

SENIORS ALIVE!

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You Snooze, You Lose! Make a New Year's Resolution Not to Miss Seniors' Word of Life Fellowship

You never know what you'll miss if you aren't at WORD OF LIFE FELLOWSHIP!




Warren and Judi Bullock were surprise guests at one December meeting. Seniors enjoyed hearing about all they've done in ministry since "retiring". This fellowship remains one of the



best avenues in the church for getting acquainted and plugging into activities of interest to seniors.

Always in our Prayers

Kerri Arceo	Arni Benson	
Byron Ditty	Ethel Easterby	
Bess Fletcher	Carol Godfrey	
Don Hansen	Jean LaCrosse	
LeRae McLaughlin	Miriam Raulston	
Judy Shannon	Shirley Stewart	

WOLF (Word of Life Fellowship)

Your opportunity to make new friends and get acquainted

January 4: Fireside Room --11:00 a.m. – Bible Study
12:00 p.m. – Lunch

January 11: Fireside Room –11:00 a.m. – Bible Study
12:00 p.m. POTLUCK

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

January 18: Fireside Room --11:00 a.m. – Bible Study
12:00 p.m. – Lunch

January 25: Fireside Room --11:00 a.m. – Bible Study
12:00 p.m. – Lunch

Other Activities and Dates to Remember

Monday, January 9, 2012,

Triple "O" Ladies Lunch ("On Our Own" – women of any age who have been widowed, or single ladies over the age of 55) 1:00.–3:00 p.m.

Thursday, January 5, 2012,

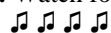
Women's Missions in Action 9:30 – 11:00 a.m.

Wednesday, January 18, 2012,

SA! Planning Committee 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Missions Conference: February 26 – March 4, 2012

Church Business Meeting: Watch for dates!



Featured Seniors:

Chuck & Sue Carlson



Chuck and Sue Carlson met at Wheaton College in Illinois in 1958. Sue, who was born in 1938 in Lewistown, Pennsylvania lived in the same neighborhood until her graduation from high school in 1956. Chuck was born in 1938 in Austin, Indiana, and moved to Elkhart, Indiana, where he also graduated from high school in 1956.

Both accepted Jesus as their Savior at an early age. Sue worked in a ladies' clothing store while in high school, and Chuck began at age 13 to work in the machine shop owned by his father. Sue went on to graduate from Wheaton College in 1960. Chuck attended Wheaton only one year, then he helped his family relocate to Klamath Falls, Oregon and enlisted in the US Army.

They were married in 1960, starting their married life at Fort Carson, Colorado (Colorado Springs), where Sue worked as a judge's secretary and court reporter until the birth of their first son John in 1962. They attended an Evangelical Presbyterian Church there with many of their college and army friends. After Chuck's discharge from the Army, they moved to Oregon where he and his dad owned and operated a service station for several years. Chuck returned to college at Oregon Institute of Technology and graduated in OIT's first four-year class in 1969 with a BT in mechanical engineering. During his years in college he worked for the Parks and Recreation Department in Klamath, the EPA, and Weyerhaeuser Co.

Sue was a substitute teacher for junior and senior high school and also worked part-time as a secretary at the Presbyterian Church and a local law office. Second son Matt was born in 1966. Son Andy joined the family in 1970. In Klamath they attended the Presbyterian Church until moving to Klamath Christian Center, a Foursquare church which began in a garage as a pioneer work and moved to an old hospital building remodeled for church use. Chuck assisted the pastor and occasionally filled the pulpit in several small churches.

In 1980, Weyerhaeuser transferred Chuck to their headquarters in Federal Way. Chuck and Sue settled in Auburn at the recommendation of a friend in Klamath. They chose to attend Calvary Temple partly because it was a neighborhood church and also in answer to the invitation of Barb Lisk, whom Sue met while outfitting their then-junior high boys for football.

Chuck's job required a great deal of travel in the US and Canada and even to Borneo where Weyerhaeuser had operations. He retired from the company as Director of Maintenance in 1998 after 30 plus years.

