

THRUST & PARRY



January
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Scribbles by Steve

This has been a year of mixed blessings and woes for me and for Parkview Church. But the experiences have been good lessons for our journey together and the importance of what it means to be in COVENANT in our life together.

Within the local faith community our COVENANT was lived out in various ways. First of all, as a minister I was thrilled to be active in the discernment processes of Walt, Becky and Vince as they sought to understand their calls to ministry. To have celebrated two ordinations and a commissioning in a church the size of Parkview is amazing, and to do so in the same year is remarkable. Parkview Church, its members, ministries and mission, can take pride in having provided the spiritual home and nourishment for those who are now in covenantal authorized ministries with Parkview Church and the Metropolitan Denver Association. I would also be remiss if I didn't also claim that Parkview played a role in the soon-to-be ordained, and former student minister at Parkview, Carol Reynolds. May the ministries of each one be filled with blessings.

Our COVENANT was also demonstrated in the 18-month process of filling the position staffed as the Youth and Young Adult Leader. Not only did members of the faith community work hard to determine the need, but others worked diligently on behalf of the COVENANT to fill the position. And the faith community actively involved itself in the "Seed" program to raise money to ensure sustainability of the position.

We continue to be in COVENANT with one another as we participate in baptisms, marriages, and memorial services support and comforting, encouraging and celebrating with our members and friends in their times of need and in their joys.

We are people of the COVENANT...a faith community organized nearly 50 years ago in COVENANT with one another. May the words penned long ago continue to guide our mission and ministries.

Parkview's Covenant: Having freely united in the fellowship of Christ's Church and acknowledging our need for the continuing guidance of the Holy Spirit, We covenant with God and with one another; Binding ourselves in the promise, whatsoever it shall cost us, to conduct our lives according to the precepts revealed in the Holy Scriptures, Entering into Christ's mission, Sharing in the worship of our Lord, and striving to make God's will dominant in the lives of all people.

May this New Year be filled with blessings for each and everyone, and may we remember we are bound to one another in COVENANT.

Blessings, Pastor Steve

**CALL TO ANNUAL MEETING
JANUARY 24, 2010
10:30 A.M.
(immediately following Worship)**

Thank you...

To Lynda Emerson for planning and making the decorations which made our worship space most inviting during the holiday season...and to everyone who helped with "The Hanging of the Greens."



To all those who donated poinsettias to enhance the beauty of our worship space.

To all of those who minister on a weekly basis at Parkview, including the Sunday School teachers and Parkview staff, those who water plants and care for the building and grounds, those who set up for worship and those who willingly greet, usher and are acolytes.

To all of the people who have gifted us with their time and talents during this special season and throughout the year. Each and every Core Ministry Team is vital to the Mission of Parkview Church.

To the Hospitality Ministry Team which has served several special events this year including three receptions for our 2 ordinations and one commissioning. We also applaud those who minister to us through the Parkview Café and First Friday Suppers.

"Immerse Yourself"

Small Group Programming Booklets will be available January 10th

One of the best ways to deepen one's faith development and to connect with others at Parkview is to participate in a small group. Several opportunities are available. You are invited to participate in one or more of Parkview's small groups.

Music and the Arts Ministry

Thank you to Lynda Emerson for carrying out Steve's vision of the tree theme this year for Advent. She bought, made and organized the props and people. Thank you Lynda!!



Thank you also to Belles and Beaus for the extra work you did for the Bell Festival in Wheat Ridge on December 5th and to the Sanctuary Choir for all the music and rehearsal time you endured for the Habitat for Humanity concert on December 5th. And a big thank you to Jan Hepp, Bonnie Furler, Mary Morrissey and Kirk Nicholls for sharing your talents making music for both of these outside concerts. It was a loooong day!

I am so blessed to be your director, (sorry I sound like a broken record, but it is true!)

