

## One Handle Cloth Bag Instructions Updated 1/2020

Please use NEW Denim, Corduroy, Sailcloth, Med-Heavy Drapery and Light Upholstery fabric.

Please do NOT use Double-knit fabric.

Please do NOT use fabric with the following designs :

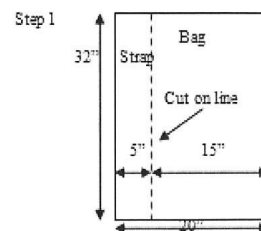
Camouflage, hand prints, foot prints, or paw prints.

### Step 1: Cut the fabric:

Use one piece of fabric 20" wide by 32" long and cut a 5" strip off of the long side for the handle (strap)

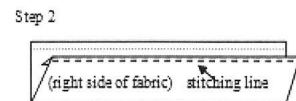
OR

Cut a piece 15" wide by 32" long for the bag, then cut a coordinating piece 5" wide and 32" long for the handle (strap).



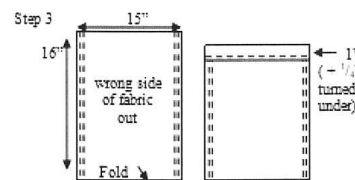
### Step 2: Make the Handle (strap):

Press under 1/2" on each long side of the narrow 5" piece.  
Fold in half lengthwise with the right side out. Press.  
Sew along the long open edge of the handle.



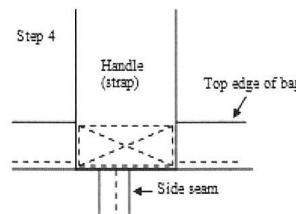
### Step 3: Make the body of the Bag:

Fold the large piece in half with the wrong side out making a 15"x16" bag.  
Stitch up the side seams with a 1/2" seam then stitch again for strength.  
If the fabric ravels, please zig-zag or serge the edge of the seam.  
Fold down the top of the bag 1/4" toward the outside. Press in place.  
Fold it down another 1" and press. Stitch near the edge as shown.  
Turn the bag right side out and press.



### Step 4: Attach the Handle (strap):

Center the ends of the strap over the side seams on the inside of the bag. Pin in place. Stitch a box around the edges of the strap. Sew an X to the corners of the box as shown.



For questions regarding these directions, call 217-483-7911 or email [office@midwestmission.org](mailto:office@midwestmission.org).

# Impact

September 2020

Community United Methodist Church

~ Ogden, Iowa

Fall Worship Schedule  
Starts September 20th.  
9:00 am Sunday School  
10:00 am Worship

Humble yourselves before the Lord,  
and he will lift you up.

James 4:10

Hello and Blessings. Searching through my archives I found this memo from God that was posted many years ago on the Internet. It struck me back then and it struck again reading it. For the most part...THAT'S ME!!!! So here it is, A Memo from God...

"As you got up this morning, I watched you, and hoped you would talk to me, even if it was just a few words, asking my opinion or thanking me for something good that happened in your life yesterday. But I noticed you were too busy, trying to find the right outfit to wear. When you ran around the house getting ready, I knew there would be a few minutes for you to stop and say hello, but you were too busy. At one point, you had to wait, fifteen minutes with nothing to do except sit in a chair. Then I saw you spring to your feet. I thought you wanted to talk to me but you ran to the phone and called a friend to get the latest gossip instead. (Today it would be Texting, Skyping, or Tweeting) I watched patiently all day long. With all your activities, I guess you were too busy to say anything to me. I noticed that before lunch you looked around, maybe you felt embarrassed to talk to me, that is why you didn't bow your head. You glanced three or four tables over and you noticed some of your friends talking to me briefly before they ate, but you didn't. That's okay. There is still more time left, and I hope that you will talk to me yet. You went home and it seems as if you had lots of things to do. After a few of them were done, you turned on the TV. I don't know if you like TV or not, just about anything goes there and you spend a lot of time each day in front of it not thinking about anything, just enjoying the show. I waited patiently again as you watched the TV and ate your meal, but again you didn't talk to me. (today it would Facebook, or movies, or on-line games) Bedtime I guess you felt too tired. After you said goodnight to your family you plopped into bed and fell asleep in no time. That's okay because you may not realize that I am always there for you. I've got patience, more than you will ever know. I even want to teach you how to be patient with others as well. I love you so much that I wait every day for a nod, prayer or thought or a thankful part of your heart. It is hard to have a one-sided conversation. Well, you are getting up once again. And once again I will wait, with nothing but love for you. Hoping that today you will give me some time. Have a nice day! Your friend, GOD."

