ECCOB to dedicate new elevator

East Cocalico Church of the Brethren has realized a lifelong dream and will be dedicating its new elevator on Nov. 30 at their 10:30 a.m. service. The church, planted by Ephrata Church of the Brethren in March of 1991, is located at 4 Beecher Hill Road in Reamstown. The public is invited.

About 25 years ago the need for an elevator was recognized. There are 23 steps up from the classroom and fellowship hall to the sanctuary. Elevators were looked at and a fund was started. The total price of the project is $228,000, and $215,000 of it has been raised without drawing from emergency savings. On Oct. 14, the congregation voted unanimously to do the project.

"Even a few years ago this dream seemed impossible," said Pastor Steve Hess, "but with God, all things are possible. There are many warm and loving small churches dotting our countryside. There is hope for the small church. There are many creative ways to move forward in mission. There are new beginnings ahead for all of us!"

To learn more, visit eastcocalicochurch.org.

Lions breakfast buffet set

The Baron Stiegel Lions Club of Clay & Elizabeth Townships will host a buffet breakfast on Sunday, Nov. 3, from 7 a.m. to noon, at the Bricksville Fire Hall, 100 Laurel Road, Lititz. The buffet of breakfast items features for an all-you-can-eat price of $10 for adults and $5 for kids.

Tickets can be purchased at the door. To learn more, call 717-560-1131.

New Arrivals

BOHN, Michael A., and Yaneury Montas Bohn (Montas Chapman), Reading, a son, at WellSpan Ephrata Community Hospital, Oct. 24.

BOLEY, Lauren, New Holland, a daughter, at WellSpan Ephrata Community Hospital, Oct. 24.

GIBERICH, Jonathan M. and Kaitlyn, Ephrata, a son, at Women & Babies Hospital, Oct. 22.

HOLLINGER, Anthony J. and Erika (Kelly), Reading, a daughter, at WellSpan Ephrata Community Hospital, Oct. 21.

HOOVER, Marvin and Wilmia (Martin), Ephrata, a son, at UPMC Pinnacle Littitz, Oct. 21.

HORST, Brandon L. and Janel (Noi), Reinholds, a son, at Women & Babies Hospital, Oct. 25.

HOUCK, Rebecca, and Gregg Guilar, Reinholds, a son, at Women & Babies Hospital, Oct. 21.

KEITH, Adam and Donna, Ephrata, a son, at Women & Babies Hospital, Oct. 15.

KING, J. Lawrence and Joyce (Van der Zee), Denver, two sons and a daughter, at Women & Babies Hospital, Oct. 15.

LIVENGOLD, Jeffrey A. and Sarah (Sensenig), Lancaster, a daughter, at WellSpan Ephrata Community Hospital, Oct. 21.

MARTIN, Andrew M. and Karen S. (Weaver), Denver, a daughter, at home, Oct. 18.

MARTIN, Randal S. and Caitlin (Martin), Denver, a son, at WellSpan Ephrata Community Hospital, Oct. 25.

NEWSWANGER, Christopher and Crystal (VanPelt), Denver, a son, at home, Oct. 24.

PETROSKY, Steven C. and Janny (Gibble), Manheim, a son, at WellSpan Ephrata Community Hospital, Oct. 19.

REDCH, Matthew and Kaitlyn, Reinholds, a son, at Women & Babies Hospital, Oct. 19.

SWEIGAR, Justin M. and Amanda (Miller), Stevens, a son, at WellSpan Ephrata Community Hospital, Oct. 21.

VATTERSON, Joshua T. and Kimberly (Thompson), Ephrata, a daughter, at Women & Babies Hospital, Oct. 17.

Learn the history of local transportation

Early photo specialist Herb Fisher will give a slide presentation on the history of early transportation in Lancaster County at Manheim Fellowship Center, 3524 Market Road, Ephrata, on Oct. 31 at 7 p.m.

The presentation will begin with stage coaches, then switch to the trolleys run by the Conestoga Traction Company, including the route from Lancaster to Terre Hill. Fisher will share stories about building, running, and mishaps of the early trolley days until it stopped. He will show the remains of the trolley path today.

The event is sponsored by the Swiss Pioneer Preservation Associates. The lecture is free, with donations appreciated to support local preservation projects. For more information, call 717-354-7139 or email Herb Fisher at herfischer@hotmail.com.

Get crankin’!

Cranksgiving, a cycling event to help feed the hungry in Lancaster County, takes place Saturday, Nov. 2 at the Ephrata Trading Company, 2728 Lincoln Road, Ephrata. The event starts at 8 a.m. and finishes at the historic Ephrata Spoons at 6 p.m. This year, the ride is called Upper Crust Bakers.

Healthline main

As influenza approaches this fall, the American Red Cross is urging healthy donors to consider donating blood types to meet the needs of those requiring transfusions during the upcoming flu season. The Lancaster County Blood Drive is scheduled for Jan. 23 at the Ephrata Trading Company, 2728 Lincoln Road, Ephrata. The event starts at 8 a.m. and finishes at the historic Ephrata Spoons at 6 p.m. This year, the ride is called Upper Crust Bakers.

King marries

Eugene David and Laura (Enck) King, of West Earl Township, will celebrate their 65th anniversary on Wednesday, Oct. 30.

The Kings have four children, 11 grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren. They have been married for 65 years.

Dave and Laura