



# Life Lines

Dover Church of Christ  
Dover, Arkansas 72837-0299  
Web site: [www.dovercoc.org](http://www.dovercoc.org)

Volume 19 Number 16

Email: [staff@dovercoc.org](mailto:staff@dovercoc.org)

April 22, 2007

## Lads to Leaders/ Leaderettes News

The Dover Church of Christ sent the largest group to the annual Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes Convention in Nashville that has been sent on a first visit of any congregation in the 38<sup>th</sup> year of the LTL Convention history. Usually congregations send one or two adults or maybe as many as five people with one or two young people entering an event on their first visit. We took 28 and came home with five trophies and three certificates. Young people attending was Kelsi Hottinger, Corey Hottinger, Blake Forehand, Shelby Statler, Alaynna Williams, Colton, Carlee Williams, Drew Walters, Tyler Mullins, Josh, Kati, Zack Pennington, Tori Thomas plus about 15 adults also attended.

Blake Forehand won third place in *Art Says It* Sculpture and second place in *Color Photography*. Colton Williams (different age group) won third in Sculpture. Alaynna was a finalist in *Songs of Praise*, and our group won second place in the *Scrapbook* event. That's five trophies the very first time out!

Winning AAA Certificates in *Bible Reading* was Alaynna

Williams, Tori Thomas and Carlee Williams. The adults who led our young people in the *Scrapbooking* Event were Joyce Helton, Shirlie Chadwick and Karen Womack. We thank many others who donated pictures.

Over 10,500 people attended the Convention in Nashville over the Easter weekend. Another 6,000 attended sessions in three regional locations. At Nashville, participants were divided into red, blue, green and yellow divisions, putting 2500-3000 people in each of four large meeting rooms at the Opryland Hotel during the awards events. Approximately 300 congregations were represented and there were twelve new congregations, including Dover, at this Nashville convention this year. Among the many awards were a number of college scholarships awarded to seniors preparing to attend half-dozen universities of the brotherhood including Harding, Freede-Hardeman and David Lipscomb. Hundreds of trophies for events such as *Good Samaritan*, *Centurion of the Scriptures*, *Speech*, *Song Leading* and *Puppet Theatre* were awarded. Young people did the work on some of the events such as *Parade of Winners* (reading the Old or the New Testament through in one year) and

*Centurion of the Scriptures* (quoting 100 verses of scripture verbatim) before the convention while some events such as *Songs of Praise* and *Debate* were conducted live in many meeting rooms of the Opryland.

The purpose of Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes is to prepare young people to be leaders for the Lord before they grow up. The expectation of them is that they do far more than to survive adolescence, but rather that they enter adulthood in a close walk with Christ, ready and able to apply their talents for God's service. The focus of the activity is on God's Word. The Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes methodology is a method of getting young people involved in the church's work at a young age and to keep them involved.

The event culminated in a worship service in the Delta Ballroom of the Opryland Hotel at which over 5,000 members of churches of Christ attended on Sunday morning. Several twelfth grade young men from the *Song Leading*, *Speech* and *Bible Reading* events led the worship service with only announcements being made by adults. Three of our young men helped in administering the Lord's Supper to this very large group of people.

## Lines for Ladies

By Pat McAlister

Most of us are aware, that, in any organization, only about 20% of the members do the work. Sadly to say, this is true in the church also, I want to tell you about a lady that falls within this 20%, Joyce Helton.

Just recently she was nominated for "Woman of the Year" in the *Courier* in Russellville. Although she was not the winner, she was one of the five who was featured. The heading said, "A Good Neighbor." It goes on to mention all she does in the community, from volunteering at the K-4 Primary School, her duties with the chamber, trash pick-up, both for the chamber and for our church and all she does for her large family. Any project that comes up, she will be involved. When she signs up for something, it gets done.

For this article I want to concentrate on primarily what she does for our church and God's work. She is one of the first to take a dish to someone in need. Many times it is a pot of her famous chili. Regardless of what it is, she will be the first there. This is not just for our church members but anyone in our community.

She is an excellent teacher for our young ones. She has taught for many years. For at least the last two years she has been responsible for the refreshments for the kids in our Wednesday night program. She volunteered for this.

