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PEER LEARNING NETWORK

FATHER AND SONS TELL
THE HOBBY LOBBY STORY
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THURSDAY, APRIL 16, 2015
Jim Thorpe Event Center
11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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Online Registration:
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THURSDAY APRIL 16, 2015—PLN BUS SCHEDULE
JIM THORPE EVENT CENTER

10:00—Arrives at the Sawyer Center lot
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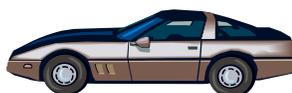
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STAMP! STAMP! STAMP!
Dale German

The document from Johannesburg, S. A. properly stamped arrived today. We took it to the tax office in Mabane to get it stamped in Swaziland. We were told it goes through four people with stamps. STAMP! STAMP! STAMP! And STAMP again! We anticipate a call Monday saying everybody at the tax office with a stamp in their hand has had their whack at it and now we can go back and retrieve whatever shreds of paper are left..



On the way home from Mabane that drat radar gun got me again driving 110K in a 100K zone. The cop vacuumed another E60 right out of my wallet finalizing the traffic violation with a receipt of payment putting a stamp on it before putting it in my hand . Stamp. Stamp. Stamp.

Government bureaucrats and cops in Swaziland are not the only stamp happy officials in the world. Before boarding the airplane in America the customs official took a whack at my passport. Whack! Whack! Whack! Not satisfied, another customs official in South Africa took another whack at my passport. Whack! Whack! And Whack again! At the boarder of Swaziland after South African

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President's Column

By
Arlita Harris

Do It Anyway

People are often unreasonable, illogical, and self-centered

Forgive them anyway!

If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives,

Be kind anyway!

If you are successful, you will win some false friends and some true enemies.

Succeed anyway!

If you are honest and frank, people may cheat you:

Be honest anyway!

What you spend years building, someone could destroy overnight:

Build anyway!

If you find serenity and happiness, they may be jealous:

Be happy anyway!

The good you do today, people will often forget tomorrow;

Do good anyway!

Give the world the best you have, and it may never be enough:

Give the world the best you've got anyway!

You see in the final analysis, it is between you and God:

It was never between you and them anyway!

Mother Teresa August 26, 1910-September 5, 1997

“Do not wait for leaders; do it alone, person to person”

At the April 16 Peer Learning/ASP Combined Luncheon Meeting, we will hear the Green Family, founders of Hobby Lobby, share their strong Biblical beliefs that have formed and fashioned their business ethics and core values. We cannot separate who we are at work from our belief system.

I have had the above saying attributed to Mother Theresa framed and on the wall in my home and in my office for many years. When I become discouraged or wonder if it is worth it all, I read the words “Do It Anyway”.

As I am writing this article, I know that within a few hours I will be voting as a Bethany City Council member on the Mercer-Adams crematory zoning that has kept me in prayer and studying more about cremation that I ever wanted to know. The people living in Brownsville have let us know that they do not want a crematory in their back yard. The Mercers

have an outstanding reputation in our community and are members of ASP; so are some of the people of Brownsville who have called me. I've also received calls and messages from ASP members who do not live in Brownsville but who have strong feelings about what should be “right” or “wrong” in this decision. Ultimately, I need to make a decision that is led by God and seems right for the future of Bethany. There is not a way to make everyone happy.

I have also not made everyone happy as ASP President. Changes were made on the Administrative Council in order to involve newer members. My motives were questioned, but the truth is that I felt we needed change and greater involvement. We've added new members this year; people from outside the university and our relationship circle, and I believe the Academy has grown stronger. We've added levity and fun to our meetings and heard from members who are really enjoying ASP and from those who think we should be more serious and academic.

As “Do It Anyway” reminds us, “the good you do today people will often forget tomorrow; do good anyway!” Please know that I love and appreciate each of you for what you individually bring to ASP and to our community. You are giving the world the best you have – at this time and in this location. In the final analysis, it's between you and God; “it was never between you and them anyway”.



Luncheon Themes

By
Leonard Skodak

Thank you so very much for your monthly participation. We are already in the process of planning the Senior Adult Conference (SAC) for June of 2016 as well as for our 25th Anniversary. If you are interested in helping with either of these events please contact Jack David Arnold (405-350-0405) regarding the SAC event or Genese Gunter (405-837-6195) regarding the 25th Anniversary. Let's make it a FUN filled year just as this year has been.





The Director's Corner
By
Eunice Trent, Director of ASP

The Official ASP Administrative Council Elections will be held on May 11, 2015 at the ASP May Luncheon.

Nominations for 2015-2016 Officers are:

President-elect—Howard Culbertson

Secretary—Vicki Sacket

Treasurer—Gary Lance

Members-at-Large—
Miltonette Brasher and Wayne Sacket



If anyone wishes to have their name submitted to the ballot for approval to the May 2015 official ballot, please send your name to asp@mail.snu.edu. Thank you!

Scripture reminders from Eunice for ASP Members

I am writing you today to let you know I am thinking of you. Actually, I am always thinking of you, because you are the apple of my eye. I created you unique and special. There has never been anyone else in the history of the world like you, and there never will be again. You are perfectly accepted in my beloved Son. You are never alone. You are hidden under the shadow of my wings. As you start your day today, I want to remind you that you are who you are because of who I am.

You are secure.

Deuteronomy 33:12 Let the beloved of the LORD rest secure in him, for he shields him all day long...

Zechariah 9:15 (NKJ) The LORD of hosts will defend them.

You are lifted out of the depths.

Psalms 30:1 You lifted me out of the depths and did not let my enemies gloat over me.

