

# IN TOUCH

## Getting to know....WHO?

Did you guess that the sibling pair in the last issue was a set of twin girls? Heather and Holly Swartzentruber!

**Birthplace:** Dunlap Memorial Hospital

**First job:** Paperboy

**First pet:** Herman Von Braun—a miniature dachshund

**Favorite candy or candy bar:** Reese Cup

**Favorite book of all time:** *Atlas of Human Anatomy* by Frank Netter

**A good book I read most recently:** *Sibley's Birding Basics*

**Favorite movie of all time:** "2001: A Space Odyssey"

**A good movie I saw most recently:** "The Illusionist"

**If I could meet anyone, it would be:** Martin Luther King Jr.

**Favorite restaurant:** El Campesino's

**Favorite vacation:** Colorado for 2 weeks

**Favorite room/spot in my house:** back deck

**Favorite beverage:** Diet Coke

**The one food I can't stand to eat:** Cubed cooked beets

**The farthest I've traveled from Orrville:** Hawaii

**Something no one knows about me is...** I own a gargoyle.

**WHO AM I?**



## Thank You from Shining Through Ministry Team

We sincerely thank you for your recent love gift for the Shining Through Ministry Team to help defray the travel expenses incurred when they visited your church. Thank you for hosting them and allowing them to share their faith in Christ with you. We appreciate your willingness to support Bluffton University in this way. It is one way that you invest in the lives of our students.

With appreciation, Joyce Schumacher

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## Black Swamp Benefit Bazaar

Because of your faithful generosity and support in recent years, we have raised over \$908,000 to support those with disabilities in our local areas through Sunshine Children's Home in Maumee, as well as assist with national and international relief efforts through Mennonite Central Committee. This means that:

- Supplies and ongoing rebuilding efforts were made possible to those affected by Hurricane Katrina along the Gulf Coast. Relief was provided to those suffering from disease and famine in Africa, and in the war-torn countries of the Middle East. And wells for fresh drinking water were supplied to underdeveloped countries through funds provided by Penny Power.
- Adaptive equipment, furniture and clothing were purchased for residents and clients where funding was refused. The ongoing costs of the ministry programming at Sunshine were provided. Group homes and living area in the Children's Home were updated as needed.
- The love of Christ was shared by meeting the physical daily needs of our brothers and sisters both locally and globally.

Thank you! We invite you to continue with this good work by participating in the *Black Swamp Benefit Bazaar*. Mark your calendars and make plans to attend this special event on June 20 and 21 at the Fulton County Fairgrounds in Wauseon, Ohio. Proceeds from the event will be split evenly between Sunshine Inc. and Mennonite Central Committee. Learn more about this special event by visiting [www.blackswampbenefit.org](http://www.blackswampbenefit.org). This site includes directions as well as an opportunity to preview items up for bid at the main auction.



## Thank You From MCC Connections Thrift Shop

Dear Friends at Orrville Mennonite, A recent update from Mennonite Central Committee included a brief description of ways God is using MCC's ministry around the world. For example:

- 9,000 blankets and 9,000 school kits were shipped to Afghanistan,
- 35 tons of food were sent to North Korea for pediatric and tuberculosis hospitals,
- 190 new shallow wells and 280 water filter tanks were built in Vietnam.
- 1,400 new homes were built in Bangladesh after Cyclone Sidr.

Blankets, comforters, school kits, health kits, AIDS kits, canned meat, relief supplies of all kinds, blended with compassionate caring and delivered with love to people in need, make the phrase *"In the Name of Christ"* exceedingly meaningful.

Your recent gift to MCC of health kits is another link in the chain of caring that our Lord is using to minister to hurting people in many countries. Thank you!

## Vacation Bible School

VBS is coming and going! Vacation Bible School is going to a new week this summer but it is still coming fast! The dates are Sunday, July 27 - Thursday July 31 from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. We will transform into Happy Scientists as we do *Group's Power Lab - Discovering Jesus' Miraculous Power*. We are in need of lots of volunteers, most especially a couple of main leaders and planners. Please see Pastor **Bill** if you are interested.

## Summer Sunday School Option

Beginning June 15, view videos produced by Mennonite Media on the topic of mental illness (an illness that affects most of us at Orrville Mennonite and in our community through family and friends. We will use the videos along with scripture and discussion to expand our understanding. Topics will include depression/mental illness, suicide, and families living with addictions.