

SENIORS ALIVE!

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Always in our Prayers

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WOLF (Word of Life Fellowship)

Your opportunity to make new friends and get acquainted

February 2: Fireside Room --11:00 a.m. Bible Study
12:00 p.m. Salad Bar*

February 9: Fireside Room --11:00 Bible Study
12:00 p.m. – **Potluck**

Group 1, Dessert Group 2, Hot Dish, Group 3, Salad

February 16: Fireside Room -- 11:00 a.m. Bible Study
12:00 p.m. Chicken Dumpling Soup, Salad*

February 23: Fireside Room --11:00 a.m. Bible Study
12:00 p.m. Spaghetti and Meatballs, Caesar Salad and Rolls*

**catered by Minton Family -- Welcome back, Stephanie!*

Other Activities

Church Business Meeting: February 13 at 6:00 p.m. – We are all asked to bring a snack to share after the meeting.

February 14: Old Country Buffet in Kent, 1:30 p.m. celebrate Valentine's Day together with other NFC Seniors.

Free Lunch for couples married over 50 years

Must bring marriage certificate. If you think something else would qualify as "proof" of marriage, call the restaurant to be sure. **Whether or not you qualify for the freebie, come for the fellowship.**

February 27 – March 6, 2011: Missionary Convention
REMEMBER, the BUDDY BARRELS from WOLF are going
toward **COINS TO GIVE OUR MISSIONARY KIDS.**

March 18: 6:30 p.m. Fireside Room:

MEN'S NIGHT OUT – Come enjoy dinner and fellowship

Want to Bring for Potluck?

If you aren't on the potluck list and want to share, please let Ruth McDaniel or Debbie Christian know. (Phone number for Ruth, (253) 852=6365; for Debbie, (253) 833-8252 Ext. 21)

Post your list on your refrigerator or bulletin board. Mark your calendar each month so you won't forget what to bring! (*What? Seniors forget?*) When you are cooking, remember we have many who attend potluck who aren't able to bring something. Keep in mind that you are bringing something for a large **family!**



♪ I AM in shape. Round is a shape.

♪ I am a Nobody. Nobody is perfect. Therefore I am perfect.

Featured Seniors. . .

Dexter & Ingrid Germeaux



Dexter and Ingrid Germeaux's marriage has spanned 58 years. Ingrid's sister introduced them. They double-dated for a couple of years, then were married one week after Ingrid's 18th birthday on January 31, 1953. (*Happy birthday and Happy Anniversary to both of you!*)

Ingrid's family (parents, 5 brothers and one sister) moved to Chicago when she was seven years old. Her mother was both blind and deaf which brought many challenges to the family. Ingrid enjoyed playing basketball in high school and worked as a meat packer before attending Grays Harbor Community College (full time) and earning her LPN degree and license while working full time at St. Joseph Hospital and raising four children.. Ingrid retired from nursing in 1985.

Dexter started working when he was 16 to help support his father (who was an electrician by trade), mother, sister, and brother. His brother went on to Vietnam at 18. Dexter has worn many "hats" – school bus driver, painter, roofer, finally retiring from a lumber mill in Hoquiam, Washington.

Dexter has enjoyed the outdoors all his life from hunting, fishing, camping, to clam digging. Ingrid and her daughter claim they still have a hard time getting him out of a fishing boat! His favorite pastime is conversation with his friends and family. He absolutely loves meeting new people and swapping stories.

Dexter and Ingrid have four children. Ron, Debbie, and Mike live in the greater Seattle area and son Rick resides in Raymond. They have four grandchildren and two GREAT grandchildren!

Ingrid and Dexter's children sponsored a big celebration for their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Many friends and family members attended this milestone. Their children are planning another celebration for their Diamond – 75th – Anniversary.

The Germeauxs relocated to Auburn in 1985 and became members of Calvary Temple at that time. After seven years, they moved to Federal Way and have been living in Puyallup for the past four years, so we are very fortunate they still try to be with us. They have many fond memories of fellowship here including several memorable camping trips and outings with the seniors.

2010 was a challenging year that has slowed them down quite a bit, but the Lord answered many prayers for their health. They are looking forward to a much better 2011. (*Ask Ingrid and Margaret Kecki how long they have known one another!*)

(*Thanks Ingrid & Debbie for information, Shelley for picture*)

The prospective father-in-law asked, "Young man, can you support a family?"



The surprised groom-to-be replied, "Well, no. I was just planning to support your daughter. The rest of you will have to fend for yourselves."

(forwarded to Mikey's Funnies by David & Joan Kleins)

Seniors Alive! is a ministry to and ministry opportunity for mature adults over 55 including **Word of Life Fellowship (WOLF)** – Bible Study and lunch on Wednesdays, trips, and volunteer opportunities.

