

Women's Free News

Summer 2011



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Something New!

"Share-A-Book" Night

**Monday, July 25
6:30 pm**



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From Clutter to Glory

Recently I found myself sorting through some clutter. The one-day spring conference with Brenda McElroy spoke to many people, including myself. I was determined to get rid of some "stuff" that had accumulated in my home. At one moment in time, I picked up an item and thought to myself, "This is too good to throw away, and I can't think of anyone to give it to, so now what?" That's when thoughts of a

"rummage sale" came to my mind.

So after much conversation, prayer, and planning, it was decided to have a church-wide rummage sale for a two-fold purpose: a place to deposit clutter, and use the proceeds to support some short term missionaries. So doing a rummage sale "for the glory of God" (I Cor.



10:31) became a reality on May 28th, and praise God we were able to bring in

about \$2400! An added blessing was that Rescued

Treasures came for all the leftovers.

To God be the glory for His amazing blessings!

**-Submitted by Sue Laird
Director of Women's Ministry**



The Book Nook - Library News

Submitted by Terri Short, Librarian

Have any of you ever heard of The Twelfth Imam? I hadn't until author Joel Rosenberg came out with his new book late last year. The story takes place in the United States, the Middle East and several European countries. It is a fictional novel but the story has been well-researched and there is good information about Islam and the Koran. It is a bit eerie how many of the quotes out of the

Koran mirror the Bible but are in reverse order. Many in the Muslim community seem to be waiting for the return of "The Twelfth Imam" as their Messiah who will come back and lead them into victory over their enemies.

As Christians I think it's a good idea to learn about growing religions and be aware of what is going on in the world around us. It's a good read and keeps your attention until the end.

Enjoy!

Mission Possible

by Marilyn Laszlo

"...a 20th century story of heroism for the gospel."

Franklin Graham

Marilyn is the guest

speaker at this year's

women's retreat at

Hartland. See inside for

details!

These two featured books will be in our library very soon, so come and "check them out"!

Ladies...Summer Fun for All!

June

June 17 - Craft Night - 4-10pm - Room 6 - Bring your own craft project and a snack to share - Melissa Hamilton

July

July 13 - Potluck and Water Toys - 4-8pm @ Kelly Coleman's
Kids and Dads Welcome - Call Kelly for what to bring

July 22 - Afternoon Pooltime - 1:30 pm - ?? @ Staci Ames'
Kids Welcome! Bring a snack to share, drinks provided

July 25 - "Share-a-Book" Night - 6:30 - 8:00 pm. @ the Chapel
Come to the chapel and bring a favorite book that you can share (literally!) with others, or perhaps you can select one from our church library that you have enjoyed and would like to encourage others to check out and read. Light refreshments served. Questions? Call Patsy Gilbert at . Bring a book-loving friend!

July 29 - Craft Night - 4-10pm - Room 6 - Bring your own craft project and a snack to share - Melissa Hamilton

August

August 5 - Pool time - 11:00am @ Patsy Gilbert's Bring a sack lunch and kids are welcome too! Drinks will be provided.



One-Day Road Trips with Sarah Sproles

- ☺ To the beach...
- ☺ To the zoo...
- ☺ Ready to go with a few days' notice
- ☺ Give her a call if you want to ride along, or look for details to come!



Need an idea? How about...

- Splashin' at the Water Sports Park
- A walk in the cool of the morning up Rocky Hill or through your favorite neighborhood
- Shopping (or browsing) through the mall
- Playing a game or just meeting at 210 Café for a blended treat.
- Be refreshed in the company of a friend...



Planning ahead...Debbie Perez would like to share some garden cutting and transplants in the fall or later in the spring...Call her if you might be interested!



WOMEN'S FALL RETREAT

Hartland Christian Camp

September 16-18, 2011



***Our Speaker:** In 1967, Marilyn Laszlo entered a village in Papua New Guinea to give the Sepik Iwam people God's Word in their own language. Today the people who never imagined their talk could be carved on banana leaves now read in their own words "Papa God's Carving." Today, Marilyn speaks at a wide variety of events around the country and the world. Listeners are captivated by her amazing stories, encouraged to step out in faith, and inspired to live lives completely surrendered to Christ.*



***Our Worship Leader:** Andrea Glenn is an inspiring songwriter and worship leader and has ministered throughout the United States for over 20 years.*

Get Your Registration Form/Brochure at the Info Booth!

In order to get the 10% group discount, you must register through our church (not online) and we need to have a minimum of 7 in our group. Please sign up ASAP (i.e. put your registration form and non-refundable \$20 deposit in Sue Laird's church mailbox) so that she knows we can reach the minimum required.

We currently have two rooms in "Robin's Nest" reserved for us (accommodates 10-20), but the "Dorm-Style Cabins" are also available for the group discount. We can reserve more rooms if we need to! Check the brochure for rates.

The deposit and contract need to be mailed to Hartland by July 2 - so that is our deadline to have our minimum (7) to reserve a room and also to receive the discount. Once the rooms are reserved, others can certainly register later in the summer. We simply need to reach the group minimum (7) by July 2.

Camp scholarships (up to 50%) are available based on need, and those receiving scholarships will be housed in the dorm-style cabins.

Please contact Sue Laird if you have any questions. Hope to see you there!



“Monday Morning Moms” (MMM) will resume in the fall. If you have a few hours to give to this once-a-month ministry, our young moms and their kids will be grateful! Please contact Patsy Gilbert for more information.

“Women Discipling Women”

6th Annual General Conference presented by
The Master's College MABC Program

With Elyse Fitzpatrick, Martha Peace
& Lydia Brownback

July 15th & 16th

The Warner Center Marriott

Woodland Hills, CA



“Equipping women to minister using God's Word”

Visit their website for more information
and to register:

wdwconference.org

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