

LIBRARY LEADERSHIP GROUP HOSTS BLOOD DRIVE



Library Leadership Group students work the blood drive
Front - Christopher Gutierrez and Freda Antely Back - Brisa Montes and Rylan Bloyd
/photo by Michele Boy



Pat Moore donates blood/photo by Michele Boy

by Michele Boy Editor

collected. Based on the units collected, the LLG students receive money toward scholarships. The average drive goal is 30 units collected.

The Hamilton County Library Leadership Group (LLG) hosted the Red Cross Blood Drive on Tuesday at the Hamilton County Fairgrounds. It was a good turnout with 30 units

LOCALS RACE IN TURKEY TEXAS



Left -Jesse Cooper, Steve McAllister, and Nevaeh Hahn ride the Trail of Tears,
Right - Jesse Cooper takes third in his age division/courtesy photos



by Steve McAllister Guest Contributor

The Syracuse Bike Club sent three people to Turkey, Texas for a bi-cycle race on Saturday, March 8. Nevaeh Hahn, Jesse Cooper, and Steve McAllister all competed. Friday in Turkey, Texas, they had a race where the Professional Bike Riders made 20 trips around town to amaze the crowd. The weather was perfect. Saturday was race day, and the weather was just the opposite. Low 30s and no sun, plus it started snowing. The roads are primarily red clay. When they get wet, they become very soft, like peanut butter. Nevaeh Hahn was in the first race which was 19 miles. It finished as soon as it started and most did not make it around.

Jesse and Steve were in the medium course race which was 49 miles. At first the race was great and then the soft earth crept in. Many riders fell and had to walk away. Steve McAllister and some of his friends made almost all of the course but were ultimately picked up because the snow was so intense and the mud on the roads was unrideable. Jesse Cooper was way ahead in the front pack and he made the whole course. For his efforts he ended up 3rd in his age group and received a Trail of Tears flag. The race will be remembered always and all three members had a great time. Congratulations to Jesse Cooper for being truly one of the best riders of the day.



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Pastor’s Ponderings

by Assistant Pastor Dalin Melcher
Syracuse Wesleyan Church

Before we begin with this week’s article, would you take a moment to pray for the local Body of Christ? We are together in the battle against the world, the flesh, and the devil; even conflict within our individual churches. Therefore, I have this to say to you: “Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you;” (1 Peter 4:12 ESV). “But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called “today,” that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. For we have come to share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end. (Hebrews 3:14-15). “For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us;” (Romans 8:18). I now move to our next section in Romans 1, meditating on verses 5-7. Paul builds on the foundation of the gospel as the source of both the ability and ministry concerning the gospel taken to those (Gentiles) who do not yet know God. Who is the foundation of your ministry? I refer you to Matthew 7: 24-27 to encourage and admonish you in Christ with the familiar lyrics: “Our hope is built on nothing less, than Jesus blood and righteousness... on Christ the solid Rock I stand, all other ground is sinking sand.” God’s unmerited favor toward humans in the gospel is the driving force He’s chosen to bring His children to saving faith- that means you, Christian! You who are called to belong to Jesus Christ are loved by God. Let that sink in as you repeat it to yourself again. Though our God is a righteous and just Judge, He has shown us

mercy by laying our punishment on the shoulders of Jesus! What greater motivation is there to go and tell the world “Our Savior lives” than our God has chosen to smile upon us when He should frown (Joel Beeke, Revelation). Let this be your life source today: “There is therefore now no condemnation for those that are in Christ Jesus.” You are free to worship the Almighty and He has called you to be a saint- a living, breathing worshiper of God. You’ve heard it said,” He who has been forgiven much will love much.” Know this, Christian, we have been forgiven much (more than we could ever understand) and in return received the immeasurable riches of God’s grace; in Jesus we have peace with God. How much does your God love you? Enough to give His only Son to death in order that we might receive life. Let this fill your heart with courage as you take His gospel to those who have yet to know Him.

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