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February Birthdays

2 — Dexter Germeaux, Shirley Goodhue,
Alan Wilson
4 — Leo Kecki
8 — Phyllis Migota
10 — Emily Hursh, Doris Ziegelman
11 — Marie Bratsch, Anne Giles,
12 — Faye Roberts
13 — Sheila Simmons
16 — David Strahan



24 — Don Henning, Rose Joy
26 — Roy Giles, Mary Stewart
29 — Bud Burns

If we missed a date, call and leave a message for Debbie or Sylvia in the office or see us at WOLF!

February Anniversaries

3 — Bea and Wayne Clark
6 — Neal and Barb Grove
9 — Cliff and Dee Neuman
12 — Gil and Faye Roberts
14 — Keith and Vada Peabody
19 — Washington and Jean Rao
21 — David and Sylvia Strahan
22 — Garland and Joyce Brown



Just in case you need a laugh:

Remember it takes a college degree to fly a plane, but only a high school diploma to fix one; a reassurance to those who fly routinely in their jobs.

After every flight, UPS pilots fill out a form called a “gripe sheet,” which tells mechanics about problems with the aircraft. The mechanics correct the problems, document their repairs on the form, and then pilots review the gripe sheets before the next flight.

Never let it be said that ground crews lack a sense of humor. Here are some actual maintenance complaints submitted by UPS pilots (marked with a P) and the solutions recorded (marked with an S) by maintenance engineers.

By the way, UPS is the only major airline that has never, ever, had an accident.

- * P: Left inside main tire almost needs replacement.
S: Almost replaced left inside main tire.
- * P: Test flight OK, except auto-land very rough.
S: Auto-land not installed on this aircraft.
- * P: Something loose in cockpit.
S: Something tightened in cockpit
- * P: Dead bugs on windshield
S: Live bugs on back-
- * P: Autopilot in altitude-hold mode produces a 200-feet-per-minute descent.
S: Cannot reproduce problem on ground
- * P: Evidence of leak on right main landing gear.
S: Evidence removed.
- * P: DME volume unbelievably loud.
S: DME volume set to more believable level
- * P: Friction locks cause throttle levers to stick.
S: That's what friction locks are for.
- * P: IFF inoperative in OFF mode.
S: IFF is always inoperative in OFF mode.
- * P: Suspected crack in windshield.
S: Suspect you're right.
- * P: Number 3 engine missing.
S: Engine found on right wing after brief search
- * P: Aircraft handles funny. (I love this one!)
S: Aircraft warned to straighten up, fly right and be serious.
(found on web by Wayne Clark)

Past Honorees

To help you remember, listed below are seniors who have been written up as Honored Seniors from the time we started through January 2011. We have a great couple coming up in March. We also have a list of some who haven't been written up. If you HAVE been written up, but aren't on the list, tell us. If you know someone who HAS NOT been, give their name to us just in case we missed them.

2004: Tom Williams, Geraldine Gawith, Skip Jones, Cecil and Alma Williams, Betty Fabianek, Keith and Ruth McDaniel, Lee and Wanda McFarland. (We are missing March, April, July, November, and December.)

2005 Honorees: Evelyn and Ruth Jones, Evelyn Johnson, Shirley Goodhue, Bill Canniff, Thelma Goin, Betty Hamlin, Leo and Margaret Kecki. (We are missing, May-September 2005. Both Alma Scott and Vi and Bob Nelsons were written up, but we don't have a copy!)

2006: Wayne and Bea Clark, Milbre Howard, Darrell and Marge Gordon, Paul and Shirley Stewart, Bill and Polly Brakken, Cliff and Dee Neuman, Bob and Jerry Smith, Rod and Mary Stewart, Ruth Fordice, Dorothea Roseman, Ron and Margaret Roos, Keith and Doris Johnson

2007: Chuck and Jean LaCoss, Bud and Donnette Burns, Julia Frame, Fred and Maxine Helser, Don and Helen Cleveland, Gordon and Betty Drane, Severt and Ethel Easterby, Bev Versolenko, Don and Claudia Henning, Denis and Mary Goodwin, Keith and Vada Peabody

2008: Jim and Lois Olson, Dean and Inez Christianson, Ace and Polly Mills, LeRae McLaughlin, Bob Pogue, Donna Reiss, Helen Eichman, Minnie Baker, Jack and Jean Spicer, John and Katherine Simpson, David and Sylvia Strahan, Neva Hamilton

2009: Darlene Locken, Millie Butler, Phyllis Anderson, Evelyn Barnhart, Ellen Barr, Marie Bratsch, Loretta Steward, Roy and Anne Giles, Don Hansen, Phyllis Migota, Pastor Don, Sharon and Larry Martin

2010: Blaine and Donna Franklin, Richard Buskey, Jack and Connie Storer, Betty Collins, Ila Woodward, Byron and Verna Ditty, Sally Lind, Dale and Lenora Novak, Peggy Rickenbacker, Judy Shannon, Ken and Fran Sesson

January 2011: Linda Sue Swisher – WOW! *Brings back memories and reminds us of God's goodness and ability to heal our hearts, doesn't it! What a great group of God's children!*