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*June & July Dates to Remember!*

*June 18*

*June 25 - 29*

*July 4*





One of the things I hate in life is spending money on something that rarely gets used. When my sister suggested I buy an air fryer, I ignored the suggestion. I figured it was another fad item that people use for a while and then it gets set aside never to be used again. Because of my restricted diet I was struggling to come up with a good variation of foods that were easy to prepare. So, I finally gave in and bought an air fryer.

The air fryer has changed my life! It makes cooking so much more convenient and I am learning to use it for more and more foods. Georgiana has also found it to be life changing because it is so easy to use and eliminates some of the downsides of cooking on the stove. My only question for myself is: "Why didn't I buy an air fryer sooner?"



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**The Summit Herald**

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Rev. Dr. Tom Jones, *Pastor*

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Dianna Carr-DiZinno, *Admin. Assistant*

Sunday Schedule:

10:00 a.m. Worship

Other ministries of Summit Church:

•**Summit Church's Christian Community Outreach Building**

•**Loaves & Fishes Food Bank**

Directors: Kim Steighner, LuAnn Steighner, & a host of volunteers

•**HIS Kids Christian School**

(PreK--6th grade)

650 Saxonburg Rd.

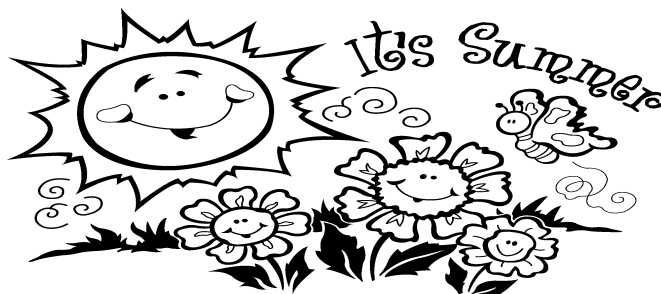
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Many of us are reluctant to try something new. We often don't want to risk spending money without getting value in return or we don't see the need. I know that some of our church family are skeptical of calling a transitional pastor to serve Summit Church. After all, the concept of a transitional pastor is fairly new. My prayer and my hope for our church is that after we have had a transitional pastor that we all wonder why we didn't do this sooner?

*Love and Blessings, Pastor Tom*



**SESSION HIGHLIGHTS**

**from the May 9 Session Meeting**

**Clerks Report: Motion** approved to accept the minutes from the April 11 Session Meeting. **Motion** approved to have Amanda Galvan, Phil Henkel, and Andrew Moyer as the transitional pastor committee.

**Finance Committee:** Motion approved to accept the April treasurers report.

**Christian Education:** VBS is scheduled for end of June. Graduate Sunday will be on June 4th.

**Congregational Care:** The Ladies' Tea is almost here! There are 50+ reservations turned in.

**HIS Kids School Report:** Spring Bash is on Saturday. Elementary Spring concert and art show is on April 18 with the Preschool concert on April 19.

**Facilities: Motion** approved for Luc Carr-DiZinno to head the painting of parking lot and stop sign to make a van accessible parking area for the church parking lot.



*...a quick study of God's edifying Word by R.J. Baker.  
Discover the truth and promises intended for every believer.*

## Women of the Church, Yesterday and Today

(Revised and Enhanced Previous Lesson)

Study Verses: Genesis 1 :27 & 2: 18-25; I Timothy 2: 8-15; Gal 3: 28; Acts 12: 1-17; Luke 8: 19-21