Karen Harris, Director of Music Ministry
Core Team Leader harclef@comcast.net

Evangelism

2010 is right around the corner (or maybe here) as you read this. The economy is trying to recover, but probably not as quickly as some folks need it to move. How can we reach out to our families, our friends, our neighbors, our community, our world? Please consider joining me on **Thursday, January 7th, at 6:30 PM** to plan for ways to reach out to our community in new ways for 2010. Shall we offer financial planning classes? What about a “job club” to assist people in networking for employment opportunities? Do we have any interest in mentoring or tutoring elementary, middle or high school age students who are struggling in their classes? Maybe you have a good idea/possibility to share/develop to open Parkview’s doors even wider...bring your idea and put it on the table.

Churches must learn to use 21st century technology and network market if we are to effectively communicate with the people we want to persuade. Communicating with a younger audience is the only hope we have for a vital future.

An Online Course on *Church and Culture in a New Time* by Anthony B. Robinson can be found at <http://www.ucc.org/vitality/ready-set-grow/know-community-culture/its-a-whole-new-world.html>

Mary Morrissey, Team Leader,
mmarymacmeg@netzero.net

Inclusivity Ministry Team

On behalf of the Inclusivity Ministry Team I would like to thank Pastor Steve and the Worship Planning Team for the diverse worship services. The movie [For the Bible Tells Me So](#) is making the rounds in the Parkview community. Thanks for taking the time to view it. I am looking forward to doing another Thought Provoker in 2010.

January 18, 2010—Martin Luther King Marade begins at City Park (Denver) and ends with a rally at Civic Center Park. This is the largest Martin Luther King Jr. march and rally in the United States. For more details go to:

<http://www.denver.org/events/detail?e=41746&t=festivals>



At the King Center in Atlanta they will mark the 81st birthday of Dr. King and the 25th anniversary of the National Holiday in his honor. For more information visit:

<http://www.thekingcenter.org/KingHoliday/Events.aspx>

“We are all tied together in a single garment of destiny. An inescapable network of mutuality. I can never be what I ought to be until you are allowed to be what you ought to be.”
Martin Luther King Jr.

Offering trust, love, and understanding to all-- *Natalie Nethers*

ATTENTION ALL CORE MINISTRY TEAM LEADERS

The time has come for Annual Reports to be completed for each of the Core Ministry Teams. The deadline for submission to the church office is January 10th in order to prepare reports for the Annual Meeting which will be held on January 24th. Reports can be emailed to parkvie-wucc@qwestoffice.net or placed in the “In” box in the church office

Happy New Year from the Hospitality Committee:



As we begin this new year we are thankful for all of those tireless workers who serve for our celebrations and share with us in our sorrows. We appreciate all of you and all that you do to make our receptions tasteful and welcoming! We are pleased to announce our newest member, Clydel Colburn! Clydel served her first reception in December for the memorial service of Mary Lou Hughs' brother. She is a welcomed addition to our committee. If you have time to give for any of the receptions as a server, please call Mariellen Hoffman.

mariellen_hoffman@dpsk12.org



“Children’s After-school
Mentoring Project”

Greetings from Song-CAMP!

On November 17th, the week prior to Thanksgiving, Song-CAMP held its annual Fall Family Dinner and Concert in the sanctuary at Parkview. Thanks to the twenty-seven Song-CAMP'ers, Song-CAMP Volunteers, and the terrific neighborhood attendance, both the Song-CAMP Family dinner and the one-hour concert were a huge success. Around 100 families and friends were present as the Song-CAMP'ers performed their original songs for the enthusiastic crowd (who were literally "rockin' with the beat")!

In keeping with our primary objectives of Song-CAMP, the children once again successfully attained status as "Singer-Songwriters, Performers and Recording Stars"! Our wonderful team of Volunteers helped make all this possible - through transportation, healthy snacks, playtime, mentoring and song-writing each Tuesday afternoon in the 9-week Fall Semester. The children were very proud of their accomplishments - as are we of them!

CD's of the live performance are available for a suggested donation of \$5 each (contact Walt@Song-CAMP.org to place an order). All songs will again be added to Walt's www.Song-CAMP.org website for computer listening. A video of the concert will also be available for viewing - perhaps as an after-church event.

