



COBYS Family Services is turning 30. Some people start lying about their age around this time, but not us! We're celebrating by throwing a 30th Anniversary Banquet and shamelessly asking you to come and bring presents! Please accept our invitation to celebrate with us!

COBYS 30th Anniversary Banquet
Thursday, March 11, 6:30 p.m.
Middle Creek Church of the Brethren
351 Middle Creek Road, Lititz

Jimmy Carter was president, hostages were languishing in Iran, Mount Saint Helens was spewing ash, the government was bailing out Chrysler (Hm). CBS News icon Walter Cronkite called it quits, KFC's Colonel Sanders ate his last drumstick, John Lennon was murdered, and TV viewers everywhere were dying to know who shot JR. In sports, the Phillies claimed their first World Series crown, the Steelers their fourth Super Bowl championship, and the US hockey team defeated the heavily favored Soviets in the "Miracle on Ice."

Ted Turner began his 24-hour Cable News Network (CNN), and that frustrating Rubik's Cube puzzle was on store shelves everywhere. Born were baseball superstar Albert Pujols, first daughter Chelsea Clinton, tennis player Venus Williams, and Jessica Simpson. (Sorry, we really don't know what Jessica does.)

With all of this taking place, who could have predicted that the founding of COBYS Family Services would end up being the most significant event of 1980? Please join us as we celebrate this milestone by recalling some of COBYS' past achievements and telling how lives are being changed today. You won't want to miss it! (Or, at the very least, we won't want you to miss it.)

The Menu (Family Style)

Garden Salad/Rolls
Chicken Deluxe/Cranberry Relish
Hamloaf
Gourmet Cheesy Potatoes
Green Beans Almondine
Choice of Dessert with Ice Cream



Music by Braided Rain

Our musical performers this year are a good bit younger than COBYS. The *a cappella* trio Braided Rain is comprised of three young adults from the Indian Creek Church of the Brethren in Harleysville, none of whom know much about the 1980s.

Sisters Caris & Erin Baliles, and friend Madi Hart, first began playing basketball together when they were girls. They soon discovered they preferred musical scores to scoring baskets and began singing in church and other venues. They enjoy performing a variety of styles featuring their trademark three-part harmony.

Caris, 21, is a junior at Messiah College, majoring in theater. A freshman at Montgomery County Community College, Madi, 19, is majoring in theater arts. Erin, also 19, is a freshman at Eastern University, majoring in psychology.

There is no charge to attend, but reservations are required. Please RSVP by March 4 by returning the enclosed response card. Or contact Don Fitzkee at 717-656-6580 or don@cobys.org. If you miss the deadline, call to check for seating availability. And please bring your check book—opportunity will be given to support COBYS ministries. If you are unable to attend, you can contribute to COBYS by sending a contribution earmarked for the banquet to COBYS Family Services, 1417 Oregon Rd., Leola, PA 17540.

*The most significant event of 1980? Mount Saint Helens?
Iran Hostages? Death of John Lennon? Nope.*

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Directions to Middle Creek Church of the Brethren

From Lancaster: Take Route 222 North to Akron/Rothsville exit. Turn right at end of ramp. Turn right at the light onto Route 272 North toward Akron. Turn left onto Main Street at light in Akron. Go straight at next traffic light. (Main Street becomes Royer Road.) Go straight at next stop sign. Turn left onto Church Road. Church is approximately 1/2 mile on right.

From the PA Turnpike: Exit the PA Turnpike at Reading Exit (#286). After toll booth, turn left onto Route 222 South. Exit at Akron/Rothsville exit, turning right at the end of the ramp. Turn right at the light onto Route 272 North toward Akron. Turn left onto Main Street at light in Akron. Go straight at next traffic light. (Main Street becomes Royer Road.) Go straight at next stop sign. Turn left onto Church Road. Church is approximately 1/2 mile on right.

From Harrisburg/Lebanon: Follow Route 322 East through Brickerville and Clay. At traffic light (just past Weaver Nuts and Horst Auction Center), turn right onto Wood Corner Road. At stop sign continue straight. Turn right onto Church Road. Church is approximately 1/2 mile on right.

From Rothsville: From Newport Road/772 turn at traffic light onto Rothsville Road toward Ephrata. Turn left onto Meadow Valley Road. Turn left onto Middle Creek Road (the second road left). Church is approximately 1/4 mile ahead on right.