

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, MAY 17, 2009

**THE POSSUM QUEEN FESTIVAL** is today in Huiet Hall from 12:30pm-2:30pm. All members of the GAC are running along with our community candidates—vote early and often. \$1 buys one vote. Please join us for this celebration and, for a minimal fee, enjoy BBQ and Lemonade with the Possum Queen. Proceeds benefit the St. Paul Golden Age Center.

**FAITHFUL NEIGHBORS: STUDYING THE RELIGIONS OF THE WORLD IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD AND BEYOND**, a summer Sunday school class begins June 7 and goes through August 16. Led by Mark Crenshaw and Pastor Susan, the class will be made up of in-class learning and discussion, visits from leaders of local religious organizations, and site visits to other churches, a synagogue, a mosque, and more! All individuals and classes are welcome to join this special summer class! We will meet in Huiet Hall beginning Sunday, June 7, at 10 am.

**WHAT IS ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND WHY SHOULD I CARE?** Have you ever found yourself asking this question? Come for a light supper and conversation on Wednesday, May 27<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM to discuss the what, when, where, WHY, and WHO Cares of the North Georgia Annual Conference. This will be an opportunity for you to meet St. Paul's delegates to this important meeting and to discuss with them the issues that affect us as United Methodists and members of St. Paul. Let the office know you're coming so we'll know how much food to have on hand.

**THE HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE** is seeking a person to coordinate coffee, cookies, and conversation on the months of June, September, and December. We are looking for someone who can make sure coffee is made, lemonade is made, and cookies are available. They can be set out in Chester Commons before the 10:55 service. Set up and clean up are very easy. You can do this yourself or schedule others to take on a Sunday during the months you are coordinating. Please email [becky.boyette@turner.com](mailto:becky.boyette@turner.com) or call her at 404-931-8004, if you can help.

**THE ST. PAUL GOLDEN AGE CENTER** needs a simple audit in order to qualify for various federal, state and local grants. If you are a CPA able and willing to perform this service, please contact the St. Paul church office.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** still needs talented and willing volunteers to help support our double session of VBS June 1st through the 12th. We can use your help for a day or

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for a week, or for any time that you can give us. Please contact Laura Wells or Doug Hollis to volunteer: [lauraandtalley@mindspring.com](mailto:lauraandtalley@mindspring.com) or [seedoug@hotmail.com](mailto:seedoug@hotmail.com) .

- Registration for Camp E.D.G.E. June 1st through June 5<sup>th</sup> is closed. Volunteer training will be held **Wednesday, May 13th from 7:30 to 8:30pm** to familiarize volunteers with the Camp E.D.G.E. theme and the teaching plan, as well as to assign specific volunteer duties. There will be a general training from 7:30 to 8:00pm and then group training for specific areas. Please let Laura Wells know if you will be unable to attend this session. An additional session may be scheduled depending on need. If you are volunteering, don't forget to get your children signed up. You can email [jessgaines@gmail.com](mailto:jessgaines@gmail.com) or register online at [www.cokesburyvbs.com/stpaulgrantpark/ce/](http://www.cokesburyvbs.com/stpaulgrantpark/ce/).
- There will be a **VBS Decorating Party** Saturday May 30th, 9 am till noon. We need your hands to make light of all the work necessary to get ready for the week. Please mark your calendar.
- **We need to borrow** camping supplies and equipment (tents, sleeping bags, lanterns, etc.) to use as props for the VBS theme. If you have items to lend, please clearly mark them with your name before leaving them in the fellowship hall.
- **Our Evening VBS program**, "Won't You Be My Neighbor?" is still taking registrations for Sunday evening, June 7, 2009 through Thursday evening, June 12, 2009 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at St. Paul UMC. It is designed for family, teen, and adult participation. "Won't You Be My Neighbor?" opens on Saturday, June 6, 2009 with a family picnic in Grant Park. Beginning Sunday evening, June 7, come visit with "Mr. Rogers and his friends" to explore a different neighborhood topic each night. There will be opportunities to have a great buffet supper, and participate in music, skits, games, arts and crafts, learning and discussion groups about our neighborhood and our commitments, and lots of just plain fun! Some activities are unified and some are for children, teens, and adults separately, but all are designed as an experience that you can share together. If you are a child 3 and over, a teenager or a teenager at heart, a single adult, or an adult couple, St. Paul has a place for you at Evening VBS!(lanterns, etc.) to use for the Camp Edge set, please clearly mark your name on it and bring it to Huiet Hall.