The 2010 Song-CAMP 9-week Winter Semester starts up again each Tuesday, from 3-6PM, beginning January 26th, and ending with a Family Dinner and concert on March 23rd (the week before Spring Break). We will continue with our successful new model of a 30-student limit, where each of two 15-member song-writing groups rotate for an hour of song-writing and recording.

Although Song-CAMP employs song-writing and mentoring as vehicles in giving back to the children and families of our Parkview neighborhood, Song-CAMP has been, from its inception, a form of "Outreach" Ministry. Song-CAMP's three missions are:

* “Children Playing at Fame as Singer-Songwriters, Performers and Recording Stars!”

* “A Child's Gateway to encouraging and fostering Increased Learning and Self-Esteem through the magical art of Writing, Performing and Recording their own Songs!”

* “Guiding children to freely express themselves creatively, for Life!”

In order to even further enhance its proven success and effectiveness as an Outreach Ministry, Song-CAMP will be moving away from the "Music & The Arts Ministry Team" to a yet undetermined core ministry team. (More will be revealed in the February issue).

Thanks again to all of our devoted Song-CAMP Volunteers and for the support of our Parkview congregation. We are uniquely giving back to our community and the precious children in our neighborhood!

Wishing each of you a very happy and prosperous New Year 2010,

Walt Lofstrom - Director, & Mary Morrissey - Assistant Director
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Walt@Song-CAMP.org Mary@Song-CAMP.org

JANUARY MISSION

The Mission Ministry committee hopes everyone had a wonderful Holiday.

The mission chosen for January is COLFAX COMMUNITY NETWORK. This grassroots organization was formed in 1999 from the belief that providing children and families residing in low-income, transient housing (primarily residential motels) with information, services and programs that will strengthen and improve family and community life. The belief that providing children with a safe, productive loving environment *for even one day* seeds ideas that a different future can be had.

The Colfax Community Network runs six programs with the idea of breaking debilitating poverty cycles.

They are: AFTER SCHOOL AND SUMMER CAMP PROGRAM;
ACCESS TO SERVICES
MOM 'N TOTS SUPPORT GROUP
TEEN GIRL'S SUPPORT GROUP
FAMILY NIGHT

We will be collecting hygiene products to help this program. Specific items needed are:

Bar Soap	Shampoo	Conditioner
Toothpaste	Toothbrushes	Diapers (any size)
Deodorant (men's and women's)	Baby Wipes	Body Wash
Feminine Hygiene Products	Lotion	Chapstick
Travel Kits		

All items must be in original unopened packages. There will be bins in the hallway outside the sanctuary doors for your donations.

Connie Crowder, Mission Ministries
TWOCONNIES@aol.com

*"I've learned that no matter what happens, or how bad it seems today,
life does go on, and it will be better tomorrow....Maya Angelou*

Happy New Year
From
The Education Team



The Dec. Friday night supper and Advent Christmas party was wonderful fun, we had over 75 people attend; bringing wonderful food, and **Fabulous** entertainment. People enjoyed it so much they asked us to make it an annual event. What do you think Joanie????

Thank you so much to all of those who have taught Sunday School, or helped with activities and Youth group, (Cindy Kennedy, Mary Conover, Cheryl Kinibe, Sandy Nicholls, Linda Emerson, Lynn & Pam Wohler, Eric Crow & Mary Morrissey). It has been an exciting new year with the addition of our new Youth Leader Kate Hoffmeyer, Kate we are very happy to have you here at Parkview.

Thank you Parkview!!!!!!

For your support for John Furler and his unit in Iraqi. We sent 140 cards to 32 people including John. Six boxes of goodies, cookies, candy, gum, trail mix, puzzles books, fiction books to read, wipes, candy corn, taffy, playing cards, candy canes just to mention a few of the things that were sent to Bless them and make Christmas a little brighter. Please keep them in your payers.

Sunday School and parents. Watch your email! Kate will be sending a weekly email to let you know what will be going on in Sunday School and Youth group.

- 1. Do you have any suggestions you would like to see happening in Sunday School or Youth Group?????***
- 2. Would you like to help with Sunday School or Youth Group?????***
- 3. Do you have an idea you would like to plan and have the children & youth participate in?????***
- 4. Would you consider being the Team Leader?????***

The Education team would love to hear from you.

