

Keeping Connected in the LOGOS Great Lakes Region

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Family Time at First UMC Northville

The LOGOS Youth Club Program at First United Methodist Church of Northville, Michigan is all about momentum. There has been an enrollment of over 200 kids (4th through 12th grade) for 6 years or so, but the momentum has been building since its inception in 1973. Friends include friends who bring other friends...which, in turn, encourages families to join the church and/or be more active.

Church member Dave Schmidt has served as the Co-Dinner Dean, with their pastor, for the last seven years, feeding between 120 and 140 4th through 8th graders (the high schoolers eat in another room). It's a joyous, raucous 50 minutes every Wednesday! Because of such a large group in Family Time, most

weeks involve games that can be done individually at each table, with some final competitions ending up in front of everyone. Favorites include: Spoon

Hanging (with an annual champion selected), building geometric sculptures with marshmallows and toothpicks, table soccer (blowing a ping pong ball with a straw), and Name That Tune. Name That Tune has evolved to "quick snippet" recordings that Dinner Dean Dave has made such as Name That Dance, Name the Numbers (add the numbers heard in the songs), etc.

Dave says that LOGOS keeps him connected to kids now that his are grown and lets him get to know the wonderful people who are their LOGOS table parents.



2005 LOGOS Leadership Training Schools Nearby

- Cambridge, MN August 18-20, 2005
- Hinckley, OH September 15-17, 2005
- Anderson, IN September 30-Oct 2, 2005

For complete listing of all schools, please check the LSA website or call the Pittsburgh office toll free at 877-937-2572!

UPCOMING ONE-DAY WORKSHOPS

- **Love In Disguise: Nurturing Young People Through Discipline**
August 20, 2005 in Crawfordsville, IN
First Christian Church
Contact: Betsy Strain [H: 765-359-1790; Church: 765-362-4812]
Presenter: Lorraine Hunter Frey
- **Nurturing the Nurturers: A Bible Teacher's Workshop**
October 22, 2005 in Bloomington, IL
First Baptist Church
Contact: Sandi Barlow [H: 309-828-2587; Church: 309-828-2587]
Presenter: John Aukerman
- **Nurturing the Nurturers: A Bible Teacher's Workshop**
October Date TBA in Gahanna, OH
Mifflin Presbyterian Church
Contact: Mandy Shirley [Church: 614-471-4491]
Presenter: TBA

A Great Idea: Go to LOGOS Training!

A testimony from Dave Schmidt, Dinner Dean at First UMC Northville's LOGOS Program: "Attending the LOGOS training in 2001 was one of the most rewarding set of vacation days I have ever taken. I attended with our pastor, Reverend John Hice, who wanted the experience also. Hearing of the contrast between LOGOS programs, combined with the sharing of memories, ideas and the similarities of purpose, made it both enjoyable and enriching. Especially if you've already got a few program years "under your belt," the upshot will be a strengthened commitment. I recommend it to everyone!"

This month's articles were submitted by Dave Schmidt who welcomes anyone to contact him for more ideas and details on his Dinner Dean activities, including his music clips at dschmidt@twmi.rr.com.

LOGOS Great Lakes Regional Support

Regional contacts and Regional Team Leaders are your resource people for questions, concerns, ideas, support, or anything regarding your local LOGOS Program. They welcome your calls and emails!

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We are in the process of calling more Regional Supporters.
If you are interested in finding out about serving LSA in a variety of
Great Lakes Regional Support possibilities, please contact
Liz Perraud, National Coordinator of Regional Teams, at (410) 884-6532.

REGIONAL LIFT EVENT

Local churches gather for a day to share ideas and resources, attend discovery groups on program topics, create a network of support within a region, and receive inspiration for the high vision of LOGOS.

CONSULTATIONS

A qualified LSA Consultant can come to you to examine the specific needs and concerns of your church. Churches that attend a Leadership Training School are eligible for a **FREE TWO-HOUR CONSULTATION** within a year of training. Cost of travel for the consultant is the only expense.

ONE DAY WORKSHOPS

- Nurturing the Nurturers: A Bible Teachers' Workshop
- Wonder-filled Worship Skills
- Love in Disguise: Nurturing Young People Through Discipline
- Holy Hilarity: Family Time and Recreation Play Activities
- Critical Care Unit: High School

PREACHING

LSA can provide a guest preacher to share the vision of the LOGOS ministry during a worship service in your church.

To schedule a specialized training event to fit your church's needs, please contact Betsy Strain, Director of Support and Conferences at (765) 359-1790 or elizabethstrain2228@comcast.net

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