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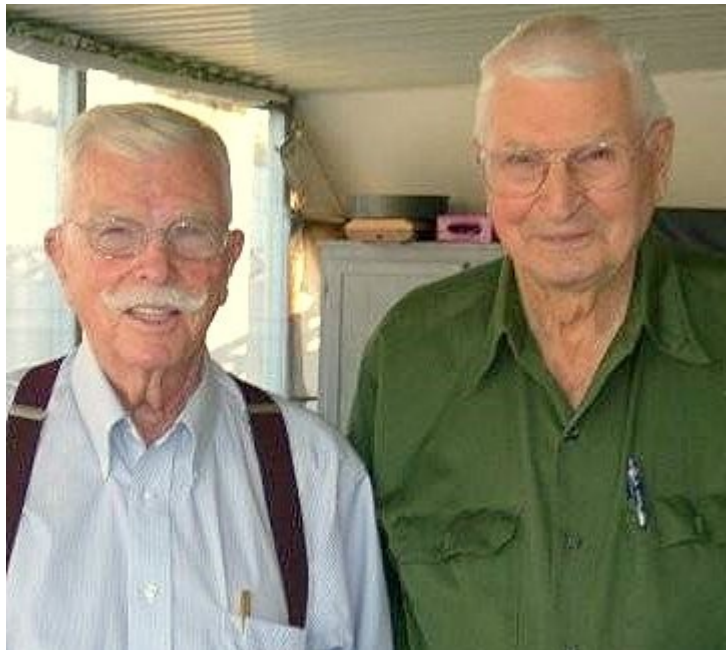
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OUR DADS



Jay Garrison
Karen's Dad

Norm Larsen
Jim's Dad

law, courtesy, fairness to others and personal tidiness. Best of all... we are buddies. He taught me to hunt, fish, trap, row a boat, camp and enjoy the great outdoors. Thank you all for treating him so well when he came to visit in September.

Karen's father, Jay, is in the other room as I write this article. He was a preacher for a time but spent most of his adult years in public education. We are tithers because of Jay and Ruth. Karen received

What a joy for us to have both dads visit us. Norm, my father, has been my dear friend for years. We'd have a longer friendship if I had been more faithful in writing and connecting in those young adult years. Now we speak every day. Here is a guy who is shy by most folk's standards. Yet when he speaks one does well to listen carefully. Dad was a model of faithfulness to both my mom and, after her death, Sarah. He became a Christian later in life and has been a fixture at his church, which grew from a handful in the 60s to many thousands these days. He's a stickler for keeping the

her allowance in change and was expected to put a dime away for the Sunday offering. His kids and grandchildren are all believers. When Ruth's memorial service was held last Spring there was an avalanche of testimonies extolling that dear lady and, of course, her life partner, Jay.

Having these to guys here for two and three weeks has been a fabulous blessing. Dad and I fished the Rogue River up near Agness and got into those Steelhead. His was the largest. Jay landed the only Coho in the mouth of

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the Rogue a couple weeks ago. It had to be released since it was a 'native' (non-hatchery) fish. So we traveled north to the Umpqua River (don't you love the sound of that?) where he landed the only hatchery Coho of the seven that we brought into the boat. He's been a fisherman and hunter from way back. His faith, character and commitment to the local church is inspiring.

We are so fortunate to have these models of faith and dedication in our lives, and more recently in our homes. Oh that we would be such examples to our children and their children. Two guys from quite different walks of life. Dad a farmer from Wisconsin who moved to Nevada and started all over again. Her dad, a poor boy from Arkansas who came west and made a new life for himself. Both men were blessed with wonderful wives who served as excellent partners and walked the Jesus Trail with them.

These great guys don't consider themselves great. But they certainly are! It's good to take a moment to celebrate the significance of good guys who will one day hear the master say, "Well done my good and faithful servant."




FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY (FPU)

FPU comes to Christian Church of Ashland at 7 pm on Wednesday, Jan 7, 2009 (www.daveramsey.com/fpu/home/). Preview/question sessions are scheduled at the next two potluck dinners on the third Sunday of November and again in December.

Here are a few testimonials from those who have completed the 13-week course.