In retirement, one of their primary interests has been to form and manage a non-profit corporation for the benefit of a school and orphanage in Moshi, Tanzania, Africa. They met the African pastor who started this work after a prayer meeting one Saturday night in the church parking lot in 2004. Chuck has traveled to Tanzania three times, but Sue stays home due to an aversion to long flights! Their African friend and his family have visited with them a number of times *(continued page 2, column -2)*

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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January Birthdays

6—Jean LaCosse, Ruth McDaniel
 8—Charlie Schaafsma
 10—Ellwin King
 11—Don Howard
 13—Betty Knudsen, Rose Makai,
 Larry Martin
 15—Christine Kittilson
 17—Bill Pyle
 19—Ray LaPlante

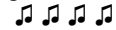


January Birthdays (continued)

22—Donna Franklin, Phyllis Irby
 23—Annie Wood
 24—Ingrid Germeaux, Jean Spicer
 25—Don Cleveland
 26—Inez Christianson, Modena Cruthers
 28—Dixie Burns
 31—Ron Roos

January Anniversaries

1—Len and Jean Fairfield
 4—Corliss & Sharilee Strand
 18—Alan & Brigitte Wilson
 31—Dexter and Ingrid Germeaux



Note: If we missed your date or someone you know, be sure to tell Debbie or Sylvia.



Before entering a battle of wits, check your ammunition. *(Mikey's Funnies)*

Honored Seniors, Chuck & Sue Carlson

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Sue enjoys stocking the church clothing bank each week, attending Ladies' Bible study, and assisting with MOPS when possible. Chuck leads an early morning breakfast group for men on Tuesdays. Their nine grandchildren, six boys and three girls, are one of their joys. Two of their sons live in Montana and one in Ferndale, WA, so they travel to see them whenever they can. They look forward to many more years of serving the Lord.

(Thanks to Chuck and Sue for their "history" and picture)

The New Leaf

He came to my desk with quivering lip;
 The lesson was done.
 "Have you a new leaf for me, dear Teacher?
 I have spoiled this one!"
 I took his leaf, all soiled and blotted,
 And gave him a new one, all unspotted,
 Then into his tired heart I smiled,
 "Do better now, my child."

I went to the throne with trembling heart;
 The year was done.
 Have you a new year for me, dear Master?
 I have spoiled this one!"
 He took my year, all soiled and blotted,
 And gave me a new one, all unspotted,
 Then into my tired heart He smiled,
 "Do better now, my child!"

(author unknown_



A young minister sat down to dinner and was about to say grace. He looked at the casserole dish that his thrifty bride had prepared from all of the refrigerator leftovers.

"I don't know," he said dubiously, "but it seems to me that I've blessed all this stuff before." [fwd to Mikey's by Gretchen Patti]

Welcome New Year!

Are we, the old, leaving a
 clear example to follow?



In 2012, please remember: Worrying does not take away tomorrow's troubles. It takes away today's peace.

Signs You're Getting Older

- ♪ When you do the "Hokey Pokey" you put your left hip out...and you can't get it back in.
- ♪ Restaurants stop asking to see your senior discount card.
- ♪ There's nothing left to learn the hard way.
- ♪ Things you buy now won't wear out.
- ♪ You consider coffee one of the most important things in life.
- ♪ You're actually interested in hearing about other people's operations.
- ♪ You have a party and the neighbors don't even realize it.
- ♪ You quit trying to hold your stomach in, no matter who walks into the room.
- ♪ Your investment in health insurance is finally beginning to pay off.

2012!

A chance to try new ways of broadening your friendships and even your computer or creative skills! Being a senior doesn't mean sitting around!

Ask Ruth McDaniel or Ruth Fordice what you can do to learn the ropes for Seniors setups and other hosting situations at church.

Don't forget! We still need someone to work with Sylvia on the newsletter so when she can't do it, it continues.

2012 Top Ten Predictions

1. The Bible will still have the answers.
2. Prayer will still work.
3. The Holy Spirit will still move.
4. God will still inhabit the praises of His people.
5. There will still be God-anointed preaching.
6. There will still be singing of praise.
7. God will still pour out blessings upon His people.
8. There will still be room at the Cross.
9. Jesus will still love you.
10. Jesus will still save the lost.

(From Debbie Christian 12/25/05. Used for January 2006, and will always remain the most reliable of all predictions. Expect their fulfillment repeatedly!)



I told my family I didn't want to depend on a machine and fluids to keep me alive; they took away my computer and coffee maker!