In order for contemporary Christians to understand God's plan and purpose for women in the Church, a serious study of historical cultural practices is needed, comparing them to Godly principles. Ancient Jewish customs and Greek tradition held women in low esteem. Although they were made responsible for keeping the home and raising children, Jewish women had little social status, to the point of being ignored in public settings by husbands, close relatives and respected Rabbis. Orthodox men routinely thanked Jehovah for not making them slaves, gentiles or **women!** In Greece, a respectable woman was considered little more than personal property, and not permitted to venture outside the home alone. If married, she prepared, but infrequently shared a meal with husband or family, most often confined to a chamber until visited by her husband. The pagan temples of Aphrodite (Corinth) and Diana (Ephesus) housed thousands of "sacred princesses" (prostitutes) who roamed the evening streets. This accepted cultural practice endured and plagued the Greek Church for generations. In Israel, Jewish women were permitted to attend synagogue services, though placed in seclusion where they could hear but not be seen. Never were they able to take part in worship rites or could they read Scripture aloud. A woman was forbidden to learn God's Law or teach even the youngest children outside the home. These restrictions provided the backdrop for the early church. Prejudiced male attitudes clouded God's intentions.

Genesis accounts of woman's creation from man, in God's image demonstrates parity in relationship and creature dominion. Eve was the answer to Adam's incompleteness. Use of the term **helper** in describing the woman does not presume inferiority. Psalm 33 calls God "the **helper** of Israel"! In Galatians, Paul writes of the freedom in Lord Jesus which signaled changes for the fledgling Church: "... there is neither male nor female...all are one in Christ Jesus". Separation, differences in church function or matters of honor were no longer mandated. However, certain restrictions in leadership, dress code and addressing the congregation were tolerated under the guise of church order. Cultural misery notwithstanding, God raised up faithful and courageous women through the ages. The plan of redemption depended upon them; the vitality of Christ's Church continues to rely upon the fervent energy and faithfulness of every woman, as from creation.

### God's Revered List

Please study our synopsis of several women that need be considered crucial to the capacity for salvation. No order from Old Testament forward is intended. The tapestry of Church growth began prior to the earthly ministry of Jesus Christ. Indisputably, "it" enjoined men and women alike under the Lord's call!

*(Continued on next page....)*

◆**The Virgin Mary:** A worshipful Jewish maiden selected by Jehovah God to be the mother of the Christ child. She was with Jesus from cradle to cross. Revered as the Holy Mother.

◆**Elizabeth:** Older cousin of Mary; wife of High Priest Zachariah and mother of John the Baptist!

◆**Sarah:** The wife Of Abraham, who conceived Isaac at 90 years after laughing at God's promise of a child. She lost blessings as the result of her unbelief.

◆**Mary Magdeline:** Understood to be one Jesus cast out seven demons; she may have been a prostitute. This Mary became a staunch follower of the Lord upon life changing events.

◆**Deborah:** Brilliant Jewish scholar and military strategist, became Israel's first woman judge. God's loyal Prophet, warning and instructing the Holy will of the Most High.

◆**Queen Ester:** The beautiful Jewish (hidden) wife of a Persian King, who risked her life in exposing a murderous plot to exterminate her people. Successful! Cousin of Mordecai.

◆**Ruth:** The faithful Moabian daughter-in-law of Naomi who followed her and cared for the kinless widow. Eventually married Boaz, rich cousin of Naomi's husband. They had a son Jesse, King David's father.

◆**Mary and Martha:** Loving sisters to Lazarus. The three loved Jesus, following Him at times, supported Him on many occasions. The sisters were openly distressed when Lazarus became ill and died. "Where were you Lord?" They soon learned more.

◆**"Who"...The issue of blood:** She waited in the crowded street, desperately sick, without help, believing Jesus was her last chance after (12) years. There He was! Crawling her way through the mass, she reached out and touched the hem of Jesus' garment. Our lady was healed! Faith and divine power came together!

Read the complete stories and understand how our God may use you...all of us as needed. That path goes in two directions.