So, is this you too???? I wonder, if God would write to us and say, "In 365 todays it is all over, I am sending Jesus back for the final judgment." Would that change anything we do that day we got the message? Or change anything the next day, or next day, or would we wait for day 364? Thankfully, as far as God is concerned, "It is never too late to start". However, time is not on our side, and we have only enough time to pick one path, God's path, that leads to eternal life with Him. Please do not wait for tomorrow to act, because tomorrow may never come. And all God's people said... Amen.

## **Sunday Morning**

8:30 am Prayer Gathering

9:00 am Sunday School

9:30 am Worship (*thru September 13th*)

## **Staff and Contact Information**

Pastor—Rev. James “Buck” Buckhahn  
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Vocal Choir Director—David Larsen

Praise Band Coordinator—  
Carol Christensen

Pianist—Christine Oien

Custodians—Russ & Melisa Stevens

Treasurer—Jan Froning  
cumctreasurer@netins.net

## **Church Address—Website**

Community United Methodist Church  
337 SW 2nd St

P.O. Box 759

Ogden, Iowa 50212-0759

CUMC website: [www.cumcogden.org](http://www.cumcogden.org)

[www.facebook.com/cumcogdeniowa](https://www.facebook.com/cumcogdeniowa)

## **Sermons Online**

View sermons under “Sunday Services”  
tab online at the church’s homepage.

## **Church Calendar**

The church calendar is located on the  
website under the “Calendar” menu.

## **Office Hours**

9:00 am – 12:00 pm, Mon - Fri.

## **CHURCH FINANCIAL REPORT**

Here is our latest Financial Report as of 7/31/2020:

General Fund Balance = \$33,072.15 (*Not including PPP loan*)

Apportionments due for 2020 = \$31,114 (*as of 8/6/2020*)

Apportionments Paid YTD = \$3,109 (*as of 8/6/2020*)

Av. Weekly Giving of \$2924.59 is down \$425.05/week

From average weekly giving prior year.

### **On-Line Giving** ( *This is a great time to try online giving* )

You can gift using Credit/Debit cards or from your checking/  
savings accounts. Simply follow these easy steps to get  
started: Visit our website at <https://www.cumcogden.org/>  
Go to the Stewardship Page & follow the instructions.

### **On-line Giving using your Smart Phone**

With GivePlus+ Mobile App from Vanco Payment Solutions,  
you can use your smartphone to give anytime, anywhere!  
Download the FREE app on your Apple or Android phone.  
Make one-time or recurring donations. Log in or donate as  
a guest. Securely and conveniently manage donations using  
Touch ID/Fingerprint, PIN, or password. To give, search  
your phone’s app store for “GivePlus+” by Vanco Payment  
Solutions and install. Follow the instructions to  
select our church and start giving.



### **TEXT Giving**

Simply text a dollar amount (i.e. “10” for \$10.00)  
to **855-908-1102**. First time users will get a reply  
text with a link. Click on the link and complete the  
transaction form. The dollar amount you texted will be the  
amount processed. Future giving will automatically process  
using the information you entered initially. You will get a  
confirmation TEXT which will have other instructions for  
refunding or making your gift a reoccurring gift. Go to our  
website to view a video on how to text to give.

### **Electronic Giving Option**

To simplify your financial giving to CUMC, consider using  
electronic giving through your own bank’s website (online  
bill paying) or authorizing CUMC’s account at Vision Bank to  
draw funds from your account. You can set up an amount  
for as often as you like or make single donations.  
Information is available at church.



