



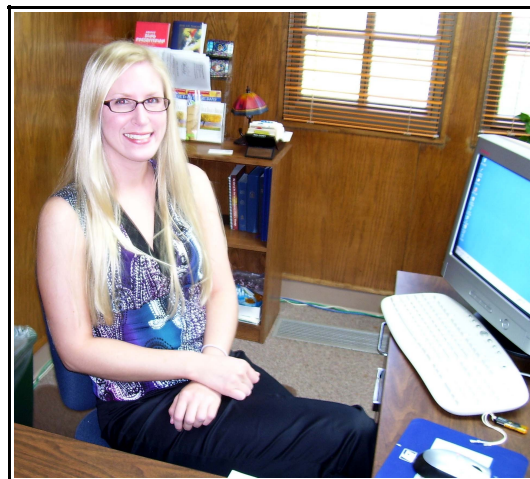
No Problem!

No Problem was the theme when we all gathered in Fellowship Hall for Presbyterian Pot Luck and a most informative and entertaining presentation by Elizabeth Flanders Pitts, shown here with daughter Harper and co-hostess for the evening, Rosella McQuain of Inside Ministries.

Elizabeth has recently returned from a month long trip to Taiwan, there representing our district on a Group Study Exchange (GSE) team as part of Rotary International.

Amid tables decorated with chopsticks and Taiwanese craft, food and novelty items, and using a PowerPoint projection of selected trip photos, she took us all with her, back to Taiwan. Our trip included her experiences with Taiwanese social welfare providers, the prison system – with emphasis on rehabilitation practices, Easter Sunday worship services and much....very much more.

Thank You, Elizabeth.



We are pleased to welcome Dawn Brewer as our permanent, part-time secretary (she has been with us since January as a temp). ~ Dawn is the mother of two and a native of Pennsylvania. She works evenings at Golden Corral. If you haven't already done so, stop by and meet her!

Her email address will be dawn@fpcduncan.com



Welcome to Hayley Reese Hefton born June 11, 2010. Hayley weighed 6lbs 5oz at birth and was 20" long. Her parents are Amy & Bret Hefton. Grandparents are Gail & Steve Akers and Hayley is the great granddaughter of Peggy Gilchrist.



Welcome Amy Elizabeth Kramer born on May 25, 2010 at 11:39am. Amy weighed 7lbs 10oz and was 20.5 inches long & according to her great grandmother, "she has red hair!" Her parents are Jason & Rebecca Stephenson Kramer. Grandmother is Amy Florence, Great Grandparents are Bill & Rosella McQuain.

On June 13, 2010 Elder Rosella McQuain presented Amy Elizabeth for baptism on behalf of the session.

Moments after the baptism service, Rosella, daughter Amy, granddaughter Rebecca and great granddaughter Amy Elizabeth all got together for a four generations "First in a Lifetime" picture, shown here on the left (facing) page.

Happy July Birthday!

Let's Pray Prayers of Joy for These People on Their Special Day!



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| 07/03 Janice Waters | 07/21 Pat Winn |
| 07/04 Bryan Fair | 07/25 Carroll McClellan |
| 07/09 Janis Hruby | 07/26 Martha Copland |
| 07/14 Joan Drake | 07/31 Pat Coleman |
| 07/17 Beverly Moody | 07/31 Harper Lily Pitts |



If we have missed your birthday, please let us know.

A lunch honoring July Birthdays will be held at El Palacio at noon on Wednesday, July 21st.

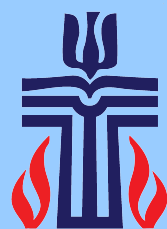
Please call or email me your plans to attend and I'll contact the restaurant with our reservation each month. Thank you, Sally
470-9933 or salsroom@jimbarthell.com

Happy Anniversary Bennie and Joan Drake



50 years
July 22nd

"...Witness to the Truth..."



~ Four Generations ~

"The baptism of children witnesses to the truth that God's love claims people before they are able to respond in faith." Book of Order W-2-3008 b.

