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"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." *Jeremiah 29:11*

A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

Happy New Year! As we move forward into the new year, I wanted to review some old files and get things organized (really early Spring cleaning I guess – an effort to clear out 2020 and 2021!). In my organization of Presby Press files, I began looking at past years. Did you know we have copies of the Presby Press back to 1993?! There are a couple years missing here and there, but in my rough calculations, this is esitimated to be the 349th issue! Wow! So, I thought maybe it was time for a bit of a refresh of the beloved Presby Press! I admit I didn't go too crazy, but I thought it would be nice to just re-organize and refresh. In addition, this month's edition is relatively short, so perhaps I can be more creative with more content! Enjoy the new look and please let me know if there is anything you want to see in an issue in the future! Here is to a happy and prosperous year!

Your Editor, Lauren

196 YEARS

On December 31, 1825, Rev. Isaac Reed and nine others organized a church. The next day, New Year's Day 1826, they celebrated communion together. Last week we celebrated 196 years of ministry as Greenwood Presbyterian Church.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

- Sanuary 9th Ordination and Installation of new officers
- January 16th Annual reports from committees due
- January 30th Congregational Meeting following Sunday service
- And mark your calendars now February 13th Boy Scout Sunday pancake breakfast

2022 PER CAPITA

Per Capita for 2022 is **\$42.29**. Your contribution of this above your pledge will enable more local mission.

DISASTER RELIEF

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance continues to work with each of the six Presbyteries affected by last month's tornadoes. If you wish to contribute to their efforts you may send funds directly to PDA at Presbyterian Church (USA), P.O. Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700 using the code DR000015, call 800-872-3283, or put your check in the offering plate clearly marked for "Tornado Relief".

FEATHER IN YOUR CAP

I would like to nominate Marcia Justus because she spends many hours and is so conscientious in recording and reporting our financial giving. Thank you, Marcia! – Fran Mitchell





BOY SCOUT NEWS Submitted by Dave Baker Liaison for BSA Troop #266

BSA Troop #266 Troop Meetings are Thursdays from 7:00pm to 8:30 pm Meeting in the Fellowship Hall



A Special Activities note Mr. Gayle Talley:

Chris and Gayle Talley worked with Christian Rose, Sam Markawitz, Ethan Winnett. Jordan Lindstrom and Jackson Golden 5 Volunteer Scouts from Troop #266 on Saturday September 25 at the Franklin Museum of History. They peeled and cut apples without cutting themselves, built a fire and cooked apple butter for the Heritage days at the Museum. They also cooked biscuits and served apple butter on the biscuits, everyone loved it. They also helped set up chairs inside the Museum upstairs in the auditorium the museum staff were very thankful for their help. They all did a fantastic job, a big thank you to BSA Troop #266 and the Scouts.

- MEETINGS THIS MONTH: January 6, 13, 20 & 27
- 1/10 Monday Parking Fundraiser for the Collage Football National Championship at Lucas Oil Stadium. Leave Church parking lot around 6:00- 6:30 pm
- 1/14 Friday through 1/16 Sunday Yearly Planning and Lock In and Campout at Inlow Ransburg Scout Reservation. Leave Church parking Lot Friday at 5:30 pm and Return Sunday around 10 - Noon
- ◆ 1/15 Saturday Adult Committee Meeting at Ransburg Scout Reservation Time 2:00 pm
- ✤ 1/27 Thursday Path to Eagle for Life Scouts (30 mins) at GPC at 6:30 pm

CUB SCOUTS #266-Meetings are every Thursday at 6 pm until 7 pm except the 4th Thursday go till 8:30

- ◆ 1/20 Thursday Patrol Leaders Meeting at GPC in Fellowship Hall at 6:00 6:30 pm
- All other Activities with the Cub Scouts, See Scout Leaders for more information.

BROWNIES / GIRL SCOUTS – See Leaders for information. Meetings are every 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Tuesdays in Fellowship Hall - Time 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Anybody interested in Scouting please contact the Scout Leaders or the Church Office.



Recipe of the Month HOT CHICKEN SALAD

Submitted by Janett Lowes

At the Christmas luncheon for Love Hope Circle, this recipe was served. It was extremely popular in the 1970's and was served at luncheons and baby and bridal showers. Do you remember it?



2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice ¹/₂ teaspoon pepper ¹/₂ teaspoon salt ¹/₂ cup slivered almonds ¹ cup diced celery
2 cups cooked cubed chicken breast ¹ cup <u>real</u> mayonnaise
1 cup grated sharp cheddar cheese ¹ cup crushed potato chips



Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Spray a 9 x 13 inch baking dish with vegetable oil cooking spray.

In a large mixing bowl combine the chicken, celery, almonds, salt, pepper, lemon juice, mayonnaise and cheese. Spread the mixture in the prepared baking dish. Spread the crushed potato chips on top.

Bake for 20 minutes or until bubbly.

<u>POETRY</u> Submitted by Fran Mitchell

TIDINGS!

The holidays are overwe've seen an old year outa new one ushered in. My hope for all is that this coming year ahead won't be like the old one's been. I wish you all peace, good health and joy-And all the many blessings associated with that Blessed Baby Boy. We are so very blest in this grand old USA-And we must do our very best to see it always stays that way! So, pray a lothelp all those you can-Pray that things will get much better for all our fellowman. Have a great year, Fran M.

DID YOU KNOW?!

Submitted by Fran Mitchell | Compiled by Lauren Underwood

Did you know that Indiana celebrated Statehood Day on December 11th? Indiana is now 205 years old! Here are some interesting clippings submitted by Fran Mitchell in honor of Indiana's Statehood Day! Unfortunately the scanner is not in working order, so I re-typed – any errors are your Editor's! Thanks, Fran!

