

The Challenger

June 2007



From the Desk of the DOM

FREEDOM DAY at SUNSET COVE was a great success. We had over 341 people, which was the largest attendance we have ever had. There were at least 16 of our churches represented. The various groups and individuals who sang did wonderfully. Bill Ledbetter's message was fantastic and very timely. What a blessing it was to see seven new Christians baptized, two from Streetman Rd. church and five from our Hispanic church. A special thanks is expressed to Winston Smith. As our Sunset Cove caretaker he works very hard in its upkeep.

Thanks so to Jim Pena for doing a great job as master of ceremonies. Much appreciation is expressed to the Disaster Relief team for preparing and serving the food and drinks. They do a superb job and are always willing to go the second mile. The weather could not have been any better.

The Sunset Cove Committee planned Freedom Day and worked to make it happen. It meets faithfully every month and seeks to plan and develop this ministry. Dwight Stanaway has worked countless hours with Winston at the Cove. Teresa Robinson walked miles in gathering the door prizes. We deeply appreciate them and all who helped in any way to make Freedom Day a very enjoyable time.

Sunset Cove is an incredibly generous gift the Lord has provided for us to use for His glory. Some call it the most beautiful area of the entire Lake. Let's take full advantage of it. It is yours to use for everything from youth gatherings and camp-outs to church picnics and baptisms. The potential for building a Christian encampment and resort ministry there is almost unlimited, but we need the financial support and cooperation of as many as we can. Several churches give on a regular basis, for which we are very grateful. But we need more. Please pray for Sunset Cove. It was a very wor-
 Terrell Suggs



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April 2007 Financial Report

Achille:	Bushnell - Kim McGehee ----- \$ 0	Stone Creek -- Fred Resz ----- \$ 69.70	Silo -Buddy Johnson ----- \$ 0
Community -Bob Stevens----- \$ 0	Caddo - Charles Loyd ----- \$ 0	Sunset View-Harry Boydston -\$ 148.77	Utica --Jay Perry ----- \$ 197.70
First ----- \$ 0	Calera - Jacob Toew----- \$ 0	W. Meadows-Darrell Edwards\$ 560.00	Wade - Charles Williams ----- \$ 58.35
Albany:	Cartwright - Ray Earley ----- \$ 346.55	Hendrix - Roddy Arnold ----- \$ 226.64	Yuba -Joe Smith ----- \$ 437.79
Albany - Jackie Robinson - ---- \$ 79.74	Cobb - Bruce McLaughlin----- \$ 0	Kemp -Roger Speer ----- \$0	Account Balances as of
RRV Cowboy - George Toma ----- \$ 0	Colbert - Tobey Clem----- \$ 1041.22	Kenefic ----- \$ 0	Apr. 30, 2007:
Armstrong -Monty Wood ----- \$ 129.73	Durant:	Mead:	BBA Checking ----- \$ 7203.86
Bennington----- \$ 1207.94	Calvary -Darel Bunch ----- \$ 642.73	Mead - Kerry Groce ----- \$ 339.27	Falls Creek ----- \$ 2567.46
Blue - Randy Lewis ----- \$ 70.68	Fairview - Bill Ledbetter ----- \$ 697.00	Emmanuel ----- \$ 532.95	Disaster Relief ----- \$ 3566.34
Bokchito:	First -James Robinson----- \$ 1185.94	Streetman Rd ----- \$ 219.75	Carrell Hooper Mission ---- \$ 1706.77
Faith -Scott Melton----- \$ 0	Grace - Anthony Williams --\$ 1366.73	Platter, 1st ----- \$ 302.27	Sunset Cove ----- \$ 4551.39
First- Preston Burns----- \$ 588.95	Iglesia Bautista -Alejo Benito----- \$ 0	Roberta - Bud Jenkins ----- \$ 214.00	Roadrunners ----- \$ 2340.50
ReynoldsChapel-Bob McLean \$174.35	Lake Point - Jared McIntire----- \$ 0	Robinson - Donald Ford ----- \$ 0	
Brown -Dale Ballard ----- \$ 0			

Attention: This report reflects only what was received by the BBA during the reported month. Churches contribute however they choose: weekly, monthly, quarterly or annually.

SUNSET COVE

This years Freedom Day was a big success! Over 340 people were blessed with the outdoors, singing and hearing of God's word.

