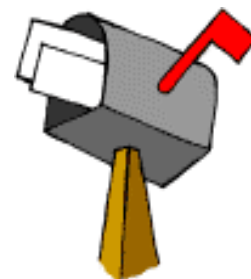




# Senior Connection



ARTICLES, NEWS AND ACTIVITIES CALENDAR  
FOR SENIOR MEMBERS AT NETHERWOOD PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST  
SEPTEMBER 13, 2011 VOL 7 ISSUE 9 LANELL WILKINS, CO-EDITOR

**SENIOR FELLOWSHIP THIS FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 16, 2011**

### ***Senior Luncheon Catered***

*Texas Land & Cattle: Hamburgers With "Trimmings,"  
Side Dish & Dessert.*

*Charge is \$6.00 per person*

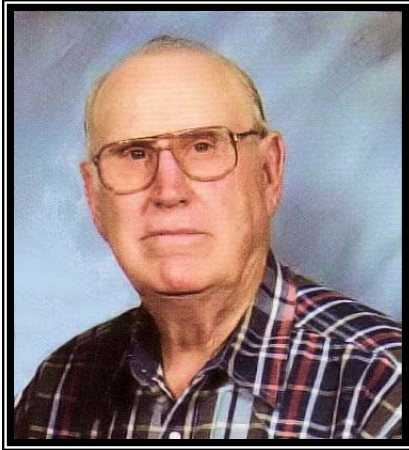
11:30 – 1:30 Friday, September 16, 2011

11:30-12:30	Luncheon
12:25	Welcome & Announcements: Louise Pitts
12:35-12:50	Devo – Jared Ortiz
12:50-1:30	Entertainment: Pam Beach & Roger Proctor – Sign Language

Luncheon Leader: Mary Louise Pitts  
Devotional Leader: Anna Lewis & Angie Carder  
Hosts: Zona White, Dorthy Jones, Ina Milton  
Decorator: Ina Milton, Nancy Clements

**THEME FOR 2011: "WE ARE BEING TRANSFORMED INTO HIS LIKENESS."  
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## ***Our Sympathy***

The sudden passing of Charles Burnett saddened those of us at Netherwood Park. Charles was a long-time, active member of Netherwood Park. Prior to his moving to Netherwood, he was a member of the Bosque Farms congregation and served there as an elder for many years. We extend our sympathy and love to Carlene, Curtis, Ron, Randy and Rhonda and their families. We are grateful for Charles and remember him as a man filled with Godly love, integrity and solid principles.

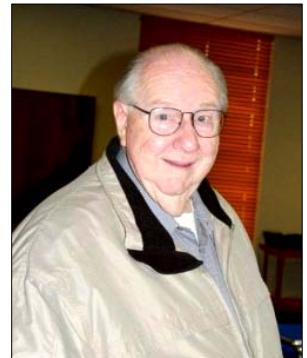
## ***What Is Going On?***

*Reported by Jim Guthrie*



Welcome to our new Netherwood members, Carol and Ireta Vincent! We look forward to meeting and fellowshiping with them. Their address is 9576 Sierra Vista Court, NE, 87111. Phone number 505-323-6697.

Gayle Foster has now moved to Portland, Oregon, to be with his son. We are grateful to Gayle for sharing his knowledge and serving as the Movie Director for the Sr. Cinema Matinee for five years. We will miss you, Gayle! 735 SW Clair St. Apt 403, Portland, OR 97205. ph 503-478-9926



Laura Riehl has been the untiring contributor to the Movie Review each month for the "Connection." She has also acted as advisor for the movies shown for several years. Laura has graciously agreed to take over the director's position from Gayle. She will be setting up a committee and may be calling on you for assistance in the near future. Please volunteer to help Laura as a member of the Senior Matinee Cinema Committee.



- Sixty-two seniors attended our August Luncheon. We enjoyed great Italian food, fellowship and fun at the “Trashy Fashion Show” presented by Ina Milton and her models. See the pictures of this trendy fashion show below.

**“Trashy Fashion Show”**

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- Each year, “The Lost Howlin’ Coyotes” generously perform for our Sr. Luncheons, Ponderosa Christian Camp and ACCH Fund-Raisers. Recently, they were invited to perform at the award winning Santa Fe Bluegrass and Old Time Music Festival, 2011. Look for an article about this talented group in the next “Connection.”
- The September movie, “*Hasty Heart*” starring Ronald Regan, was enjoyed by 18 seniors. Six of our regulars were absent due to surgeries, but we were delighted to welcome again Don and Mary Sue Osborn.