## **MISSION OPPORTUNITIES**

### **RED BIRD MISSION**



Saturday, September 12, seven members of our congregation will be traveling to Red Bird. John Bolton, Pastor Buck, Sandy Friesen, Todd and Nancy Leemkuil, Freda Perdue and Chrys Velky will head out at 7:00 am and will spend the night in Louisville. Sunday morning we will complete the journey to Beverly, Kentucky. We will be working to construct a stoop and ramp for a homeowner in the area. Members of our group can also choose to work in the Community Store sorting, pricing and getting items

ready for sale. We will begin our trip home on Friday September, 18 and return to Ogden on Saturday. We ask that you keep our group in our prayers as we travel and work to assist the folks of South-eastern Kentucky. We will surely have stories to tell on our return!

### **INGATHERING**

Thank you to all that have provided items for the Ingathering. Your support of this mission is a wonderful statement. We have collected all the items and are now in need of some folks to sew bags for the school supplies. Directions can be found on the back page of the newsletter. There is also a link on our churches website ([www.cumcogden.org](http://www.cumcogden.org)) and printed copies at the church on the table outside the sanctuary door. Completed bags can be brought to the church.



### **FOOD PANTRY**

Thank you all for the support you have given us. We have received many of the prepared bags from Faraway in Boone purchased for the food insecure. Thank you Faraway for your assistance. Food Pantry will be Tuesday, September 8th from 5:00 to 7:00 pm. Food Pantry is drive thru.

Enter at the North Parking lot of CUMC and proceed to the East entrance under the canopy.

Food Pantry is for residents of Ogden, Beaver, Boxholm, Pilot Mound, and Frasier. Thank you, and pray for the people we serve and for all to stay well.



### **SCHOOL SUPPLIES DRIVE**

We are still collecting school supplies for the Ogden Elementary and Middle School. You can bring items between now and September 15th. There is a bin in the Courtyard gathering area with a listing posted about what is needed.

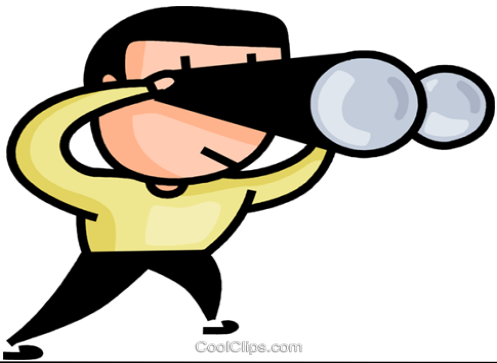


### **BLOOD DRIVE**

The Ogden Community Blood Drive will be held September 14th, from 1:30 – 5:30 pm at the Leonard Good Community Center. To be able to social distance, appointments are required. Please make appointments by texting LIFESERVE to 999-777, calling 800-287-4903, or visit [lifeservebloodcenter.org](http://lifeservebloodcenter.org)

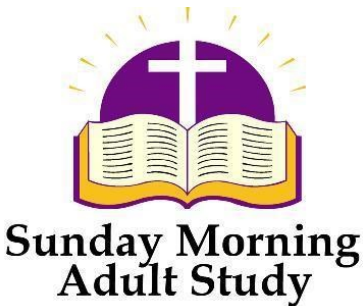
**SEEKERS** - Regular Thursday Morning Bible Study

Seekers will begin a new study on September 10. It's easy to wander away from God. Hectic schedules and the quest for success often mean that time with God gets neglected. But if we slow down long enough to listen, these three minor prophets--Jonah, Joel, and Amos--can have a major impact on the quality of our lives. A great opportunity to spend time in discussion, study and fellowship. We meet in the church library and welcome new participants at any time



**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL -**

We will be starting Adult Sunday School on September, 20th at 9:00 am in the church library. Sunday School will be led by Pastor Buck. There will be an option to attend via Zoom. Please contact the office at cumc@netins.net or contact 515-275-4015 for the Zoom information.



**WOMEN AT THE WELL AT CUMC**

Rev. Whitmer will be here speaking about Women at the Well during worship on September 27th. Women at the Well is a United Methodist congregation which is located within the walls of the Iowa Correctional Institution for Women. They are a diverse community composed of women incarcerated at ICIW, men and women from around the State of Iowa who choose to worship with them, and many volunteers who regularly support their ministries and programs.

