenten Study in WCPC Library**  
**Thursdays, April 6<sup>th</sup> & April 13<sup>th</sup> 5:30-6:30 pm**  
 Please email/text/call Pastor Judith (1-779-200-2247) or  
 willowcreekpc@gmail to RSVP.

**Attention High School Seniors**  
**The Flora McEachran Scholarship Fund**



If you are interested in applying for the Flora McEachran Scholarship, please submit a letter to the Clerk of Session, Maren Reid, stating your intent to apply for the Flora McEachren Willow Creek Presbyterian Church Scholarship. The letter should include the name of the college or secondary school you are planning to attend and your field of study, if you have decided. You may also wish to include information about yourself including activities, community service, etc... Please mail the letter to the church office. (Maren Reid, Clerk of Session, Willow Creek Presbyterian Church, 7300 Belvidere Road, Caledonia, IL 61011)

This is a one-time grant with a maximum of \$500. Prior to the September 30 Scholarship disbursement, recipients chosen for the scholarship will need to show proof of enrollment in a course of basic study or training beyond high school.



**Save the Date**

**2017 Willow Creek Summer Camp Monday, June 26 – Friday, June 30**

- Vacation Bible School – Pre-K (Ages 4-5)
- Stronghold Day Camp – Elementary (Grades 1-5)
- Local Mission Tour – Middle School (Grades 6-9)



**Save the Date – Tuesday, June 13**

The Blackhawk Presbytery will hold their meeting at Willow Creek Church on Tuesday, June 13. Representatives from 88 churches in the Blackhawk Presbytery are invited. Please call or email Pastor Judith if you would like to participate on the “Presbytery

Planning Team” or any of the Event Day additional teams that will be needed: Parking Team, Greeting Team, Registration Team, Worship Team (Choir & Head Usher), and a Kitchen Team. In addition, we have now been asked to host an inaugural fellowship event, either before or after the meeting. This could be a cook-out, a meet-and-eat at a local restaurant, or even a visit to a local attraction (like the Paulson Museum or McEachran Winery). Such fellowship events will be hosted in conjunction with each Presbytery meeting, moving forward, to help us get to know one another and to build us up for shared mission through better connection to God and our community. Please let Pastor Judith know if you would like to help with the Fellowship Team. Pastor’s email [willowcreekpc@gmail.com](mailto:willowcreekpc@gmail.com) and cell # 779-200-2247.

## April 2017 All Church Calendar

Sun 4/2	8:30 am Chancel Choir Rehearsal 9:00-9:50 am Gather & Gospel 10:00 am Worship with Communion by Intinction; Pulpit Supply with David Jones; Chancel Choir Sings for Worship 11:00 am Grace & Gratitude Fellowship Hour 11:00 am Young People's Choir Rehearsal 5:00-6:00 pm AA Meeting (Sold on Sobriety) 6:15-7:30 pm Drum Circle
Tue 4/4	9:00 am-3:00 pm <i>Presbytery Meeting @ Westminster</i> <i>Fellowship starts at 9:00 am; Worship begins at 9:45 am</i>
Wed 4/5	<b>7:00 -9:00 pm Session Meeting</b>
Thur 4/6	5:30-6:30 pm Lenten Study in Library 7:00 pm Bell Rehearsal
Sat 4/8	TBD <u>The Shack</u> Study goes to the Movies
Sun 4/9	9:00 am Chancel Choir Rehearsal 9:30 am Young People's Choir joins Choir Rehearsal 9:00-9:50 am Gather & Gospel 10:00 am Palm Sunday Worship with Communion by Intinction; Young People's Choir Sings 11:00 am Fellowship 11:30 -12:45 am Confirmation Class 1-3 pm Youth Group – Games/Snack/Lesson 5:00-6:00 pm AA Meeting (Sold on Sobriety)
Mon 4/10	<b>9:00 am Mission Team Meeting</b>
Tues 4/11	11:30 am Mariners @ Garrett's 1631 Bell School Rd, Rockford (Nortchs Hosting)
Thur 4/13- Fri 4/14	--- No Preschool 1:30 pm Deacon Meeting 5:30-6:30 pm Lenten Study in Library 7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Service
Fri 4/14	Noon Community Good Friday Service Location @ WCPC --- WCPC Office Closed
Sat 4/15	3:45-6:00 pm Girl Scouts – Fellowship Hall & Kitchen 8:00 am Bell Rehearsal 3:00-5:00 pm Bindenagel's 75 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary @ Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2955 @ 11385 2 <sup>nd</sup> Street in Roscoe
Sun 4/16	8:00 am Sunrise Service @ Scottish Cemetery 8:45 am Easter Breakfast @ WCPC Chancel & Young People's Choir Rehearsal after Breakfast 9:30 am Easter Egg Hunt 10:00 am Worship with Traditional Communion; Mission OGHS; Willow Creek Ringers and Chancel & Young People's Choir Sing 5:00-6:00 pm AA Meeting (Sold on Sobriety) 6:15-7:30 pm Drum Circle
Tue 4/18	<b>8:00 am Buildings &amp; Grounds Meeting</b>
Thur 4/20	--- Streamer Submissions Due
Sat 4/22	10:30 am Healthy Living to 100 with Dr. Blahnik at WCPC