On Sunday June 13, 2010 Amy Elizabeth Kramer, the child of Jason and Rebecca Kramer, born May 25, 2010, received the sacrament of Christian Baptism at First Presbyterian Church in Duncan, Oklahoma; Reverend Tracy Evans, Minister, Great Grandmother Rosella McQuain and the congregation, witnesses.

What's New?

New updates, revisions & corrections have been made to the online history of First Presbyterian Church

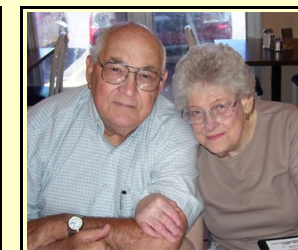
"Click it Out" at

www.fpcduncan.com

Happy June Birthday [salsroom@jimbarthell.com!](mailto:salsroom@jimbarthell.com)



¿Cuál es tu signo?



This is way cool! Go to the FPC website! Find this June birthday feature! Put your cursor over the email address in the birthday greeting! "Ctrl/Click" and you're sending Sally your reservation for the July Birthday Party at El Palacio!..... Maybe!

Behind the Gray Cornerstone

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The memory of the cornerstone laying of The First Presbyterian Church, Duncan, OK, was tucked away in my mind. Occasionally I would think of the incident of long past. My father's job necessitated we move to Drumright, OK. We would return to Duncan on occasion and I would always notice the cornerstone. As time passed I was less sure of what was behind the stone. In March of 1938 my father passed away so mother and I moved to Norman, OK. We still had a lot of friends in Duncan. I continued my education, interrupted by two years in the service. After graduation I accepted a job with the Halliburton Oil Well Cementing Co. in Duncan. It was natural to rejoin the Presbyterian Church in Duncan.

There had been a lot of changes in Duncan over the years. The church congregation had grown and once again it would be necessary to enlarge the church. In Feb. 1977 it was decided to do an extensive remodeling of the church. This came about because it would not be feasible to extend the church any more to the west. The solution was to turn the sanctuary around one hundred and eighty degrees. The west doors would be closed and the pulpit and choir would be on the west. All the brick would have to be removed and more ordered for the job. A balcony was included in the design.

I wondered to myself how they were going to handle the cornerstone. Would there be another cornerstone laying? I would get to refresh my memory as to exactly what was *Behind the Gray Cornerstone*. As they began to tear off the brick on the building I noticed that they intended to leave the cornerstone and supporting column under it in place. I checked into the matter and learned there would be a dedication but not a cornerstone relaying. Was I not to learn what was in the box behind the cornerstone? Evidently so.

As time has gone by one begins to think about times past. The cornerstone incident has never left my memory, just the specific details. A while back I began to wonder if any church records exist on the specifics of the cornerstone laying. I elicited the help of Jim Barthell in looking into this matter for me. Nothing was found relating to the dedication and cornerstone laying of the original event. Jim wondered if the activity might have been reported in the Duncan Banner at the time. He checked with the Stephens County Genealogical Library and was able to locate a copy of the Duncan Banner for that date. There was the complete story of the event. Even as to what was in the copper box holding the artifacts. With retrospect this is not unexpected as Mrs. Jean Abernathy, an active member of the church and the wife of the publisher of the Duncan Banner, saw to it that Presbyterian activities were well covered.

Cornerstone laying like time capsules give a brief glimpse into what has gone before. Seldom are the true stories recorded as to the events leading up to the activity. This will be left to be covered later.

George Jr.

Submitted by George Copland Jr.

THANK YOU

First Presbyterian family,
Thanks for your many prayers, cards and loving words and hugs. I miss my mother dearly and I am so blessed by your caring for our family. We truly are one family in Christ.
Love & Thanks, Julie Martin and family



