



Saturday Edition

Penn-Del Tips

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Good Morning!

Day one of the 55th Annual Retreat is in the books. It was a rainy afternoon and the golf tournament was cut short, but we got underway with minimal glitches after that.

When we kicked off our evening convocation, our Praise Band kicked us into high gear and really set the tone for the evening. Singing about the Days of Elijah, coming to God In The Secret, telling God How Great Thou Art and finishing up with Draw Me Close, we got a great mixture of

new songs and classic hymns.

Steven McQue gave a stirring testimony, speaking about his trials and struggles growing up as a Christian in a very secular world. We are grateful for Steven's ministry and pray that he will continue as he grows.

Dr. Kent Berghuis finished up our evening with a talk about God's PR Campaign and about how we need to be in the Program for transforming

the world.

Dr. Berghuis reminded us that God is calling us. All of us. He's calling us to say "Join Me in seeking first the kingdom of God AND His righteousness and then God will take care of the rest.

As we wake to join the day's activities, pray that each man here will accept the call to be in God's PR campaign, seeking God's kingdom and righteousness.

In Memorium

As many of you know, our long-time registrar, Mr. Stanley Bruce was called home to the Lord earlier this year. John L. Anderson, Past President of ABMOPAD wrote this tribute to his good friend Stan:

Stanley Bruce was a quiet spoken man who showed poise under pressure, he was a man who remained unshaken by life's alarms and who radiated wisdom and a new beginning wherever he went.

Stanley was a man of few words, but when he spoke, others listened. Early in his duties on the ABMOPAD Board of Managers, Stanley learned to turn his energies toward God's work and to remain calm in the hustle and

bustle of his workplace and his duties on the ABMOPAD board as our retreat registrar.

Rest from your labor, my friend and rest with your Lord, your work here is through. Well done, good and faithful servant. You've done what you could do.

Workshop Added

An additional workshop that is not listed in the program book will be held in Lounge C (behind the registration area in the CUB). The workshop is titled "It's about God and not about us" and is based on Rick Warren's Purpose Driven Life showing man his place in creation by scripture. The workshop is being led by George Young.

Answers to Bible "DITLOIDS"

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| 1. 7 Days of Creation | 8. 10 Plagues of Egypt | 14. 4 Beasts of Daniel | 20. 12 Stones in Elijah's |
| 2. 150 Psalms in the Bible | 9. 40 Years in the | 15. 176 Verses in the | Altar |
| 3. 27 Books in the New Testament | Wilderness | Longest Psalm | |
| 4. 12 Disciples of Jesus | 10. 5 Smooth Stones | 16. 5 Porches of Bethesda | We hope you had fun and |
| 5. 13 People at the Last Supper | 11. 7 Seals of Revelation or | 17. 70 Years in Babylonian | got most of the answers! |
| 6. 4 Gospels in the Bible | 7 Stars of Revelation | exile | |
| 7. 12 Tribes of Israel | 12. 39 Books in the Old Testament | 18. 7 Days of the Feast of Tabernacles | |
| | 13. 48 Cities of the Levites | 19. 3 Temptations of Christ | |

Please be sure to silence your cell phones and pagers during sessions.



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Horseshoe Tournament

Saturday, 2 PM

Behind Seaver and the Softball Fields

Grab a partner and sign up in the CUB or show up at the pits.

We are hoping for 8 to 16 teams of 2.

Come, enjoy and have fun!

You may walk away as champion!

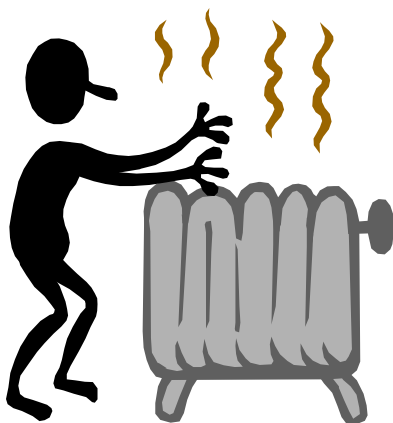
Any questions, see Larry Rigotti or Jason West.

Booster Call 53

The current Booster call is scheduled to run through the end of the retreat. We are collecting monies to support Clara's House. So far, the Boosters have collected approximately \$3,700. If you have not already made your donation, feel free to drop by the CUB and check out the display for more information!



From the Editor



How good is your heater? There are so many different types of heating for homes these days. Forced hot air, radiant electric, hot water, a fireplace, space heaters of all kind and many more. One of my favorite types of heating is a good old fashioned cast iron radiators. Something is very comforting about this. It reminds me of my youth. I remember sitting on the top of the radiators at our church on cold days and getting warm (until the adults came over and yelled at me to get off before I burned myself).

I'm no heating expert, but in a nutshell, a radiator works by circulating hot water through it and radiating heat throughout the room from there. It's simple and efficient. Much the same way, when we are filled with God's Holy Spirit, we radiate that Spirit around us. Just like the radiator which

fills the area around it with warmth, we fill those around us with the Spirit of God as well.

As we go through the rest of this retreat, please consider raising your thermostat and radiating the Spirit of God around you. Hopefully you'll touch a person who has not yet felt the warmth of God.

Layman of the Year Nominations

Be a friend to a friend and nominate a brother in Christ for Layman of the Year. Any layman can be nominated, just look for the requirements outlined in the program book and complete the application found in the back of the book. Place it in the retreat evaluation box at check out area, or mail it to:

Robert R. McQue Sr, at 21301 Ann's Choice Way, Warminster, PA 18974

Please include enough information for the committee to make a decision. Thank you!