"Since completing the course, God (through Dave's ministry) has helped our family eliminate over \$20,000 in debt. Lord willing, the last \$5,700 will be gone by this August at the latest. We have done this on one income."



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"You don't have to make a six-figure income to become debt-free. I won't say it was easy, but wow, what peace we have now!"

"I am SO thankful that the course was offered at my church and that I had the opportunity to enroll. I can truly say that was one of the best investments I ever made of my time and money."

The cost for membership materials and access to on-line resources is \$100 per family unit and are available from the church office. If you are struggling with debt/finances in these difficult times (and who isn't) FPU offers a solution.

39PLUS...

WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS!

You are invited to spend Wednesday morning (Nov 5) at Marie Hoffman's home. She'll provide games for cutthroat competition at 10. Then Jim will get us back on track loving each other with his 11 o'clock Bible study. At noon Marie will treat us to lunch, grand as usual. So drive on over to 91 N. Mountain Avenue for a superb morning of fellowship, recreation, study and lunch. All adults welcome!

On Wednesday the 19th we'll link up with Rogue Riders rather than have our usual 39Plus activities. Don't forget the mucho grande Wednesday of November, the 26th. Let's help Brad by folding the newsletter at 10...then slip in a few games of Uno or SkipBo before Jim's study of Colossians at 11. Bring something for the potluck so we can have our usual big meal to cap off a month of Wednesdays. Everybody welcome!

ROGUE RIDERS

Rogue Riders had a special treat last month at the Schneider Museum. The Director of the Museum, Michael Crane, gave us a tour and explained many of the exhibits to us. We then went to the Wild Goose Restaurant for lunch. November will be a surprise as so many of our outings have been. If someone has an idea that sounds like a good one, I will make arrangements for a tour and away we go. Join us-----HJ

REAL MEN



It's a time our guys look forward to...Mondays at 7:45. Breakfast is mighty fine at Annie's in Phoenix (Oregon!). Our gentlemen use the lesson from the Christian Standard and find plenty to chew on. Discussion is often animated and dynamic. So, boys, come on by. Jerry Moore will spring for your breakfast first time around. Must bring this ad to qualify, buster!



THANKSGIVING DINNER AT TOU VELLE PARK

The Moores and Larsens invite you to another Thanksgiving feast at Tou Velle Park. It's a potluck affair. Expect a bunch of Dutch oven vittles, plus a deep fried turkey. Arrive at 9 to become a bona fide Dutch oven chef, or drop in at high noon for mucho fine food. Bring a dish for the buffet table if you'd like. Use the sign up sheet in the foyer to indicate your intentions to join the great event. Bring your family and friends...but be certain to let us know how many to expect.

Dress for the weather, but even if it rains we'll carry on since the shelter is covered. Questions? Call the Jerry and Janie at 772-3628 or Jim and Karen at 890-3209. Look for a map in the church foyer.



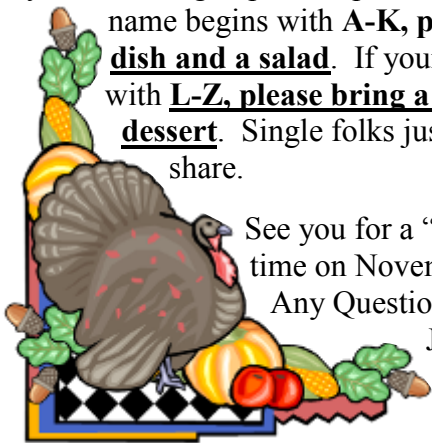
LADIES LUNCH BUNCH

Laurie Royer will be the hostess for the November 11th Ladies Lunch Bunch. They will meet at the Golden Phoenix Chinese Restaurant in Phoenix at noon. Please let Laurie know if you will be there so she can let them know how many to expect.



POTLUCK DINNER

You Are Invited to The NOVEMBER POTLUCK, scheduled for **November 16th**. Thanksgiving favorites is the theme for this gathering. A sign up sheet for specific dishes is available at the sign up table. If you do not sign up for a specific item and your name begins with **A-K, please bring a side dish and a salad**. If your last name begins with **L-Z, please bring a side dish and a dessert**. Single folks just bring one item to share.



