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SDUMIC YOUTH NEWS

WHERE THE WORD BECOMES ACTION

Life is too Precious

Over the last month we have experienced the loss of two teenagers in North County in late night car crashes. Two lives that were taken much too soon and have left family and friends mourning and asking why. It's a harsh reminder of the danger that can be involved in the privilege of driving.

I ask you to take the time to evaluate the caution that you exercise when hopping into a friend's car. Do you always buckle your seat belt, is the driver okay to be driving, and is it legal for you to be in their car?

The laws that we have about new drivers are for a reason. The Union Tribune has recently done a story reporting the lack of consequences and more often the lack of concern for these laws from teen drivers. I ask you to be an exception to this rule. Ally, a youth from San Carlos UMC who was at Sr. High Camp with many of our youth, was interviewed in this Union Tribune article for her opposition:

Ally Boley, 16, a junior at Patrick Henry High, drives alone or with an adult unless she's taking a sibling to soccer practice or to school. Even then, she'll keep a note from her parents on hand in case she gets pulled over. "I think it's a fair law," she said. "Those accidents are a good reminder of that."

Please-whether you are the driver or the passenger-exercise caution. You have too many people that love and care about you to make a bad decision. If you doubt the ability of your driver (not sober, not legal) CALL someone else, call a parent, call me, call your friend's Mom or Dad, call ANYONE, don't just get in the car!

Now is another good time to be reminded of our responsibilities as good citizens and members of God's Kingdom. Sometimes doing the right thing means saying no to a friend or going against the popular choices. Remember that you are not alone, for "I can do everything through him who gives me strength." Philippians 4:13.



Rebecca



THE PUMPKIN MASTERPIECES!



UPCOMING EVENTS

FALL RETREAT NOVEMBER 6-8

THANKSGIVING SERVICE PROJECT
AND MALL SCAVENGER HUNT
WITH ESCONDIDO UMC
NOVEMBER 21, 2009 TIMES AND
DETAILS TO BE ANNOUNCED AT
YOUTH GROUP AND VIA EMAIL.

Fall Retreat 2009 November 6-8, 2009

*This year's Fall Retreat will be
at Camp Cedar Glen in
Julian, CA.
The theme is
"Learning Love."*

*Meet at the Church Friday at 6:30pm. Eat
dinner before or pack a sack dinner. We will
return approximately at 2pm on Sunday.*

NOVEMBER

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4	5	6 Fall Retreat	7 Fall Retreat
8 No UMYF due to Fall Retreat	9	10	11	12	13	14
15 All Youth Dinner 6:15-8:15pm	16	17	18	19	20	21 Service Project & Mall Scavenger Hunt
22 UMYF 6:15-8:15pm	23	24	25	26 Thanksgiving	27	28
29 No UMYF Give thanks for you family	30					