This year's theme for Statehood Day is "Indiana's Great Outdoors." Fourth-graders were invited to write essays on the topic. Over 400 entries were received. Here is the one which won First Place, written by Josiah C., a home-school student in Greenwood:

From the shores of Lake Michigan to the banks of the Ohio river, Indiana is filled with amazing nature. You can see massive sand dunes in Indiana Dunes National Park, explore history at Falls of the Ohio State Park, or go fishing on a bot at Cagles Mill Lake.

Indiana Dunes National Park is a great place to fly a kite. There are some amazing snakes, like the blue racer, and caverns carved out of limestone. Some of the impressive dunes are two hundred feet tall. Some people think it is a desert, but it is actually on the shores of Lake Michigan. There is plenty of water there!

One of the largest exposed fossil beds in the world is in the Falls of the Ohio State Park. There are 220 acres of fossil beds. You cannot take fossils home, but you can explore the fossil beds when the water is low in the fall. You can go fishing, hiking, and picnicking while visiting the park.

Cagles Mill Lake was built in the 1950s as a flood control reservoir. A flood control reservoir is a dam that makes sure that another river does not get too high or low by creating a lake. This one protects the Eel and White Rivers. You can also do fun things there like go fishing in a boat and look for bald eagles. The sunrise over the trees is very pretty.

You can explore limestone caves at Indiana Dunes National Park or fossil beds at Falls of the Ohio State Park. At Cagles Mill Lake you can spend the day fishing or bird watching. Being outdoors can bring people together for a simple walk or a memorable vacation. I am thankful for Indiana's great outdoors! 1806: The Indiana Territorial Legislature chartered Vincennes University, the first institution of higher learning in Indiana. Founded by William Henry Harrrison, it is one of only three universities established by a United States President. The others are the University of Virginia, founded by Thomas Jefferson, and the University of Buffalo, establised in part by Millard Fillmore.

1816: December 11

President James Madison signed a Congressional resolution admitting Indiana to the Union as the 19th state. The new state government would be centered in the capital city of Corydon. Jonathan Jennings was elected to be the state's first governor.

1838: Governor David Wallace and a group of prominent citizens took the first steam train ride in Indiana. They traveled along 15 miles of track owned by the Madison and Indianapolis Railroad. They rode to Graham's Fork neark the Muscatatuck River. It was reported that at one point on the trip they reached a speed of 8 miles an hour!

INDIANA QUICK QUIZ

All of the follogwing took place in the month of December. Match the event to the city. A. South Bend B. Franklin C. Madison D. French Lick

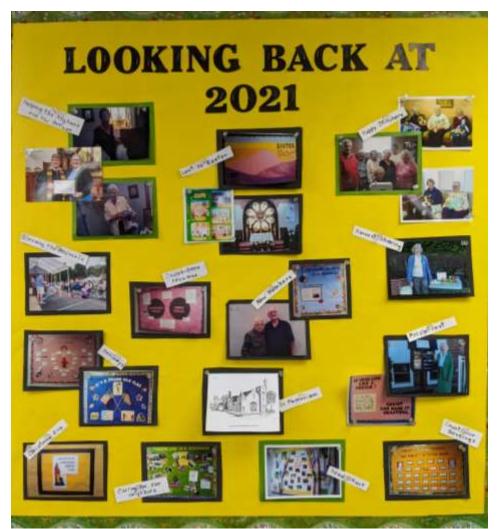
- 1. In 1940, this city was featured in a big spread in Life Magazine.
- 2. In 1956, Larry Bird was born in this southern Indiana city.
- 3. In 1958, movie audiences attended the premiere of Some Came Running, most of which was filmed in this city.
- 4. In 1963, the Studebaker factory closed in this city.

Answers: 1.B, 2. D, 3.C, 4.A

BULLETIN BOARDS

By Eleanor Mitchell

Be sure to check out the year in review down in Fellowship Hall! Great work, Eleanor!



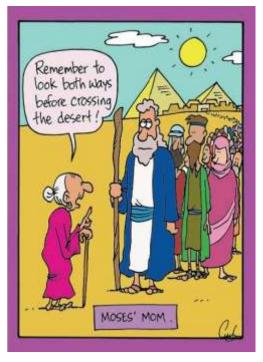


JUST FOR FUN

Abe Martin Sez:

Truth is stranger than fiction, but not near as plentiful.

At Sunday School they were learning how God created everything, including human beings. Johnny was especially intent when the teacher told him how Eve was created out of one of Adam's ribs. Later in the week his mother noticed him lying down as though he were ill, and said, "Johnny, what is the matter?" Johnny responded, "I have pain in my side. I think I'm going to have a wife."





JANUARY

- 2 Debby Meek
- 8 Clarence Grelle
- 12 Emilyann Grelle
- 15 Joyce Todrank
- 17 Debbie Deck
- 20 Julie Hayes
- 22 Morris Conley
- 27 Lauren Underwood
- 31 Tracy Nelson

FEBRUARY

- 1 Larry Fulkerson
- 5 Bob Stockton
- 7 Stuart Laughlin David Paquette
- 14 Andy Barnes Geraldine Sullivan-Clark
- 27 Jim Duke

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FINAL NOTE

There are so many ways to have a beautiful day! Today, you can give a kind word or soak up a compliment, say a prayer or be the answer to someone else's, make a wish or grant one, lend a helping hand or accept one, let joy find you or create some, and have some fun – the possibilities are limitless and so are today's blessings!