**POTLUCK FELLOWSHIP—(Pending)**

Following worship on September 27th plan to stay for an all church potluck in the Courtyard. The main dish (*maidrites & hotdogs*), drinks, and dinnerware will be furnished. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.

**IOWA WALK TO EMMAUS UPDATES**

The next Walk to Emmaus is scheduled for Ankeny UMC is cancelled.  
The men's weekend is ~ Cancelled.  
The women's weekend ~ Cancelled.  
Chrysalis for the youth in November ~Cancelled.  
Face to Face (for older adults) will be rescheduled to a later date.  
Questions: Contact Evelyn Lewiston at [lewiston@netins.net](mailto:lewiston@netins.net)



**Family and Friends in Our Prayers**

Please pray for those affected by the storms that swept through Iowa. Please pray for our CUMC friends including Bonnie Tolsdorf; Jim McConnell; Cathy Aldrich; Pat Doran; Tom Snow; Elliana Skinner, and especially our friends and family that are shut-ins or in care centers.



**Members and Friends in Care / Assisted Living Centers**

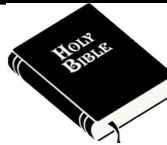
**Ogden Manor:** Norma Jean Herridge; **Eastern Star:** Jane Lebo, Shirley Brock;  
**Suites of Ankeny:** Vivian Christensen; **Stratford Care:** Dutch Eshelman; **Green Hills:** Dixie Jensen  
**Westhaven:** Bethel Hurley, Irene Delp, Raechel Hollingshead, Millie Henrikson

**Live Streaming – Using Our Website **\*\*Coming Soon\*\*****

Two new microphones have been installed on the sides of the sanctuary, and two more will be installed closer to the alter for the choir. The church's website has been upgraded to accommodate live streaming and we have also updated current licensing. Soon we will be able to live stream events at church to the website. Looking for volunteers to assist with livestreaming.

**Worship**

The pews in the sanctuary are now two rows apart which will seat approximately 70 people. The Bibles have been returned to the pews. Please leave the Bibles on the benches after use so that they can be cleaned mid week.



**Volunteers Needed**

Areas we need help in are; People to run the video camera; We could use a third person as backup for Judy Cleveland and Kelli Larson running the slide program; We could use additional people to run the sound board. Currently we have 3 regular people; Also, we are looking at Livestreaming our services in the near future, which will require people to handle that process. If you have done livestreaming before, Pastor Buck would like to talk to you about your experience in doing it

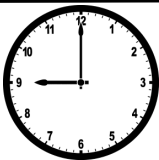


**Fellowship**

We are looking for volunteers that are comfortable serving fellowship. Ideally, I would like to have 2-4 families that would be willing to commit for a month of Sundays. If you are willing to assist in this endeavor, would you please contact the office at 515-275-4015 or at cumc@netins.net.

**Tree Removal**

The old tree to the South of the sanctuary has been removed and some of the other trees have been trimmed thanks to our Trustees and volunteers.



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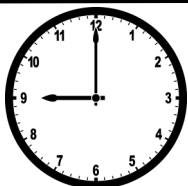
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Thank you for all who participated in this year's Talent Auction. Whether you donated items, placed bids, purchased items, or assisted with set up and disbursement of items your help is appreciated. Special thanks to Pastor Buck for taking photos and setting up the online auction. The Mission Committee appreciates the time it took to set it up and also make sure in-person bids were logged. It was certainly different this year but our committee feels it went well. We missed the brunch and the fun of being together to bid, hopefully next year we can return to a live auction. We will let you know the final proceeds in the next newsletter.

## Red Cross – Using Our Facility As an Emergency Shelter

CUMC is already an Emergency Shelter location for Boone County. The church was open for this purpose because of the derecho, but no one came. The Red Cross has requested that CUMC be used as a Red Cross facility during disasters. In the event that the church is called upon to be an Emergency Shelter we need to have a list of people to call upon to be available at the church when it is open to the public. If you could be available for "church sitting" during these times please call the office.



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## Men's Breakfast

Men's Breakfast is on hold for another month. We have one member recuperating from a surgery and several on the Mission trip to Kentucky. We will be starting on October 11th. Men's group meets at 7:30 am on the Second Sunday of the month for Breakfast. Pastor Buck will host breakfast in October. Hope all men can make it to enjoy this getting back together breakfast!!



