

PETER STEINKE SCHEDULE:

Sunday October 5

Sunday morning- interviews begin with 20 randomly selected congregation members.

Session will provide a meal following Worship Service.

1:00pm Steinke presentation "The Congregation as Emotional System" followed by individual responses to his question sheets followed by "Tell it to Peter"- anyone wishing to speak to Dr. Steinke for 2 minutes.

After 4 pm, interviews continue.

Monday morning, October 6 Interviews continue.

Dr. Steinke will schedule a follow up meeting in about 3-4 weeks.

FAMILY NIGHT



The next date set for food and fun at First Presbyterian Church is Sunday, October 19, 2008 at 6:00pm.

Bring your favorite dish to share with your friends and relax for an evening of good food, games and fellowship.

Fellowship & Renewal Committee

Please email your articles for **FAITH-AT-WORK** to salsroom@jimbarthell.com, place them in my church office box or call me at 470-9933. **Deadline is October 24th** for the November issue. Thanks, Sally Barthell

Join kids and families around the globe to walk and bicycle to school in October--it's **"Walk or Bike to School" month!**

WHY???

It will: enhance the health of kids; improve air quality and the environment; and create safe routes for walking and bicycling.

Health and Safety Committee

Happy October Birthday!

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



10/4 Randy Fair	10/11 Chip Woods
10/5 Gabriel Martin	10/13 Caron Hawkins
10/6 Marguerite English	10/14 Mike Grantham
10/6 Joanne Flanders	10/16 Pat Hale
10/7 Terry Evans	10/21 Dora Kirk
10/10 Ajenda Johnson	10/28 Colleen Pollock
	10/30 Bianca Johnson



If we missed your Birthday, please let us know.



A lunch honoring October Birthdays will be held at El Palacio at noon on Wednesday, October 15th. Please call in your reservation to the church office.

Part D – Review Before You Renew

If you're currently insured through a Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Plan you will soon be receiving your annual renewal notice in the mail. Please read it carefully. It is probable that your costs are scheduled to rise considerably in 2009. At the same time, your benefits may decrease and your 'donut hole' might just get a bit deeper.

It's a good idea to 'Review Before You Renew'.

It's time once again to go over your current plan and compare it to all other available plans. Remember, there is only one 'Best Plan' for you. The plan that you're with now may have been the right choice for 2008. But – things can and do change.

When you're ready to renew your Part D coverage, or - if you're a new enrollee in 2009, the place to check for your 'Best Plan' is at www.medicare.gov, the Internet site where all your Part D questions can be answered and where enrollment and/or plan change can be easily accomplished. At First Presbyterian Church your Parish Nurse, Jo Flanders, is available to go over your options with you. You can contact Jo through the church office to schedule a confidential on line review of your needs and available Part D plans.

The time to review is now. Online enrollment for 2009 begins on November 15 and Medicare usually requires two months for your new monthly premium payments to catch up with your changed Part D coverage.



GOODLAND ACADEMY NEEDS!

Listed below you will find a "Needs List" published by Goodland Academy. If you find you can help with any of these items, please place them in a box that will be placed in the narthex labeled "NEEDS FOR GOODLAND".

Toilet Bowl Scrubbers - Carpet Fresh
Febreeze - Dishwasher Detergent

Toilet Paper - Paper Towels

Plastic Hangers - Disinfectant Wipes

Mr. Clean Magic Erasers

Large Freezer Zip Loc Bags

Small Sandwich Zip Loc Bags

Twin Sheet Sets

Boys Needs:

Men's Large & Medium Boxers

Ankle socks sizes 6-9 & 9-11

Antiperspirant with Deodorant

Shampoo - Hair Gel - Hair Brushes

Mission Committee

A Christian Pumpkin

I am a Jack O' Lantern;
My light will shine so bright,
For I am a Christian Pumpkin;
My features tell what's right.
My nose is like the cross
On which our Savior died;
To set us free from sin,
We need no longer hide.
My mouth is like a fish;
The whole wide world to show,
That Christians live in this house
And love their Savior so!
The story starts at Christmas.
My eyes are like the star
That shone on Baby Jesus
And wise men saw from far
My color it is orange,
Just like the big bright sun,
That rose on Easter Morning
Along with God's own Son.
And so on Halloween
Let's set our pumpkins out,
And tell the trick or treaters
What God's love is all about!

- Author Unknown

DEADLINE FOR NEXT FAW ENTRY IS OCTOBER 24TH

It's Time For The Pumpkin Patch Again



The pumpkins were ordered the last week of September. Now we need able bodies for day trips; to go get the pumpkins and unload them at the Patch. Just as important, we need volunteers to work in the Patch. There's a sign up roster in the church office. Please sign up to help as often as you can. If you can work on a regular schedule – that would be great! Weekends are especially busy.

It takes a real team to operate the Patch. Jack and Bennie really enjoy wheelin' and dealin' and giving good deals to big buyers, but we need people to man the money table and to visit with the families that stop by.

Everyone has a good time. Members of the Health & Safety Committee have volunteered to provide baked goods for sale again. Jim Barthell is handling the publicity.

Volunteer now and help make this the best Pumpkin Patch ever!

Thanks From Your Pumpkin Patch Committee

PRAYERS NEEDED!

