



## Faith Connections June 2024

### The Dick Parks Memorial Race at the Rock: Thank You!

The 2024 Dick Parks Memorial Race at the Rock was a day of rejoicing. After several years of virtual races, we gathered in-person and celebrated the ribbon-cutting of the long-awaited TRL Outdoor Therapeutic Center.

Over \$40,000 was raised for Flat Rock's mission! Thank you for your support. For a list of winners and many more photos: <https://www.flatrockhomes.org/events/race-at-the-rock/>



### TRL Naming Opportunities

TRL Outdoor Therapeutic Center is now open! You may still honor or remember a loved one or organization by donating a bench, flower planter, tree or equipment. Let us know if you have another gift idea too. Contact Cynthia at [cgeiger@flatrockhomes.org](mailto:cgeiger@flatrockhomes.org) to start the conversation.



### The Celebrations Continue

In July, Flat Rock celebrates its 158<sup>th</sup> birthday. Watch for this year's birthday project announcement. In past years, your generous gifts have provided for Flat Rock:

- Blacktop resurfacing and repair
- Campus Safety and Security
- TRL playground flooring and driveway repair
- New air conditioner for Flat Rock Care Center

Thank you for your continued partnership with Flat Rock Homes, Care Center, and Community Services.

### Gorgeous Geraniums Galore

Our Geranium Appeal is in full swing and there is still time for you to help beautify and benefit Flat Rock. Your geranium includes a plaque to honor your designated loved one. To donate: <https://www.flatrockhomes.org/geranium-appeal-donation-page/>



### Church Engagement

Is Disability Awareness Sunday on your calendar? We can supply guest speakers and resources for this special day. *"Disability Awareness Sunday calls the Church to celebrate the gifts and graces of persons with disabilities and calls the Church and society to full inclusion of persons with disabilities in the community."* (Baltimore Washington Conference UMC) Contact [engagement@flatrockhomes.org](mailto:engagement@flatrockhomes.org) to learn more and to schedule.

Flat Rock Homes is a **mission-minded ministry** in need of support from all congregations. Contact [engagement@flatrockhomes.org](mailto:engagement@flatrockhomes.org) to schedule a guest speaker for pulpit supply, disabilities awareness presentations, music supply (Rose), a special retreat (Sherri), or visit <https://www.flatrockhomes.org/invite-a-speaker/> to have us contact you.

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### Annual Conference Time!

Our Church and Community Engagement Coordinators, Sherri Buehl and Rose Darling recently represented Flat Rock at Annual Conferences.

Rose participated in the first Allegheny West Provisional Annual Conference of the Global Methodist Church at Mount Vernon Nazarene University. Deaconess Sherri Buehl attended the West Ohio Conference Mission Connections Fair at Capitol University, Columbus.



Flat Rock Homes will be represented at the East Ohio Annual Conference, June 13-15, at the John S. Knight Center in downtown Akron. Our friends from the Ohio Disability and Ministry Collaborative (ODMC) will also be represented. Stop by, say hello, and learn more about our ministries!

### An All-American Song Fest

You are invited to a concert featuring favorite songs of America on Sunday, July 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 285 Main Street, Bellevue, OH. Freewill donations will benefit Flat Rock, The Bellevue Chapter of the American Legion, and the church.

### Coming up:

Birthday Project in July  
Summer Edition of *Faith Connections* in August  
Write-a-Will Month in August  
GivingTuesday on December 3<sup>rd</sup>

Here are some photo highlights from **The 2024 Dick Parks Memorial Race at the Rock and the TRL Outdoor Therapeutic Center Ribbon Cutting**. For more photos: <https://www.flatrockhomes.org/events/race-at-the-rock/>



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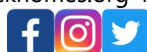


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