## Church Photo Directory

### CHURCH DIRECTORY

Still waiting on a few family pictures, so if you would like to get your picture in the directory, and I don't already have it, please send it in right away. You can drop your picture by the office so we can scan it into the system, or send it to cumc@netins.net. I can also still take your picture on the backdrop here at church. Thank you to all that have sent in your pictures or had them taken.



## Youth Ministry Kelli Larsen

As I write this, we are finishing up our first day of school for Ogden. This is going to be a weird year as we are dealing with so much and there are so many different views on how to do things. Schools are prioritizing health and safety and social and emotional health over academics this year which I never thought I would see but it feels good to know that they recognize the needs of students and teachers that way. It is my goal to show that same kind of respect for our kids and volunteers within the children and youth programs as we always try to keep an eye on the constantly changing situations in our world.

We will begin Sunday School on Sunday September 20, 2020. It is going to be more of a low key day than we have had in the past. I am just not sure we will have a lot of kids and there will be no meal or anything because I believe that is something we are still not ready for. One thing I do want to do on September 20 is recognize one of our teachers who is retiring this year L. Brenda Fisher has taught Sunday School for 30 years and has decided it is time to retire. I am so sad about that because she has been a great person to work with our children. Best of wishes to Brenda; we will miss you. This year we are going to have one room Sunday School where all the kids will be in one room. My goal with that is to cut down on the number of teachers needed each week. I am thinking two teachers each week plus I will be there most of the time. Also, I would really like it to not have to be the same two people every week. So please consider offering to teach Sunday School. Most likely it will be groups of less than 10 and it will not be every week.

We will begin Youth group on Wednesday, Sept. 23, 2020. This year as of right now my plan is to have the 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th graders together. I would like to do it either 5:30 – 6:30 or 6 – 7 . it will depend on what works best for our kids that have practices after school. I would love to hear from parents as far as what works best for you. Please email me at kellilarsen6@gmail.com with your thoughts or suggestions. I can even handle negative thoughts and am willing to be flexible in what I am doing. Everyone stay safe.

Many Blessings ~ Kelli

## Bulldog

## Builders

## Sr. Youth

## Ministry

Tom & Judy  
Cleveland

Mackenzie  
Harris

Delaney  
Tonsfeldt


## Bulldog Builders

Currently, we are planning on starting  
Bulldog Builders  
on Wednesday,  
November 4th at 8:30 p.m.  
All Sr. High Students  
are welcome to this group.  
You are welcome to bring a friend.

~ Tom and Judy



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Sept 1 Ezra Walker	Sept 13 Jen Aldrich	
Sept 2 Alena Wilson	Craig Christensen	
Sept 5 Freda Perdue	Zach Ohlson	
Sept 6 Karen Cleveland	Sept 15 Colson Carson	
Sept 8 Courtney Paulsen	Sept 17 Tish Germen	
Sept 9 Delores Buzzell **	Sept 19 Sue McConnell	
Cody Good	Sept 20 Sandra Shaw	
Sept 10 William Britton	Sept 25 Jodi Sward	
Pat Dorr	Sept 30 Larry Gregerson	
Jan Jome		
Sept 11 Colton Good		
Ashley Hunter		
Carlotte Paulsen	** denotes significant Birthdays that include a "0"	
Sept 12 Pat Elsberry		

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Bob & Becky Waters	September 1	Cy & Julee Hornberg	September 5
Curtis & Jackie Jens	September 5	Joel & Sara Bryan	September 6
Tim & Lisa Sheirbon	September 17	Chris & Kait Helton	September 26
Dave & Stef Baitinger	September 28	Stephanie & Joe Hunt	September 30

