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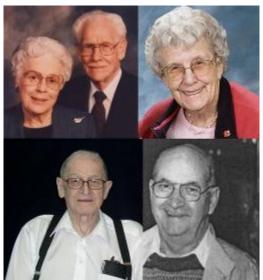
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On the way to Middle School camp I informed our young men that they are the Rock Stars of the church. It's a loose term for 'honored ones' or 'favored guys'. That's why the church paid their hefty camp registration fees and threw in some spending money to boot. You guys are the hope of the church, I informed them. I remember the make-up of our loving congregation back in 2000 when Karen and I first teamed up with you. So many of the pillars of the church who had held down the fort and held forth the Word of life have graduated to Glory, are limited to a care facility or have moved a bit too far away to attend here regularly. Bob Dooms, Charlie Calhoun, Dorothy Johnson, Nellie Creel, Vera Lashua, Vera Kerr, Emily McKinney, Madge Center, Frieda Fuller, Earl and Lucille Sisson...to list a few...



What if we could view a slide show of all of our predecessors...all who logged time here at CCOA? How about those folk who planted a congregation in Ashland over 111 years ago? We are riding on their shoulders and the shoulders of those amazing saints who rebuilt the church after it burned down about mid-century.

The boys cruising toward camp had probably never given thought to such matters. I'd look at those fine young gentlemen and recall somebody's comment that the church is always one generation from extinction. Let one generation drop the torch and see what happens. I have heard the stories of how our men harvested the timber, milled it and then nailed it all together to make this mighty sturdy structure. I needed to pass such stories on to these Rock Stars.

Perhaps no generation faced such challenges as stand before the youth of our church today. Ashland was quite a different place in World War II days. Now it is a bastion on liberalism, New Age philosophy and religious pluralism. So, although we place our hope in God and the youth (Rock Stars) of our church, what we need to train up is a generation of Spiritual Warriors. They can expect to face the fiery darts of the Evil One and an assault on Christianity such as Bob, Charlie,

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Dorothy and the others could not imagine.

So we look over our shoulder to the long line of saints who have walked our sidewalk, filled our classrooms and stood in our pulpit. And we look over the other shoulder to a daunting future which can only be traversed by the faithful...a new generation of radical Christians who have utter confidence in God, his church and the Word. One band of brothers and sisters is slipping the torch into younger hands...not yet these young teens...but their day is coming.

Grateful for the Legacy of Faith,







BAPTIZED...JOCELYN JARRELL

It has been true joy watching this young lady grow up. Dad (Scott) has bringing this dear girl to church right along and also escorts her to Old Time Movie Night. Jocelyn recently gave her life to Jesus and was baptized. Along with the angels we celebrate her decision. God bless you, young lady. We'll do our best to encourage you as you walk the Jesus Trail.

PRAYER RETREAT AT HOWARD PRAIRE LAKE

I'm inviting you to join me at Howard Praire Lake on Friday and Saturday...
August 7 and 8. Choose your option: Friday evening only...Saturday morning only...camp out and



enjoy Friday and Saturday. It's a great place to find some peace and quiet as we devote ourselves to prayer. Julie Hamilton has been doing some serious study and practice of prayer and will serve as our facilitator. Use the sign-up sheet in the foyer or mark your communication card so we can get the info to you if you're interested in attending any part of the retreat. Donations are welcome. Bring a lawn chair.

Dinner plans: Potato Bar, hotdogs and salad...
Coffee, Hot Chocolate and Sodas (7 p.m.)
Breakfast: Omelets, Sausage, Fruit, Coffee, Hot
Chocolate and Juice (9 A.m.)
Time: Friday noon through Saturday (about 2 pm)

WEEKLY SERVICES AT CARE FACILITIES

Each week some of our folk conduct worship services at care centers around the valley.

Carl and Therese Olivera and their children Eric and Jenee can be found at the Northridge Care Center in Phoenix on Sunday mornings. Eric preaches, Janee leads the music and Eric conducts the communion service.

Gene and Janice Stringer visit Arbor Place in Medford every Sunday at 3 pm. They have been at this for several years. Included in the gathering is singing, prayer, communion, plus a message and time for fellowship.

Eleanor Olsen and Jim Larsen conduct a similar service at Jackson House in Talent each

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Tuesday at 3 p.m. The idea was to have Eleanor play the piano, accompanied by Jim on the guitar. The piano being seriously out of tune has left the service 'guitar only'. Somebody care to donate \$ to tune the upright? Talk to Eleanor, please.



OUTDOOR BREAKFAST...AUGUST

What a treat for our church! May through August we enjoy an Outdoor Breakfast (Dutch oven biscuits and gravy and the works) at Emigrant Lake on the last Saturday of each month. Yummy! Come on out on August 29 for mighty dandy vittles. Dining begins at 9 but helpers and students of Dutch oven cooking can arrive as early as 8 to enjoy the process.

There will be a donation basket and you'll also need to come prepared for the \$4 parking fee. From the toll booth, take a look off to the right about 50 yards and you'll see us under the oak trees. All ages invited. Expect eggs to order, bacon, hash browns, those biscuits and gravy and maybe more. Coffee and hot chocolate too!