**Thank You, All Volunteers!**

**Speaking of volunteers, look at the chart below. We still have needs for the rest of 2011 and all of 2012. Will you be a leader/coordinator for three months or more?**

<b>POSITION</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>FILLED</b>	<b>NEEDED</b>
<u>*Luncheon Leader</u>	Sept-Nov 2011	Louise Pitts	
	Jan-Mar 2012	X	X
<u>*Devo Speaker Coordinator</u>	Sept-Nov 2011	Anna Lewis Angie Carder	
	Jan-Nov 2012	X	X
<u>Publisher (Coordinator)</u>	Sept-Nov 2011	Jim Guthrie	
	Jan-Mar 2012	Kay Alexander	
	April-June 2012	Louise Pitts	
	July-Nov 2012	X	X
<u>Decorator</u>	October 2011	Ina Milton Nancy Clements	
	November 2011	Bea Carriaga	
	Jan-Nov 2012	Bea, Ina, Nancy	
<u>Entertainment Coordinator</u>	Oct-Nov 2011	X	X
	Jan-Nov 2011	X	X

You may call Jim Guthrie, 967-4865, for details and/or assistance for each position.  
Send articles for the Connection to Jim.

We especially need “*A Few Good Men*” to help our strong fellowship become even stronger. Please contact Jim Guthrie to volunteer.

**Seniors Who Served At the Congregational BBQ in August. Thank you!**



Efficiency! Nyla, Nancy and Kay.



Rogers and Ron: "Where did it go?"

Mary and Sylvia: "Piece of cake."



Just sayin', these two look a little feisty.  
Angie and Irma, that is.



Jonathan at the window—camera shy, but workin'..

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*Job well done (left to right) Bud, Kay, Ron, Irma, Mary, Larry, Nyla, Rogers, Nancy, Stan, Jonathan, Sylvia and Angie.*

*---Photos by Jim Guthrie*



***BIRTHDAYS FOR OCTOBER***

<i>Eluid Alcon</i>	<i>10/03</i>	<i>Donna McGlasson</i>	<i>10/05</i>
<i>Jim Guthrie, Sr.</i>	<i>10/06</i>	<i>Rogers Mitchell</i>	<i>10/07</i>
<i>Mylli Zdunek</i>	<i>10/07</i>	<i>Bettye Barker</i>	<i>10/08</i>
<i>Joe Mosley</i>	<i>10/16</i>	<i>Nida Clark</i>	<i>10/22</i>
<i>Harvey Temple</i>	<i>10/22</i>	<i>Kay Alexander</i>	<i>10/27</i>

***WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES FOR OCTOBER***

<i>Charles &amp; Nida Clark</i>	<i>10/03</i>	<i>52 yrs</i>
<i>Richard &amp; Judy Wilson</i>	<i>10/04</i>	<i>36 yrs</i>
<i>Andy &amp; Mary Stanphill</i>	<i>10/09</i>	<i>65 yrs</i>
<i>Margarito &amp; Maria Montoya</i>	<i>10/18</i>	<i>45 yrs</i>
<i>Robert &amp; Charlotte Moen</i>	<i>10/30</i>	<i>57 yrs</i>
<i>Gary &amp; Donna McGlasson</i>	<i>10/31</i>	<i>2 yrs</i>





**COMING SOON!  
2011**

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October						
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**Happenings in September and October**

- 9/08 9:30am Thursday Ladies Class resumed – East Fellowship Hall - Taught by Cindy Burnett, Jan Eminger & Katherine Miller– Studying the Book of John
- 9/08 6:30pm Ladies Game Night – Fellowship Hall – Will be held every second Thursday – Bring a wrapped \$5.00 kitchen gadget instead of the traditional \$5.00 donation for prizes.
- 9/12 6:45pm Monday Night for the Master resumes in Library – Devotional, praying for sick and sending cards – meets every Monday night.
- 9/16 11:30am Senior Potluck – Fellowship Hall – Every third Friday
- 9/18 1-4pm Bridal shower for Jenny Keese – Commons Area – Registered at Crate & Barrel and Bed, Bath & Beyond
- 10/2 Aluminum Recycling – Every other first Sunday of the month
- 10/7 1:15pm SR Cinema at the SR Theater at Netherwood (East Fellowship Room)
- 10/9 2-4pm Baby Shower for Nikki Bratcher – Commons Area – (they are having a boy) – registered at Babies R Us & Wal-Mart – they also have a monkey theme

**Fellowship defined:** “That heavenly love which fills (or should fill) the hearts of believers one for another and for God...is deeper and more satisfying than any mere human love whether social, parental, conjugal or other.” --Zondervan’s Pictorial Bible Dictionary

## MOVIE REVIEW



### “Letters to Juliet”

There is a brick wall in Verona, Italy, the setting for Shakespeare’s “Romeo and Juliet,” where women for generations have been leaving notes seeking romantic advice from “Juliet.” The letters are dutifully answered by teams of volunteers.

