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Proud, and here's the sign to prove it

Twenty-two churches unite to put up lawn signs and a billboard during Open House Month. Did it work?

Is this something your church can do?



No time? No problem

You don't have time to read your e-mail. Yes, we know. Maybe *Call-Out* can help.



District Roundup

A lasagna lunch for grandmas in Oak Ridge District. A "lawn cow" to raise money in Tazewell District. Readers of THE CALL newspaper know "District Roundup" is a popular page. Here's the first online version, with lots of pictures.



Reading List

Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. We asked them,
"What book is lying on your nightstand?"



Stop the stalemate

"My opinion on homosexuality is not a primary point.
I don't think yours is, either."
A UMNS Commentary by the Rev. Russ Whaley



Your 2 Cents

Find out what's coming up in future issues and get involved.
Give us your two cents.

Conference Calendar

- **Jan. 10:** [Deadline for 2007 apportionments](#)
- **Jan. 11:** [Early-bird deadline for Ministers' Convocation](#)
- **Jan. 18-20:** [Resurrection spiritual retreat for youth](#)
- **Jan. 20:** [Human Relations Day](#)
- **Jan. 25-27:** [Divine Rhythm spiritual retreat for young adults](#)
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Holston.org Picks

- Change for Children: Grant [applications](#)(due Feb. 15)
- Bishop's Blog: ["The Great Debaters"](#)
- Holston Conference Foundation: [11 inspiring stories](#)

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UMC.org Picks

- [Worship planning](#) for a very short "Ordinary Time"
- [Summer mission internship](#) for young adults (application due Feb. 1)
- Killer mosquitos: Support the [Nothing But Nets](#) campaign



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Opportunities

• Doug Richesin: Benefit concert for Family Life Center, First UMC of Sweetwater, Tenn. Jan. 18-19 at 7 p.m. Visit DougRichesin.com



• Roots and Shoots: Fellowship for Mature Methodists. Public is invited to Feb. 14 lunch at Colonial Heights UMC, Kingsport, Tenn., at 11 a.m. Call Patsy Snapp, (423) 782-8177.

• The Souper Bowl of Caring mobilizes youth to fight hunger and poverty in their local communities on Super Bowl weekend, Feb. 2-3. Visit SouperBowl.org



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