Amen



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| 1 Cory Bucholz        | 8 Cheryl Rumbaugh |
| Joshua Bucholz        | 10 Leslie Morrow  |
| Dana Lawson           | 14 Denver Moyer   |
| 2 Grady Morgan        | Schaely Renfrew   |
| 3 Shane Fife          | Celina Cunningham |
| 4 Hannah Carr-DiZinno | 15 Jeff Beattie   |
| Brittany Faust        | Kaya Morgan       |
| Rikki Woodling        | 19 Donna Christy  |
| 5 Debbie Vensel       | 20 April Crider   |
| Colton Holtz          | Lauren Holtz      |
| 6 Erin Wamsley        | 23 Terry Thompson |
| Lauren Wamsley        | 24 Kellie Pettit  |
| 7 Alexis Petro        | 27 Jocelyn Dean   |
|                       | 28 Bill Kingan    |
|                       | Lonnie Lucas      |

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| Tony & Mary Jo Sanks     | 6/6  |
| Paul & Dorothy Steighner | 6/6  |
| Steve & LeAnn Yamnitsky  | 6/9  |
| Tom & Darlene Grabe      | 6/15 |
| Rick & Becky Gallagher   | 6/20 |
| Darrell & Eleanor Kingan | 6/24 |
| Rodney & MaryAnn Fleeger | 6/24 |
| Dutch & Grace Grabe      | 7/16 |
| Rich & Lauren Hoffman    | 7/16 |
| Steve & Terri Antoszyk   | 7/25 |

*If you would like your birthday or anniversary listed in the Herald, please contact Dianna in the church office. Thanks!*



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| 2 Jayden Morse        | 17 Amanda Fischer  |
| 4 Raegan McLay        | Rich Hoffman       |
| 5 Carol Grippio       | 18 Allison Spreng  |
| Jensen Morse          | Diana Dunbar       |
| 6 Darrell Kingan      | 19 David Huff      |
| 8 Autumn Cichra       | Linda Morse        |
| Bruce Dean            | 20 MaryAnn Fleeger |
| Ashley Foertsch       | 25 Helen Dunbar    |
| 9 Cindy Lemmon        | 27 Phil Henkel     |
| 10 Liam Lucas         | Jan Smith          |
| 14 Eva Jean Ohl       | 28 Barb Cichra     |
| Levi Lucas            | 31 Zach Fife       |
| 16 Esther Stepanovich |                    |



Articles for the August *Herald* are due to the church office by Monday, July 24th. Thanks!

*Session,*

*Reminder that our next meeting will be on Tuesday, June 13th. There will not be a meeting in July!*



The **Summer Reading Challenge** is back for 2023!!



Can you can read 1 book in June, 1 in July and 1 in August and turn in the reading log each month? Then try the 2023 Summer Reading Challenge, it's open to everyone. Full details are available in the library. So stop in, pick up a reading log, and check out a book today!

**Herald Assembly Team for the August issue:**

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|-------------------|----------------|
| Terry Dean        | Eleanor Kingan |
| Janet Sepich      | Amanda Galvan  |
| Rex & Judy Jewell |                |

# Summit Church 2023

## Elders

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 Gail Montgomery 724-996-9123  
 Andrew Moyer 724-352-0358  
 Judy Sutton 724-287-1126



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 Linda Nowakowski 724-524-2111  
 Peggy Peters 724-352-5915  
 Renee Slupe 724-287-6271  
 Linda Toy 724-352-3268

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## Saturday - June 24 & July 29

Volunteers please come at 8:00 am to set up and pack orders. \*\*

Distribution will be between 9:00-10:00am.



\*\*Volunteers—new and “experienced” are always welcome to serve at the Summit Church Food Bank. Packing orders and carrying them out to the cars of those we serve—there are jobs for everyone! This is a great service opportunity for individuals and families!! Won’t you join us??

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### Pastor Tom Jones Retirement Party!

Greetings to family and friends of Summit Church!

We are sure you have by now heard that our Pastor Tom Jones will be retiring the end of June. **Sad** news for us, **good** news for him! A new chapter in his life is about to begin!

We have scheduled a celebration of his 12 years with us:

**When: June 11, 2023 10:00am worship/12:30 pm picnic**

**Who: Pastor Tom will be preaching**

**Where: CCO Building**

We will have our morning worship at the CCO building with Pastor Tom leading the worship service. All are invited to stay after church for a good ol’ fashioned picnic and fun! The church will provide meat (chicken and hot dogs), cold drinks for all (maybe even some coffee) and paper products. We are asking each family to provide a covered dish of your choice. We can have ovens on low and refrigerator space available. We are planning on the picnic to be ready by 12:00-12:30pm for all.

