

## Squeeky says... I need help...



Guess what? I happen to know something about Linda you might not know. She not only dated a star

athlete, she married one.

Speaking of athletics, I've lost my zip for doing anything. I haven't shed my Christmas weight, I can't find Peanut to walk with me, my redecorating project is finished and I'm not enthusiastic about anything. However, I decided to do something about my state of mind.

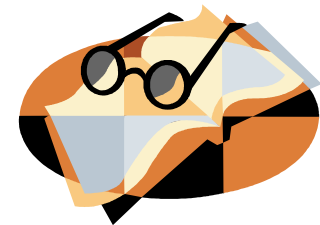
Last Sunday, after everyone had gone home, I tiptoed out into the Fellowship Hall, gathered some yummy crumbs and curled up on one of those comfy couches to think about my life. I sat there in silence for awhile, then I remembered something my mom said to me when I was just a little tyke. "Squeeky, whatever you decide to do each day will impact other mice, either in a good way or a bad way. Choose your actions wisely." Wow! My mom was right. I don't want others to follow my example of laziness or lack of motivation. So, next time you see me I'll be zipping around in my tennis shoes, listening to jazzy tunes on my iPod and planning my next adventure.

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# Increasing our appetite for GOD... tidbits from Don & Linda Lees

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## COMMUNION

If we were asked to define the Last Supper (communion) in a single word, we'd probably use, "remembrance." Jesus said, "As often as you do this (partake of His broken body and shed blood), do it in remembrance of Me." Luke 22:19; I Corinthians 11:24.

Remembrance is derived from the word, "remember." A bisection of remember gives us "re," which means "go back," and "member," which means a "part" of something. An arm, for example, is a "member" (part) of the human body. The "member" Jesus is referring to is our brain or mind.

To summarize Jesus' exhortation to the disciples: Whenever you break bread (eat) and/or drink (liquid), let this event (last supper) come to mind again. In other words, "remember."

## The Body of Christ—Don

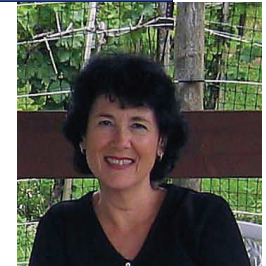
I grew up in a country neighborhood where I had relatives as neighbors. On Sundays we could walk to church together, which was adjacent to my grandparents small farm. There was a vacant field next to the church where the neighborhood kids gathered to play football, baseball, softball and other games, particularly in the summer.

Generally, two of the older kids would be the captains of opposing teams and they would go through a process of selecting team members. It was nerve racking waiting and hoping to be chosen for a team, particularly the team which had the best players and the best chance to win.

I was reminded of that process when I was reading Revelation 17, and the way verse 14 describes those who accompany the Lamb. Chapter 17 describes those who will wage war against the Lamb and then verse 14b says, "And they that are with Him are called, and chosen and faithful."

We need to realize that God the Father has called and chosen us (to be on the Lamb's team) before the foundation of the world. (Ephesians 1:4) To be called is to be invited or appointed and to be chosen is to be selected or a favorite. Our proper response to God is to be faithful, which is to be trustworthy or truthful in our trust of His promise to us through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.

Lets be sure we are on the Lamb's team and with Him as He overcomes them at war with Him.



## Practical Suggestions—Linda

When I read Don's article, I remembered the most important thing to me in high school was being in the "in crowd." That meant being a cheerleader, being in the Honor Society and having dates with star athletes. The problem was I didn't want to work hard. So, every time the new Honor Society students were announced, I sat in the auditorium hoping my name would be called. How could it when I had a few C's on my report card? I was Co-Captain of the cheerleading squad my senior year but I didn't understand sports and didn't attempt to learn. I would have been in big trouble if the Captain missed one of the games and I was responsible for leading the appropriate cheer for each play.

What would have happened if I would have carried that kind of thinking into my life as a Christian? I wouldn't be familiar with the teachings of the Bible, I wouldn't be equipped to lead others or serve them, I wouldn't be challenged to make changes in my life and so much more. It takes determination and discipline to follow Jesus. Let's do it together!

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