



Senior Connection



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Articles, News, and Activities Calendar
for Senior Members at Netherwood Park Church of Christ

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Equipped to Serve

This Friday

January 15, 2016

Hosting: Sheryl Arvey, Inez Chambliss, and Peggy Conard
Decorations: Nancy Clements

Potluck luncheon

Bring a dish and a guest

- 11:30 am Sharing meal
- 12:25 pm Announcements: Jim Guthrie
- 12:35 pm Devotional: Rogers Mitchell
- 12:50 pm Program: Larry and Betty Cochran

What is Going On?



by Jim Guthrie

November's Luncheon
The Thanksgiving Sharing Our Love luncheon broke the former attendance record of our luncheons of 104, with 105 attending! We enjoyed our guests attending (twenty plus) our traditional luncheon. **We love our guests**

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December Movie

The Senior Cinema showing of "The Christmas Candle" was enjoyed by twenty-two movie goers!! THANKS!

This attendance was gladly received as we have had low turnout in the recent months. It is hoped that our Friday, February 5th (1:15p.m.) showing of *The Book Thief* will also have many attending. Read Laura's Review in this issue. To add, Laura spends many hours reviewing movies before showing to us the movie of the month. You are encouraged to suggest a movie title to Laura that can possibly be shown at our senior movie. WE WILL SEE YOU AT THE MOVIES.

Condolences



Our congregation at Netherwood Park was saddened with the passing of Tom Martin. Tom was a beloved brother that shared his presence and encouragement to all at Netherwood. We send our sincere condolences to Sam and Sue Martin (parents) and Kristi (sister) and Ron Bland. Our prayers are for the family and those who knew and loved Tom dearly. Tom will be missed greatly by all.

Phone Tree Coordinator

With the passing of Carol Vincent, our senior program is in need of a coordinator to continue the Phone Tree. You may call Jim Guthrie for information pertaining to the operation and importance of the phone tree.

Romans 12: 9-13 (NASB)

9 Let love be without hypocrisy. Abhor what is evil; cling to what is good. 10 Be devoted to one another in brotherly love; give preference to one another in honor; 11 not lagging behind in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord; 12 rejoicing in hope, persevering in tribulation, devoted to prayer, 13 contributing to the needs of the saints, practicing hospitality.

WE ARE FAMILY



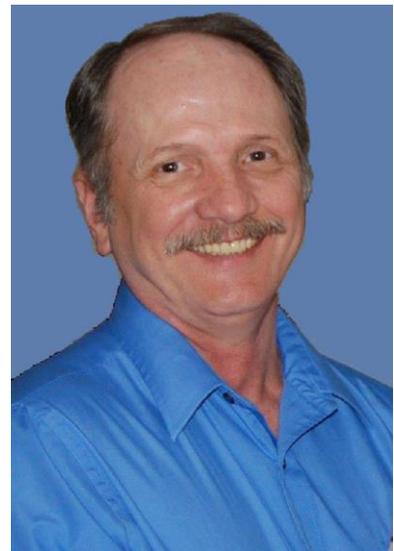
We are in remembrance in our fellow brothers and sisters passing in 2015.



**LEROY TACKER
JUNE 23, 2015**



**OPAL BONNEY
AUGUST 04, 2015**



**CALVIN SIMMONS
OCTOBER 22, 2015**

**MARY JO BROOKS
NOVEMBER 01, 2015**



**CAROL VINCENT
NOVEMBER 01, 2015**



**TOM MARTIN
DECEMBER 16, 2015**

Colysta's Collection



YESTERYEAR & TODAY **OR** **Their Time and Our Time**



THEIR morning began by the
rooster's crow, early before daylight;
OURS is rattled by blaring rock music; so we're all
uptight!



by Colysta Wallers

Traipse to the outhouse, wash in cold water, the screen door squeaks and
groans;

But now we complain the floor isn't warm—punctuated by moans!