Please come for worship, then stay for lunch and fellowship! Looking forward to seeing you all there to celebrate!



# **Get Ready for Adventure!**

# **The Best Week of the Summer!**

- New friends • Amazing experiments • Creative games
- Super-fun snacks • Surprising Bible adventures • Incredible music •

Location: Summit Church CCO Building - 650 Saxonburg Rd.

MONUMENTAL VBS will last from: June 25-29, 2023 (Sun. - Thurs.)

MONUMENTAL VBS fun begins at: 5:50 pm

MONUMENTAL VBS fun ends at: 8:30 pm

For more information, call: Summit Church office 287-2378

Register online: [www.summitchurchpa.org](http://www.summitchurchpa.org) or [www.vbspro.events/p/summitchurchvbs2023](http://www.vbspro.events/p/summitchurchvbs2023)

## **Register today!!!**



# Registration Form

(one per child)

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Male Female

(Must be 3 yrs by June 25, 2023 up through completing 5th grade)

Child's age: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ School grade completed 2023 \_\_\_\_\_

Name of parent(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Street address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Home telephone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/caregiver's cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home church: \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies or other medical conditions: _____
In case of emergency, contact: _____ Phone _____
Relationship to child: _____

Crew number (for church use only): \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*There are two color options this year!! Check out the order chart ⇄⇄⇄⇄**

**\*\*Can't decide? Get both! \$7.00 for one shirt; \$13.00 for two!!**

**\*\*Mark the quantities in the appropriate boxes.**

**Please attach cash or check (Summit Church) to this registration form. Deadline for shirt orders is June 4.**

Color \ Size	Yth XSm 2-4	Yth Sm 6-8	Yth Med 10-12	Yth Lg 14-16	Adult SM	Adult MED	Adult LG	Adult XL
Sunshine Yellow								
Night Sky Blue								

2X-3X sizes are available for \$2.00 extra per shirt.





## VBS Friends!!

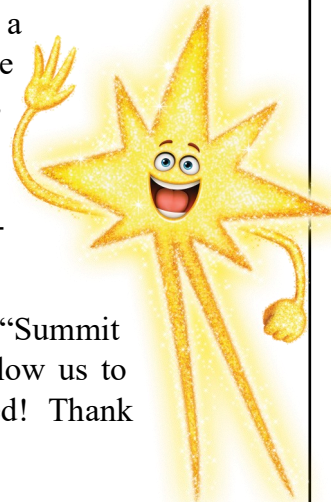
This summer we are going to have an amazing space adventure at STELLAR VBS! Together we will learn how to SHINE GOD'S LIGHT!!

Youth and Adults— we need you to make this adventure happen!! Crew leader and Station Leader positions are available for both elementary and preschool. Volunteer now before your favorite spot is gone!! See the volunteer forms in this Herald or go to the Summit Church website: [www.summitchurchpa.org](http://www.summitchurchpa.org) and click on the STELLAR VBS link under the “Kids” tab!

\*\*In order to comply with PA laws— all Crew Leaders and Station Leaders age 18 and older must have current PA Criminal and Child Abuse Clearances. If you have clearances from another position, volunteer or paid, and they are current—just give us copies. If you need to get clearances—contact Carol Novy at 724-287-2378. It's easy to do online and it's free for volunteers!!

## Would you help us supply our Galactic Snacks Station?

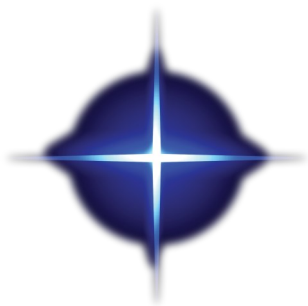
Every evening our space adventurers will come together for a snack!! This year, because of the variety of options surrounding our snack needs, monetary donations would be most helpful!



