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Let's get acquainted..

Missions Board Member **Winston Paul Smith**
 Spouse **Katherine Lynn Smith**
 Kids names & ages **Abby (23), Jennifer (less than 40), Jason (37)**
 Grandchildren: **Abby - Lillie, 2; Hunter, 4; Jennifer - Zachary, 7; Victoria (Tori), 11; Craig, 15; Jason - Jacob, 6 months; Simon 7, Andrew, 15.**

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Place(s) of Work **USDA Forest Service, Forestry and Range Sciences Lab, La Grande, OR.**

First retreat year **1999 (Bob Conte was Director)**

Times on team- **9** (including April 2008)

Involved in outteam when? **WACTS 2002 - 2005, AWACTS - 2005 and 2006. (AWACTS is Anchorage Womens ACTS)**

What church do you attend? **Cathedral parish (Juneau);**

Our Lady of the Valley (La Grande OR)

Hobbies **music, fishing, hunting**

Types of service you have been/are involved in - **music ministry, co-director of retreat, preparation of food, send-off service, community service.**

What do you see as a long term goal for ACTS in Alaska?

build the body of Christ through growing the ACTS community in Juneau and spreading mission ACTS throughout Southeast.

How would you suggest other people help with that goal?

Encourage [retreatants] (financial if necessary, such as pay tuition [registration]) participation of Juneau Christian ministers/pastors. Get endorsement from Arch-Diocese.

Looking Ahead

- ❖ ACTS Mission Board meets March 8th 11:00am @ St. Paul's.
- ❖ ACTS Board Meets 2nd Tuesday at 6:30pm @ St. Paul's Rm #3
- ❖ Men's Commissioning Mar 2nd@ St Paul's 5:30 mass
- ❖ Earthen Vessel @ St. Brendan's March 9th



- ❖ Easter March 23rd
- ❖ [Family Camp](#) Aug 15th



Bonnie & Leora (Missions Board) are ready to bid during the decadent desert auction.

ACTS Boards/Missions Updates

When available, the Board minutes can be viewed at the main page of yahoogroups for Juneau ACTS under the menu on the left click "Links." You must have a yahoo id to access groups in yahoo. It is easy to establish one.

Policy Corner

The ACTS Board and Mission Board meetings are open for the entire ACTS community to attend. Anytime someone has a concern, they should contact the board members.

Both boards appreciate input from the greater ACTS community. ACTS is a lay person retreat.

Even though anyone can attend the meetings, there is some business the board conducts alone and visitors are asked to leave.

The local ACTS board members are prayerfully chosen. Each board member places a name in a hat. Names are drawn out and prospective board members asked.

The commitment is 3 years.

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Teen Blog!! Lynn Logan

Two of my daughter's have been on a teen retreat and I was on team once. My daughter's both stated that they have much more of a connection with peers at school after the retreat. There is less judging of other's and more caring and empathy. I feel the teens are also more connected with adults, particularly those adults who have been on a retreat as well.

Sincerely, Lynn



Teens serving at the Gumbo Gala
Shelby Oelklaus, Elizabeth Ringle, Elisha Thibodeau,
Erin Oelklaus, Travis Monagle (l-r)



Thank you to all who helped to make the 4th annual Gumbo Gala and Decadent Desert Auction a big success...\$3700 was raised for ACTS Missions. A special "Thanks" to those who donated the sweet confections and to the Teen ACTS kids who did such a great job of serving. A fun evening was had by all! Thanks to those who purchased the decadent deserts.



2008 reigning royalty....
King Derek Schauwecker &
Queen Malee Sargeant

Do you have ACTS pictures ???

Send your pictures to help@actsinaction.com
Be sure to include brief description and dates.

Committees

have been established to help members stay connected and to participate in ACTS ministries. Contact the ACTS Board members below to get involved. Service ([Robin Dale](#) and [Lisa Lindeman](#)); Community Relations/Communications ([Margaret O'Neal](#)); Retreat Supplies ([John Boddy](#)); Retreat Support ([Harold Heidersdorf](#)); Follow-Up ([Jamey Young](#) and [Marilyn Monagle](#)). In Wasilla contact Bobbie Ackley.



ACTS Stats

The mail out list is **518**. We are trying to reduce our mailing costs. We know there are many who do not use email...and there are many email addresses we do not have. Only those who have received a printed copy in the mail need to respond with your email address if you have one. Message help@actsinaction.com put electronic newsletter on the subject line.

Next month ...former Directors will be listed.

