

CrossCountry Chronicle

All the News for Cross-Country Youth and those who care about them

October 3: Our first Mentor Nite for this year. All mentors and confirmation students, plan to be here for our monthly meal and meeting. A main focus of this first meeting will be getting to know your Mentor/Mentee partner better. Don't forget, that we start at 6:15 p.m.!

October 3: Butter Braid Sale Begins. Yes, we will again be selling Butter Braids this fall. We will take orders until October 21 and then they will be delivered on November 7. This will insure that everyone will get them in time for the holidays. Be watching for our calendar sale, too. We will be starting it sometime soon.

October 7: CrossCountry Youth Council Meeting. All those who are officers, plus any 7th-12th grade youth who are interested, and also any adults who want to be a part of planning activities for our youth, are invited to this meeting. We will be having it during our Youth Forum time. We will begin at 9 a.m. and go until finished. If we have time left before 10:15 a.m., we will do "usual" Youth Forum stuff. It is at these monthly meetings that we plan all of what our youth group does, so come and be a part of the action! We will be choosing our officers for the 2007-2008 year and talking about our major trip for next summer, so come and put in your two cents worth.

October 7: Crop Walk. Youth, as well as everyone else, are encouraged to be a part of the Crop Walk. Crop Walk is a walk to raise funds for those of our world who don't have enough to eat. This would be a great way for you confirmation students to get some service project hours. The actual walk begins at 1 p.m. at St. Pius in Cannon Falls. You are asked to get sponsors before the walk. Please see Pastor Dean or Pastor Sharot for the information you need. YOU can make a difference! Urland won the 'Golden Tennis Shoe' the year before last, but lost it last year. Let's get it back!

October 14: Paintball. We're doing it again. The most requested event in CCY history! We will meet at Urland at 1:15 p.m. and head to Run-N-Gun Paintball in Oronoco. We will then go through a training and safety session. Safety is what this site is known for. There will be a referee to make sure all are playing safely and by the rules. We play from 2-6 p.m. We need 20 people to keep the field to ourselves. This is open to grades 7-12. We will need some adults to drive, and it would be great if they played as well. To have a couple of adults on each team will increase the safety. The cost for the day is \$40, which gets you everything you need (marker, goggles, facemask, free air fills and 200 paintballs, a referee, plus will help buy some extra paintballs). If you are someone who feels the need to use all of your paintballs in the first 10 minutes, more are available at \$5 per 100 paintballs. Every youth must have a waiver signed by their parent or guardian. You must turn in the signed waiver by Oct. 10, so we know if we have 20 people. You are not signed up until you have turned your form in to Pastor Dean. You must talk to Pastor Dean, and get the waiver form. You can bring friends, as long as they have the waivers. Check out their web site: www.run-n-gun.net to learn more about Run-N-Gun and to get a copy of the waiver form if you don't get one from Pastor Dean.

October 17: No Confirmation. It's MEA weekend.

October 20: Switchfoot/Relient K Concert. This should be a great concert! It will be at 7 p.m. at Concordia University in St. Paul. The cost is \$20. Please sign up on the youth bulletin board by October 14, so I can get tickets. My (Pastor Dean's) van only holds seven people, including me, so we will need more drivers, if we have more than 6 sign up. So, parents, let's support our youth, as they choose to listen to Christian bands, instead of some of what else is out there for them to listen to.

October 21: 3rd-6th grade trip to Sever's Corn Maze. It's back! The most A-Maize-ing trip you will ever go on! Sign up sheets will be passed out on Sunday, October 7 and are due back on the 14th. We meet at Urland at 1 p.m. and head out for the maze, which is in Shakopee. We will go for pizza following. We hope to be back between 6 & 7 p.m. Cost is \$10. If we have enough drivers, we would love to have as many as possible join us. Any questions, just call Pastor Dean at 507-263-2779.

If you ever have a question or comment about our youth ministry, or if you just need someone to talk to, call me (Pastor Dean) at 263-2779 or e-mail me at ccyguy@yahoo.com.