**April 2017 continued**

Sun 4/23	8:30 am Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	9:00-9:50 am Gather & Gospel
	10:00 am Worship; Chancel Choir Sings for Worship
	11:00 am Fellowship
	11:00 am Young People's Choir Rehearsal
	11:30 -12:45 am Confirmation Class
	1-3 pm Youth Group – Games/Snack/Lesson
	5:00-6:00 pm AA Meeting (Sold on Sobriety)
Tue 4/25	9:30 am Martha Ruth @ WCPC (Elaine Zotas Hosting)
	11:00 am Pastor – Stronghold Meeting
Fri 4/28	3:45-6:00 pm Girl Scouts – Fellowship Hall & Kitchen
Sun 4/30	8:30 am Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	9:00-9:50 am Gather & Gospel
	10:00 am Worship; Chancel Choir Sings for Worship
	11:00 am Fellowship
	11:00 am Young People's Choir Rehearsal
	11:30 -12:45 am Confirmation Class
	1-3 pm Youth Group – Games/Snack/Lesson
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	6:15-7:30 pm Drum Circle

**Surviving Change** – sponsored by Better Together Life Coaching, LLC. Please call 815-243-3311 if you are interested.



**THE SEASON OF LENT 2017**

	<p><b>Fifth Sunday in Lent</b>                  Sunday, April 2 (Guest Preacher Rev. David Jones)                  10:00 am Worship with Communion by Intinction</p>
	<p><b>Palm Sunday</b>                  Sunday, April 9                  10:00 am Worship with Communion by Intinction                  Young People's Choir Sings</p>
	<p><b>Maundy Thursday</b>                  Thursday, April 13                  5:30-6:30 pm Lenten Study in the Library                  7:00 pm Worship with Communion by Intinction</p>
	<p><b>Good Friday</b>                  Friday, April 14                  Noon Worship at WCPC</p>
	<p><b>Easter Sunday, Sunday, April 16</b>                  8:00 am Sunrise Service                  8:45 am Breakfast                  9:30 Easter Egg Hunt                  10:00 Worship with Communion                  Bells Ring, Chancel &amp; Young People's Choirs Sing</p>

# ARMED FORCES WEEKEND

## COMMEMORATION

### WWII BATTLE REENACTMENT

MAY 20-21, 2017

- Vintage WWII aircraft flyovers
- Hundreds of Uniformed Re-enactors
- Vintage WWII Tanks, Jeeps, and Motorcycles
- Period Style USO Show
- Activities for All Ages
- Food and Beverages Available



Stronghold Camp & Retreat Center Oregon, IL 61061  
info@strongholdcenter.org 815-732-6111

[WWW.STRONGHOLDCENTER.ORG](http://WWW.STRONGHOLDCENTER.ORG)

#### Save the Date

Armed Forces Weekend Commemoration  
1<sup>st</sup> Annual WWII Battle Reenactment and Public Display

May 20-21, 2017

Stronghold Camp and Retreat Center  
1922 Illinois Route 2 North  
Oregon, Illinois 61061

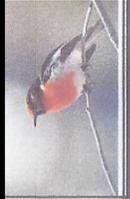
May 1945 the German Army is on the run! In the east the Russian Army has pushed back the Germans from Stalingrad into the heart of Germany. In the west the British and Americans have forced the Germans to give up France and defend the Fatherland in Austria. The German Army is about to collapse, however they are not yet defeated, they are still very dangerous and heavy fighting is expected. Join us at the Stronghold Camp and Retreat center and see history come to life. Members of the World War Two Historical Reenactment Society (WWIHRs) will portray members of the German and Allied Forces which were involved in this conflict. In addition to the two main battle reenactments held each day the WWIHRs members will reenact the "Battle for Castle Iffer" using the Stronghold Castle site. Popular accounts of the battle have called it the "strangest" battle of World War II as it may have been the only battle in the war in which American and German fought side-by-side.