POTLUCK DINNER

Our August Potluck will be Sunday, August 16th.

As always this is a great time for good food and good fellowship.

If your last name begins with **A-K**, **please bring a main dish and a dessert**. If your last name begins with **L-Z**, **please bring a main dish and a salad**. Single folks just bring one item to share.

Remember the ovens are on for keeping food warm, so please bring your food already cooked.

SAINTS ALIVE

Don't be caught off guard. The first Saturday of August is this coming Saturday the 1st. Come on over to the Iron Skillet in Phoenix (Oregon!) for a hearty buffet (Senior's Discount) or order from the menu. Expect plenty of 'corn'. You know...those tall tales, jokes, riddles and other zany talk. It's a great time to relax with friends. No agenda but dining together and enjoying some laughs.

Saturday, August 1...9 a.m....Iron Skillet Restaurant...Pear Tree Truck Stop...All Welcome!

MARLIA-LARSENS TELL THEIR STORY ON AUGUST 9



You've been waiting for this. Lori Jo and Brian recently received their nursing degrees from Rogue Community College and then took exams to become Registered Nursed. Both graduated with honors. Between graduation and the R.N. tests they spent two weeks in Sierra Leone in West Africa. They have been invited to join a medical team there but knew that it would be best to scout out the area before committing themselves. On Sunday, August

9, the Marlia-Larsens will report to our church on their experiences in Sierra Leone.

We expect that friends who are not normally in attendance at CCOA will be on hand that day. Let's give them a mighty warm welcome.



JIM'S TRIP TO PERU

I'm grateful to serve a congregation that values the many ways we can contribute to world missions. We send a tithe of our church's monthly income to missionaries. We encourage our folk to explore shortterm mission trips. And you cheer me on each time I head off to teach, preach and work in a far off land. Trujillo, a city of one million, is located an hour's flight north of Lima. I've been helping young pastors there for some time now. This year I was joined by a good bunch of other workers who live in New Mexico, California, Arizona, Colorado and Washington. We installed stoves and chimneys in homes where cooking was previously done over an open fire (in the house!). I took along some money from my Ashland Rotary Club to provide a 4-day dental clinic for kids 8-12 years of age. We also tackled construction projects and spent time playing with children. My dear friend, Tim Tuttle, was a great traveling and working companion. I hope you get to meet him.



Key matters which have them inviting me back are Prayer Seminars, Over-view of the Bible classes and Pastoral Training for young preachers. More on the plans later.

Glad to have gone and delighted to be home, Jim Larsen



REAL MEN MEET AT KING'S CAFÉ (FORMERLY ANNIE'S) IN PHOENIX (OREGON, FELLA!)

Drop in guys. The food is as delicious as ever. And our trek through the Minor and Major Prophets of the Old Testament is calling all who attend to take a close look at our lives. Want a challenge? And how about fellowship with some 'real' guys? Come on by. Mondays at 7:45 am. Jerry Moore will gladly buy breakfast for any newcomers (must bring this ad and photo I.D. to qualify).

FINANCES

Summer normally has a way of ripping into financial giving. This Summer its even worse than usual. We are certain that intense prayer and keeping you informed of our budget deficit will be of great help. Check out the chart on the foyer bulletin board, pray hard and let God lead. Weekly giving is reported in each Sunday bulletin.

TIME FOR A CHANGE

The Lord works in mysterious ways. It was the end of 2002 when I was asked if I would be interested in

taking over the church office. It was not something that I had been looking for, but I felt the Lord had something in mind. I have learned much over these past six and a half years and I continue to learn.

Something unexpected has happened again. I have been asked and accepted a part time position at Rogue Valley Television in support of their Public Access program. At first I thought I already had too much on my plate, but then I thought of the church's financial situation. By cutting my hours at the church we can save around \$600 per month in payroll, one of the few areas left to cut. I contacted the Elders and they have been very supportive. I appreciate the opportunity to work with the Elders in determining my revised responsibilities with the reduced hours. My goal is to serve the church to the best of my ability and to continue to learn what the Lord has planned for me.

I thank you all for allowing me to serve in this capacity. Working here continues to give me an insight into the technology and other needs that are unique to the church environment. I love how I can learn something new at school and then put it to work here at the church almost immediately.

Bradford Fish, Office Manager

39PLUS...GROWING!

For those of us over 39 this pow wow is a great blessing. Marie Hoffman always hosts the 'first Wednesday' (August 5) meeting at her home, 61 N. Mountain Avenue. Card games begin at 10, followed by Jim's study from Colossians at 11. Plan to stay for lunch. Marie's fine fare is a joy, for sure.

Although we skip the month's **second Wednesday**, we join Rogue Riders on the **third Wednesday** (August 19) for a trip somewhere around Southern Oregon.

The *Last Wednesday* (August 26)begins with folding the monthly newsletter and then dividing the remains of the morning between games and Jim's Bible Study. Bring a dish to share for the Pot Luck that is enjoyed noonish. Here's a great opportunity to get acquainted with others, grow spiritually and eat somebody else's cooking.