ACTS Board/Missions Board Meeting

The joint ACTS/ACTS Missions Boards meeting on February 5 was attended by approximately 50 ACTS brothers and sisters. It began with prayer. Father Pat explained the history of the issue and why this is something that must be addressed at this time. He then explained his position as a Catholic priest regarding distribution of the Eucharist. There was considerable discussion and input, including some beautiful and eloquent testimonies as the importance of receiving the Eucharist. There was some discussion of how to ensure Catholic doctrine is adhered to in the retreat setting, while at the same time making sure non-Catholic team members and retreatants do not feel excluded. Suggestions included only having prayer services during the retreat instead of mass, having a pastor of another denomination present to offer "communion" to non-Catholics if mass is held, or just doing a better job of explaining the Eucharist and who may receive it prior to mass at retreat. Father Pat will further pray and consider the issue, and will write a recommendation to Archbishop Roger L. Schwietz, our Diocesan Administrator.

His recommendation will be shared with the Boards, who will work on developing guidance consistent with his recommendation at that time.

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Earthen Vessel will be playing music at St. Brendan's March 9th during the 10:30 morning service.



Do you recognize this banner?

It was used at one of the men's retreats.

A 2 page/condensed newsletter was mailed.



This picture was taken at the Cathedral for the commissioning of the men's team in 2005.

Commissioning of Men's April 24th team
Will be March 2nd at St Paul's

Come and support the men and their families during this time of preparation.



Family camp 2006. Rain or shine it is always a great time for all ages. [Registration](#) forms available Now for August 2008.



June 2006 before the women's retreat begins team members enjoy a few minutes of social time.

Who do your recognize?



Family Camp 2006... Lisa (purple jacket) Dave (red hat)
[Registrations](#) are available on line.



Women's retreat at the Methodist Camp. What a wonderful June day. The team Surrounds outteam helpers with a blessing.

Do you have ACTS pictures ???

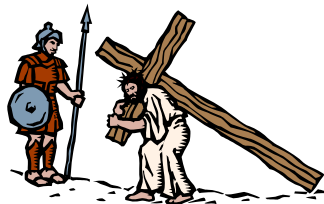
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Glory Hole
Service Opportunity

Our first meal at the Glory Hole last month was a great success. Fr. Bob Stevens, Hal and Shanda Kulm and Robert and Kerri Tonkin served about 60 meals. The menu was one of Kerri's recipe's that consisted of a meat loaf covered with onions, cream of mushroom soup and potatoes along with a green salad. The meals came out of the ovens smoking hot, a good thing as the outside temperature was about five. Many of the Folks came back for thirds. We were done and gone by six thirty. Our first meal cost one hundred and sixty five dollars and was paid out of pocket by those cooking. We overbought, but now we know.

This month we will be cooking on Monday the 25th and every "last Monday of the month" going forward. Hal is going to head up shopping and cooking a hearty soup in February. He has someone who will be doing some bread baking to go with the soup. We are still trying to come up with a solution for some type of bank account for our funding. As the solution unfolds we will keep everyone informed. Thank you to the half dozen people who called or emailed to volunteer to cook and/or contribute funds. You will be hearing from the group soon! To put your name on the cooking or funds list please call 463-1554 or email primroses@gci.net.
With Grace For Us All, Robert, Hal and Fr. Bob



Palm Sunday is March 16th & Easter is March 23rd



Retreatant and Team Lists Below

Team lists are included in the newsletter in the issue prior to the retreat. The women will be listed in the May newsletter and the teens will be listed in the June newsletter.

Retreatant and Team Lists

Retreatant lists will be included also. The retreatant lists usually change as the retreat nears. The lists are kept updated on the internet as frequently as the teams advise of changes and have date notations at the top.

This allows you the ACTS community to be able to write notes ahead of time.

On line the [published list](#) gives first names and initials. There is a **UNpublished list that ACTS members have access to. This Unpublished list gives first and last names of retreatants & team members.**

April 24th in Juneau

Mens	Team	Men Retreatants	
Bill	B	Wayne	B
John	B	Tim	D
Lee Ray	C	Matthew	P
Randy	C	Reed	R
Lloyd	C	Fred	Y
Mark	D	James	S
Grady	F		
Scott	G		
Mark	K		
Hal	K		
Ted	L		
Soapy	L		
Chris	M		
Lloyd	M		
Bob	M		
Shawn	N		
Nathan	P		
Raul	R		
Tom	S		
John	S		
Tom	S		
Winston	S		
Fr. Bob	S		
Robert	T		
George	W		

Bob	Y			
Jamey	Y			
Rick	W			

Email help@actsinaction.com if you want the address of the Unpublished list that includes last names.

Please pray for these men and their families as they prepare to do the Lord's work.