See you for a "gobbling" good time on November 16th.

Any Questions? Check with Janie Moore who is coordinating this potluck.

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

CHURCH AT LOUIE'S BAR AND GRILL, TV PROGRAM

Each week residents of the Rogue Valley can tune in to David Bruce and Jim Larsen conducting

'church' at Louie's Bar and Grill in Ashland. Our ministry there in downtown Ashland has become well-known and much appreciated. We've had plenty of opportunity to touch the lives of employees and patrons of this award winning ("Best Hamburgers in Ashland"...5 years straight) meeting place. Look for this TV program on cable channel 15 at 3:30 p.m. Sundays and expect to see it aired at other times throughout the week. To go www.roguetv.org for a complete schedule or to view the live webcast.

LARSEN'S NOTE OF APPRECIATION

It has been a real joy serving Christ with you here in Ashland. I didn't mean to spark such an outpouring of gifts and celebration from you, but thanks so much. The potluck was great and your kind words were pleasant to hear. God bless you all, our partners and friends. Jim and Karen

SAINTS ALIVE

Where else can our adults have so much fun and enjoy truck stop chow to boot? This popular 'first Saturday' event features great fellowship, occasional knee-slapper humor and a hearty buffet. All available adults (plus friends and family) are invited.

When: Saturday, November 1 (don't get caught off guard!)

Time: 9 a.m. (Fred!)

Place: Iron Skillet Restaurant, Phoenix (Oregon!)

FIFTH SUNDAY VARIETY HOUR... NOVEMBER 30

What a delight this quarterly event has become! Poems, songs, readings, solos...you name it. Young and old. Newcomers and old timers. Everett Cade will once again serve as our accompanist and Gene Stringer will lead us in singing some time-honored hymns. So join us on Sunday, November 30, at 6 pm and stay for dessert (potluck) at about 7:30. Use the sign up sheets in the foyer if you plan to sing/read/dance/perform or to indicate what you'll bring for the dessert time.

DEAR CCOA,

Thank you so much for the opportunity to train our new volunteers in your "Upper Room". It's been wonderful to have state of the art equipment "upstairs" (and Brad, too) available for our current training session. The Ashland Pregnancy Center continues to grow and look forward to expanding and serving the Ashland community. We can never thank you, Pastor Jim, and this lovely congregation for your generosity to us as we work with "moms" during pregnancy and after.

God bless you all, Marilyn Bright



According to church record Paul joined the church in 1949 and Nellie in 1951 after moving to the area from Elgin, Oregon. Paul is an Elder Emeritus and they have both faithfully served in many capacities over the past 58 years.

The following was printed in the January 2005 issue of "**The Historacle**" The Official newsletter of the Talent Historical Society:

Nellie and Paul Creel arrived in Talent in 1949 to find work in one of the many sawmills around here at that time. Their little girls were only 9 and 3 years old, a son was born here two years later. Neighbors with the last names of Pancake, Tycksen and Denomas lived in the same section of town, but the street had no name. When Mae Lowe, a coauthor of the famous paper Talent News Flashes, delivered the newspaper to the Creels, she became frustrated by the lack of a name for the road. Mae didn't want to call it Pancake Lane, so she went down to the county offices and had the name of Creel Road put down on the map. The first time Creels knew there was a road named for them was when the sign went up. They have lived there ever since.



KLAMATH FALLS...FRIENDS OF FAITH

Members of this vibrant group drove over the Cascade Mountains to worship with us on October 25. After church they enjoyed lunch at the Larsen home. Thanks to these fine folk for blessing us with their presence and making the curvy drive up and over! We love you! Friends of Faith is a group of believers that meets regularly in Klamath Falls, from house to house.

NELLIE AND PAUL CREEL— CELEBRATE 70 YEARS

Married November 1, 1938 Nellie and Paul will celebrate their 70th Anniversary at the Talent Community Hall from 2 to 4 PM Saturday, November 1st. All are invited **"No Gifts Please"**

WOULD YOU LIKE THE QUILT IN THE LIBRARY

The Piece Corp ladies will be selling tickets for the king size quilt in the Library. Tickets are \$5 each or 3 for \$10. Funds raised traditionally go for supplies for the Piece Corp. The ladies have been working on this beautiful quilt much of this year with lots and

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lots of hand stitching. Please support this wonderful ministry. The drawing for the quilt will take place at the Ladies Tea in December. Contact Helen Jane for more information or tickets.