If you are interested please contact Kate Hoffmeyer at the church or Laverne Seybold.

*"I've learned that you shouldn't go through life with a catcher's mitt on both hands;
you need to be able to throw some things back,*

*"I've learned that whenever I decide something with an open heart,
I usually make the right decision.Maya Angelou*

History Team

Lucille Hendershott wrote the following words at the end of her 1978 Moderator report.

“Thanks to each of you who has become a working partner in our church. I repeat the 4 words that should be uppermost in our vocabulary and direct our lives:

Please care, hope, and be enthusiastic

Sorry for things done and left undone

Thanks for being you and doing the things you do

Love one another and don't be afraid to show it”

I think Lucille's words have meaning and purpose 22 years later. There are still many working partners in the form of ministry teams. And the spirit of the 4 words lives on within the Parkview faith community.

Please—Sorry—Thanks—Love

Natalie Nethers

Looking Back with Nat

January 24, 1962- First Annual Meeting was held in the hall of the Aurora Fire Department.

January 1965- Senior high school youth packed 2 ¼ tons of clothing at the Church World Service Christmas Eve

January 1983- 29 new members joined Parkview

January 1986- The [Aurora] Chamber of Commerce honored Rev John Thomas as Humanitarian of the Year. Maggie Thomas was also honored for her work with COMITIS where she helped establish a temporary children's shelter

January 1995- “Calamity at Clay Clod” a ‘mellerdrammer’ directed by Dottie Turk was performed for a dinner-theatre audience. The performance raised \$900 to support the Associate Pastor Call of Steve Hoffman.

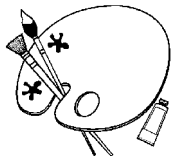
Youth and Young Adult



The spiritual practice of **examen** is attributed to the founder of the Jesuit order, St. Ignatious of Layola. The youth, Penny, and I have been practicing a modified version of the examen on a weekly basis. We answer the questions *What was the best part of your week? What was the worst part of your week? Where did you see God this week?* Sometimes on Sunday mornings I find myself trying to come up with an answer to these questions. *Where do I see God?* In the past few months, I have mostly responded with instances of human connection and compassion. Lorraine holding people's hands and looking them in the eyes as they come in the door on Sunday mornings, a park in the park with a friend and advisor, a hearty "welcome back!" into a church I hadn't visited for a while. The author of the Gospel of John says that God is Love and God is Spirit. Sometimes I am surprised by compassion that I didn't know I had, the compassion of God working through me.

In the past few months, the youth have seen God in reunions of family members, people opening their doors to us when we went caroling, tests that went well, the snow. Others are struggling to see God. But who has not at some time in her/his life not been able to be close to God?

Kate Hoffmeyer, Youth and Young Adult Leader
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Mark your calendars!!!

Parkview's **36th Annual Fine Arts Festival** is scheduled for February 25, 26, 27.

NOTE opening is Thursday evening

From the Stewardship and Financial Secretary Ministries:

Thank you to all the generous contributors to the Risk Management fund recently set up to cover the expenses due to the break-ins at the church. To date the total donated will cover the insurance deductibles, the extensive locksmith costs, and the setup of the alarm system, as well as provide some extra to bolster doors not damaged but needing fortification. Your willingness to support the church at this time of need warms the heart.

Jessie Tramutolo, Financial Secretary jessiewt@msn.com

Holiday Greetings from your Nurture and Care Ministry Team

We are looking for a *few good people*. Please review the follow ministry job descriptions and see if you are being called to participate in one or more of them. ***Please call right away if you are interested!!*** Thanks!

EVERY MEMBER CARE MINISTRY TEAM– need 10-12 volunteers

1. Be willing to meet monthly for check in with other members of the team.
2. Be willing to meet quarterly for training with Web of Care for training
3. Work with 10-15 families within the church.
4. Act as a liaison for those families to the Pastor or others in the church.
5. Act as a liaison for the church to those families.

