



Southern Hills Christian Church (DOC)

# The Sharing Tree

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## JOIN US FOR THE "SUELLEBRATION"

All of us have been to a celebration, but on Sunday, May 20, we'll have the opportunity to participate in a SUELLABRATION!!!! This is a once in a lifetime experience – a chance to let Suellen know how much we appreciate her dedication to Southern Hills for the past 29 years. We will meet in the gathering area after Traditional Service to share cupcakes and

snacks! So bring your cards and gifts for a money tree and also your prayers and best wishes as we send Suellen into retirement and a new life in Florida close to her grandchildren! It is also Pentecost, so wear your red, yellow, orange, and Thunder Blue. (That last one is just for Suellen!!)

## REFUGE FELLOWSHIP SIGN UP TIME!

SHCC will again be serving dinner to the homeless in OKC on Monday, May 14. The van will leave the church at 5:00 p.m. There is a sign up sheet in the Gathering Area. Our menu this time will be ham,

macaroni and cheese, green beans, salad and dessert. **We could really use a few more people to sign up to prepare food.** Please call Marilee Hattendorf fo see how you can help.

## FOLKSONGS AND FELLOWSHIP

Save the date for the 5th Annual Folksongs and Fellowship Outdoor Concert, an evening of live acoustic music, Saturday, May 26, 2018, 6-8 pm. This free event will take place on the SHCC South Lawn. Bring your own chairs and blankets, and prepare to be entertained. Food and drinks will be available for purchase. We will serve soft tacos, corn and bean salsa, cookies, brownies, popcorn, and water. Proceeds will help fund the Weekend Breakfast program, which Georgia Shaw is developing to support the food insecure population of Edmond.



**We are excited to announce that Jill Hill will be the Family Life Ministries (Children & Youth) Interim for the summer! More information to follow in the next Sharing Tree Newlster.**

[WWW.SHCCEDMOND.ORG](http://WWW.SHCCEDMOND.ORG)

**Jenny Wynn will be out the week of May 20 for continuing education at the Festival of Homiletics in Washington DC.**

## FAMILY LIFE MINISTRIES

### **Congratulations to our High School Graduates!**

**Cole Benko** is graduating from Edmond Memorial High School. Cole lettered in football for 4 years, was named All-Conference and represented the USA against the Italian National team winning 28-7. Cole is going to Ohio University on an academic scholarship where he plans to study engineering.

**Noah White**, the son of Brian and Valerie White, has attended Southern Hills since he was born. Noah will be graduating this may from Edmond Memorial High School. He plans to take some time off before attending UCO.

### **2018 Summer Camp**

Summer Camp registration for SHCC has closed. If you did not get your child registered and get your paperwork and fees to the church, you will need to register through the region. The discount rates through the region closed on May 1st, and registration closes completely May 17th! You can register through the region here: <https://okdisciples.org/news-events/event-registration/>

**Camps begin in June. Watch upcoming Sharing Tree Newsletters for the names of campers and dates of their camps. They would love to get letters at camp from their church family!**

## SHCC DAY AT JOHNNIE'S

Johnnie's is hosting Southern Hills fundraisers on the first Saturday of each month in June, July and August. beginning Saturday June 2. Eat at Johnnie's for lunch or dinner on June 2nd and 20% of your purchase will be donated to Southern Hills Christian Church.

Don't forget to **mention when you order** you are with Southern Hills. Proceeds from this fundraiser will support the Weekend Breakfast program. Contact Georgia Shaw for more information.

## CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

We invite you to be a part of our Caregiver's Support Group at Southern Hills Christian Church. We meet every third Tuesday of the month at 7 pm in the Parlor/Conference room. The group includes Stephen Ministers and Leaders in a "Care and Share" experience, emphasizing a listening ear to provide whatever support you need.

Our next gathering will be at 7 pm, May 15. We hope you will join us. There are no requirements for attendance. Come by and check out the group.

Blessings,  
Your Stephen Ministry team

## DISCIPLE WOMEN'S ACTIVITIES

- Disciple women from Fidelity, Hope and Charity groups are invited to lunch at the lake home of Gayle Hurst on **Tuesday, May 15**. We will meet at the church at 10:30 am and carpool to Lake Hiawasee. Lunch will be catered by Market to Table Restaurant. If you prefer to meet at The Hurst's lake home, directions will be available from the church office. Please RSVP to Gayle Hurst by phone or Carolyn Christie by email.
- **Disciple Women's Hope Group** will next meet for a salad supper on June 4, 6:30 pm at the home of Patsy Drab.

