



Programs
By
Shirley Mears

Greg Gunn, Founder of Family-iD

Greg Gunn, life coach, pastor, author, and speaker will be our October 10th luncheon speaker. Greg's message is about the power of shaping future generations through creating family vision.



Greg's book, *Family iD: Intentional Direction*, was published in 2012 by Belief Publishing and Marketing. The forward is by Craig Groeschel, pastor of Life Church. The book encourages families to have intentional direction.

Greg's message is important to parents and grandparents. Life is more reflective to us as our children present us with grandchildren. Greg's goal is "to teach and train families to draw out the God-given purpose for their family, to lead them to write it down, to equip them to live it out, and to inspire them to pass it on to future generations."

Greg grew up in Ada, Oklahoma and graduated from Southern Nazarene University in 1982. His mother Bobbie Diffe-Gunn is a SNU alumna. His sister Robin Gunn is founder of *The Oklahoma Senior Journal*. She attended SNU and is a previous ASP speaker.

Greg and his wife Rhonda have seven children and two grandchildren. He and Rhonda have been married for 32 years

ANNUAL DUES REMINDER

ASP annual membership dues should be paid at the October Luncheon Meeting.

New members should contact ASP President Howard Culbertson or ASP Director Eunice Trent for instructions on getting an ASP Identification Card.

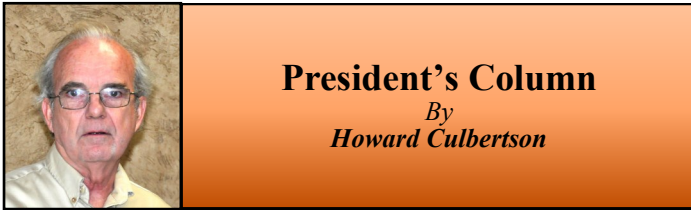
Your ASP Identification Card may be used for many of the following activities:

- Leisure services including access to the SNU gymnasium, swimming pool, weight/exercise room, and walking track
- Members can check out library materials and have free access to the SNU Library databases
- Discounts for SNU fine arts and athletic events
- Discounts at the SNU bookstore
- Dining at the SNU cafeteria
- Free parking in SNU lots



LUNCHEON OCTOBER 10, 2016 begins at 11 AM in the Webster Commons Heritage Room on the campus of Southern Nazarene University. Members will receive a call to RSVP. If you have not received a call by Thursday, October 6, 2016, you can RSVP by phone: 405-728-0515 or by emailing donlinclarley@prodigy.net.

Note: SNU Dining has requested that ASP members remain outside of the Heritage Room until 10:30.



President's Column
By
Howard Culbertson

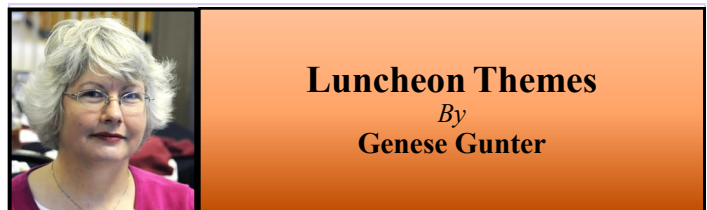
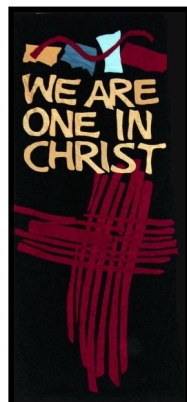
Item 1: I have several retired friends who have not yet joined the Academy of Senior Professionals. So, I'm going to try to have at least one of them as a guest in each of this year's ASP luncheons. Would you also invite a friend for the October luncheon? Of course, you'll need to pay for their lunch.

Item 2: Here's a message from ASP member Don Bland: *"I am now living in an assisted living facility in Colorado Springs, CO. I have had a variety of illnesses, one of which came near to transferring me to my Heavenly Home. . . I now have bone cancer. The doctor assures me that treatment will control the cancer . . . and that this will not be the cause of my death. Being past 92, I am heading for 100 – at least that is a goal that is in mind. . . I do miss the ASP group and meetings."*

Item 3: I know political campaigns are a time for name-calling and mud-slinging. Sadly, we believers often get sucked into participating. We're guilty of passing on unsubstantiated half-truths and maybe even outright lies, thinking perhaps that a juicy tidbit must be true because, after all, everyone knows you cannot put things on the Internet if they aren't true.

I hope that we who bear the name of Jesus will stand out in the way we talk about those who differ politically with us. Let's refrain from demonizing people even though we may disagree strongly with their ideas and proposals.

What unites us as believers is not a set of political positions (or at least it shouldn't be). What should unite us is the presence of the risen Christ in our lives. This November, there will be believers voting for each of the four (or is it five?) candidates for President of the United States. In the midst of all the political cacophony we'll endure this fall, let's express our political preferences in ways that are concurrent with God's desire for us to be "a holy people."



