

AKRON OHIO STAKE

Self-Reliance Spotlight

Stake Update

We have just completed a wonderful second round of self-reliance groups across the stake. As we embark on the next round, we feel inspired to make two specific adjustments to help accelerate bringing the blessings of this work to all the Saints:

- 1. An Invitation to All** – These groups are not just for those currently going through more difficult circumstances. The more each of us can develop our own self-reliance, the more abundance we have to teach and share with others.
- 2. Make it More Localized** – We'll be working with the Ward and Branch Leaders to host localized Devotionals to facilitate bringing the blessings of

these groups closer to each of you. This localized approach will allow for each Ward and Branch Council to customize their timing and approach to best meet their needs.

Look for more information from your unit leaders in the coming months.

Principle #8 – Become One, Serve Together

“The purpose of both temporal and spiritual self-reliance is to get ourselves on higher ground so that we can lift others in need.”

Robert D. Hales, “Coming to Ourselves: The Sacrament, the Temple, and Sacrifice in Service,,”

Ensign or Liahona, May 2012

Invitation

- 1) Read Matthew 25:31-40
- 2) Think of someone that needs help
- 3) Make a plan to serve that person

Learn more within the *My Foundation* workbook on srs.llds.org

Stake Presidency Message



from
President
Talley

<https://youtu.be/oK2FMtJpTQc>

Upcoming Dates

- Monday-Friday, July 16-20 - YW Camp/Johnson Farm
- Saturday, July 21 - Broadcast of Mormon Tabernacle Choir Pioneer Day Concert 10 p.m.
- Sunday, July 22 - New Portage Branch Conference 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Sunday, August 5 - Fast Sunday
- Saturday, August 11 - Stake Summer's End Youth Picnic/TBD
- Sunday, August 12 - LDS Child Loss Group/Stark's home, 230 Cherry Hill Dr, Wadsworth 7 p.m.
- Sunday, August 19 - Pathway Graduation/Akron 7-9 p.m.
- Sunday, August 26 - Tallmadge Ward Conference
- Sunday, September 2 - Fast Sunday
- Sunday, September 9 - LDS Child Loss Group/Stark's home, 230 Cherry Hill Dr, Wadsworth 7 p.m.
- Sunday, September 9 - Worldwide Devotional Broadcast for Young Adults 8-9 p.m.
- Saturday, September 22 - Quad Stake Youth Dance/Kirtland 7-10 p.m.
- Sunday, September 23 - Wadsworth Ward Conference
- Sunday, September 30 - Wooster Ward Conference
- Saturday, October 6 - General Conference: Morning Session 12-2 p.m., Afternoon Session 4-6 p.m.; General Women's Session 8-9:30 p.m.

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2018 YOUTH CONFERENCE

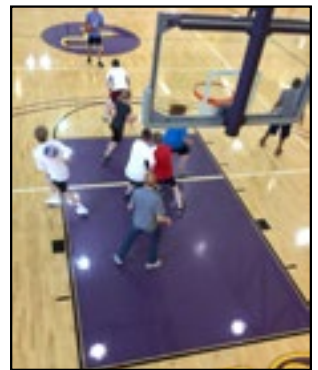
by Gary Fry, Stake YM President

On the heels of the worldwide youth fireside by President and Sister Nelson, the youth of the Akron Stake participated in our annual youth conference. After learning about doing the work of the gathering of Israel during the fireside, our youth were able to complete the baptisms and confirmations for 970 people in the Columbus Temple on Thursday, June 21, 2018. All of the work completed was for people whose names were submitted by the youth themselves, or from family or ward members that shared names for the youth to take to the temple.

In addition to completing all of the temple work, the youth also participated in several breakout sessions on Thursday including missionary preparation, life skills (cooking, cleaning, etc.), FHE games, family history, communications using today's technology, and creating a craft centered around remembering an ancestor. Thursday's activities were topped off with a testimony meeting by the youth.

Following the day in Columbus, the youth traveled to Ashland University, spending the night in the dorms. Friday was spent at the recreation center on campus playing basketball, volleyball, soccer, rock climbing, pool, table tennis, and just hanging out. In the afternoon the youth were able to swim in the pool and also watch the movie *Coco* which was projected on a large screen while they were swimming. The youth all seemed to have a great time.