The Sunset Cove committee would like to thank everyone who helped with the work day the day before. Thank you also for all who donated the prizes for the drawings.

The Disaster Relief Team did a great job as usual. Thank you!

All the music was awesome, thanks to Jim Pena and all the people that gave of their time and talents.

Bill Ledbetter really gave us some things to think about in his message. Thank you Bill.

Terry Curtis made the parking problem a fun adventure! Thank you!

We are already looking forward to next year!!

Dennis Pena, Sunset Cove Committee



Thank you all for your prayers, phone calls, cards, visits, food, you blessed me and my family more than you will ever know. My husband Loyd will be missed greatly, but I am comforted knowing he is now with our Lord. Thank you again for loving Loyd and me. Betty Stout and family

The Women's Missions and Ministries Office assists churches to encourage women to embrace and echo God's heart for the world. We strengthen the work by focusing on five different areas of ministry: prayer, discipleship, missions, evangelism and leadership development. The office works together with partnering ministries such as Woman's Missionary Union, LifeWay Christian Resources, the International Mission Board and the North American Mission Board to fulfill our purpose.

Priorities of Women's Missions and Ministries include:

Encouraging women to become prayer warriors in all aspects of their life.

Equipping leaders who are Godly women of influence.

Educating women to learn about missions and God's heart for the nations. This is accomplished through prayer, giving, sending and going.

Events that strengthen the work of the local church and edify Christ.

Evangelistic education to encourage women to share Christ in all circles of life.

Educating women to be Biblically literate and to become disciples and make disciples.

Church News



Revival - Albany Baptist Church

June 3-8 Sunday 11:00am

Sunday - Friday evening 7:00

Anthony Williams will be the evangelist



Dear Mr & Mrs Hoyt Weems,

Greeting to you in the precious name of our Savior Jesus Christ.

Hello!! My name is Leela and I am from the Caribbean, Trinidad to be exact. I got your name and address in a card in the gift box you send to the children who are less fortunate. I am a Sunday School teacher and these gifts were given to me to distribute to the Sunday School children.

I would like to "Thank you" both on behalf of the children, also to say thanks to the many who took time to send these gift boxes. Many thanks and May God continue to richly bless you both and you love ones.

If you would like to correspond with me I will put my full name and address at the back. It's always a pleasure to make new friends especially those in the Lord.

May God bless you both and keep trusting the Lord.

So long and again God bless,

Leela Mahadeosingh

13 Alley Street

Whiteland

Williamsville

Trinidad - West Indies



Be collecting things now to fill your shoeboxes with. Our goal this year is to bless 1500 children all over the world with

shoeboxes filled with goodies, love and God's Word from Bryan County!

LifeWay Christian Stores Delivery to Durant

LifeWay in Sherman, TX has developed a way to partner with churches in the Bryan Baptist Association, to allow the churches to save time and money. LifeWay will make a weekly delivery to the Bryan Baptist Association office in Durant on Wednesdays. Delivery will be no later than 5PM on Wednesday in order for churches to pick up orders on either Thursday or Friday. Orders can be placed by calling, emailing, or faxing.

Orders being pulled from on-hand stock must be called in no later than Wednesday morning at 10AM in order for the product to be delivered that same day. Please allow a 2 week lead time for orders that LifeWay does not have in on-hand stock.

LifeWay looks forward to partnering with the Bryan Baptist Association and providing resources to assist churches in their ministry.

Please direct any questions to LifeWay's Manager, Jeffrey Verlander. LifeWay Christian Store, 4026 N. US Hwy 75, Sherman, TX 75090,

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**BRING THE WORLD TO YOUR HOME!
HOST AN INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE STUDENT**

CCI is looking for Christian families to host high school students from foreign countries for 2007-2008. Each CCI student is fully insured, brings spending money and is looking forward to an active family life and will attend a public school in Bryan County.

These students are eager to learn about our culture, and at the same time you can learn about theirs. What a wonderful opportunity to share the Gospel with a non-Christian, or to host a Christian student. Both are available. Some of the countries that the students will be coming from are: Germany, Brazil, Japan, South Korea, Spain, Russia, Thailand and many more. CCI offers a ten month and five month program. For more information about hosting an exchange student, please call CCI Area Reps. Diane and Hillary Dean at (580) 931-3868 or (580) 775-4213.



