

# YUCAIPA SENIORS' FELLOWSHIP NEWSLETTER

## YUCAIPA SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

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### TENTATIVE ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

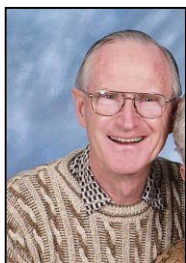
July 6	Movie Afternoon	Church
Aug. 16	Potluck/Vespers	Flag Hill Park
Sept. 20	Seniors' Potluck	Church
Sept. 21	Train Trip to Beach	

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## LEADER'S CORNER



By Tom Miller

### A LESSON FROM THE EMERALD ISLE

Vera and I are in Ireland celebrating 50 years of happy marriage. At least I've been happy!!! We have been serving the Lord and His church. We have been making presentations and participating in lively prayer meetings and getting great satisfaction from our activities. The following is an excerpt from the Irish Independent newspaper. It records a horrifying discovery in Tuam, Ireland, which is now unfolding. The lady whose picture appears below was sent to a so called "Industrial School" run by nuns of the Roman Catholic church. Her offence? She stole an apple and a swimsuit as a 12 year old child. The punishment may seem harsh, but it was pronounced with the best of intentions, that she may receive a training and education making her a useful member of society. The fact that the Industrial Schools were a shocking failure is still unfolding and causing much heart searching in Ireland. The government is still

trying to decide how to relate to the whole issue. Nearly 800 skeletons of babies have been found in a septic tank on the property of an Industrial School run by nuns in Tuam, Ireland. This event has attracted enormous national and international attention. Let us all learn a lesson from this terrible happening as shown below. Good intentions alone are not enough. As the saying goes, "The road to hell is paved with good intentions. God can use only men and women with good intentions who will take action based on those good intentions and only with His help will they succeed possibly with a result which will astound them, but if not astounding, will be doing His will. What more could a Christ believer wish for. Not the plaudits which come with astounding success, but the vastly more satisfaction in pleasing the Master.

News Friday 6 June 2014

One woman remembers babies 'disappearing' at an orphanage run by nuns

### Geraldine Gittens Published 05/06/2014

An Taoiseach Enda Kenny yesterday admitted that more mass baby graves – other than the one found at Tuam, Co Galway – could possibly exist throughout Ireland.



Martina Keogh

The above reprint tells only part of the story. If you wish to read more, google The Irish Independent.

## EVENTS REMEMBERED

### A TRIP TO UCR BOTANICAL GARDENS

By Tom Miller

It is a well known fact that Californians have a love/hate relationship with the weather and with water in particular. They recognize, with some reluctance, the need for that precious commodity. In this state we are in a severe drought and Californians are praying for rain, but not too much, and preferably at night. On the other hand the attitude of Californians to the actual fall of rain is such that it has given rise to the theory, as yet an unproven theory, that Californians melt in the rain.

With this background one can understand the horror caused by the weather forecast that there was a 40% chance of rain on the date chosen for the Senior Outing to University of California Riverside Botanical Gardens. In addition the temperature would not even climb into the seventies. The threat of severe frostbite, to the California mentality, was a very real threat. In spite of the forecast a group of hardy seniors braved the potential dangers and went on the trip. They were not disappointed. With some difficulty they were able to team up and enjoy the trip together. The gardens, in spite of the cloudy weather were magnificent. Several acres of lovingly tended flowers. The cacti were particularly beautiful.

The terrain was challenging with its steep hills and precipitous drops. The Seniors responded with their usual equanimity and vigor. The redoubtable Dorothy Womack astounded us all by striding forcefully up the towering heights to the top and set an excellent example to us all. One of our number, who shall be nameless, responded to the challenges by sleeping in the car while his wife and daughter tackled the physical challenges and reveled in the beauty of the scenery. The gardens closed at 5:00 pm and reluctantly we left for the church.

## THEY SOARED LIKE EAGLES

By Tom Miller

Well not exactly maybe, but a group of Yucaipa Seniors got together. Some of them wanted a thrill without too much danger. The others wanted a thrill without any danger both groups got what they wanted with a trip on the Palm Springs Aerial Tramway. They both got the first thrill mentioned above. The second group mentioned above, namely those who wanted a thrill without any danger got what they wanted by observing the wonders of God's creation and thrilling to the wonderful views which still exist in spite of the negative affects of sin. Whilst our journey was about 6000 ft., it can also be compared to a visit to Mexico via Canada or a visit to the four seasons in a few minutes,

Aboard the Palm Springs Aerial Tramway, the world's Largest Rotating Tramcar, experiencing a breathtaking on the tramway up the sheer cliffs of Chino Canyon. Beginning the 10 minute ride at the Valley Station – elevation 2,643 ft. and end at the Mountain Station – elevation 8,516 ft, a vertical journey of nearly 6000 feet and enjoying spectacular views at the same time. On arriving at Valley Station there are a number of activities one can enjoy satisfying the least active person to the most vigorous. I can testify that Crocker's Folly, as it was one time called, is a one-of-a-kind experience which can be had by all. We even got a reduced rate since we were Seniors!!!