Checks made out to “Summit Church” or cash would allow us to get exactly what we need! Thank you very much!!

Contact Carol Novy: 724-287-2378 or 724-679-0326.

**Haven't ordered your VBS t-shirt yet!! Do it NOW!! Thanks! :-)**



Get ready—mark your calendar—for an all-out **DECORATING BLITZ**, starting June 12! We will be creating a galaxy far, far away! It will be out of this world!!

Where? Over at the CCO Building—our VBS home! There's always something for everyone—more than decorating!!

Work days & nights: Lots of options for you to choose from!!

Week of June 12: Mon/Wed: 11 am– 2 pm; Tues/Thurs: 9 am—noon Mon & Wed: 6–8 pm

Saturdays June 10 & 17: 9:00 am—noon.

Week of June 20: Stay tuned we will see what's left to do!!



Come when you can, leave when you have to -

we will find something for you to do!!



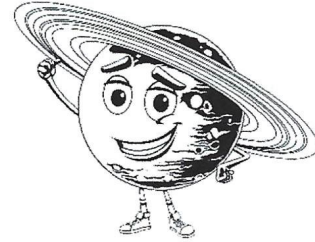


Get ready for an out-of-this-world adventure!! At STELLAR VBS, kids will explore how Jesus shined hope, love, forgiveness, and joy to the world – and how they can do the same with his power! STELLAR VBS will be an amazing, fun, wild, week - June 25-29 (that's Sunday-Thursday!), but before it can begin, we need YOU! To be

more specific, the children of Summit Church, and our community need you to be a part of this year's STELLAR VBS! Read and PRAY through the list below, asking God where he would have you serve during VBS week, and in the weeks before as we prepare! Fill out this form and return it to the Summit Church office. Let's get together and help kids discover how they can shine God's light! Thanks!!

**I can help before VBS by...**

- Praying for VBS participants (staff and children)
- Decorating, creating to make the Summit CCO building an amazing space galaxy!



**I can help during VBS by serving as...**

- Stellar photographer** – Take photographs of kids doing amazing things!!
- Stellar child-care coordinator** – Arrange or provide childcare for kids of VBS workers.
- Stellar registration worker** – check in children, help them find their assigned crews.
- Preschool Space Place Station Leader** – Help lead an activity center for preschoolers.
- Stellar Crew Leader** – During Stellar VBS, kids travel in small groups or crews. Each crew is made up of 5-6 kids and one adult or teenage Crew Leader. Crew leaders have little or no preparation work and function mainly as friends or guides. Please circle the age level that interests you. (Elementary crew leaders must be at least in Senior High; Preschool crew leaders at least completed 6th)

Preschool (ages 3 & 4)

Elementary (ages 5-11)

- Imagination Station Leader**–Lead kids (ages 5-11) in discovering amazing things through hands-on, sciency-fun experiments!!!
- Stellar Bible Adventures Leader** – Lead kids (ages 5-11) in exciting, hands-on Bible adventures.
- All-Star Games Leader** – Teach kids (ages 5-11) zany games that encourage Christian love, teamwork, and cooperation.
- Galactic Snacks Leader** – Help kids (ages 3-11) prepare/serve snacks for the entire VBS each day.
- KidVid Cinema Leader** – Show kids (ages 5-11) daily segments from the *KidVid Stories* DVD, then help them apply what they've seen to their daily lives!
- Assistant in any of the above areas:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Buy a T-shirt? \$7.00 or 2 for \$13.00 (2XL & up available too for \$2 extra!) Size:** \_\_\_\_\_

Color (circle):                      Sunshine Yellow                      Night Sky Blue

**Thanks for serving with us at Stellar VBS! ??? - Call the church office: 287-2378.  
Come help kids shine God's light!**

**\* Due to PA law – all Crew Leaders and Stations Leaders age 18 and up must have criminal and child abuse clearances on file. If you don't have current clearances contact Carol Novy and she will help you through the process! It's easy and free!!**



