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## **Upcoming Events at Pinebrook**

March Madness Men/Boys Encounter - Mar. 27-29, 2009 w/ form MLB Sid Bream

Ladies: Spring Ladies Refresh♡Her - Apr. 24-26, 2009

W/ Calling Levi & Ruth Solberg

Friday Morning Hymn Sings: Apr. 3; May 1; June 5; Sept. 11; Oct. 9;

Nov. 6; Dec. 4

Golf Outing: May 29, 2009

Flower Planting Saturday: June 13

Father's Day Weekend Bike Trip: June 20-21

76<sup>th</sup> Summer Conference: June 27 - August 14, 2009

Senior Saints Retreat - Sept.29-Oct. 1, 2009 w/ Lynn Warner & Tom

Taylor

All to the Glory of God

## **SERMONOTES**

Title: "Spiritual Fitness for the Kingdom"

Dan Allan Director Dinahraal Pihla Conference

Text: I Corinthians 9:24-27

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Introd	uction - Paul and the Olym	pic / Isthmian Games		
I. Assı	amptions are Made			
1.	Races - Everyone underst	good races		
2	Runners			
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3.	Only One			
Cr	owns:			
	Crown of	1 Thes. 2:19		
	Crown of	2 Tim. 4:7f		
	Crown of	Rev. 2:10; James 1:12		
	Crown of	1 Peter 5:1-4		

## the bottomline with Dan Allen



## "Brute Strength"

Thate to admit this, but during the PA State Farm Show Vonnie and I watched the Heavyweight Championship Horse Pulling Contest.

We weren't there to see it in person which might have been more acceptable - you purchase a beverage and soft pretzel and sit for a few minutes before going on to the next venue. Rather, we watched it on television.

I'm not sure what's worse - watching paint dry or listening to several amateur announcers try to make stimulating conversation about horses pulling cinder blocks on a sled. To help fill in time, which they had plenty of, they accepted and answered emails - the most riveting of which was the five minutes it took to figure out what kind of bit was in the horse's mouth.

First announcer: "I'm not sure what that is. Can you tell?" Second announcer: "Not quite sure."

- All the while we were subjected to close-ups of the horse's tongue, teeth, stuff dripping from his nose and the bit. I think they ended up suggesting it was an open bit. Looked like a chain to me.

That's it, my friend. Vonnie and I are now officially senior citizens with the greatest entertainment we can muster up on a given evening - the PA channel and the Farm Show. The next night they had quilt making. Breathtaking!

Seriously, I must confess to you that I'm kind of drawn to the brute strength of draft horses. In the heavyweight division the winning team dragged more than 12,000 pounds. That's amazing. To see the muscular power of these brute beasts struggle to budge such a burden is fascinating. It's truly astounding, despite the deadpan commentators.

I suppose it reminds me of the awe that continues to captivate me when an airplane takes off. The thrust and power exerted is just beyond me and every time it reminds me of God and His power. The Creator of the beasts-of-burden and lift is also the One responsible

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for the most powerful things known to man - whirling winds of a tornado, cat-5 hurricanes, exploding volcanos, earthshattering earthquakes, etc. He created them and rules over them.

The Psalmist sums it up best when he says: *One thing God has spoken, two things have I heard: that you, O God, are strong (62:11).* 

What great comfort this gives to us, His children, to know that we are in the hands of the absolutely strongest Being in all of the universe.

II. Apj	pplication to be Made	
1.	1. Keep your eye on the	
2.	2. Maintain self control and	