ELECTION DAY NOVEMBER 4TH

Samuel Adams, Father of the American Revolution and Signer of the Declaration of Independence, on April 16, 1781 said...

"Let each citizen remember at the moment he is offering his VOTE...that he is executing one of the most solemn trusts in human society for which he is accountable to God and his Country."

Be sure to get your ballots in by 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 4th.



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 4 - Clyde Fuller
- 5 - Jason Wilson
- 8 - Sandee McDaniel
- 12 - Martha Bosworth
- 12 - Lori Jo Marlia-Larsen
- 16 - Gene Stringer
- 22 - Jim Farmer
- 22 - Ashton Acery
- 26 - Brandon Witt
- 27 - Genice Normand



NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 - Paul and Nellie Creel
- 12 - Mel and Betty Tine Metcalf
- 24 - Jim and Gwen Jarrell
- 27 - Chris and Corey McDonald

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
2  Daylight Savings -set back 1 hour	3 7:45 AM Men Alive- Annie's Cafe 2:00 PM Ladies Monday Afternoon Bible Study	4 9:30 AM Piece Corps Clyde Fuller, B'day	5 10:00 AM 39 Plus - Marie Hoffman's Home 6:00 PM Alpha Dinner and Meeting <i>Jason Wilson, B'day</i>	6	7	1 9:00 AM Saints Alive Breakfast - Iron Skillet 2:00 PM Creel @ Tulent Community Hall <i>Paul & Nellie Creel, Ann</i>
9 9:00 AM Ladies Ministry Mtg 12:30 PM Board Meeting	10 7:45 AM Men Alive- Annie's Cafe 2:00 PM Ladies Monday Afternoon Bible Study	11 9:30 AM Piece Corps 12:00 PM Ladies Lunch Bunch <i>Veterans Day</i>	12 6:00 PM Alpha Dinner and Meeting Lori Jo Marlin-Larsen, B'day <i>Melba Bosworth, B'day</i> <i>Mel & Betty Tine Metcalf, Ann</i>	13	14	8 Sandee McDaniel, B'day
16 12:15 PM Potluck <i>Gene Stringer, B'day</i>	17 7:45 AM Men Alive- Annie's Cafe 2:00 PM Ladies Monday Afternoon Bible Study	18 9:30 AM Piece Corps	19 10:00 AM Rogue Riders 6:00 PM Alpha Dinner and Meeting	20	21	15 6:30 PM Old Time Movie Night
23	24 7:45 AM Men Alive- Annie's Cafe 2:00 PM Ladies Monday Afternoon Bible Study <i>Jim & Owen Jarsell, Ann.</i>	25 9:30 AM Piece Corps	26 10:00 AM 39 Plus - Newsletter Folding Brandon Witt, B'day	27 Chris & Corey McDonald, Ann Genice Norman, B'day <i>Thanksgiving</i>	28	22 Ashton Acery, B'day Jim Farmer B'day
30 6:00 PM Singpiration and Variety Show						29

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10:30 AM Discovery Club
10:45 AM Worship

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OLD TIME MOVIE NIGHT... SMASHING SUCCESS!

A huge crowd gathered to see those spooky movies from 80 years ago. What fun! You keep doing a great job, Mike Royer. What do you in store for the silver screen in November?

"Military Forces in foreign lands!" Today's newspaper headlines? Nope. It's our **November 15th** Old Time Movie Night. First we travel to North Africa with Stan Laurel and Oliver Hardy when they join the French



Foreign Legion "to forget" in **BEAU HUNKS** (1931) and then we journey to India to join Cary Grant, Douglas Fairbanks Jr., Victor McLaglen and water boy Sam Jaffe as **GUNGA DIN** (1939). Enlist with us for desert hi-jinks and comic adventure Saturday November 15 when we salute the boys in uniform...sort of. Plus the usual extras and surprises.



Join us for the fun!
Snack bar opens at 6:00 p.m.
First movie starts at 6:30 p.m.