Sunday Morning Discussions for Sr. High Youth and Parents

We are inviting all senior high youth and their parents to attend Sunday School together this fall. Starting on September 20th at 9:00 am. We will be using small, easy to understand booklets called "Passport", written by Chuck Swindoll as the curriculum for our class. We have three booklets to use as a basis for our discussions. One is on "End Times Prophecy", one on "Understanding Heaven", and one on "Answers for the World's Tough Questions". Passports are short easy to read pamphlets that are totally Bible based. They will stimulate good discussion addressing the most important topics youth and their parents could ever discuss. Our desire is to provide an opportunity for sons and daughters and moms and dads to share in thoughtful discussion about the basics of our common faith. Too often, we all feel ill prepared to discuss the basic tenants of our faith. We encourage all Sr. High families to take advantage of this class to explore and grow in their faith understanding. What fun this will be . . . plus, we always have treats during our class! ~ Tom and Judy

“Let Your Light Shine”  
Ignited for Justice



"Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain."  
1 Corinthians 15:58

Our North Central District United Methodist Women President, Jean Sheets, shared her thoughts in the August issue of Flaming Fortress Newsletter. She realizes our local units are facing the challenges of having meetings, raising funds and being unselfish in helping others. She thanks us for giving to missions through the NCD the past 12 years. The Iowa Conference UMW will be going from the current 8 districts to 5 districts starting January 2021. Boone County UMW Units will be in the Southwest District. The October Flaming Fortress will include special memories/stories; we plan to send one from our unit and also share with you.

Jean notes that because of Covid 19, Mission U and District Annual Meetings are cancelled. The 2020 spiritual growth study book, *Finding Peace in an Anxious World*, edited by Erin James-Brown, is very appropriate for this time. A quote from the book is, "Accepting the things we cannot change is seeing the world as it is and choosing to engage from this perspective. This is important to realize because there are things that are beyond our control or ability to change. Accepting the things we cannot change takes the burden off of us and frees us for NEW possibilities that we could not see because of how caught up we were in trying to resist what was happening."

Our unit has only been able to pay one-fourth of our District Pledge to Mission so far this year. Our budget also includes local mission giving. Please consider how you can help us. Your gift of money to United Methodist Women, Ogden, and/or your ideas for fundraising are needed and may be sent to the church office or to UMW treasurer, Barb Petrone. Thank you for past support.









Your Sisters in Christ,  
Cathy Aldrich & Mary Ann Christensen

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**UMW Schedule for August**

September 2	No Unit Meeting	
September 16—1:30 pm	Faith Circle	Courtyard at church
September 17—7:00 pm	Monica Circle	
September 21—7:00 pm	Glory Circle	

# September 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
(All services will be online at <a href="http://www.cumcogden.org">www.cumcogden.org</a> under the "Services" menu tab and can be viewed anytime.)		1)	2)	3)	4)	5) NOW is a GREAT time to buy School Supplies. We will donate to kids in need at Ogden Schools
6) 9:00 am Prayer Gathering 9:30 am Worship w/ Communion 10:30 am Fellowship  (Communion Steward Kris Brend)	7) <b>LABOR DAY</b> 	8) 5-7:00pm Food Pantry Food Pantry with social distancing. Please drive up to the CUMC East entrance and someone will come out and help you.	9) No UMW Unit Mtg	10) 10:00 am Seekers	11)	12) MISSION TRIP DEPARTS 
13) 9:00 am Prayer Gathering 9:30 am Worship w/ Steve Satre 10:30 am Fellowship	14)	15) Bring your school supplies in until today. We will donate to the Ogden Elementary and Ogden Middle Schools.	16) 1:30 pm Faith Circle  7:30 pm Leadership Board	17) 10:00 am Seekers  7:00 pm Monica Circle	18) 	19) MISSION TRIP RETURNS 
20) <b>**Fall Worship Time Begins**</b> 8:30 am Prayer Gathering 9:00 am Sunday School (all ages) 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Fellowship	21)  7:00 pm Glory Circle	22) 	23) Youth Group 5th—8th grade begins	24) 10:00 am Seekers	25) It is that time of year. Be careful and drive Safely. 	26) 
27) 8:30 am Prayer Gathering 9:00 am Sunday School (all ages) 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Fellowship (Women at the Well (pending))	28)	29) 	30) <b>COOKBOOKS AVAILABLE</b> Heavenly Helpings The UMW Cookbook Available and only \$8.00.	31) 10:00 am Seekers		