



Our annual COBYS informational/fundraising banquets have been called many things. Low brow, sophomoric, and silly, to name a few. But nobody has ever accused us of being fancy. It's high time we changed that.

The COBYS Family Services Fancy Ball

**Thursday, March 15, 6:30 p.m. (Entrance permitted at 6:00 p.m.)
Middle Creek Church of the Brethren, 351 Middle Creek Road, Lititz**



We've hosted a frugal banquet to demonstrate what good stewards we are.

We've staged a Jeopardy banquet to dazzle you with our intelligence.

We've done a high tech banquet to showcase our technical acumen.

Now we're serving up a Fancy Ball to show you we've got class. (Class of '82 in case you were wondering.)

So even though it isn't Saturday, we invite you to take a bath; dig out your tuxedos, black ties, elegant gowns, and glass slippers (tuxes, ties, gowns, slippers optional); hitch up your coach; and make plans to attend the COBYS Family Services *Fancy Ball*. You may be surprised at how well we clean up.

In addition to a fine meal and a class musical act (see insets at right) we will be serving up some tasteful humour and a program that includes testimonies from COBYS staff, resource families, and friends. We trust you will come away from the evening inspired and informed.

While we easily could charge one hundred dollars or more for a gala event such as this, we invite you to come for free. We do, however, ask that you show appreciation by applauding politely at appropriate times during the program and giving generously to benefit the ministries of COBYS Family Services at the conclusion of the evening.

As you can imagine, demand for this event will be high, so reservations are required. *Répondez, s'il vous plaît** by returning the enclosed *Response Card* no later than March 9, 2012, or by contacting Mr. Fitzkee at 717-656-6580 or don@cobys.org. If you miss the deadline, through sheer negligence or circumstances beyond your control, please contact us by phone or electronic mail to check for seating availability.

While all of our guests will be ladies and gentlemen of impeccable character, we understand that you may want to invite and dine with people of standing similar to your own. To reserve a table for eight, please enclose a minimum donation of two hundred dollars with your *Response Card*. (Unless you are reserving an entire table, there is no need to send a donation in advance.)

If other pressing business or social engagements prevent your attendance, you may kindly send a cheque designated for the *Fancy Ball* to COBYS Family Services, 1417 Oregon Rd., Leola, PA 17540. Or give online at www.cobys.org.

Family Style Meal*

Lush Garden Salad/Rolls
Chicken Delux/Cranberry Relish
Monsieur Gene Wenger's Hamloaf
Gourmet Potatoes
Green Beans Almondine
Succulent Sweets à la mode

** The highest standards of table decorum shall be observed throughout the meal. Guests will be expected to treat the dining room staff with respect, keep both feet on the floor when reaching for seconds, and refrain from wiping mouths on the table linens. (We recognize this is a significant deviation from previous COBYS banquets.)*

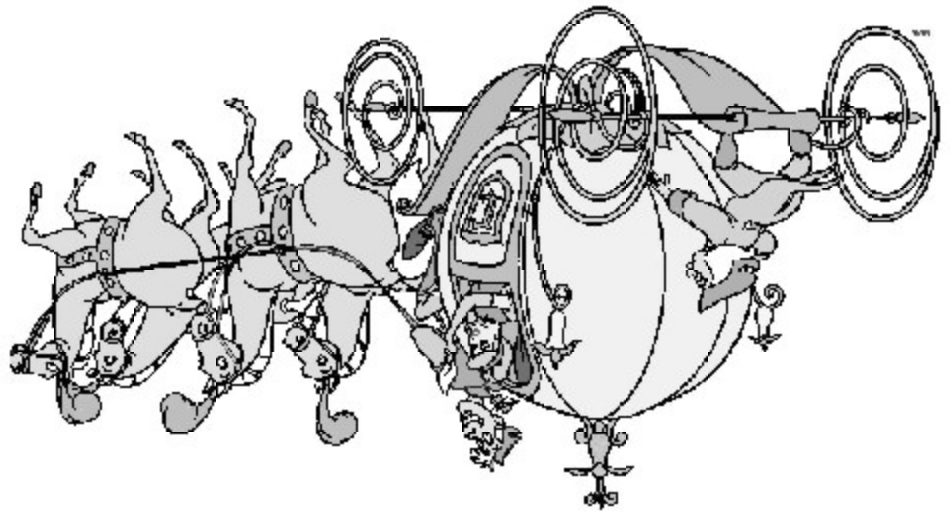
A Class Quartette

We booked our musicians mostly because we wanted a group that came with tuxes and gowns. But they can sing too. "They" are an *a cappella* quartette comprised of members of the prestigious Susquehanna Chorale. Singers are COBYS Controller Cynthia Umberger, alto; Brethren Village Pastor Mark Tedford, tenor, Sara Zentmeyer, soprano; and Stephen Schaefer, bass.

The quartette will sing classical music, befitting a *Fancy Ball*, but also will let their hair down on some lighter pieces. Most importantly, if our efforts to pass ourselves off as part of the upper crust fall short, we at least will have had a class musical act.

**"R.S.V.P." A French phrase meaning, "Save me a seat, I'm coming."*

*Your Presence at
This Gala Event
Truly Would
Cheer Our Spirits*



COBYS Family Services Fancy Ball

We're Hosting a Banquet and Fully Expect to Have a Ball!

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