We have amazing youth in the stake. If you have not taken the opportunity to do so, I encourage you to ask the youth of your ward what they learned from youth conference and how their testimony has grown from participating in the work of gathering Israel. The Church is true and we have a living prophet on the earth today.



AKRON OHIO STAKE OUTING



Members of the Akron Ohio Stake enjoy Faith & Family Night with the Rubber Ducks; \$3 from each member's ticket was donated to the Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank for a total of \$369.



Ward Window

~ Wooster ~

submitted by Bishop Nathan Hill



The Annual Wooster Ward Talent Show was held Saturday, June 16. A wonderful brunch was served before the talent show began.

Talents on display around the room included drawing, painting, needlework, quilting, and a collectible train set, as well as the cooking and baking of the food served.

The talent show included young musicians playing the violin, recorder, and piano. We had magic tricks, dancing, and two young actors doing a scene from Rumpelstiltskin. Musical numbers were done by a mother and daughter, husband and wife, and a whole family singing.

A storyteller presented a tale of a memory from her childhood. We also had a demonstration of what is actually inside a laptop and what it all does. A demonstration of acupuncture made some of us smile and some of us cringe. We are always amazed and awed by the talents our members have and are willing to share with us all.

MISSIONARIES LEAVING



**STEVEN JAMES
NIELSON**
17 JULY 2018
FOR
PERÚ LIMA
NORTH MISSION



**KELLIE PAIGE
HERRON**
24 JULY 2018
FOR
BRAZIL SANTOS
MISSION

MISSIONARIES RETURNING



**MICAH ANDREW
MCPHERSON**
9 JULY 2018
FROM
GEORGIA MACON
MISSION



**BENJAMIN ALLEN
BINGHAM**
17 JULY 2018
FROM
CHILE CONCEPCIÓN
SOUTH MISSION



**ALEXANDER DAVID
MORTENSEN**
26 JULY 2018
FROM
CALIFORNIA ARCADIA
MISSION

Family History Corner

by Jeanne Peugh,
Director



Count The Blessings of Family History and Temple Work

#1 *Feeling Of Doing What Matters Most*

Having the recognition that my time is spent doing something that has eternal consequences.

#2 *The Blessing Of An Unshakable Testimony*

As we engage in this work and do the work for our ancestors, we understand there is life after death, and Heavenly Father has a plan for each of us to return home.

#3 *Blessings In Relationship*

Being in the temple in the service of others, softens our heart and helps us desire to live better. Our focus becomes centered on others!

#4 *Feeling Their Love*

They are not just names on a card, but real people with real lives that we may have made a promise to them and to Heavenly Father before the world was. To realize that you are loved by those whom you gave your time to.

#5 *Abundant Personal Blessings*

To realize that those people whose work you do will be more centered on you than you are on them. As we help them, they help us, it becomes an eternal round of service and our load is lightened.



Historic Kirtland 5K Run/Fun Walk

Saturday, July 21, 2018 at 8:00 a.m.
Historic Kirtland Visitors' Center
7800 Kirtland-Chardon Road, Kirtland, Ohio 44094

\$10 registration fee 19 and older, \$5 for 18 and younger. Walk is Free for All
T-Shirts available for purchase.

www.historickirtland5K.com

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BRECKSVILLE HOME STORAGE CENTER SPECIALS



We now have honey and peanut butter and many other items for your food storage.

Remember, water storage is critical. A common recommendation is to store 14 gallons per person for a two week supply and to rotate the water periodically. Because it is difficult to store large amounts, a water purification method is needed. We have water bottles that can help with water purification, and they can be

used in a 72 hours kit as well. We are happy to answer any question that you might have concerning food storage.

Elder and Sister Juhasz and Elder and Sister Carpenter
6900 Southpointe Parkway, Suite C
Brecksville, Ohio 44141
440-526-4057
Wednesday–Thursday 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

7th Annual Ohio LDS Music Conference

September 8, 2018
9:00 am – 3:00 pm
2135 Baldwin Rd., Reynoldsburg, Ohio



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