ROGUE RIDERS

For August the Rogue Riders are keeping it simple. Helen Jane will just lead us to some cool spot for lunch around noon on Wednesday, August 19th. Possible locations include Callahans Siskiyou Lodge and Campers Cove at Hyatt Lake. Watch the Sunday bulletin for final plans.

PEDRO VILLAGRANA AND DJ FROST BAPTIZED

Last month we included photos of Pedro and DJ being baptized. Here are close-ups of the guys.



LIBRARY DISPLAY

You may have noticed the new display in the lobby. Eleanor and Janice are working to highlight some of the many resources available in our church library. Please fill out one of our library survey forms to help them understand your desires so they can work to improve our library.



Luke, Chapter 06, Puzzle 1

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- 7 Evelyn Sayles
- 11 Marie Hoffman
- 13 Paul Creel
- 19 Jennie Macauley
- 19 Maryanne Rossini
- 20 Dominic Hernandez
- 21 Cielo Marlia-Larsen
- 22 JD Maulsby
- 25 Jesse Vermillion
- 27 Erich Tiller
- 28 Nadine Christie



AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

26 - Michael and Kathy Wing

Editor's Note: If I have missed your birthday or anniversary please let me know so I can update my calendar and include them in the future. If I have included any that you would like removed please let me know that also. Just send corrections to the church office. Brad

"JESUS, LORD OF ALL" "The Family of God"

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						9:00 AM Saints Alive Breakfast - Iron Skillet
2	3 7:45 AM Men Alive- King's Cafe 8:00 AM Ladies Monday Morning Study Group	9:30 AM Piece Corps David Ellis, B'day	5 10:00 AM 39 Plus - Maric Hoffman's Home	9	7 Evelyn Sayles, B'day Prayer Retreat @	lyn Sayles, B'day Prayer Retreat @ Howard Praire Lake
9 9:00 AM Ladies Ministry Mtg 12:30 PM Board Meeting	10 7:45 AM Men Alive- King's Cafe 8:00 AM Ladies Monday Morning Study Group	9:30 AM Piece Corps Marie Hoffman, B'day	12	13 Paul Creel, B'day	14	15 6:30 PM Old Time Movic Night
16 12:15 PM Potluck	7.45 AM Men Alive- King's Cafe 8:00 AM Ladies Monday Morning Study Group	18 9:30 AM Piece Corps	11:00 AM Rogue Riders Jennie Macauley, B'day Maryanne Rossini, B'day	20 Dominic Hernandez, B'Day	21 Cielo Marlia-Larsen, B'day	22 JD Maulsby B'day
23 12:30 PM Deaconess Meeting - Volunteer Office	24 7:45 AM Men Alive- King's Cafe 8:00 AM Ladies Monday Morning Study Group	25 9:30 AM Piece Corps Jesse Vermillion, Brlay	26 10:00 AM 39 Plus - Newsletter Folding Michael & Kathy Wing, Ann.	27 Erich Tiller, B'day	28 Nadine Christie, B'day	29 9:00 AM Summer Break fast - Emigrant Lake
30 6:00 PM 5th Sunday Variety Hour	31 7:45 AM Men Alive- King's Cafe 8:00 AM Ladies Monday Morning Study Group		July S M T W T F S 6 8 8 7 8 8 8 14 8 15 15 14 16 16 17 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18		September S M T W T F S a T 1 4 6 6 7 11 4 6 6 7 11 12 20 11 12 20 20 21 22 23 24 25 21 21 21 21 21 21 21 21 21 21 21 21 21	

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Sunday Service Schedule

9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Discovery Club 10:45 AM Worship

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Oh, Susanna Arsenic and Old Lace

OLD TIME MOVIE NIGHT

HOLD YOUR HORSES AND WATCH WHAT YOU CONSUME!

Join us Saturday evening August 15 for another fun Old Time Movie Night.

First up will be a fast moving early western by America's favorite singing cowboy, Gene Autry. "OH, SUSANNA" a 1936 Republic Pictures release finds Gene, mistaken for an escaped outlaw (and vice versa), setting out to clear his name, joining a traveling entertainment troupe to set things right, to restore his good name and to bring the bad guys to justice. Shot in the beautiful Alabama Hills of Lone Pine, Ca. this film will entertain young and old alike. The Light Crust Doughboys sing "Ride On, Vaquero" and Gene sings "I'll Go Ridin' Down The Trail" which he co-wrote with his comic sidekick, Smiley Burnette.

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After intermission and some vintage "Coming Attractions" we screen "ARSENIC AND OLD LACE", 1944, the hilarious version of the record setting Broadway play about two seemingly harmless old ladies who poison their lonely gentlemen callers. An excellent cast, headed by Cary Grant (never more frantic) dealing with his Aunts' behavior, Priscilla Lane, Peter Lorre and Raymond Massey (as unsuspecting murderers hiding out in the old ladies' Brooklyn house) will have you laughing aloud from start to finish. Josephine Hull and Jean Adair repeat their Broadway roles as the old ladies in this classic screwball comedy. Don't miss this one, folks!



Doors and Snack bar open at 6:00 p.m. First movie starts at 6:30 p.m.