Please call or email Bonnie Jo Furler at 303 360-9057, furler@comcast.net

MARY MARTHA MINISTRY TEAM

1. Pastor indicates a need for a meal to be provided to a member or friend of the church.
2. If a home Visitor identifies the need for a meal for a shut in, he/she should contact the Pastor who will, in turn, contact the Chairperson of Mary Martha.
3. The Chairperson calls the individual identified as needing a meal to coordinate possible days and times of delivery, food allergies, and likes and dislikes. The size of the family is also clarified.
4. The Chairperson calls volunteers willing to participate in coordinating a meal and provides pertinent information. The Chairperson insures that all members of the Mary Martha Team are given an equal opportunity to participate.
5. Members of the Mary Martha Team will decide who delivers the meal.
6. The meal is prepared by a volunteer. Meals should be prepared in disposable containers.
7. The meal will be delivered by a member of the Mary Martha Team.

Please call or email Chris Brown at 303 832-1165, bernmann@comcast.net, Joanie Crandall at 303 680-1652, dcport1@comcast.net

VISITATION MINISTRY TEAM

1. Pastor identifies individuals needing or requesting home, hospital, or nursing home visits to Visitation Ministry Chairperson. Pastor will also identify individuals to be removed from the visitation listing. If new individuals are identified for visits, the Visitation Ministry Chairperson will arrange for visits by a volunteer.
2. List of members or friends to be visited must be kept up to date. This includes the person to be visited, visitation volunteer assigned, phone numbers, and frequency of visits. Monthly visits required, but more frequent visits may be agreed upon. (cont. next page)

(cont.) Visitation notes should be kept on every visit. These notes should reflect the individual's well being, mental attitude, and changes both negative and positive since last visit. These notes will currently be maintained on paper, or on personal computer. In the future, these notes may be required to be input into Parkview's password protected Nurture and Care blog page.

4. **During visits, the Visitor should note any concerns and report these concerns to the Pastor and Visitation Ministry Chairperson, within 24 hours.**
5. The home Visitor should follow Boundary Training skills.
6. A basic rule of consideration is that the Visitor must remember that he/she is a guest in the home.
7. Attendance is encouraged to meetings and training sessions.
8. **Utmost confidentiality must be adhered to.** Members of the Visitation Ministry Team will be supportive of one another, keeping information shared only amongst members of the team and the Pastor.

Please call or email Chris Brown at 303 832-1165, bernmann@comcast.net, Joanie Crandall at 303 680-1652, dcport1@comcast.net

TRANSPORTATION MINISTRY TEAM

1. Pastor identifies a need for transportation to the Chairperson of the Transportation Ministry Team. This need can come to the Pastor's attention by means of a telephone call or a request in person.
2. The Pastor calls the Transportation Ministry Team Chairperson to relay the need for transportation. The Chairperson calls the person in need to get the specifics.
3. The Chairperson calls a volunteer using the listing which identifies the different volunteers' availability.
4. The volunteer picks up the person and delivers him/her to the appointment/event, may wait during the appointment/event (if this was previously agreed upon), and returns the person home.
5. A valid driver's license is required. Appropriate driving skills are expected.

Please call or email Chris Brown at 303 832-1165, bernmann@comcast.net, Joanie Crandall at 303 680-1652, dcport1@comcast.net

*"I've learned that every day you should reach out and touch someone.
People love a warm hug, or just a friendly pat on the back," Maya Angelou*

Getting To Know You- Dick and Maxine Georgeson

First they were newcomers to Parkview, then newlyweds at Parkview, then new members of Parkview-- Wow! A lot can happen in a relatively short time, but lets start at the beginning.

It all began when Bill and Peg Beatty invited their recently widowed neighbor, Dick Georgeson to accompany them to church. Dick was impressed with our pastor, the church's acceptance and care, and the after church "lunch bunch" where he entertained many with his quick sense of humor.

A few months later, he decided to invite his new "lady friend" from Heather Gardens to accompany him and the Beattys. Maxine fit right in with her outgoing personality. She too, enjoyed Parkview for all the same reasons.