#### Come and experience:

- Elaborate displays acting as the backdrop of a European Village during WWII
- Interaction with Hundreds of uniformed military and 1940 era civilian re-enactors representing soldiers from the United States, England, Poland, Russia, Italy and Germany
- Encampments and live battle reenactments of Allied and Axis troops on Stronghold grounds
- Soldier base camps filled with period vehicles, tents, weapons, field equipment and artifacts
- American and German Field Hospitals
- German cavalry scenes
- USO show (tickets available for purchase)
- Period Church Services
- Vintage Aircraft Flyovers
- Fire Simulated WWII 50 Cal. Machine Gun
- Special Children's Activities
- Meet actual U.S. WWII, Korean War, Vietnam and Mideast Veterans
- Shop for WWII memorabilia from numerous vendors
- Period food and snacks will be available for purchase
- Beer and Beverages will be available for purchase
- Veteran Reunions Welcome
- Sponsorship Opportunities Available

Richard A. Russo  
Event coordinator  
Unit Commander  
5<sup>th</sup> Kompanie Gross Deutschland  
v7zsla25@sbeglobal.net

# MEMOS



## 2017 Spring Gathering

Annual Business Meeting  
Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of Blackhawk

### "Out of the Darkness...into the Light"

SATURDAY - APRIL 22, 2017  
BRAIDWOOD FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
106 S Lincoln St  
Braidwood, IL 60408-1943

9:30 A.M. - 2:30 P.M.  
REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 9:00 A.M.  
SEE REGISTRATION FORM, PAGE 16

SPEAKER — Pat McBride  
U.S. Mission Representative to San Francisco

WORSHIP & COMMUNION

TOUR  
Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery



## Registration Form

2017

### Spring Gathering and Annual Business Meeting

BRAIDWOOD FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
106 S Lincoln St  
Braidwood, IL 60408-1943

Prepaid Reservation Deadline is Saturday, April 15, 2017

Cost — \$10.00

Send checks payable to "Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of Blackhawk" and mail to:

Mary Sundberg  
3852 East 9th Rd.  
Mendota, IL 61342  
(815) 538-2531

Church Name \_\_\_\_\_ Location \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Please print names clearly. Your name tag depends on you.

**NO REFUNDS WILL BE GIVEN AFTER THE DEADLINE DATE.**  
Please print name(s) clearly.

Send a copy of this form with your registration.

#### MEMOS SUBSCRIPTION FORM FOR PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN IN THE PRESBYTERY OF BLACKHAWK

*MEMOS* is the newsletter published in March & August for Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of Blackhawk. As of July 2013, one copy will be issued electronically upon request from your church and/or PV moderator. Anyone that may not have access to a computer but wishes to receive *MEMOS* can do so with a postal (USPS) subscription. Please use this form and make checks payable to:

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Jill Sunday  
148 Clayton Ct  
Winnebago, IL 61088-8571

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**2017 SYNOD TRIENNIUM GATHERING  
SABBATH KEEPING**

Please join us on June 24, 2017 at United Presbyterian Church, Peoria, IL. Registration is \$50.00 and the deadline to register is June 15<sup>th</sup>. Overnight accommodations available at the Red Roof Inn with a special room rate for attendees. Keynote speaker will be Rev. Katrina Pekich-Bundy, plus other excellent speakers. Also, there are three (3) scholarships of up to \$150 each being available through the generosity of the PW in the Presbytery of Whitewater Valley. Please contact Nadine Hill at [hillgrove@outlook.com](mailto:hillgrove@outlook.com) for an application. Scholarships must be completed before the deadline of May 1, 2017.



The 2018 Church-wide Gathering of Presbyterian Women will be held August 2-5, 2018 in Louisville, Kentucky. That is also the year that PW celebrates its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The Gathering will be at the Galt House in Louisville, Kentucky. Nightly room rates are \$149 per room, and Gathering registration is \$425. More information will be coming as we get closer to the date. Start saving now for a very rewarding experience.

**\*\*\* Harlem-Roscoe Firefighters Association Announce Fundraising Events \*\*\***

**Raffle tickets**

2018 Harley Davidson Heritage Softail  
\$20 ticket; selling 3,000 tickets  
Winner will be drawn September 10<sup>th</sup> at Fall Fest  
Tickets can be purchased between 8am-4pm Mon-Fri  
at station 1 or from one of the firefighters

**Roscoe Lion's Fall Festival**

September 8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>  
Serving Walking Taco's & Baked Potatoes

*All money raised supports the fire department and the community. Monies have been used to purchase equipment and fire prevention/first aid educational materials and to provide holiday meals and gifts for needy families in the community.*

# Save the Date

## **Wednesday, May 3 Concert for All Ages**

**Brent Vernon (Ventriloquist) and his sidekick Sam**

Brent is a ventriloquist, singer, songwriter, pianist, children's book author, and illustrator--and has a heart for God, using those talents to minister to others!

### **Tentative Plan:**

**Light Supper: 5:00-5:30 pm**

**Concert: 5:45-6:45 pm**