Egg gathering and milking for breakfast—took an hour or more.
Whereas from the fridge we collect our food... we just open the door.

The fire from the wood had to be just right, to cook their morning meal.
We use the microwave and not the stove... which is such a great deal.

The stove heats the iron for ruffles and lace—that takes another hour.
We slide open a door, choose drip-dry clothes... these choices give us power!

They hitched up buggies or saddled a horse; to their day's work they went.
We raise the garage door with a button, our energy all spent.

Fourteen hours made a long day at work—then they went home for more!
Eight hours of desk work is hard on us... then traffic jams galore!

Early to bed, they're work finally finished, they snored away their nights.
There's TV for us, and snacks and iPods... can't sleep with all the lights.

Their world was basically calm and serene; not so many worries.
We run around with lots of things to do, in all of our "hurries".

I sometimes have longed for the "good old days"—but then, I should mention.
Far too much hard work existed back then... **TODAY'S** my dimension!

Colysta Wallers, August 28, 2010

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by Anna Lewis

A TRIBUTE TO TOMMY

TOMMY MARTIN WAS A GOOD FRIEND TO HAVE. ANYONE WHO REALLY KNEW TOMMY WILL MISS

HIM GREATLY!

FOR ME, IT SEEMED EASY, JUST NATURAL, TO TAKE UP WITH TOMMY. (I CONFESS TO YOU THAT THE NAME 'TOMMY' WAS ALREADY DEAR TO MY HEART.) MY VERY OWN BIG BROTHER'S NAME WAS ALSO TOMMY, WHO HAD A FEW SIMILARITIES TO TOMMY MARTIN.

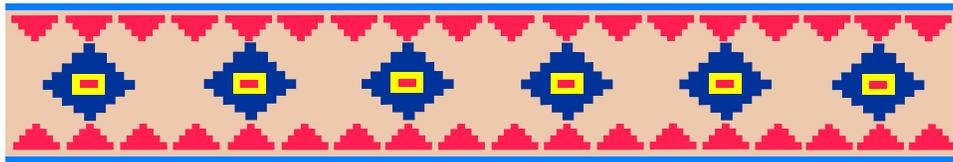


STRAIGHT WAY I WANT TO SAY THAT TOMMY MARTIN, ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS, WAS MY VERY OWN CHEERING SQUAD! HE TOLD BILL LEWIS IN NO UNCERTAIN TERMS THAT "YOU BETTER PAY ATTENTION TO ANNA"! I LIKED THAT A LOT.

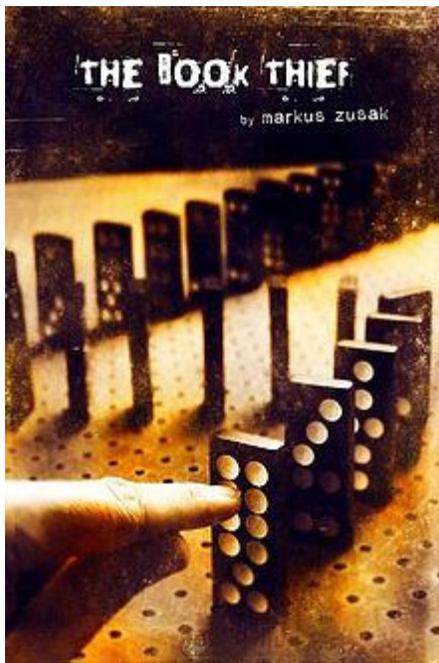
AS MOST OF YOU KNOW, TOM HELPED WITH YOUNG CHILDREN BIBLE CLASSES FOR MANY YEARS. ANYONE WHO TAUGHT SMALL CHILDREN AT NETHERWOOD, MOST LIKELY HAD TOMMY AS A HELPER. YOU COULD ALWAYS DEPEND ON TOMMY TO BE THERE, NOT ONLY ON TIME, BUT MOST OFTEN AHEAD OF YOU. HE WAS READY, WILLING, AND ABLE TO HELP. TOMMY WAS ESPECIALLY GOOD AT DECORATING THE CLASS-ROOM WALLS, BOTH INSIDE AND OUTSIDE NEAR THE ENTRANCE. IT WAS VERY IMPORTANT THAT HIS DESIGN AND WORDING MAINTAIN THE THEME FOR EACH NEW QUARTER, THEREFORE, I LEARNED EARLY ON THAT I NEEDED TO KNOW WHAT THE THEME WAS GOING TO BE WAY AHEAD OF TIME SO HE COULD MAKE PLANS. YES, HE HELPED ME TO BE A BETTER TEACHER. TOMMY WAS ALWAYS PROUD OF THE FINISHED PRODUCT AND HE SIMPLY