Luncheon Themes
By
Genese Gunter



Fun Themes Are Back!



We're bringing back themes for our monthly lunch meetings. Leonard Skodak, past president started this a couple years ago. It was a lot of fun to see the creative side of our members.

Our October theme is: "FALL HARVEST." Wear your best SWEATER (or weather-appropriate attire) in colors of ORANGE, HARVEST GOLD, RUST, BURGUNDY and BROWN

We will enjoy wearing the gorgeous colors of fall- ing leaves. Let's see who can be the most creative. Recognition is in order.

The November theme will be "TAILGATE PAR- TY." Pull out your SNU CRIMSON STORM gear in CRIMSON and CREAM

The Melody and Rhapsody of the Hymns

A Vocal Concert
85th Birthday of Pianist Wally Brown
Tuesday September 27, 2016 7:00 PM
SNU Cantrell Music Hall

Hosted by Renda Brumeloe and Hal Swinhart.
Co-sponsored by ASP



Jeffrey Ambrosini, Baritone
Rebekah Ambrosini, Contralto
Janis Dawson, Soprano
Josh Phelps, Tenor
Don Whitsett, Baritone



The Director's Corner
By
Eunice Trent, Director of ASP

Bookstore Goes High-tech

SNU President Dr. Loren Gresham announced that the university is taking a bold, progressive step in the operation of its current bookstore on campus. Tree of Life Bookstores officially took over SNU bookstore operations July 1, 2016

Since 1899, the university has had some form of bookstore and apparel retail operation run in-house. Says Dr. Gresham, "The staff that we have had running the bookstore operations over these many years has truly been dedicated and committed to making sure that students had the proper textbooks at competitive pricing. We salute these past efforts as we make this innovative shift in textbook availability along with a potential 15% to 20% reduced cost to our students."

The SNU bookstore will be run by Tree of Life Bookstores. It is a family-owned and faith-based company utilizing the latest in technology-based programs. During the summer, the bookstore space on the main floor of the Commons was renovated.

Founded in 1997 by Darren and Nancy Campbell and Gary and Pam Minnich, Tree of Life started with one bookstore in Marion, Indiana. Today, they partner with several colleges and universities nationwide, providing innovative ideas and a professional retail space.

Overseeing the transition is SNU's Vice President for Business and Finance, Dr. Scott W. Strawn, who commented, "We are determined to make sure that our students receive the very best course material at the most competitive price." The Tree of Life's ultimate goal is for students to select their course schedule online. The associated textbooks will be automatically matched and shipped to the campus. These purchases will then be applied to the student's financial account and the books delivered to the students' dorm rooms even before they arrive.

Although this process will take one additional year to fully integrate, students can currently order their textbooks early online taking advantage of the excel-

lent national pricing, and then pick them up in the bookstore.

Tree of Life's mission as a company has always been to inspire, educate, and equip the church and the communities in which it serves," said CEO Darren Campbell, "and that provides a natural support within SNU's strong tradition of making Christ-like disciples. "

Take time before or after October's ASP meeting to browse through the "new" SNU bookstore.



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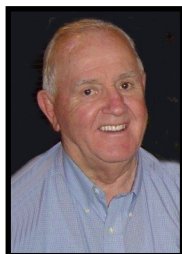


Obituaries

By
Vickie Sacket

Roy Joseph Franklin

Roy Joseph Franklin was born on May 8, 1929, to Joseph and Flossie Franklin in Dodge City, Kansas, with his twin brother Ray. He lived in Dodge City until age 12, then in Kingsdown, Kansas before moving to Ford, Kansas, where he lived until graduation from Ford High School.



He enrolled in what is now Southern Nazarene University in the fall of 1947. He joined the Army the next year and served in Japan and Korea. While in college, he had met a young lady named Ruth, They were married on January 1, 1952. He returned to college that year and graduated in 1955. They moved to Pueblo, Colorado, where Roy taught school for 17 years and then became an elementary principal for 20 years. In 2002, they moved back to Oklahoma City, where they attended Bethany First Church of the Nazarene. Roy was preceded in death by his beloved wife Ruth on March 4, 2013. Roy then moved to Edmond, where he attended Edmond First Church of the Nazarene.

Roy is survived by his children: Rhonda Joy and her husband Don Fisher, Roy Kendall and his wife Denise, Alan Merrill and his wife Marni, and David Eugene and his wife Lynsi; five granddaughters, three grandsons, and three great-grandsons.

Roy's funeral service was at Edmond First Church of the Nazarene on July 6, 2016, with interment in Memorial Park Cemetery.