During the last few months she has been involved in the Lads to Leaders and Leaderettes' program. She has been a mentor and helper through all their training. Now this Easter week-end she and her husband, Marion, will make the trip with them to Nashville, TN. She was there in the beginning and will be there through the end.

Joyce is passionate, caring, a generous person. Generous, not just with her time but also with her money. She is dedicated to her family, kids, and grandkids, her friends and to the Lord. She has been blessed with good health. Although she is in her late sixties this has not slowed her down. She was blessed with ten talents, as the parable goes, and she uses them all.

**Continued, same page, column two**

## Remember Our Sick

**Tom Cloud** – home recovering from surgery Opened veins in leg for circulation, condition improving. Thanks us for our prayers.

**Anna Deimund** – St. Louis, MO, now in a Resident-Home.

**Louise Killer** – hospitalized with a broken ankle this past week.

**Summer Russell** – Moved from AMS to Children's Hosp, in rehab, battling a bacteria infection.

**Christine Sheeran** – young, experiencing serious health problems.

**Carl Tarkington** – cousin to Wendy, in ICU, UMAS, LR. Auto accident.

**Wendy Tarkington** – personal problems.

**Glen (Bud) Wait** – home, improving.

**Shut-ins – need prayers and visits.**

Dover Area: **Bernice Brown**

**Evelyn Burton**

**Mae Vanzandt**

Russellville Nursing and Rehab Center:

**Evelyn Driver**

**Thelma Hatcher**

Stella Manor: **Mary Lee**

**Others Who Need Our Prayers:**

Daisy Hogins Anderson, Bob Bennett, Lawrence Boley, Lloyd Boley, Susie Boley, James Chadwick, Jeff Davis, Charles Ensey, Hoyt Ensey, Carol Graham, Sue Griffin, David Guthrie, Charles Hickey, Robert and Rose Lee, Bill McAlister, Charles Proctor, Reedie Smith, Tanya Smith and Jewel Waldrip.

**Special Children:** Elysia Lee, Emmy May, Keith Martin and Noah Williams.

**Military:** Darus Brown, Greg Davis, Steve Ferguson, Johnny Ragsdale, Cole Wetzell and Rudy Will.

\*\*\*\*\*

**Lines for Ladies continued from column one . . .**

I'm glad she is my very good friend and a Christian sister.

(This past January she was chosen "Citizen of the Year" for 2006 by the Dover Area Chamber of Commerce. She is very busy and we appreciate what she does for all of us.)

## Words To Live By

Bulletin Digest  
The Pillar, Durant, OK

**Those who say the least often say the most.**

**A good word is as easily said as a bad one.**

**Talk about others the same way you want others to talk about you.**

**As a man grows wiser, he talks less and says more.**

**A major part of self-control is mouth-control**

**It's easier to save face if you keep the lower half shut.**

**Kind words do not wear out the tongue.**

**The strongest words are usually used in the weakest arguments.**

**Our words may hide our thoughts, but our actions will reveal them.**

**God does more than hear words; He reads hearts.**

\*\*\*\*\*

## Prayers and Sympathy

For the family and friends of **Teresa Phillips** who passed away Thursday, March 30, 2007 in Arlington, TX. She was a close friend of Frances Kennedy.

For the Family and friends of **Wanda Damouth** of Jonesboro, AR, who passed away Thursday, April 5, 2007. She was the mother of Pat Holloway and grandmother to Theresa Motley.

**"Perhaps you will forget tomorrow the kind words you say today, but the recipient may cherish them over a lifetime."**

*Dale Carnegie*

## Events

### Dover Church of Christ Children's Church

Every Sunday  
11:15 - 12:00 Noon  
Ages 4 thru 8  
Bible Story and  
Activities  
Ages 1 thru 3  
Nursery Class

\*\*\*\*\*

### Bellefonte Church of Christ

4464 Highway 65 South  
Harrison, AR

You are invited to:  
"Walk A Mile In My Shoes"  
During our

First Annual Women's Day Event  
Saturday, April 28, 2007

Please RSVP by April 8<sup>th</sup>  
Anne Crawford:(870) 743-1212  
Sharon Taylor: (870) 741-6206

