

# Group celebrates with grand finale

A host of people gathered at the Federated Church in McDonald Sunday night for the Awana Grand Finale.

Each year the Awana Club has an awards program and an evening of fun. This year the awards night started off with flag salutes to the American Flag and the Awana flag; followed by the Awana Theme Song and several other songs that the clubbers have sung throughout the year. Then the Awana Director, Dixie Louderbaugh, familiarized the crowd with the story of Moses that the clubbers had been learning about this year during council time.

The awards were then handed out by each club leader. The Cubbies leaders are Marlene Johnson and Marilyn Adams. The cubbies receiving awards were Jazzmin Binning, Fiona Ray and Bryan Monteiro. Jazzmin Binning recited a verse that she had memorized in cubbies this year

for the audience.

Before the Sparks leader, Betty Knapp, handed out the Sparks awards Porsha and Bianca Binning recited the verses that go with the acronym, SPARKS, for their club. Children receiving first book awards in Sparks were: John Serrano, Mitchell Howard, Bianca Binning, Joseph Melton and Daniel Monteiro. Second book awards were given to Porsha Binning, Brianna Vandike, Andrew Shields, and Daniel Monteiro. The Third Book Award was given to Kaylynn Hendricks who will advance to the Truth and Training (T and T) group next year.

Several children were given certificates of participation. They were Celina Monteiro, Miah Hackney, and Caitlin Ray. The Sparks group has a large number of listeners so that each child receives as much attention as possible while they are memorizing Bible verses. These listeners are: Betty



**RACHEL KELTZ leads her team in a Tug of War Sunday night at the Awanas grand finale that was at the McDoanld Federate Church.**

Lewis, Joan Tongish, Lavina Waters, Phyllis Wingfield, Eleanor Swihart, Dawn Petty, Wanda Dowdy, Donna Binning, George Louderbaugh, and Jerry Knapp. Haleigh Rucker and C.J.

Antholz each recited verses that they had learned this year in the Truth and Training Club. Leader, Margie Hubbard, handed out the awards to the girls in this group. Rachel Keltz and Serena Lee

each received first book ribbons. Haleigh Rucker and Alex Hazuka both were given second book awards which are called the excellence award. Certificates of participation were given to Regina Lee, Christina Frink and Amber Manners. Listeners for the girls Truth and Training club are Jeri Antholz and Margaret Voorhies.

Pastor Mark Adams, who is the commander of the Awana Club and who is also the leader of the boys Truth and Training group handed out his awards. Certificates of participation were given to Jacob Serrano and Merlin Ray. The third book award plaque was given to C.J. Antholz. Gilbert Antholz is a listener for the boys T and T group also. Pastor Adams also gave a prayer for the fifth graders who will be going on to youth group next year.

After the awards were given the group headed outside where there were chariot races and a tug-of-war. The chariots were built several years earlier by men of the Federated Church specifically for the Awana Club. Some older former Awana Club members even got into the action.

Then a supper of grilled hamburgers, hot dogs, and a smorgasbord of salads and

desserts were enjoyed by everyone. With supper over the kids participated in carnival-type booths run by the Awana leaders and helpers. One of the favorite things at the carnival is the jail. The kids can win jail tickets at a booth and with the ticket throw someone in jail. The jailer, Dave Hubbard, keeps those thrown in jail there until they can quote a Bible verse or answer a question from the Bible.

There was also an Awana Store where the kids were allowed to spend their hard-earned Awana bucks, which they earn for doing sections in their books. Everyone's favorite treat was the ice cream from the ice cream machine that Dan Hubbard and Ron Bell kept running during the evening.

The Awana Grand Finale was a lot of fun and recognition goes to the clubbers and their parents who make it possible for McDonald Federated Church to have an Awana Club. None of this would happen though if it weren't for the fantastic people who come faithfully each week to help the kids learn Bible verses, they are appreciated so much.

Most of all the Awana leadership seeks to glorify God and Jesus Christ the Savior

# Producers reminded to submit acreage

Producers need to be reminded to submit their annual report of acreage to their local Farm Service

Agency county office to meet Farm Service Agency program eligibility requirements, said Adrian

Polansky, executive director of the U.S. Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency in Kansas.

"Producers must file their reports accurately and timely for all crops and land uses, including prevented and failed acreage, to ensure they receive the maximum Farm Service Agency program benefits possible," said Mr. Polansky.

Accurate acreage reports are necessary to determine and maintain eligibility for various programs, such as the Direct and Counter-cyclical Program and newer programs authorized in the 2008 Farm Bill. Programs include the Supplemental Revenue Assistance Payments Program (SURE), Average Crop Revenue Election Program (ACRE), Livestock Forage Disaster Program (LFP), and Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honeybees, and Farm Raised Fish Program (ELAP). Wheat, barley, oats and triticale

acreage reports are considered timely filed when completed by May 31st.

Prevented acreage must be reported within 15 calendar days after the final planting date. Failed acreage must be reported before the disposition of the crop. Producers should contact their county Farm Service Agency office if they are uncertain about reporting deadlines.

Late-filed provisions may be available to producers who are unable to meet the reporting deadline as required. Reports filed after the established deadline must meet certain requirements to be accepted and may be charged late fees.

Contact the Farm Service Agency office at 332-2183 to complete acreage reporting. More information on Farm Service Agency programs is at: www.fsa.usda.gov.

## Club Clips

### Kanred

The Family and Community Education group, Kanred, met on April 5, at the LeBow Manor in Bird City. There were four members present. Treva Henry, Colleen Catic, Carol Williams and Wanda Dowdy. This is the Family, Community and Education group that is over 80 years old.

The lesson for today was, "Cut the Clutter and Get Organized." This was an enjoyable lesson as members all realized how much stuff everyone has.

There were points that would be useful to any member with children at home. In these cases, one could designate to each member a certain chore that needs to be done on a daily, weekly or monthly basis. Then one person is not with the entire job of cleaning up the clutter. There were also suggestions on looking for other places for storage, so things could be put away orderly and gotten out when needed.

There was a list of 10 things to get rid of now: 1. Anything with a stain, hole or tear. 2. Clothing or accessories you like, but look funny on you. 3. Purses you no longer use. 4. Outdated clothing or accessories. 5. Ratty weekend

clothes. 6. Clothing that does not fit. 7. Worn shoes. 8. Anything of a lower quality than your regular wardrobe. 9. Worn out lingerie. 10. The good coat that will not fit over your other clothes.

It was also suggested to organize with hooks, hangers, shelves or baskets. Look for additional areas in other parts of the house to store out-of-season clothing - other closets, utility room, under the beds, or other places.

A wall rack can be used for jewelry and scarves, shoes can be stored on shelves, scarves and belts can be stored on towel bars on the wall or door.

The ideas are endless. Everyone just needs to take control of the clutter at their house.

After the lesson, since there was no more business, members shared refreshments that each had brought and had a good time of visiting with one another.

Next month, the meeting will be on Monday, May 3, and the lesson will be on genealogy. Anyone who would like to join the group is welcome. The meetings are on the first Monday of the month at the LeBow Manor at 2 p.m. Come join the group.



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