LOVED IT THAT MUCH MORE IF YOU APPROVED OF IT, WHICH WE ALWAYS DID. TOMMY DID APPRECIATE HONESTY THOUGH AND SO IF YOU MADE A SMALL SUGGESTION, I ALWAYS FOUND HIM WILLING TO MAKE THAT ADJUSTMENT IF HE AGREED OF COURSE. HE COULD BE STUBBORN BUT THAT WAS ONLY WHEN HE THOUGHT HIS WAY WAS THE RIGHT WAY TO GO. WE NEED MORE TOMMY'S!

SOMEDAY IN ETERNITY, IN OUR ETERNAL HOME, I WILL FIND, I WILL SEE, AND I WILL KNOW AT LEAST -2- TOMMY'S. I WILL NOT BE SURPRISED IF I SEE TOMMY DECORATING SOMETHING OR GUESS WHAT, TOMMY COULD BE THE DIRECTOR OR LEADER OF A CHOIR AND OUR TOMMY WILL HAVE THE MOST BEAUTIFUL AND PERFECT VOICE OF ALL!



MOVIE REVIEW:



2013 movie
Friday, February 5, 2016

Adapted from the best-selling, award-winning book of the same name about a young girl in Nazi Germany, the opening scene of "The Book Thief" suggests a fantastical story. We soar through a majestic blue sky, high above the clouds, and are treated to a voice-over by the angel of death, who fills us in on his relationship with humanity as the camera plummets through the clouds and we see a train in the distance.

Once the camera dips inside the train, showing us the dark, uncomfortable wooden benches and the various people from all walks of life, the film loses that fantastical veneer. It is here we meet young Liesel



by Laura Riehl

Meminger (Sophie Nélisse). Death tells us he has very little interest in humans, but there's just something about Liesel. At that moment, the young girl, sitting with her mother and younger brother on Mom's lap, notices blood coming from the nose of her brother's suddenly lifeless body.

Cut to a cemetery in which only the mother, Liesel, a priest and a gravedigger are present. As Liesel's grieving mother walks away from the grave, the young girl notices a book on the ground, which she takes and hides. Frankly, the lack of emotion in the scene is a bit striking. Yes, the mother cried and Liesel seemed sad, but the circumstances felt more heartbreaking than the actual scene did. An artistic choice to be sure, but also an appropriate way to describe this movie.

We learn the purpose of the aforementioned train ride was to take Liesel and her brother to foster parents Rosa (Emily Watson) and Hans (Geoffrey Rush). The mother is forced to give up her children because she's a Communist - or at least that's the story going around the village in which Liesel is about to reside.

Hans and Liesel grow close as he teaches the illiterate young girl to read, all while World War II progresses and Nazism spreads. During a town book-burning rally, the school bully forces Liesel to throw a book into the bonfire. After the rally, however, she sneaks back and places the still-smoldering volume under her coat - an act noticed by Frau Hermann, the wife of the town burgermeister (mayor). Frau Hermann secretly gives Liesel access to their library, feeding the young girl's imagination and intellectual curiosity, helping Liesel develop a world view that does not jibe with the world in which she exists.

