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HIGHLIGHTS:

- Wilson SDA Junior Academy News
- Home and School
- Gourley Township Food Exchange
- Community Service Baskets
- Classified Ads



Miscellaneous observations --

Things are happening at the school you will note as we gather for our monthly fellowship meal. The carpets have been cleaned, the paint in the hallway touched up. The curtain used to enhance the gym space when we used it for services while the current church building was under construction is gone...more on that below.

The gym wall has new studs and is ready for the spray insulation. Soon the door from the entry hall into the new rooms will be installed...The goal for that is before school starts. There are other projects to complete, and some of them will welcome member participation.

Back to the Big Curtain...there is a lot of fabric involved and it is appropriate for multiple uses; room dividing curtains in a smaller space comes to mind. It would make some casual garments; skirts, jackets, pants. If you can visualize a use and would like some, talk to Char Moon. Cost is at your discretion to the building fund.

So, excitement builds as the start of school rapidly approaches. After the carpet cleaning a large group of members, some whole families, responded to the call to move furniture back into classrooms. They were obviously having a good time. This church has thrived for decades because of the school, and been the center of our fellowship, mentoring our children in the Way of the Word. Please make this mission a subject of your prayers.

Home and School

The start of another school year is just a couple of weeks away! I am asking for help again this year for our hot lunch program. If you are not familiar with this it is a program that our students, teachers, parents, relatives, and church family members can all get involved with. Each week on Wednesday's someone volunteers to make lunch for our students and staff. You can get reimbursed for the cost up to a certain amount depending on how many people sign up to eat that day. There will be many dates to sign up for and your help is greatly appreciated.

If you are looking for other volunteer opportunities, we would gladly accept your help with weekly school cleanings. If you are able to help with either one of these things please call or text Brandee Groleau at (906) 399-9247.



The UP SDA churches will have a booth at the UP State Fair. The dates for the fair are August 12 – 18th. Please consider volunteering for a few hours to greet the fair attendees. Contact Cyndie Priser if you would like to participate in this opportunity to witness.

Did you know that the Newsletter is available to you to announce and/or invite members of the church family to your celebration of graduation parties, bridal or baby showers, etc. You can include an RSVP request, as you do when you use the USPS.

Announcements of social events planned by the social committee are sent to the bulletin secretary (who this year is Cole Berger).

Gourley Township Food Exchange

The Gourley Township Food Exchange is a member only Facebook group that was created to bring local people together to show what they are growing and producing, and to encourage like-minded people to swap food items for other food items, services, etc. The purpose of the exchange is to highlight what people are growing and producing, but not to interfere with any particular exchange and not to regulate any transactions. That is strictly between individual members.

The Exchange is for gardeners, farmers, ranchers and other people interested in locally grown or made food items. Group members post to the Gourley Township Food Exchange when they have something to swap or are planning to have something to swap. Group members also post pictures, recipes, and other local food related information (including some gardening humor!).

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Gourley Township Food Exchange, go to this Facebook page and request membership:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1754843338337399>

Or, contact Ivy Netzel at (906) 639-2979.

Community Service Baskets

Community service baskets...What are they?

These are baskets that are made up to give to people in our local community. They are made for people that have recently moved in as a welcome to our community. Along with the home warming gifts there is also personalized card that contains a flyer with our church details such as service and Sabbath School times. I would like to extend the baskets to be given to others as well. Do you know someone who is sick, just welcomed a new baby into their family, or maybe somebody that just needs a little cheering up? If so, please let me know so that I can prepare a personalized basket for them. I will need to know some details such as number of people in the family, are there any children and approximate ages of children and what the basket is needed for.

My Junior Sabbath School class will be a part of putting the baskets together and will also include their families to deliver them. This is a great community service outreach that our children are excited to be a part of. We NEED your help! This project relies on donated items as there is not a budget for this. I will provide a list of ideas below to get you started but just think about things that you may like to receive if you were a new community member, sick or feeling down and what may cheer you up!

Mugs, dish towels, tea, hot cocoa, travel size games, small toys, small stuffed animals, items with encouraging quotes on them, travel size Kleenex packs, pet treats and toys, baby items and don't forget something that the gentlemen in the family would like to receive too!

Don't have time to shop? Money donations are accepted as well and I will do the shopping for you!

Please contact Brandee Groleau via text or phone call at 906-399-9247.



There is nothing more special than receiving a handmade gift at Christmas – except being the one giving the gift!

Even though the weather is hot and sticky, now is the perfect time to start planning your Christmas gift projects.

Miscellaneous Announcements & Classified Ads



Boerschinger Boy Baking

Making bread to order
call 906-639-3632
Ask for Zebulun



Eggs for Sale



Chicken \$3 doz

Duck \$3 for ½ doz

Call 906-639-3632
Ask for Ezra

Don't forget about our ongoing Rada fundraiser. They have a great selection of knives and kitchen utensils that are a great gift or just a great new addition to your own supply!

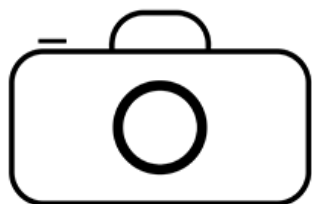
If you shop online please use the link above, or you may search for **Wilson SDA Jr. Academy** at <https://radafundraising.com/pages/select-your-fundraising-group> . If you prefer a catalog, please contact Brandee Groleau! She is also willing to help you with your orders.

The funds raised will go directly towards finishing our school gym project so that our school can function at its greatest potential for our students and teachers. Please help us meet this goal!

RADA Cutlery Fundraiser for the WJA School
Expansion

<https://radafundraising.com/?rfsn=1820058.87e8e7>
or call Brandee Groleau (906) 399-9247 (call or text)

If plastic bags are overtaking you, it only requires forming a habit of taking your shopping bag with you on your way into a store so the bagger can use it to get your items to your car. Elmer's even gives a nickel for not using plastic. Give your stash of plastic bags to the Escanaba Food Pantry via Aileen King. It's a refreshing transformation to your life!



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