Amanda Seyfried, who seems to be everywhere in the movies these days, plays Sophie, an American vacationing in Italy with her restaurant owner fiancé Victor (Gael García Bernal). A fact checker for The New Yorker who dreams of becoming a writer, Sophie gets her chance when she accidentally pries loose from the Verona wailing wall an undelivered 50-year-old letter, which she answers herself, from an Englishwoman named Claire (Vanessa Redgrave) about a lost love. Sophie’s response is so heartfelt that it has the surprise effect of luring Claire, along with her wary, belligerent grandson Charlie (Christopher Egan), back to Verona in search of lost lover Lorenzo. Filling up entire notebooks with observations for an article, Sophie teams with them to track him down.

No secret where any of this is going. While Victor is gallivanting all over Tuscany in search of the perfect truffle or the best wine, Sophie has plenty of time to contemplate Claire’s ardor – and Charlie’s handsomeness. We’re supposed to see Sophie and Charlie as junior-league counterparts to Claire and Lorenzo. Will they blow their chance at a lifetime of bliss like the oldsters did, or will they have the courage to embrace true love? If you guess wrong on this, you should have your head, as well as your heart, examined.

Seyfried is fetchingly winsome. Redgrave, alchemist that she is, transforms corn syrup into vintage wine. She’s one of those actresses who can make even the dreariest role look good. (Lorenzo, by the way, is played by Franco Nero, her real-life husband. They cast many smoldering glances at each other. Any acting required for these scenes?)

The best reason to see “Letters to Juliet” is for the scenery. Why put up with airport traffic, full body searches, Icelandic ash clouds, and lost luggage when, instead, you can sit back and bask in the warm earth tones and blue vistas of Verona, Siena, Lake Garda, and Argiano. This movie doesn’t need a ticket for admittance.

-- by *Laura Riehl*

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## ***ON THE FRONT PORCH***

*---by Leta Bassham*

Last week my son in Montgomery, Alabama, entered my name on Facebook under the title, " You Must Be From Montgomery...If You Remember".

I started getting so many entries about what people remembered. It was a lot of fun to add my memories to theirs'. Some of the people I remembered, some were school friends and some were just people I knew. It really got me to remembering all the growing-up times in Montgomery and all the changes that have taken place since then.

Some of the places are no longer there and some of those that are still there are changed. But after over 50 years, that is to be expected, I guess. I am not saddened by the memories or the changes, because that is just the way life is. I started remembering the "firsts." You know, the first time I kissed a boy, the first time I went to a dance, the first high school football game, the first time to try to drive a car. Our lives are filled with "firsts."

Let's look at the memories that Bill Rogers, a new member at Netherwood, has written for the "Connection."

## ***"THE GOOD OLD DAYS"...OR ARE THEY "NOW"?***

*---by Bill Rogers*

I was born on June 16, 1921, in Flint Michigan. So, I am a 90 year old man and can talk about a few years. When I was born, we were just getting over the First World War. Times were good. Were those the *GOOD OLD DAYS*?

Then we had the Stock Market Crash of 1929 and people lost everything, some their lives. Were those the *GOOD OLD DAYS*?

When I was a kid, we only had radio and newspapers for the news. Sometimes the news would be a week old before we got the news. Were those the *GOOD OLD DAYS*?



The first thing that I can say I remember is playing outside my folks "Mom and Pop's grocery store." I was the only child, as my brother died from influenza at the end of the war. My folks gave me a lot of love and things to play with, toy cars, train sets and all kinds of that sort of thing. But, I can say that when we would get the radio turned on and have popcorn and listen to Amos and Andy, and all of those kinds of things, we were a great family.

When I was eight or nine, all the kids would be outside if it was nice, and play games like hide and seek, duck on the rock and others. All the games we could play that did not cost anything. It was a time of economic depression in our country, and no one had any money. On one of those days, when I was 12 or 13 years old, we were playing baseball, and I saw a particular girl on a swing. I went over and started to push her swing hard, just what a boy would

do. She was yelling at me! I didn't know it then, but she was to be a big part of my life from then on..... I married her on September 28, 1940. And the past 70 plus years have been the *GOOD OLD DAYS* and the *BEST of the GOOD NEW DAYS* for me.