Thematically, "The Book Thief" is a wonderful story. Liesel's plight likely represents that of many German children coming of age during that time, who were not completely indoctrinated in or susceptible to Nazi dogma. Execution of this wonderful story, is, well, a different story. Geoffrey Rush's performance as his relationship with young Liesel blossoms is excellent, and though there are emotional moments throughout "The Book Thief," they are born more of the circumstances than they are the writing, acting or directing. Loved ones dying, brutality, war, the Holocaust - they're all here, and they all tug at the heart.



HAPPENINGS!!!

January						
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February						
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January

Weekly:

Tuesday 5:30 pm	Women of Truth Bible Study – FH
Thursday 9:30 am	Ladies Bible Class – FH
Monday 6:30 pm	Financial Peace University Class – Auditorium

- 1/13 5:30 pm Wednesday Dinner – gym
- 1/14 6:30 pm Ladies Game Night – Library
- 1/15 11:30 am **Senior Potluck**
- 1/18 Martin Luther King Jr Day – Office Closed
- 1/21 6:30 pm Golden Singles Bible Study – Room 104
- 1/22 6:30 pm Golden Singles Game Night @ Betty Barker's
- 1/24 Honoring Our Babies – combined worship and potluck in gym

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- 2/4 6:30 pm Golden Singles Bible Study – Room 104
- 2/5 1:15 pm Senior Cinema
- 2/6 8:30 am Men's Ministry Breakfast – FH
- 2/7 Aluminum Recycling
- 2/7 Golden Singles Potluck (after second service)
- 2/10 5:30 pm Wednesday Dinner – gym
- 2/11 6:30 pm Ladies Game Night – Library
- 2/14 Valentine Luncheon **for Seniors**
- 2/15 President's Day – Office Closed
- 2/18 6:30 pm Golden Singles Bible Study – Room 104
- 2/19 11:30 am **Senior Luncheon**
- 2/19 – 2/21 Couples Retreat in Durango, Colorado
- 2/26 6:30 pm Golden Singles Game Night @ Nancy Clements

Milestones

January

Birthdays

Linda Williams	1/01	Scot Ruska	1/22
Mickey Scott	1/06	Chrystine Hinshaw	1/25 – 95 yrs
Carlene Burnett	1/08	Anita Zdunek	1/27
Victor Casares	1/10 – 99 yrs	Katherine Yates	1/28
Dennis Zdunek	1/13	Bill Williams	1/29
Sam Martin	1/15	John Arvey	1/29
Jackie Miller	1/17	Margarito Montoya	1/29
Maxine Foley	1/18 – 92 yrs	George Rice	1/30
Mary Self	1/21	Darlene Wentz	1/31
Gary McGlasson	1/22		

Anniversary

Eluid & Prebble Alcon	01/11/1960	56 years
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February

Birthdays

J. C. Hicks	02/08 - 92 yrs	Bill Lewis	02/20
Vanita Southerland	02/08	Tommy Thompson	02/21
Greg Wentz	02/09	George Chavez	02/21
Laurel Wilkerson	02/11	Larry Cochran	02/24
Jean Sims	02/17	Stephanie Lunsford	02/26
JoAnn Temple	02/17	Ragon Michael	02/27

Anniversaries

Wayne and Marjorie Rorie	02/01/1953	63 years
Jimmie and Lorraine Lewis	02/06/1999	17 years
Jack and Laura Riehl	02/08/1958	58 years
Steven and Pam Beach	02/14/1981	35 years
John and Judy Walker	02/18/1990	26 years

Potluck Luncheon

This Friday at 11:30 am

Please come and join us

Schedule:

Potluck Luncheon and Fellowship

Devotional: Rogers Mitchell

Entertainment: Larry and Betty Cochran

**Deadline for information for the
February ISSUE is February 9, 2016**

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