



July 2011

Marriage Connection

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Ninety-six couples spent a weekend away at beautiful Lake Barkley State Resort Park on April 30 and May 1, 2011. The weather was beautiful and, despite all the flooding the week before, the weekend event went on without a hitch. Couples had time to relax and spend time centered on each other.

Here are just a few comments from couples who attended:

“Recognizing what we’re doing right and wrong and building on that.”

“You can say this stuff is common sense but it’s not. I can always refer back to this weekend and the teachings to help myself and marriage better.”

“Putting these new skills presented this weekend in action will help us change very bad habits.”

Looking for a way to get away from distractions and focus on your marriage? See our French Lick Weekend on your right.

Next Weekend Getaway 

French Lick Weekend Heats Up the Summer!



Community Marriage Builders wants to help you turn up the heat this summer. Join us for our marriage enrichment weekend at the French Lick Springs Resort. Registration is now open for you to secure your spot at our French Lick Weekend on August 19th and 20th at the beautiful French Lick Resort.

We expect this weekend opportunity to fill up quickly and space is limited so don't delay! Cost for the weekend is only \$199 if you register by July 13th. This includes all your program materials, Friday night accommodations, Saturday breakfast, lunch, and dinner before your drive home.



Choose from two great program tracks.

1. Love for Life (PAIRS) which is our foundational program and great for those who have never taken a CMB workshop.
2. Marriage LINKS (Lasting Intimacy through Nurturing Knowledge and Skills) which helps couples keep their relationship in balance in five key areas.

To make this a longer weekend you may secure another night's stay at the resort (based upon availability) for an additional \$159 by using our special discount code: 0811CMB and registering directly with the resort at 888-936-9360.

Register today at www.makeitlast.org or by calling 812-477-2260.

Community Marriage Builders



Educating and equipping the community for lifetime marriages.

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You can also find us on Facebook.
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Dating My Spouse Update!

1. Button price has dropped to \$15.00. Same great benefits just ten dollars less.

2. **New Establishment Added.** The Jameson Inn is now offering their King Spa room package at \$109.99 and includes a \$50 gift card to Rafferty's Restaurant. Call 812-476-9626 to reserve your room.



3. **Financial Workshop added to program.** The Dating My Spouse program is testing the idea of putting together a financial workshop for couples. The workshop would be during the DMS week and at one of our participating restaurants. It would be free for button holders and \$5 per person to anyone else. **The first financial workshop will be at the Tin Fish in Newburgh on July 11th from 6:00-7:30pm.**

To register call 812-477-2260.

From April 13 – June 14

Donations Received in Memory of:

Bob Gries-

- Michael DiLegge
- James & Catherine Francis
- Robert Kent
- Robert & Beverly Kerney
- Steven & Leesa Richardson
- John & Gladys Sloan
- Anthony & Jane Stephens
- Alice Strassweg

Charlotte Phillips-

- Ann Gries
- Mary Marks
- Virgil & Darlene Trinoskey
- Larry & Marguerite Vincent

in Honor of:

Lovelace Marriage-

Rodney & Donna Heller

Heller's 25th Anniversary-

Ann Gries

Betty Camp for Mother's Day-

Ann Gries

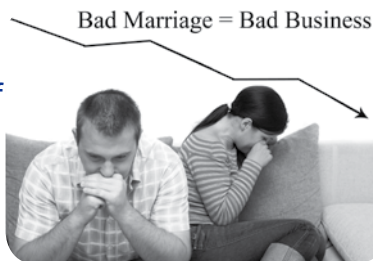
Thank You to our Financial Partners

Gifts received: April 13 – June 14

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| Anonymous | Scott & Jane Lawrence |
| Mark & Beth Boling | John & Annette Maier |
| Jim & Charlene Braker | Scott & Jen Massamore |
| Jennifer Brickner | Jerod & Beth McClane |
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| Bristol-Meyers Squibb Co. | Faron & Chris McLaughlin |
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Did you know that divorce can hurt your business?

According to a Marriage CoMission Report divorce and failing relationships can lead to an average company loss of \$8,000 due to increased absenteeism, decreased productivity, higher health care costs and an increased tax burden due to high social costs of divorce.



We believe that individuals and couples suffering with problems are **worth your investment**. We are currently looking for businesses or individuals to support the mission of this organization. We have developed several **partnership levels** to help businesses or individuals do this. Listed below are a few of the opportunities included in these levels:

- Company Logo placed on Marketing Banner for weekends, events, shows, and speaking engagements.
- An ongoing listing in the CMB bi-monthly newsletter & e-newsletter.
- Exclusive logo and link placement on four Marriage Moment e-blasts.
- Link to your Facebook fan page in one of our weekly marriage tips on Facebook.
- Logo and link placement as sponsor of one of the pages on our website (married, engaged, singles, etc.).

Please join us in helping our community build lasting marriages because let's face it...it's good for business.

If you want your business involved contact John Phillips at john@makeitlast.org or call 812-477-2260.

Pastor's Marriage Tip

A key ingredient in a vibrant and growing marriage is encouragement. In Hebrews 3:13 we are instructed to "Encourage one another daily". We often think of encouragement mainly in the area of offering an uplifting word, but it is much more than that. The Greek translation for the word encouragement is "panakletos" which means "called alongside to help". With this insight we see that encouragement is active not passive. It is not thinking only of one's self and what our spouse can do for us. It is not "just getting by" living. When we become "practitioners of panakletos" in our marriage we will experience an "ever expanding horizon" atmosphere and attitude in our marriage.

Pastor Paul Cavender of New Day Fellowship

Paper Newsletter is Going Bye Bye!



In order to save cost and paper the CMB "Marriage Connection" newsletter will no longer be sent via regular mail to individuals, businesses, or churches after September 2011. After the September issue the only way to receive a paper copy of our newsletter will be through a \$25 annual subscription fee.

Don't worry the electronic version of newsletter will continue to be FREE. In order to receive your FREE version of the bi-monthly newsletter, we must have a valid e-mail address.

To ensure that you continue to receive the CMB newsletter you must do one of the following: A. Send an email to office@makeitlast.org with the subject line "e-newsletter subscribe" or B. Send a check to CMB in the amount of \$25 with a memo of newsletter subscription.

Upcoming Workshops and Events:

Make it Last -- CMB on Saturday, July 9 from 9am-6pm

Relationship Fitness (PAIRS) -- Downtown YMCA on Tuesdays, July 26, August 2, 9, 16 from 5:15-7:15pm

French Lick Weekend -- August 19 and 20

Relationship Fitness (PAIRS) -- Dunigan YMCA on Mondays, September 19, 26, October 3, 10 from 5:45-7:45pm

Relationship Fitness (PAIRS) -- Downtown YMCA on Thursdays, October 13, 20, 27 & November 3 from 5:15pm-7:15pm

Fall Weekend -- November 11 and 12

**Check out our website for all other programs @ makeitlast.org

Want More!

CMB has more to offer couples are looking for encouragement and help on a regular basis.

Join our e-mail list and get monthly marriage messages directly to your inbox. You can also "like" us on facebook to see our weekly marriage tips.



Search for Community Marriage Builders on:



Contact CMB at 812-477-2260 or 800-443-8594 for reservations and information on events & happenings.

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