



## The Pastor's Pen...

We enjoyed beautiful Indian summer on the first day of fall. Where has this year gone? The passing of time so swiftly reminds me of the brevity of life and how important it is to make sure we are prepared for eternity.

I know that you will join Milbre and me in the appreciation reception for Pastor Warren and Judi Bullock on October 4. Please check the bulletin for details. Only eternity will reveal the blessing they have been to Northwest Family Church! We pray God's richest blessings upon them as they enter this new phase of ministry. We will surely miss them!

The Word of Life Fellowship was treated to the music of Johnny and Ruth Larring on the 23rd of September. What an inspiration as they made beautiful melody with many of the old hymns and gospel songs of the church! I hope you were able to be there along with 80 of your friends.

I invite you to join us for breakfast at Krain's Corner in Enumclaw at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, October 28. You will enjoy the country atmosphere and the delicious breakfast along with the fellowship of many of your friends. Please sign up soon at Guest Services in the Lobby of the church. Directions will be provided.

Looking forward into November is our Annual Thanksgiving Banquet on November 18. A sign-up sheet will be available soon. The cost will be \$10.00 per person. Our special guest speaker is Pastor George Smith who is also serving as our interim pastor.

On Thursday, November 19, Milbre and I plan to join the southward flight of the Canadian Geese to visit our Children and Grandchildren for a few weeks' vacation.

May God bless you is our prayer. Please keep the leadership of Northwest Family Church in your prayers as they seek a new Senior Pastor for our church. We know God knows who that person is; we just need to discover them.

Pastor Don Howard

## Always in our prayers

Millie Butler	Al Goodhue	
Edna Jones	Rosie Price	
Joseph Punnoose	Merriam Raulston	

## WOLF (Word of Life Fellowship)

*Your opportunity to make new friends and get acquainted*

**October 4: Last Sunday with the Bullocks** – Be sure to come to the farewell at **4:30 p.m.** to express your appreciation.

**October 7: Fireplace Room** Mayor Pete Lewis, speaking  
Seniors' Bible Study at 11, Lunch at 12

**October 14: Potluck!** Check your group list.

**October 21: Fireplace Room,** Bible Study 11 a.m., Lunch 12

**October 28: Krain's Corner, Enumclaw**

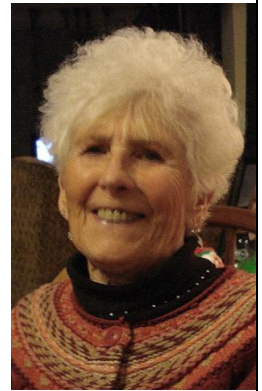
Country breakfast and great fellowship

**October 10-18:** 2009 Missions Convention

## Featured Senior . . .

### Phyllis Migota

Phyllis Hansen was born into a great Christian family right in South Seattle. She had an older sister Janet (who has passed away), an older brother Calvin. Another sister, Shirley, joined the family after Phyllis. Their father was Norwegian. Phyllis and her sisters attended Highline schools until they graduated. They loved swimming in Angle Lake and roller-skating, although Shirley claims Phyllis was always the most skilled skater. Shirley lives in Maple Valley and Calvin lives in the area also.



Phyllis and Bill Migota met while roller-skating. (Phyllis finally quit just a few years ago; she thought she "might fall down".) A little bird told us Bill was a college student when he and Phyllis met. In her fifties and sixties, Tami remembers her mother as an avid cyclist

Their son Michael and his wife Kathy live in Spanaway, Washington, with their daughter Cassandra who is in her early twenties. Michael works as a short-haul trucker and Kathy as a school bus driver.

Their daughter Tami lives in Ione, California, and works as a law office administrator in Sacramento. Tami's daughter Rachel works at McDonald's part time and is hoping to secure a full time job. Tami's son EJ is in the Navy on the USS Tortuga and is stationed in Sasebo, Japan. In the last two years, he has traveled to Thailand, Philippines, and Australia.

Bill and Phyllis raised their children in Seattle, traveling each summer. Favorite destinations were Disneyland and Knott's Berry Farm. Bill Migota, who worked as an engineer with the City of Seattle throughout his career, passed away because of pancreatic cancer shortly before their fortieth wedding anniversary.

Bill Migota was Czechoslovakian, and since his death Phyllis has visited Czechoslovakia and, in fact, been all over Europe with a friend. Folks who know her say she knows how to "travel light."

