



Student check-in for Thursday @ The Gate

Coming Soon:

The Gate Golf Scramble at Diamond Woods Golf Course 1PM	Aug 17
The Gate Lunch Gathering at noon in First Baptist's Multipurpose Room Come join us as we share a Tuesday Lunch meal and current progress of The Gate RSVP joyce.wahl@gmail.com	Aug 27
The 2nd Annual Tail "Gater" barbeque 5-7 PM on the front lawn of First Baptist Church directly across from CHS	Sep 20

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Inside THE GATE

The Gate Youth Association

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WHY IS THE GATE HERE?

A heartfelt reminder of why we at The Gate continue to serve our communities' youth was given to Board President Ben Bobeda as he and the teen writer shared a Thursday evening spaghetti dinner together. (see letter to the right) Thursdays at the Gate ended the year strong with a "Give Back to The Community Day" where students made cards for area veterans, placemats for the Meals on Wheels program, and pet toys for local animal shelters. Students continue to enjoy the opportunities The Gate offers. As one CHS junior said, "I come to inspire others, have a good time and stay connected with my friends in a friendly and safe environment."

GOLF TOURNAMENT IN AUGUST!

The Gate Golf Scramble will be held on Saturday, August 17, 2013 at the beautiful Diamond Woods Golf Course in Monroe, Oregon....just south of Corvallis. The format is a 4-person scramble beginning at 1 PM and followed by an early outdoor supper and raffle. Registration is \$100 per player with carts, mulligans, and raffle tickets all included. Additional raffle tickets may be purchased on site. For hole sponsorship and registration forms please contact Joe Johnson @ 503 838 6082 (home) or 503 910 1075(cell).

Thank you very much for giving me a place to hang with my friends, enjoy doing baking again, for the dinners, and for just giving me a place to have fun in general.

This is a small gift to help with the building of the new center.

Thank you for everything

THANK YOU, SILBERSTEINS

Faithful, dependable, humble, trustworthy, honorable, passionate servants...these are just a few of the words that were used to describe Tom and Diane Silberstein, founding Gate volunteers and supporters who have faithfully served behind the scenes in all ministries of The Gate. Tom served on the building design committee and he has teamed with Diane in cooking breakfast for 8 loyal youth volunteers who set up for Church Lunch each Tuesday morning at 6:30. Diane has been a Gate Board member, Church Lunch Mom, prayer team coordinator and craft and cooking expert for Thursdays @ The Gate. Their service has been continuous for the past nine years. The Gate and the community as a whole will greatly miss their passion for youth, their consistent modeling of Christ's unconditional love and the wisdom that they have shared with us all.



CHURCH LUNCH 2012-13 YEAR END CHECK IN



It was another eventful school year at Tuesday Church Lunch. Some things were the same; we still served yummy lunches to the students of Central High School along with some staff members, averaging 125 per week.

Some things changed; we added homemade macaroni and cheese to our rotating menu! Another change is that our loving and devoted Lunch Mom, Diane Silberstein, will be moving to Klamath Falls to join her husband on a new adventure. She leaves us all with a wonderful example of true servant hood.

We are already looking forward to the beginning of school and yummy food, encouraging speakers and providing students with a 30 minute Tuesday retreat where they are known, encouraged and experience Christ's unconditional love.

THANK YOU, SYLVIA WARREN

We, at The Gate, are convinced that it really does take the whole community to raise a child well. We have been blessed over the past six years to have had the opportunity to work collaboratively with Central High School in providing afterschool opportunities for Monmouth-Independence teens. We are very grateful for the support that retiring principal, Sylvia Warren, has given to the all the students at CHS as well as us at The Gate. Thank you very much, Sylvia and best wishes in your retirement from all of us at The Gate.

THOUGHTS FROM THE PRESIDENT



As I look back at the 2012/13 school year I am amazed and thankful for each teen The Gate was able to serve and each volunteer who joined us in helping touch their lives as we strive to raise up future generations who experience, follow and serve Christ. Around 200 teens enjoyed a meal and heard an inspirational message from our 10 faithful Church Lunch moms this year and weekly speakers. With the help of 15 volunteers from WOU and the Mon/Ind community, Thursdays @ The Gate was able to serve over 275 Middle and High Schoolers this year. The Gate also continues to be an integral part of the High school tutoring program. It is exciting to see the people of Monmouth and Independence come alongside of The Gate as we continue to gain momentum in meeting the needs of teens in our community.

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