

GOOD TIDINGS

... behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy. – Luke 2:10



Above: Sue Stillings works on a quilt;
Right: two pieces made by Pat Skaggs

**BLESSED ARE THE QUILTERS,
AS THEY SHALL BE CALLED PIECEMAKERS!**



Quilter's Group Meets 2nd Saturday of Each Month at PBC

Since 2009, PBC has been home to a vibrant group of crafty ladies who make beautiful quilts. Their handiwork has been donated to new mothers through Placerville Pregnancy Counseling Services, to wounded servicemen through Quilts of Valor, and to the Navajo reservation in Bodaway. It is co-led by Pat Skaggs and Joy Vierra, who combined have 50 years experience. Joy has been quilting since she finished a project her mother left undone when she passed away in 1991. Pat has been sewing since she learned to sew her own costumes for competitive roller skating, and has been quilting about 34 years. *(continued on page 3)*

JOIN US ON SUNDAYS:

8:15 am- First Service
8:45 am- Kids in Action
10:00 am- Sunday School Hour
11:00 am- Second Service

*Hem your blessings with thankfulness so they
don't unravel. – anonymous*

Awana 2012-2013

What is Awana?

According to Awana's webpage, www.awana.org, the organization, headquartered in Chicago, works with churches in over 100 different denominations. It began as a children's program at the North Side Gospel Center in Chicago in 1941. The founders of Awana derived the name from the first letters of "Approved workmen are not ashamed" as taken from 2 Timothy 2:15. Today, more than 12,000 U.S. churches run Awana programs in all 50 states. Awana can also be found in nearly 13,000 churches, schools and orphanages in 100 other countries. The purpose of Awana is to "equip leaders to evangelize and disciple children and youth for Christ."

Awana at PBC

Pioneer Bible Church has had an Awana program for 16 years, which serves approximately 50 kids each year. Ruth Brown is our Commander. There are also several directors: Dina Panasuik for Cubbies, Michele Holliday for Sparks (grades K-2), Carolyn Holmes for T & T (3-5), Linette Harris for Trek (6th-8th), and Janet Marsh for Journey (9th-12th.)

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Bradyn Crow enjoys Awana

*"Church isn't where
you meet. Church isn't a
building. Church is what
you do. Church is who you
are. Church is the human
outworking of the person
of Jesus Christ. Let's not go
to Church, let's be the
Church."*

-Bridget Willard

HOME GROUPS UPDATE

Carolyn Holmes provides this update on the home group which is co-led by her family, the Dobner family, and the Crow family:

"Our home group just keeps growing. We are excited and pleased with what God is doing. A few weeks back a few of us went camping at Silver Lake and had an amazing time! A little fishing, playing in the water, campfires, and music... and the ever so gooey s'mores! We have a number of other camping dates coming up: Bear River, Yosemite and the beach! I love how God can work .. anywhere! We are working in Francis Chan's Crazy Love. He has given us lots to talk about, discuss and pray over . If you are not involved in a home group, come on out! We would love to have you. We meet every other Monday night at 6:30 pm... email or call the Holmes at 530 620-7257. If you don't reach us, we may be out fishing!

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How You Can Help

There are some specific ways members of PBC can help keep our Awana club strong. Volunteers are needed to fill several positions.

“We have several families each year who have trouble paying for the registration fees,” says Michele Holliday, “so donations for Awana scholarships would certainly help out.”

Awana began on August 23rd. It meets most Thursdays during the school year, at 6 pm. Registration fees are \$25 per child for Cubbies through T & T, and \$35 per child for Trek and Journey.

If you would like more information about Awana, please contact Michele Holliday at mholliday53@gmail.com.



MEET THE CONGREGATION: *Tom and Patti Mercer*

(Quilting, continued from page 1)

The quilting group is open to anyone who quilts or who would like to learn, whether or not they attend PBC. You can bring your own sewing machine, or one can be provided for you. No previous sewing experience is necessary. The group meets 9:00am to 1:00 pm at the church.

Sue Stillings, who has been attending since last fall, says “The joy for me is that there’s a purpose when you start a quilt in this group. We’re going to put them in someone else’s hands.”

All the quilts are sewn from donated materials. Donations of cotton fabric, batting, or costs to cover expenses will be accepted.

For more information, contact Pat Skaggs at patskaggs331@gmail.com, or Joy Vierra at 620-7157 or quilterjoyann@yahoo.com.

Tom and Patti live in Somerset with their cat, Kadu. They are both natives of Oregon, but moved here to escape the rain. Tom is a teacher at Union Mine High School and Patti is a secretary at the County Office of Education. They have two grown daughters, Amy and Megan, and one grandson, Jesse. Tom enjoys both listening to and performing music, reading, sports, and is a crossword puzzle fanatic. Patti enjoys sewing, knitting, reading, and endlessly watching reruns of NCIS. They both enjoy spending their free time together, and being involved at PBC. They have been a part of our church family for four years.

“Jesus Christ is a God whom we approach without pride, and before whom we humble ourselves without despair.” - Blaise Pascal, Pensées

PBC Says Goodbye to Summer in Style

Save The Date!

Saturday, September 8th PBC will host a women's magazine swap! Bring your back issues of women's-interest magazines (crafts, cooking, gardening, spirituality, etc.) to give away to others, and take all the magazines you like! Any left-over magazines will be recycled.
10 am - noon.



Baptism and Barbecue at Sly Park

On Sunday, August 12, the temperature exceeded 100 degrees. What better way to cool off than a day at the lake? For nearly twenty years, Pioneer Bible Church has spent a day just up the road at Jenkinson Lake at Sly Park. Some people gathered as early as 2 pm at Group Site #5 to enjoy each other's company and relax near the water. Kids swam, jumped off the pier, or were towed behind Clay Fitzpatrick's boat on a tube. Barbecue was served around 5:30, with plenty of salads and desserts.

Baptism in water symbolizes that your sinful self has died, and you have been raised to new life in Jesus the Savior. Jenkinson Lake is a wonderful setting for the ceremony, as it is surrounded by natural beauty. That evening, the following people were baptized: Jessica Stringfellow, Kathy Downer, Chelsea Stringfellow, Cassidy Walker, Diana Wall, and a dedication ceremony was held for baby Matthew Snyder, son of Malinda Snyder.



September,

Pioneer Bible Church

Camille Fike's Swedish Pancakes

Camille has made this recipe for years. "Our grown sons and nephew love to make them now," she says.

Ingredients: 3 eggs; 1 ¼ cups milk; ¾ cup sifted all-purpose flour; 1 Tbsp sugar; ½ tsp salt;
1 tsp vanilla

Directions: Beat eggs until thick and lemon colored. Stir in milk. Sift dry ingredients and add to egg mixture, mixing until smooth. Pour batter thinly into moderately hot buttered frying pan. Spread batter evenly. Turn when underside is light brown. Makes 6 large pancakes. Delicious with melted butter in maple syrup or lingonberry jam!

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