Dick told someone that he just loved our choir and that he used to sing bass in the past. That "someone" suggested he join our choir and he became a nice addition with his deep voice.

After 10 months of "dating", Dick and Maxine were married by Pastor Steve at Parkview. When some mentioned that it seemed rather quick, Dick quipped, "At my age you can't wait too long!"

While several of us have enjoyed the company of this couple, few of us had any idea of the accomplishments of these two in their lives and the service that they still render to our community.

Dick was born in Lenora, Kansas and graduated from High School in 1947. He then went on to Grinnel College in Iowa where he majored in English with a concentration in American Literature. His plans were to become a teacher. However, he was drafted in 1951, but decided to enlist in the Air Force. He soon was admitted to Officer Candidate School and upon completion, was promoted to 2nd. Lt.

He was sent to Lowry AFB in 1952 where he was assigned to the Intelligence Service. He was to do photo interpretations of eastern European countries. He was married in 1953 and had four children in six years. The family then moved to Guam where he was promoted to Captain and was Squadron Commander of an Intelligence Division. The family next moved to Omaha where he served in the Strategic Air Command for two years. The next move was to Tokyo, Japan as an Intelligence Officer from 1962 to 1965. Dick went through the ranks and several other posts in his 28 years in the Air Force. He received his Masters in Education Administration and retired from the service as a Lt. Col. During his service he spent time at the Pentagon in the Intelligence Division. Eventually he made his way back to Aurora where he was stationed at Lowry as Chief of Operations in the Intelligence Training Center.

His first wife and he were divorced in 1967. His next marriage to Shirley lasted 40 years. They moved to Heather Gardens and were lucky to find a place next door to the Beattys, who became good friends. Sadly, Shirley died of cancer in 2008.

One day Dick was at Blossoms Restaurant where a friend introduced him to a very nice looking lady named Maxine. Maxine's daughter was with her when they met. The daughter later said, "He is very gentlemanly, great sense of humor and generous, you better keep him!" Maxine was born in Chickasha, OK. The family moved to California, on to Texas and Colorado. Her father was a painting contractor. They came to Aurora in 1950 and she graduated from Aurora High School in 1956. She got married in 1958 and was divorced six years later.

(Getting to Know you cont.) and Denver -Chicago Trucking Company. Her husband was soon transferred to Chicago by the Jewell Tea Company. He also played saxophone with the Jay Weider Orchestra and the Dean Bushnell Orchestra.

He then had the opportunity to come back to Aurora where he would be employed by the Air Force Finance Center as a Computer Programmer. Maxine then went to work for the University of Colo. Medical Center where she eventually became the Executive Secretary for the Dean of the Medical School. She worked there from 1970 to 1995. She was divorced in 1981.

In 2007, she moved into Heather Gardens to live with her daughter. She now has three granddaughters and seven great-grandchildren.

Service to their community is a commonality between Dick and Maxine. She is active in the Eagles, a service organization which was responsible for the beginning of Medicare and the Founder of Mothers Day. Dick is a Shriner, a member of Santa Claus Hearts, and several fraternal organizations.

When they met, Maxine had gone back to the Medical Center, now in Aurora, and was working as the Executive Secretary to the Chancellor. She resigned shortly after meeting Dick to spend more time with him and their very large combined families.

Between them they have forty children, step-children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

We, at Parkview, are blessed to have them divide some of their time with us! Please make yourselves known to these active and interesting new members.

Bev Ford

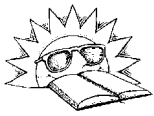
UCC NIGHT AT THE DENVER NUGGETS

The Rocky Mountain Conference of the UCC has arranged for a Night at the Nuggets with discounted tickets and a portion of the ticket price going to disaster relief. On Sunday, January 3rd at 6:00 p.m., the Nuggets will meet the 76ers and we are invited to join the fun. Various price levels for tickets are available. Upper corner balcony tickets are \$17 (face value \$27), upper center balcony tickets are \$28 (face value \$38), and VIP Club Level seats are \$52 (face value \$67-\$82). Twenty-five kids from 4-16 will be selected to high five the Nuggets players at 5:45. Ten people will be selected to sit courtside to watch pre-game warm-ups. Reserve your seat by January 1st to be eligible at www.pepsicenter.com/groups/nuggets/rmcucc (for 3rd level seats) or www.pepsicenter.com/groups/nuggets/rmcucc1 (for club level seats).

