

Spring Fundraiser 2011

Auction – Happy Days On Casino Road



We had a great time at the Casino Road Ministries 2nd Annual Auction ‘Happy Days On Casino Road’. We had guest appearances from: Arthur Fonzarelli (play by none other than our very own Vern Fonk!), Joanie Cunningham (we can’t say who play that character) and there was even an Elvis sighting! It was a great night!

At the end of the night, we raised \$22,229! Generous gifts and contributions, as well as the great auction turn out made this night such a wonderful success. These funds raised will allow us to send 35 children to summer camp and support our six after-school programs.



Our programs give children the opportunity to develop life changing relationships with caring adults, strengthen academic and music skills, experience God’s love and learn how to be positive leaders of ‘Today’.

Kids’ Camp will be at Cedar Springs Camp in Lake Stevens. The camp theme is ‘Spy: Remote Control...who is controlling your life?’ During camp, kids will enjoy swimming, low ropes course, climbing wall, marital arts, laser tag and many more activities that will enrich their lives and create memories for a lifetime. For updates on our ministries and kid’s experience at camp, follow us on our website.

Thank you for partnering with CRM to help us continue to transform this generation, one child at a time.

Got Milk? (A Testimony To God’s Goodness)

The week of the auction everything that could go wrong was going wrong in many lives. My car broke down, one of our leaders had a gas pump break on them (spraying gas over clothing), another leader’s refrigerator died while out of town, the school district didn’t drop off our milk boxes for club and other hiccups, too numerous to mention. These are circumstances, which cause some to worry and forget to look to God for support and strengthen. So, on my way to club, I simply asked God for a miracle to show us He’s near.



As I said before, the Mukilteo School District provides us with milk boxes and fruit for our clubs each week. However, this particular week, they couldn’t deliver the usual number of milks, leaving us short by 28 boxes. I didn’t worry about it, but planned on going to the grocery store to buy a gallon of milk before club to make up for the shortfall. However, I didn’t make it to the store.



During homework club, the leaders were gathering the kids together for dinner. And, it was then that I remembered I didn't go buy the gallon of milk we needed. I ran to the dinner room to ask Todd if he needed me to go buy milk (the answer I thought would be "YES!"). Instead he told me, 'we have plenty.' We served over 40 children that night without having a shortfall. I think I remember Jesus doing something like this in the [Gospels](#). Go look it up! He is good, isn't HE! God is simply amazing!

Inside the life of Tyrone: Lessons through Hardships

My wife and I have endured three weeks of hardships and hang ups. Three weeks ago, the flood gates of hard times were opened up.

The week of the auction (three weeks ago) everything that could go wrong was going wrong. My transmission decided it was a good time to give me problems, so now I need a new transmission. Then, last week, my computer decided to not turn on leaving me without access to the information from the auction. If that didn't get me, my wife's car stopped working. What next?

To be honest, I just wanted to run away from it all, sleeping as if nothing was going wrong. Sounds like a good plan right? In actuality, NO, that is not the right plan.

I didn't run away. Instead, I decided to 'run away' to my friend and Savior, Jesus Christ, for wisdom and comfort. As I sat talking to him about the circumstance of my life, I came across some words of the apostle Paul (who knows a lot about hard ships) in 2 Corinthians 4:8-10. Paul writes, ***'We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; ⁹ persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed. ¹⁰ We always carry around in our body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be revealed in our body.'***

I'm reminded of the truth in these verses that my trials will not destroy me, my faith or God's love for me. Through my faith in Christ, I'm victorious in every trial because He conquered the grave. And this realization causes me to thank Him for being here to help me.

I don't know what each of you are going through this week. But God wants you to know He loves you and will always be near to encourage, comfort, save and provide for you.

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