Please pray for the readers and the candidates Oct 6-10. As you know, candidates for ordination as Minister of Word and Sacrament in the PCUSA take a battery of exams, known as "the ords". They are extremely difficult and are looked on with great awe by those who write the exams. The ords are looked on with great awe by the people who "read" the exams as well. Each one is read by 2 readers and graded. If there is a disagreement about the grading, a third person is called on to read. Believe me it is a sobering job and we all need your prayers so we can read with fairness and reason. The Holy Spirit is always at work in those reading rooms and we hope we pass on to the Presbyteries only those students who are ready to begin the work of ministry. This year we will be reading Hebrew Exegesis, Worship & Sacraments and Polity in the Dallas group. Pray for us and for the people who are awaiting their grades.

Submitted by Rosella McQuain

CPR CLASS AVAILABLE

A **CPR class** has been scheduled for **Sunday, November 2, 2008** for Deacons (ushers) and others interested in learning or reviewing these skills. The procedure will consist of chest compressions for incidents occurring in a non-hospital setting. The instructor will be Gina Flescher, RN of the Duncan Regional Hospital education staff. **Reservations** can only be made with Jo Flanders. For those who **register, lunch will be served** with the class to begin shortly thereafter. Don't miss this outstanding opportunity to be of service in our community.

Health & Safety Committee, Joanne Flanders

Thank You

Nancy and I would like to thank all of our church family for their concern for our family's medical issues these past two months. We feel so blessed to be a part of FPC Duncan. It is so much easier to go through these hard times knowing we are all in your prayers. Again, thank you!

Mike & Nancy Grantham



SIGN IN PLEASE

In order to better serve our congregation it is important that you, as a member of the congregation or a visitor, sign the Welcome Register each time you attend Sunday **Worship Service**.

You will find the Welcome Register on the center aisle side of your pew. Please sign it and pass it down the pew for others to sign then return it to the aisle seat.

Thank you for your cooperation

Youth Food Harvest:

The October "Food of the Month" is **CANNED MEAT** (Each month will have a new food). Please bring your food to the church on the **third Sunday** of each month & the youth will take it to the Christians Concerned Food Pantry.

Thank You

To The Women of the Church,
Women's Haven would like to thank you for your continued support in helping us stop domestic violence, sexual assault & stalking in our community. It is support such as yours that makes our job much easier.

Again, thanks,

Respectfully, Women's Haven Staff

LET US REMEMBER

Heartland

415 N. Chisholm Trail Pkwy.

Joe Griffith

Duncan Care Center 700 Palm

Estella Trapp

Alterra Sterling House

915 W. Plato

Wylla Leonard

Chisholm Trail Retirement Ctr.

625 N. Chisholm Trail Pkwy

Lavina Hofmann Ted Legg

Country Club Care

1904 Hwy 81

Carroll McClellan

Wilkins Nursing Center

1205 S. 4th

Ben Hill

Duncan Community Residence

The Duncan Community Residence is still in need of the following items. The Mission Committee invites our members to donate to this worthy cause.

Dining Room Furniture

Deodorant

Towels and Wash Clothes

Shaving Gel & Razors

Flat Twin Sheets & Standard Pillow Slips

Toothpaste & Toothbrushes

After Shave Lotion and Cologne

Shampoo & Conditioner

Bar Soap

Sealable Large Containers

Please **bring your items** to First Presbyterian Church, we will provide a box to collect the donations.

Margo B. Jones, Chairman, Mission Committee



The Great Chicago Fire occurred on Oct. 7-8, 1871, hence October was chosen as Fire Safety Month and Oct. 5-11 will be Fire Prevention Week. Those who have faced a fire crisis will acknowledge the importance of these guidelines for family safety:

- 1) Check the smoke detectors in your home. They should be on every level and outside of sleeping areas. If you need one, call the fire department for this service. Replace the batteries in the detectors at least once a year or sooner if the detector makes a chirping noise. If your detector is wired into your electrical system, check to see that the signal light is blinking.
- 2) Fire extinguishers should be in the kitchen, garage and workshop. It's best to learn how to use it before an emergency arises—and use it only on a small fire. If a large fire occurs, call 911 and leave the building!
- 3) Each family needs to plan for an exit from each room. A fixed location for family members to gather outside for a head count should be decided. Stay together away from the fire—no one should return to the burning building.
- 4) Clear corridors, halls and stairways of obstruction and combustibles.
- 5) Use a fireplace screen. Keep lighters and matches out of reach of children. Have the chimney cleaned and inspected by a professional before every heating season. Likewise, have the furnace inspected before the cold weather sets in.
- 6) Turn off space heaters when the room is empty and don't use an extension cord for an electrical one. Children should be supervised when around a fireplace or space heater. A gas range should never be used as a substitute heating source.
- 7) The label inside the light fixture will indicate the maximum wattage—use only light bulbs that are appropriate. Allow air space around the television set, plug-in radios, stereo sets and powerful lamps. If a circuit-breaker trips or a fuse blows frequently, reduce the number of appliances on that line—immediately!
- 8) In the event of a grease fire, turn off the stove and cover the pan with a lid or close the oven door—never pour water on it. Remove any combustibles from close proximity of the stove. Clean the exhaust hood and duct over the stove regularly. Operate the microwave only when food is in it.

This information can be shared with others and assistance is available when you need it to assure your safety.

Joanne Flanders, Parish Nurse