Darlene Overholt

Darlene Overholt, age 84, went to be with her Lord on August 9, 2016. She was born on June 11, 1932, to Ernest and Opal Buckles of Mound City, Missouri, as the middle child of thirteen. She attended a one-room school in Holt, Missouri, until the eighth grade. She graduated as salutatorian from Mound City High School at the age of sixteen. She attended what is now SNU where she met Laverne Davis, a piano player from OKC. They married on August 24, 1950, and lived in the Oklahoma City area for 46 years. .



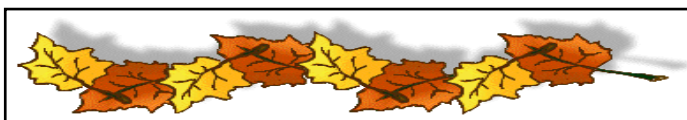
Darlene served as secretary for the NW Oklahoma District Church of the Nazarene, Meridian Park Nazarene Church, the Psychology Dept. at SNU and several associate pastors at Bethany First Church. While working for Sam Stearman at BFC, she and Laverne became good friends with the Stearmans and were active as staff at NIROGA retreats for senior adults in Glorieta, NM.

Darlene and Laverne also established Davis Temperature Controls in 1976 and ran their company until Laverne's death in 1996. They raised two children, Verna and Kenneth.

On August 1, 1997, she married Elbert Overholt. They enjoyed 13 years together until Elbert's death in 2010. They were active in the Academy of Senior Professionals, the Association of Retired Ministers, and the Reach Out Sunday School class at Bethany First Church.

Darlene is survived by her daughter Verna Brown and husband Ken, her son Kenneth Davis and wife Patty; sister Donna Thompson; brother Larry Buckles and wife Nora; sister Connie Mayfield and husband Ken; four grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. She is also survived by step-children, Randy and Cindy Overholt, Ed and Bettie Lou Overholt, and Jan and Ron Witzke, nine grandchildren; and ten great-grandchildren.

Graveside service was Saturday, August 13, at the Bethany Cemetery.

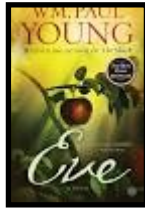




Book Discussion
By
Barbara Culbertson

EVE

The book reviews will be held at 9:30 a.m. every other month, alternating with a community speaker. The exception to this is the month of December when the Greshams have in the past invited us to their home after the luncheon meeting.



This year, the discussions will concentrate on somewhat classic style books. I would also like to alternate between fiction and non-fiction. Although I do have some books in mind, I would be happy to have suggestions from “the field.”

I have taken the prerogative of choosing the first book, which will be *Eve* by Wm Paul Young. Young is the author of two other fictional books, *The Shack* and *Cross Roads*.

Oklahoma Metropolitan Library carries copies of *Eve* in print and on CD and electronic format. It is also available from Amazon. The other books are available as well at the metropolitan area libraries and from Amazon.

If people have read other books by Wm Paul Young, it will be interesting to make some comparisons. Young’s previous book, *The Shack*, at least, is controversial, and I assume his other two fictional books are as well. I believe *Eve* should be a source of good discussion. I enjoyed the book immensely and look forward to a lively discourse.

Our first book review will be October 10 at 9:30 in the President’s Dining Room, 3rd floor of the Commons. At that time, I will also present a list of books which are possibilities for the future and ask for your input.

Thanks ...and happy reading.

Barbara —barbjc91247@gmail.com



The SNU Connection
By
Marion Snowbarger

The Fred Floyd Archives

It will be an honor to present a connection of the Fred Floyd Archives at SNU to the ASP audience. The Archives, which are located on the first floor of SNU's library, house papers and memorabilia from the history of SNU, the City of Bethany, and the South Central Region of the Church of the Nazarene (churches in the states of Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma and Texas).

The archives are named for Dr. Fred Floyd, a history professor at SNU from 1932 to 1975. His private memorabilia collection provided the first archive holdings. We intend to include a brief history of how the Archives was established by Dr. Paul Gray and how the Fred Floyd Collection became the original holdings. We will tell of some displays and bring some for you to see. We will include you in asking trivia questions.

A life-size bronze statue of Dr. Floyd sits on a park bench near the entrance of SNU's Marchant building on 39th St. The statue is by Scott Stearman whose other works around campus include the kneeling military veteran on the Bud Robinson mall and the figure of Jesus holding a basin of water and a towel.



Through the months ahead, I will invite current Director Corbin Taggart to assist in presenting various aspects of the Archives and what is available for you and our entire community.



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ASP Calendar

- Monday Oct 10, 2016
- 9:00-11:00 a.m. Shuttle Service from the Sawyer Center lot (41st and Donald) to the Webster Commons
 - 9:30 a.m. Book Discussion
 - 11:00-a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Luncheon Meeting in the Heritage Room
 - 1:00-1:30 p.m. Shuttle will return to parking lot
 - 1:15-2:15 p.m. Administrative Council Meeting in the Flinger Room

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