LifeWay's 2007 Vacation Bible School

Dates of Bryan Baptist Association churches having Vacation Bible Schools this summer. This may not be all. If your church is not in here please call the BBA office to let us know.

Happy Birthday & Happy Anniversary !!

Birthdays

- 6/1 - Ray Earley
- 6/4 - Robert Poole
- 6/6 - Terrell Suggs
- 6/8 - John Ogden
- 6/10 - Garry McCain
- 6/13 - Buddy Johnson
- 6/14 - Dale Ballard
- 6/14 - Ashley McLarry
- 6/17 - Chris Weddle
- 6/22 - Beth Springer
- 6/23 - Judy Robinson
- 6/25 - Brenda Rowland
- 6/25 - Jean Stinnett
- 6/30 - Ruth Ann Marlin

Wedding Anniversaries

- 6/7/75 - Randy & Frances Lewis
- 6/8/73 - James & Judy Robinson
- 6/8 - Scott & Terri Melton
- 6/10/62 - Anthony & Joan Williams
- 6/12 - Vickie & Richard Jordan
- 6/15/1956 - Joe & Paula Smith
- 6/22/85 - Ken & Deanna Bartholomew
- 6/22 - Fred & Annie Broder
- 6/25 - Wes & Deirdre Schreier
- 6/28 - Clint & Bethany Whitehurst
- 6/30/79 - Jeff & Carolyn Weibling

Ministry Anniversaries

- 6/8/97 - Alejo Benito - First Hispanic
- 6/12/56 - Billie Jo Vanzandt
- 6/15/81 - Alton Lynch - Silo
- 6/20/99 - James Robinson - Durant,

- Platter FBC -----June 3
- Mead ----- June 3
- Fairview -----June 10
- Cartwright -----June 18
- Utica ----- June 24
- Calvary ----- June
- Yuba ----- July 9
- Robinson ----- July 16
- Armstrong -----July 23
- Reynolds Chapel -----July 2
- Faith -----July 23
- Bokchito FBC -----July 23

Western Meadows will have a "BiblExplosion" @ Carl Albert Park next door to the pool to reach out to kids. This will be EVERY Wednesday through the summer from 5:30 - 6:30pm.

Upcoming Senior Events

Trips: (Please call the BBA office to reserve your place on the bus, leave your name and phone number.)

- June 21 - 22 - Sand Springs to a play
- July 27 - Out to eat- Place TBA
- August 16, 17 - Disney, OK

Luncheons:

- June 13 - Western Meadows
- July 11 - Grace
- August 8 - Stonecreek



If you or your church has any announcements or news you would like to be in next month's Challenger, please call the BBA office before

June 15. 580-924-2351



Positions Needed

Please Pray for our Pastorless Churches:

Achille First , Bennington, Platter.

Music Ministers Fairview Baptist Church is searching for a Music Minister. Please send your resume to 1200 W. University Blvd, Durant, OK 74701.

Youth/Music Ministers Albany Baptist Church is searching for someone that could possibly do **music and/or youth**. Please send your resume to Albany Baptist church, PO Box 97, Albany, OK 74721.

Youth Ministers Western Meadows Baptist Church is searching for a **part-time youth minister**. Please send your resume to Western Meadows BC, 53 Shawna Dr., Durant, OK 74701 or call 580-924-6006.

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 Office Hours - Mon. - Thurs. 8:30 - 4:30
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June 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
Associational Children's Camp Session #1 - 27th - 30th			Associational Children's Camp Session #2 - 30th - 2nd			
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	Falls Creek Week One		Associational Week 1			
10	11	12	Senior Lunch @ Western Meadows	14	15	16
	Southern Baptist Convention in San Antonio, TX		Falls Creek Week Two			
	Falls Creek Week Two		Associational Week 2			
17	18	19	20 FFF Meeting @ 10:00	21	22	23
Happy Father's Day! Baptist Men's Day	Falls Creek		Roadrunners to Sand Springs to a Play			
	Falls Creek		Week Three			
24	25	26	27	28	29	
	Southern Baptist Founders Conference, Bethel BC, Owasso		Falls Creek			
	Falls Creek		Week Four			