Joanne Flanders,
Parish Nurse
is on vacation



Thank you
Steve,
for all
you do



LET US REMEMBER



Duncan Care Center

700 Palm

Estella Trapp

Country Club Care

1904 Hwy 81

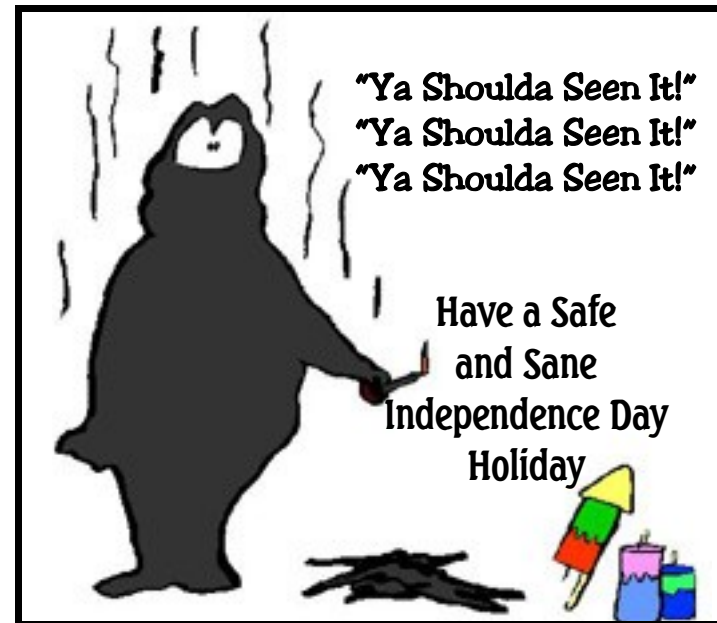
Carroll McClellan

Beulah Calloway Lavina Hofmann

Wilkins Nursing Center

1205 S. 4th

Wylla Leonard



Something to look forward to

Kaitlin and Johnathan Copeland will be attending church camp at Dwight Mission July 11th – July 17th. We look forward to their return and sharing their experiences.

Submitted by Rosella McQuain, Inside Ministry Committee

Session Highlights

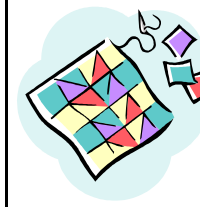
- The meeting was called to order at 6:31 pm
- The minutes for May 18 and June 13 stand approved
- A mini-retreat for the Session is scheduled for Sunday, Aug. 1, 2010
- The Nuts & Bolts Committee accepted a bid for tree trimming and stump grinding for \$300
- A motion was made and seconded to approve the bid for the repair and upgrade for the sound system as presented in the amount of \$2,940 not to exceed \$3500. The motion carried
- A motion was made and seconded to ask Hollie Hill Le if she wants the small organ that was donated to the church and if she does want it she can make a private donation to the church
- A motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 8:10 pm

Submitted by Jenna Bentley, Session Clerk

News from the Cornerstone Quilters

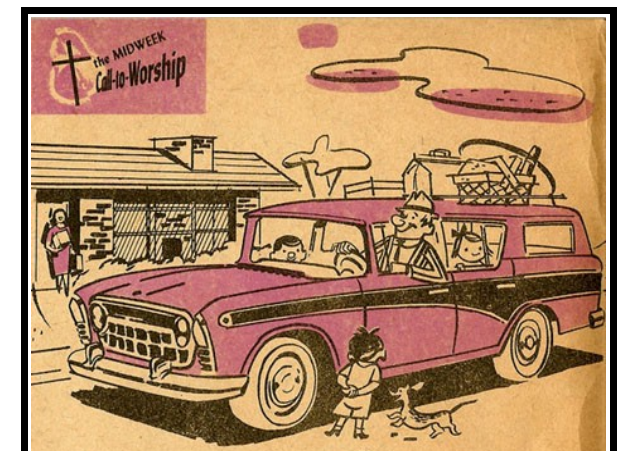


Brighten a few young lives by joining the Cornerstone Quilters! If you would like to learn to quilt, or are experienced in quilting, come join us in making some wall quilts (and other items) for the Cornerstone Early Head Start. We will be meeting on Mondays from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm, beginning July 12th in Fellowship Hall at FPC. We will also meet on an occasional Saturday.



For more information contact Colleen Pollock at 255-4768.

50 Years Ago...Or So...1958



REMEMBER!!

Your vacation is just about to begin . . . have you remembered to take care of everything?

The milkman?

The mailman?

The paper boy?

The refrigerator?

The doors and windows?

Yes, everything's checked—but wait! How about your church offerings? Remember, the church expenses go on even when you're on vacation. Be sure to keep your pledge or fill your envelopes before you leave!