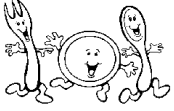
WINTER/SPRING CLASSES AND WORKSHOPS

Have you attended a workshop or class at Parkview and thought you would like to teach something yourself? This is your opportunity. If you would like to teach a class or a workshop this winter and/or spring, please contact Pastor Steve to discuss your ideas and schedule dates. We will be publishing the schedule in January, so please contact the office as soon as possible.

BOOK CLUB NEWS The Book Club meeting for this month will be at the home of Joanie Crandell on Jan. 9 at 10 AM. We will be discussing "Snow Flower and the Secret Fan" by Lisa See. This is a fiction book about two young girls growing up in China . Refreshments will be served and all are welcome, but please call Joanie to let her know you plan to attend.



Bev Ford



WOMEN ALIVE will meet on January 14th at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Arlene Lenox. All ladies are invited to attend, and to bring a salad to share. If you plan to attend, be sure to call Arlene so that she can arrange space.

SYMPATHY to: Annabelle Dunning and family for the loss of Harold, 'Hal' Dunning



Ulysses Stanley and family for the loss of Willie Albert, Stan's brother.

Dorothy & Bill Nakaoka and family for the loss of Milton Hayano, Dorothy's brother.

Mary Lou & Jay Hughes and family for the loss of Bob Phelps, Mary Lou's brother.

Recent Baptisms

Maggie and Will Wilson, twins of Katie and Jeff Wilson were baptized in a private baptism on November 28th. Maggie and Will are the niece and nephew of Mariellen Wilson Hoffman.

Alison Foster was baptized on December 13th at Parkview. Alison is the daughter of Shelisa and Scott Foster, granddaughter of Mary and Dick Foster.

NEEDED: If you are sorting out stuff and come across any good clean yarn you no longer need, it might be perfect for the Hats for Cancer project. If you'd like to donate it, please contact Jessie Tramutolo or leave it at the church office. Thank you. *Jessie*

THANK YOU to all those who participated in Parkview's Wildtree tasting and fundraiser. We had a small group of holiday power shoppers spending just over \$1,100. Parkview will receive 20% of the sales, or \$225, to allocate toward the "2009 Growing Together" fundraising campaign. I would like to also thank Lori Gonzales Phillips for helping us learn more about Wildtree and making our fundraiser a success! Good work to all! *Lisa Cossey*

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Jean Swanson

Brittney Wright

Byron Gillett

Vern Tuttle
Ryan Collins

Peggy Beatty
Robin Wright

John Knibbe

Timothy Jacobovitz
Jessica Carroll

Rick Jensen

Bev Ford

Alberta Conover

Ruth Wright

Louise McKeeman



THINGS YOUR BURGLAR WON'T TELL YOU:

- 1. Of course I look familiar. I was here just last week cleaning your carpets, painting your shutters, or delivering your new refrigerator.**
- 2. Hey, thanks for letting me use the bathroom when I was working in your yard last week. While I was in there, I unlatched the back window to make my return a little easier.**
- 3. Love those flowers. That tells me you have taste ... And taste means there are nice things inside. Those yard toys your kids leave out always make me wonder what type of gaming system they have.**
- 4. Yes, I really do look for newspapers piled up on the driveway. And I might leave a pizza flyer in your front door to see how long it takes you to remove it.**
- 5. If it snows while you're out of town, get a neighbor to create car and foot tracks into the house. Virgin drifts in the driveway are a dead giveaway.**
- 6. If decorative glass is part of your front entrance, don't let your alarm company install the control pad where I can see if it's set. That makes it too easy.**
- 7. A good security company alarms the window over the sink. And the windows on the second floor, which often access the master bedroom-and your jewelry. It's not a bad idea to put motion detectors up there too.**