# COMMUNITY AND OUTREACH

## FOOD FOR THE HUNGRY

Georgia Shaw is spearheading a new program at SHCC to provide weekend breakfasts to the food insecure population of Edmond. Such a program would supplement the Breakfast on Boulevard program of FCC Edmond, which provides weekday meals. As part of the process, she is researching the need for food assistance for people in Edmond, and sharing that information with our congregation. The results of Georgia's research will be published here through a series of Sharing Tree articles. For info on Edmond Child Nutrition Services and Point in Time Screening, please see the article in the April 10 issue of the Sharing Tree Newsletter at <http://www.southernhillscristian.org/wordpress/newsletters/>

### Project 66 Food and Resource Center

This week I visited the Project 66 Food and Resource Center, toured the building and talked with Stephani Nichols. Stephani is the only paid employee at the center and she works part time. She is paid by a grant from the City of Edmond. They are a faith based organization, though not affiliated with any particular church. They serve residents of Edmond, Arcadia, Luther and Jones, but 95% of their clients are Edmond residents. Food sources for the project are the Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma, donations by five Edmond grocery stores, local food drives and individual donations. During the month of March, 2018 they provided food for 500 households. They expect those numbers to increase to 800 by mid summer.

People needing food may come to Project 66 one

time a month for a two week supply of food for the number of people in their family. At their first visit they must participate in an intake conference where needs are identified. In addition to the food they receive, they are referred to other sources if needed for baby items, clothing, prescription drugs, help with rent etc. The intake volunteer prays with the client. A volunteer then helps the person shop in a small grocery store type area. I saw all types of food that you would get at any local grocery store, but no cleaning supplies or personal care items. There was a freezer with meats, some fresh fruit and vegetables and fresh bakery items in addition to the canned goods and other non perishables.

In addition to Stephani, there were twenty volunteers working the day I was there, unloading boxes of food from a pickup truck, sorting through boxes, putting items on shelves, doing intakes and helping people shop.

Many of their clients are elderly and the working poor who barely make it from paycheck to paycheck until they have an unexpected expense such as car repair, medical bills or house repair.

Project 66 provided family food boxes during the recent teacher walkout and would respond with assistance during a city disaster such as a tornado. They would love to have more volunteers, money donations or groups to host a food drive.

Georgia Shaw

## BLOOD DRIVE

Thank you to all those who donated blood on Sunday, May 6! You're all life savers! If you were not able to be here Sunday for the blood drive, don't worry. We will have another drive in the fall, or you may visit the Oklahoma



Blood Institute at <http://www.obl.org> to find another upcoming blood drive near you. When you go, be sure to tell them you are from Southern Hills Christian Church.

# Southern Hills Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

## Service Times

Sunday 9:00 am - Traditional Service  
Sunday 10:15 am - Sunday School  
Sunday 11:15 am - Contemporary Service  
Sunday 3:30 pm - Communion at Bradford Village



## IMPORTANT DATES

- 5/14 - WOW Book Club - 12:00 in the Chapel
- 5/14 - Refuge Fellowship - Van leaves SHCC at 5:00 pm
- 5/14 - Big theological Questions - 6:00 at the Patriarch
- 5/14 - The People - 6:30 in the Parlor
- 5/14 - PLARN Workshop - 6:30 in Boke Keene
- 5/15 - DW Luncheon - 10:00 at Lake Hiawasee
- 5/15 - Caregiver's Support Group - 7:00 pm in the Parlor
- 5/15 - Outreach Committee - 7:00 pm in Boka Keene
- 5/20 - "Suellebration" - 10:15 in the Gathering Area
- 5/20 - Elder's Meeting - 12:30 pm in the Conference Room
- 5/20 - Leadership Council - 4:00 pm in the Parlor
- 5/22 - Lectio Divina - 6:30 in the Chapel
- 5/22 - Outreach Committee - 7:00 in Boka Keene

## SHCC STAFF

Senior Minister:	Rev. Jenny Wynn
Interim Dir. of Family Life Ministry	Jill Hill
Choir Director:	Andrea Hanson
Interim Contemp. Music Directors:	Ben & Lacie Bowlware
Business Administrator:	Suellen Caywood
Dir. of Communications & Tech:	Chuck Marshall
CDC Director:	Carolyn Lamiell
Family Life (Children & Youth) Intern:	Morgan Gregory

## ATTENDANCE

Sunday School 4/29	64
9:00 AM Traditional 4/29	74
11:15 AM Contemp. 4/29	48
Total Worship 4/29	122
Sunday School 5/06	72
9:00 AM Traditional 5/06	93
11:15 AM Contemp. 5/06	51
Total Worship 5/06	145

## PRAYERS

Marie Byrkit; Mona Baird; Cathy Rains;  
Alice Smith; Nolan & Barbara Pierce;  
Keaton Barron; Donald Moll; Betty  
Marcha; Shirley Bibb; Susie Park;  
Rick Brewster; Barb Livingston; Ron  
Whitaker; Ellen Beer; Elsie Knight;  
Andria Elliott; Evelyn Elliott, Steve  
Bowlware; Fred McCullough; Joe Jones;  
Joan Hagar