

AKRON OHIO STAKE

New Stake Presidency to Be Sustained at Stake Conference

Stake Conference will be held November 17 and 18 at the stake center in Tallmadge. Elder Joaquin E. Costa, General Authority Seventy, and Elder Milan F Kunz, Area Seventy, will call a new president of the Akron Stake and have him sustained during the conference.

They will also speak to the congregation at both the Saturday evening session and the Sunday morning session.

All members of the stake are invited to attend.

*Stake
Presidency
Message
from
President
Laubaugh*



<https://youtu.be/Et-1VoCyB3E>

Elder Joaquin E. Costa

Elder Joaquin E. Costa was sustained as a General Authority Seventy of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints



on April 2, 2016. At the time of his call, he had been serving as a member of the Fourth Quorum of the Seventy in the South America Northwest Area. He also previously served as a member of the Brazil Area Presidency. He is currently serving at Church headquarters in Salt Lake City.

Elder Costa received a bachelor's degree in economics in 1987 from Universidad de Buenos Aires and a master's degree in business administration in 1994 from Brigham Young University. In his professional career he worked in the banking

industry in Argentina, the Czech Republic, and the Sultanate of Oman in the Middle East. At the time of his call, he was working in Lima, Peru, with a Danish investment firm focused on microfinance.

Elder Costa has served in numerous Church callings, including bishop, counselor in a stake presidency, high councilor, and Area Seventy.

Joaquin Esteban Costa was born in Concordia, Entre Rios, Argentina, on March 8, 1965. He married Renee Beatriz Varela in September 1989. They are the parents of four children.

Elder Milan F. Kunz

Elder Milan F. Kunz was called as an Area Seventy in April, 2014 and serves in the North America Northeast Area.



He and his wife, Leslie, have five children, four boys and one girl, ranging in age from 33 through 19 years old and five grandchildren. They live in Downingtown, PA.

Elder Kunz is originally from Bethesda, MD, he graduated in Accounting and later received his MBA degree, both from Brigham Young University. Elder Kunz served a two-year full-time mission for the Church in the Ireland Belfast Mission. He has served in the Church as a bishop, counselor in a stake presidency, stake young men's president, and other positions. Elder and Sister Kunz served as mission president and wife of the Nebraska Omaha Mission from 2009 - 2012. He is currently the local coordinator for the Philadelphia Temple events. He is a retired executive from GlaxoSmithKline.

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Upcoming Dates

- Sunday, November 11 - LDS Child Loss Group/Stark's home, 230 Cherry Hill Dr, Wadsworth 7 p.m.
- Saturday, November 17 - Quad Stake Youth Dance/Cleveland 7-10 p.m.
- Saturday, November 17 - Stake Leadership Training 4-5:30 p.m.; Adult Session/Tallmadge 7-9 p.m.
- Sunday, November 18 - Stake Conference/Tallmadge 10 a.m. - noon
- Sunday, December 2 - Fast Sunday
- Sunday, December 2 - First Presidency's Christmas Devotional Broadcast 8-9:15 p.m.
- Sunday, December 9 - LDS Child Loss Group/Stark's home, 230 Cherry Hill Dr, Wadsworth 7 p.m.
- Sunday, December 16 - Stake YSA FHE, Tallmadge after meetings



The Akron Stake hosted October's quad stake youth dance, with the theme of "Harry Potter" chosen by the stake youth committee.

The stake center cultural hall was turned into Hogwarts for the evening.

Our refreshments also fit the theme, including Butter Beer.

We were joined by youth from the Cleveland, Kirtland, and Youngstown stakes.

We had a costume contest which included several different categories such as funniest costume, with prizes for the winners.



Massillon Ward Window

submitted by Sister Susan Lorge

In the past couple of months, the Massillon Relief Society has held a few outstanding events.



In September we had a “Back to School” night where Sisters attended classes on Writing (where we wrote our testimonies in Books of Mormon), a History Class on Family History, a class in Health, one in Art and, of course, we had to have a fun “Recess.” A good time was had by all.

In October, we had a meeting for anyone who wanted to know more about the upcoming Medicare open enrollment, with meaningful information presented during that time.

We also gathered for the first Women’s General



Conference Meeting, enjoying a “Cupcakes & Conference” theme at the church house. What a spiritually uplifting occasion that was! We know that if we gather together and build strong friendships and testimonies we can better serve ourselves, our Families and our Heavenly Father.

We are currently preparing for a Gratitude Dinner this month that will focus on being more “Thankful for all that Heavenly Father provides for us” and in gaining “An Attitude of Gratitude.”