Phyllis worked at the Frederick & Nelson warehouse in Tukwila for a number of years. During the time the children were growing up, she was an Avon representative. Tami says her mother has an incredible circle of friends.

Shirley has friends from our group whom she has known for many years. Some time ago, her sister Shirley convinced Bill and Phyllis to join her at Church by the Side of the Road in Riverton. Later some of her friends moved on to Colonial Bible Church and she soon did also. Friends remember Bill and Phyllis as "always willing to help".

Phyllis lives at The River and has served as the "Sunshine Lady" there for several years. Although we haven't given her the official title, when you see a little cluster of folk lined up in the hall or Fireside Room, they are usually waiting for a hug from Phyllis, which always passes on a little of her "sunshine". (Thanks to daughter Tami and sister Shirley for this information as well old friends in our group who shared a few words.)

## October Birthdays

1 — Jim Arland, Maxine Bliss  
 5 — Ethel Easterby  
 6 — Dwight Burtis, Mitzi Foster,  
 Pauline Hall, Dave Kralman  
 10 — Richard Zelinsky  
 11 — Jim Olson, Tom Poe, Sr.  
 15 — Marie Berger, Betty Cook,  
 Randy Nelson



### More Birthdays:

16 — Mitzi Foster, Katie Williams  
 17 — Edna Jones  
 25 — Dean Christianson  
 27 — Frank Arceo  
 28 — Washington Rao  
 30 — Missy Moore

## October Anniversaries

5 — Jim and Lois Olson  
 8 — Bob and Vi Nelson  
 16 — Cecil and Alma Williams  
 20 — Ellwin and Carol King  
 28 — Merv and Glenda Enquist  
*Note: Did we miss your birthday or anniversary? If so, call the office and leave a message for Pastor Don.*



Something is wrong with my computer,  
 I can't use the keyboard . . . .



and... my mouse is dead.  
*(forwarded to Sylvia by an old classmate {all her classmates are old.})*

## TREES (Liberties re Bonsai)

I think that I shall never see a bonsai lovely as a tree;  
 Those squirts whose hungry roots are bent,  
 And live in pots all chipped and rent,  
 Who never do see God at all  
 Because they're stacked behind a wall,  
 Trees that ne'er in summer wear a nest of robins in their hair,  
 Because their branches are too small to hold a birdie's nest at all.  
 Upon whose bosom snow can't lay,  
 They're in a pit buried in hay,  
 Poems are made by fools like me,  
 But only nuts will pot a tree.

*(by Don M. Alstadt, from an avid bonsai lover's files)*

The young man ahead of my father at the flower shop was taking an unusually long time to place his order.

When the clerk asked how she could help, he explained that his girlfriend was turning 19 and he couldn't decide whether to give her a dozen roses or 19 roses -- one for each year of her life.

The woman put aside her business judgment and advised, "She may be your 19-year-old girlfriend now, but someday she could be your 50-year-old wife."

The young man bought a dozen roses.  
 [forwarded by Steve Sanderson to Mikey's Funnies]

## Useless Inventions

10. Black highlighter
  9. Braille driver's manual
  8. Clear correction fluid
  7. Fake rhinestones
  6. Inflatable dart board
  5. Mesh umbrella
  4. Motorcycle air conditioner
  3. Sugar-coated toothpaste
  2. Super-glue Post-It notes
  1. The system that allows you to report power failures via the Internet
- ♪ Better the world know you as a sinner than God know you as a hypocrite.  
 ♪ *So when someone indicates they've attached something to an e-mail and forgot to do so, do they have an attachment disorder?*  
 (Mikey's)

## Opportunities for Service

- Prayer chain
- Mentoring or tutoring young people
- Meals on Wheels
- Shut-ins' Ministry
- Driving to activities or to doctors
- Helping in the office
- Using your musical talents in choir, orchestra, or for special music in church or Seniors' events.
- Adoptive grandparents,
- Hospital or nursing home ministry
- Seniors Helping Seniors
- Telephone Care Committee
- Cleaning, painting, or repairs
- Offering to help any of the pastors or staff



Remember the short story of four people: Everybody, Somebody, Anybody, and Nobody.

There was an important job to be done and Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it. Somebody got angry because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought that Somebody would do it, but Nobody asked Anybody. It ended up that the job wasn't done, and Everybody blamed Somebody when actually, Nobody asked Anybody.

(Aren't you glad you're not in that story?)