I am your burden-bearer.

Matthew 11:30 For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.

You are clean.

John 15:3 You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you.

The blood of the Lamb cleanses you from sin.

1 John 1:7b The blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.

I am your Creator.

Ecclesiastes 12:1 Remember your Creator in the days of your youth...

You are encouraged.

2 Thessalonians 2:16-17 May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and by his grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope, encourage your hearts...

I am your comforter.

Isaiah 51:12 I, even I, am he who comforts you.

You have a place prepared for me.

John 14:2-3 In my Father's house are many rooms... I am going there to prepare a place for you.

You are a friend of God.

John 15:15 I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you.

You have rest in me.

Matthew 11:28-30 "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. ... you will find rest for your souls."

You know all things work for good.

Romans 8:28 And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God...

I am good.

Psalms 100:5 For the LORD is good and his love endures forever...

You are mine.

Isaiah 43:1 Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine.

You are not lacking wisdom.

James 1:5 If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally... and it will be given to him.

Psalms 32:8 I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go...

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customs agents stamped my passport I walked 50 yards to the Swaziland customs officer waiting to stamp my passport again anywhere he could find an unstamped place to stamp it again.

After being whacked and stamped in Mabane at the tax office and by police on my way home we re-grouped at Nando's restaurant before going to the bank across the street. Inside the bank while waiting for Emmalyn to transact important coordinating business I entertained myself watching the bank tellers stamping away on big papers, little papers, all kinds of papers. Every paper needed a stamp. STAMP! STAMP! STAMP!

Not all tellers stamp the same way. Some pound with rapid furry. POUND! POUND! POUND! Some tellers stamp with feminine gentleness. Tap.Tap.Tap. Some tellers stamp with awesome urgency. BAAM! BAAM! BAAM! Tall tellers stomp more than stamp. STOMP! STOMP! STOMP! Heavy set tellers romp on their papers. ROMP! ROMP! ROMP! Cagey tellers pounce on their papers. POUNCE! POUNCE! POUNCE! It was hot in the bank. Sweaty tellers trounced on their papers. TROUNCE! TROUNCE! TROUNCE! It was an awesome site. It was a magnificent site.

From my perspective standing in the bank lobby looking at the long row of tellers behind security walls and glass windows flailing away paper passing their way it looked more like a bank of patients in a mental institution working on anger management than a financial institution. I'd have given anything to take just one of them back home with me tonight to swat the mosquitoes so I could get a good night's sleep.



ASP "Trek" Time

By
Pat Perry



Dear ASP Members,

We are all looking forward to the next few months with spring in the air. I'm trying to come up with some fun things to do over the next few months and into the summer.

If anyone is interested in going to the Lyric Theater for some of their upcoming productions, let me know and we can plan a show and dinner.

Murder for Two - we could probably do it the early April.

Oklahoma - June 23rd - 27th - that is always a fun one to see even if you've seen it before.

Mary Poppins - July 7th - 11th - This would be a great one to take the grandkids.

Prices will depend if we get a group of 10 or more. Let me know if you are interested and I will get the information to you.

Upcoming Kaleo Tours:

Clinton Country Jamboree Gospel Matinee - April 25th - \$59 pp.

Spring in the Ozarks - May 7th - \$109 pp.

This trip goes to Bentonville, AR to visit the Crystal Bridges and the Botanical Gardens of the Ozarks.

Mystery Trip - June 11th - \$109.

Food, fun and entertainment.



Please contact me if there is anything of interest you would like to do and we will try to put it together.

Pat Perry
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Obituaries
By
Vickie Sacket

FLOYD IRWIN HARRIS

Floyd Irwin Harris passed away on March 4, 2015, at the age of 90. He was born to Floyd and Essie Harris in Blanco County, Iowa, on February 19, 1925. His family moved to Windyville, MO, where he graduated from high school. He graduated from Bethany Peniel College (now Southern Nazarene University) and then from Nazarene Theological Seminary.



Irwin married Doris Rose Mills on August 20, 1949, and they pastored Nazarene churches in Missouri, Ohio, South Carolina, and Oklahoma. In 1966, he became Director of Endowment at Bethany Nazarene College (now SNU.) In 1972, he became sales manager and personnel director at Mathis Brothers Furniture for 12 years, then retired to Stuart, OK, where he ranched, raising limousin cattle. After Doris's death, Irwin married Arlita Warrick Hallam on June 1, 2005.

Irwin was a member of the Western Oaks Church of the Nazarene, the Association of Retired Ministers and Missionaries, the Academy of Senior Professionals, and the Bethany Improvement Foundation.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Doris, his parents, and four sisters, Axine, Maxine, Florence, and Margaree. He is survived by his wife Arlita of Bethany, OK, five children: Paul Douglas Harris, James Irwin Harris, Michael Dwayne Harris, David Alan Harris, and Donna Marie Earls; 12 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren, and two brothers, Donald and Dale.

A graveside service was held at Pryor Cemetery in Stuart, OK, on March 7.

Memorial donations may be made to the Rev. O.O. Mills Memorial Scholarship Fund, c/o of Todd Brant, SNU, 6729 NW Expressway, Bethany, OK 73008

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LUNCHEON PICTURES
BY GENESE



New Members
Ken and Barbara
Jones



Walt Crow, Special Speaker, Rev. Mark
Hollingsworth, Arlita Harris



Paul & Jan Reinbold with Corbin Taggart,
SNU Archives



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Dwight & Eula Mae
Neuenschwander



Right
Don and Linda Carley



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Continuous
Flight”*

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