Self-Reliance Spotlight

Stake Update

For many, the upcoming holiday season brings great anticipation and excitement. For others, those feelings can be overshadowed by anxiety and even fear as they consider the temporal challenges that continue to beset them. Fortunately, our Savior has provided a way for his followers to overcome. One way he reaches out is through the Self-Reliance initiative. Over the past few months, the localized Devotionals have resulted in close to 100 members throughout the Stake joining one of the Self-Reliance Groups. Some groups are just beginning, and some are well on their way to finish by Christmas. Please continue to reach out to your Ward Specialist or Ward Council to learn more.

Principle #12 – Receive Temple Ordinances

“The Lord will bless us as we attend to the sacred ordinance work of the temples. Blessings there will not be limited to our temple service. We will be blessed in

all of our affairs. We will be eligible to have the Lord take an interest in our affairs both spiritual and temporal.”

Boyd K. Packer, *The Holy Temple*

Invitation

- If you have a temple recommend, set a date to attend the temple.
- If you don’t have a temple recommend, meet with your bishop or branch president to discuss how you can prepare to receive your temple ordinances.
- Share what you’ve learned about temple ordinances with your family or friends.

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



Easthill YSA Branch

by Kelly Smith

Halloween was in full force for the Easthill YSA Branch during October. This month we hosted the Quad Stake Activity for the Akron, Cleveland, Kirtland, and Youngstown YSA. We enjoyed a night of mystery solving fun as we played a live version of Clue! Although we were rained out for our monthly FHE activity, we quickly switched plans and ended it with laughs and games. The branch will be hosting a "Snack and Mingle" following the General Session of Stake Conference in November. All YSA all invited to come to grab a donut and apple cider.



Family History Fair 2018 It's All Relative Amazing Day

by Elizabeth Nielson

On October 20, the stake hosted its third Family History Fair. This year's event had the best attendance yet: 145 attendees. For the first time, there were more attendees from the community than from within the stake. Twenty-four individual classes were taught by top-notch instructors from around Ohio.

"It shows us that people want to find their ancestors and they want to do it the right way," said Sister Jeanne Peugh, director of the Family History

Center and the organizer of the fair. "They want to know what sources are out there and how to access those sources. It's a testimony to each of us that this work is truly the Lord's work, and He desires that each of us will feel the Spirit of Elijah as we continue to seek out our kindred dead."

Next year's Family History Fair is already on the calendar. It is scheduled

for October 19, 2019. Mark your calendar, because you won't want to miss it!



Light the World

...is the theme for the Akron Ohio Stake tree donation to the 2018 Festival of Trees sponsored by the Akron Children's Hospital.

The tree will be adorned with handmade ornaments by Primary Children ages 8-12.

The decor of the tree will portray how kindness and service can Light the World!

ACH Festival of Trees is free and open to the public.

[Go HERE for Schedule & Map](#)



Holiday
Tree
Festival

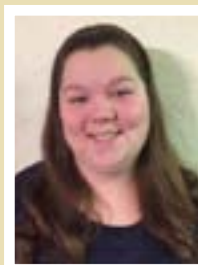
"In every thing give thanks..."
1 Thessalonians 5:18

THIS MONTH SHOW GRATITUDE THROUGH SERVICE

Do you know of a great service
organization in your area?
Tell your JustServe
Representative.



MISSIONARIES RETURNING



**RACHEL LEA
YEATES**

15 NOVEMBER 2018

FOR

**ALASKA ANCHORAGE
MISSION**



**DANIEL JOSEPH
PARKE**

19 NOVEMBER 2018

FROM

**MÉXICO MÉXICO CITY
NORTH MISSION**



**DANIEL HERBERT
DAWSON JR**

20 NOVEMBER 2018

FROM

**FRANCE LYON
MISSION**



2018 Light The World Campaign

The theme for this year's Light the World Campaign is "Light the World: Give as He Gave." Building upon successes of the past two years, the returning campaign theme, "Light the World" is an invitation to approach the Christmas season with a renewed focus on service and giving our time, love, and resources as Jesus gave. All Light the World materials will be posted by November 12 on lighttheworld.org/download.

BRECKSVILLE HOME STORAGE CENTER SPECIALS

The Brecksville Home Storage Center provides information to help you plan and start your family's food supply. Please know that we are willing to assist you in developing a food storage plan that works for your budget and circumstances.

Every month sale items are available. Sale items for November and December are:

Peanut Butter (3-year shelf life)

27 oz. plastic jar \$3.50

Case of 12 jars \$42.00

Potato Pearls (1.5 year shelf life)

1.8 lb. pouch \$3.75

Case of 12 pouches \$45.00

Hard White Wheat (30-year shelf life)

5.5 lb. can \$2.50

Case of 6 cans \$15.00

Potato Flakes (30-year shelf life)

1.75 can \$4.50

Case of 6 cans \$27.00

Happy Holidays!

Elder and Sister Juhasz and Elder and Sister Carpenter