## LADIES' DAY!!

Dover Church  
of Christ

Saturday, April 28th,

Theme: "Walking Where  
Jesus Walked"

8:30 – 9:30 AM

Registration and  
Breakfast

9:30 – 12:00 program

12:00 – Lunch  
(Door Prizes)

Speaker: Elsie Huffard,  
Jackson, TN

## Mark Your Calendars

### 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Celebration

Has been moved up to:  
Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup>,  
(after evening services)

Potluck

\*\*\*\*\*

### The CARE CENTER of Little Rock, AR

Is sponsoring professional  
counseling in a Christian  
environment one day per  
week, every Friday, at the  
Dover Church of Christ.  
Please spread the word, tell  
your friends and neighbors.

Call for an appointment:  
(479) 331-3428

## CONGRATULATIONS!

To our young people:  
God be praised and  
thanked for what they  
accomplished at Lads/  
Leaders/Leaderettes'.

We appreciate the efforts  
made by all who helped  
make this a success.

## April Birthdays

- 09 Skylar Creel  
Suzy Pennington  
14 Danielle Smith  
15 Loredana Qualls  
16 Zach Pennington  
17 Shannon Walters  
18 Gicala Lee  
19 Earlene Davis  
22 Curtis Rackley  
Brett Walters  
23 Rusty Parker  
24 Chrissie Robison  
27 Sharon Rackley  
Mae Vanzandt  
(Celebrates 101 years!)
- 28 Kati Pennington  
29 Lindsay Hollis

If we missed your birthday,  
*please* let us know so it won't  
happen again.

\*\*\*\*\*

### In Search of the Lord's Way"

Now 24/7

The Search Program can  
now be accessed at any  
time on its website:  
[www.searchtv.org](http://www.searchtv.org)

Mack Lyon's weekly lesson  
can be heard and seen on  
**KARK, Channel 4,**  
**Sunday, 7:30 AM.**

# ***THOSE TO SERVE***

***April 22, 2007***

**Sunday A.M.**

**Announcer:** Randall Walters  
**Song Leader:** Merrell Shoptaw

## **Prayers**

Brett Walters  
Blake Walters

## **Communion**

**Podium:** Alan Boatright  
**Serve:** Marion Helton  
Rex McDaniel  
William Boley  
Sid Womack

## **Scripture Reading**

Donny Forehand

**Sunday P.M.  
Prayers**

Joe Miller  
Merrell Shoptaw

# **SPEAKER**

**Sunday A.M.**  
Micah Williams

**Sunday P.M.**  
Micah Williams

## **Prepare Table for Communion**

Diane Walters

## **Communion to Shut-Ins**

Chris Ramirez  
Donny Forehand

## **Greeters**

Alan and Sandra Boatright

## **Wednesday Night Devotional**

**April 25, 2007**

Brett Walters

## **Meeting Times**

**Sunday Morning Bible Classes**  
9:45 A.M.  
**Sunday Morning Worship**  
10:45 A.M.  
**Sunday Evening Worship**  
6:00 P.M.  
**Ladies Tuesday Bible Class**  
10:00 A.M.  
**Wednesday Bible Classes**  
7:00 P.M.

**Minister:** Micah Williams  
**Church Office:** 479-331-3428  
**Or Cell:** 479-264-9244

## **Elders:**

William Boley 858-7131  
Jim Killer 331-2802  
Allen Veasman 331-2156  
Sid Womack 967-2367

## **Deacons:**

Chris Besterfeldt  
Donny Forehand  
Brent Hottinger  
Chris Loper  
Rex McDaniel  
Chris Moss  
Joe Miller

## **Nursery Attendants:**

**Sunday Class:** Kaeli Miller  
**Sunday Church:** Pat McAlister  
Kaeli Miller

*Life Lines is a Publication of the Dover Church of Christ*

Editor: Pat McAlister, Layout and Design: Joan Vance, Technical Assistance: M. Shoptaw

Dover Church of Christ  
P.O. Box 299  
Dover, AR 72837  
Return Service Requested

**Nonprofit Organization**  
U.S. Postage Paid  
Dover, AR  
Permit No. 18