In the days of my teens, we could buy 10 gallons of gasoline for \$1.00. All things were cheap then, even wages. When Bea and I were married, I had a job that I worked 58 hours a week for \$10.00. Were those the *GOOD OLD DAYS*?

I have seen all kinds of new things come into my life, such as television, talking movies, jet planes, iPods, computers, cell phones, etc. ....YOU name it, and they are all part of the *GOOD OLD DAYS*.

I could go on about a lot of things we have lived through, but let me say the *GOOD OLD DAYS* are the days *WE* live in now. One day, *TODAY*, will become *TOMORROW* and they will be the *GOOD OLD DAYS*!

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### ***The Bridge Builder***

An old man, going a lone highway  
Came at the evening, cold and gray.  
To a chasm, vast and deep and wide,  
Through which was glowing a sullen tide.

The old man crossed in the twilight dim;  
The sullen stream had no fears for him;  
But he turned when safe on the other side  
And built a bridge to span the tide.

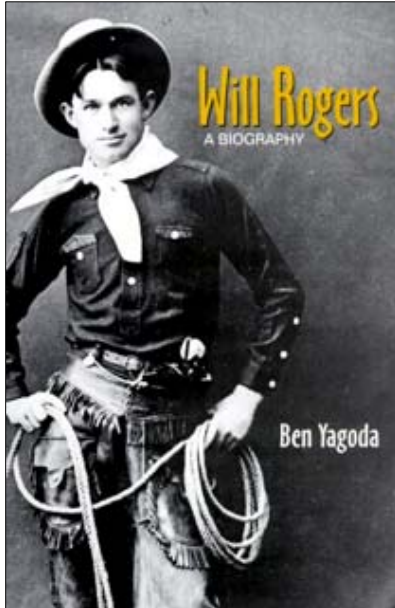
"Old man," said a fellow pilgrim near,  
"You are wasting strength with building here;  
Your journey will end with the ending day;  
You never again must past this way;  
You have crossed the chasm, deep and wide,  
Why build a bridge at the eventide?"

The builder lifted his old grey head;  
"Good friend, in the path I have come," he said,  
"There followeth after me today  
A youth whose feet must pass this way.  
This chasm which has been naught to me  
To that fair-haired youth may a pitfall be.  
He, too, must cross in the twilight dim,  
Good friend, I am building the bridge for him."

--Submitted by Anne Weimer

## “Never Squat With Your Spurs On”

--Taken from *Fables for Today*, by Jack Exum



Will Rogers, who died in a 1935 plane crash, was one of the greatest political sages this country has ever known.

### *Life's Common Sense:*

Never slap a man who's chewing tobacco.  
Never kick a cow chip on a hot day.  
There are two theories to arguing with a woman. Neither works.  
Never miss a good chance to shut up.  
Always drink upstream from the herd.  
If you find yourself in a hole, stop digging.  
The quickest way to double your money is to fold it and put it back into your pocket.

There are three kinds of men: The ones that learn by reading; the few who learn by observation; the rest of them have to touch the electric fence and find out for themselves.

Good judgment comes from experience, and a lot of that comes from bad judgment.  
If you're riding' ahead of the herd, take a look back every now and then to make sure it's still there.  
Lettin' the cat out'ta the bag is a whole lot easier'n puttin' it back.

### ***ABOUT GROWING OLDER...***

Eventually you will reach a point when you stop lying about your age and start bragging about it.  
The older we get, the fewer things seem worth waiting in line for.  
Some people try to turn back their odometers. Not me; I want people to know 'why' I look this way. I've traveled a long way, and some of the roads weren't paved.  
When you are dissatisfied and would like to go back to youth, think of Algebra.  
I don't know how I got over the hill without getting to the top.  
One of the many things no one tells you about aging is that it's such a nice change from being young.  
One must wait until evening to see how splendid the day has been.  
Being young is beautiful, but being old is comfortable.  
Long ago, when men cursed and beat the ground with sticks, it was called witchcraft. Today it's called golf.  
If you don't learn to laugh at trouble, you won't have anything to laugh at when you're old.



*SENIOR POTLUCK LUNCHEON  
SEPTEMBER 16, 2011  
THIS FRIDAY AT 11:30 AM  
ARTICLES FOR THE OCTOBER "Connection"  
ARE DUE OCTOBER 11, 2011*

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ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87110*

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