**STELLAR**

SHINE JESUS' LIGHT

**Summit Church  
VBS 2023**









## **-KIDSylvania Korner-**

### *The partnership of HIS Kids Christian School and Sylvania Conservation Foundation*


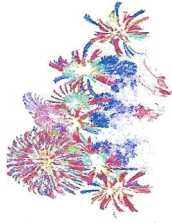
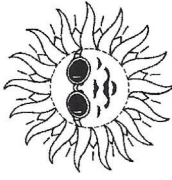
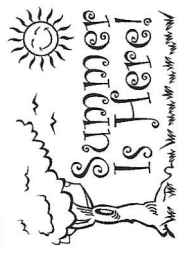


Well... Yet again the power and majesty of God has proved me wrong! He continues to show me how He is in control (que the feeling of love). On Saturday, May 20th HIS Kids Christian School had its annual Astronomy Night out at the Sylvania Property in West Sunbury! After months of the teachers planning and prepping for the event, we were devastated when we saw the weather forecast... Rain all day... accumulations of near a quarter of an inch. I strongly believed we should cancel it, but my co-workers assured me it would be a wonderful event no matter the weather. I continued to have doubts but kept it on. Then on the day of the event the rain cleared, the sun came out and yet again this child of God was taught to keep the faith! We had a wonderful time! The Amateur Astronomers Association of Pittsburgh came out and gave a wonderful presentation about the role light plays in our solar system, and just how far and near items are in space! Kids and adults alike were listening intently to Mr. Farr's presentation. Then we had a rocket launch or two and the kids loved it! They ran into the field to retrieve the pieces! We had games, photo ops, crafts and a fire with hot dogs and smores, and the main event of the evening... the telescopes! Mr. Farr and his volunteers were incredibly knowledgeable of our solar system and the stars around us. Their giant telescopes were truly amazing, and learning as we went about each thing they pointed to, was a one of a kind experience! We at HIS Kids are so grateful for each and every member that came out from the BAMS, Sylvania Group, HIS Kids Christian School families and of course the Amateur Astronomers Association of Pittsburgh! We can't wait to put this event on again next year! The following photos are from our event, enjoy!



# JUNE

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>Sunday Schedule:</b></p> <p>Worship: 10 a.m. Women's Sunday School Class: 11:00 a.m.</p>						
<p><b>4 Communion</b> Graduate Sunday! </p>	<p><b>5</b></p>	<p><b>6</b> 7:00 HK Board mtg</p>	<p><b>7</b> </p>	<p><b>8</b> </p>	<p><b>9</b> 9:30 the Sew-Sews</p>	<p><b>10</b> </p>
<p><b>11</b> 10:00 a.m. Worship over at the CCO Bldg.</p>	<p><b>12</b></p>	<p><b>13</b>  7:00 Session Mtg.</p>	<p><b>14</b></p>	<p><b>15</b></p>	<p><b>16</b> 9:30 the Sew-Sews</p>	<p><b>17</b></p>
<p><b>18</b>  Happy Father's Day</p>	<p><b>19</b></p>	<p><b>20</b></p>	<p><b>21</b></p>	<p><b>22</b> </p>	<p><b>23</b> 9:30 the Sew-Sews</p>	<p><b>24</b> 8:00 Food Bank </p>
<p><b>25</b></p>	<p><b>26</b></p>	<p><b>27</b></p>	<p><b>28</b></p>	<p><b>29</b></p>	<p><b>30</b> 9:30 the Sew-Sews</p>	
<p>“Stellar” Vacation Bible School 5:50 – 8:30 p.m. at the CCO Building</p>						

# July

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>Sunday Schedule:</b></p> <p>Worship: 10 a.m.</p> <p>Women's Sunday School Class: 11:00 a.m.</p>						
2 Communion	3	4	5	6	7	8
		 4 <sup>th</sup> of July		 6	9:30 the Sew-Sews	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	 10	No Session Mtg!			9:30 the Sew-Sews	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
			 19		9:30 the Sew-Sews	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31	 JULY			9:30 the Sew-Sews	8:00 Food Bank  July