It is not possible to offer irrefutable proof of the existence of God, but I think most, if not all of us, saw the hand of the Creator in the wonders we were enjoying. The final phase of the road journey was exciting to some of us, not because of the way the driver drove, but because of the steep road we had to negotiate to reach Valley Station. There will be other activities for the Seniors in the future, an excellent reason to read the church bulletin.

# UPCOMING EVENTS



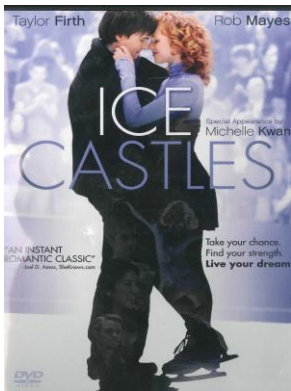
## SABBATH SENIORS' POTLUCK IN FELLOWSHIP HALL

No Potluck in July after church  
August at Flag Hill Park 5 pm  
September 20 after church

Seniors' Fellowship is having a potluck after church for seniors ages 55 & up on the third Sabbath of each month. Come to fellowship together. Dessert will be provided. People with birthdays that month will be recognized.

Please be sure to bring plenty of hot & cold foods so we can include visitors at our church.

## MOVIE AFTERNOON SUNDAY, July 6



3:00 P.M. in the Youth Center

### Ice Castles

Young, beautiful, talented, Alexis Winston comes from nowhere to become a figure skating superstar. But her rise to stardom isn't easy. She has to push herself, reinvent

herself, and most painfully of all, leave her hometown boyfriend behind. When a tragic fall leaves her blind, she needs someone to believe in her, to love her; someone to convince her she has the strength to skate and dream again.

This heartwarming, inspirational, emotional remake of the 1978 Oscar nominated romantic film stars American Figure Skater Taylor Firth and features skating stars Molly Oberstar, NBC Correspondent Andrea Joyce, and Olympic Medalist Michelle Kwan.

# FLAG HILL PARK

August 16

Join us for a potluck supper at **5:00p.m.** of **salads & sandwiches.**



The Seniors' Fellowship will supply the drink and utensils. Please bring your favorite salad, sandwiches, or dessert.

Following the potluck will be a special vespers.

Be sure to bring your lawn chair, sweater, along with your singing voice. Tim Chapman will be leading the music and there will as always be a special vespers.

## TRAIN/BEACH TRIP



September 21

Watch for more info in bulletin or call church office.

## SENIOR NEWS

**WED. MORNING  
PRAYER MEETING**



**"DEVELOPMENT OF THE MIND":**

is the group which meets at the church from 10:30 – 12 noon in the Overflow Room. They are reading the book, "Mind, Character, and Personality" by E. G. White. The study right now is on Food for the Mind – Bible Study improves the mind. "It brings all heaven into close connection with human minds, imparting wisdom & knowledge, & understanding." YI, Oct. 13, 1898 (SD70). All are welcome.



## 90 PLUS CLUB

Flora Paul

### A Plucky Little Lady

#### Part 2 of Flora Paul's Life

Her life finally turned for the better when she found out that her children's dad had remarried and he and his new wife did not want his children living with them. The children were to be dispersed among the families in the village in Aguascalientes, Mexico or they could go to the United States with Flora. They all wanted to go to the US but she could only take them one or two at a time to the American Consulate to get the required registration cards that claimed Flora as an American citizen and the children as citizens. She was on pins and needles for little over a year.

In the meantime she was able to get the registration cards for two of her children. She knew she had to leave El Centro to get away from her husband Paul and his abuse. There was a family that lived in El Centro that always went to Hemet in the summer to pick apricots. They knew of a lady in Redlands that would be willing to watch Flora's children while she worked. They contacted this lady and she was willing to take the children when Flora was working. With an affirmative answer they offered to give Flora, and the two children, a ride from El Centro to Redlands.

Flora was overjoyed and quickly accepted the invitation and she was soon settled in Redlands with her 3 children. She would work at any job she could find, sometimes two at a time. The caretaker of her children was very patient and would keep the children for as many hours that Flora had to work. She started taking classes at Redlands High School to get her Nurse's Aide certificate. When she completed the course she found a job at a Home Care organization.

Over the next several years Flora scrimped and saved and got the registration papers for the rest of her 5 children. A little over a year later, after getting the first two children, it was a very happy and joyous day when she finally brought the last two over the border to their home in Redlands. To this day, all of them still live here.

While in Redlands they lived next door to a family who belonged to the Seventh-day Adventist church. Flora's also had a Family physician that was Seventh-day Adventist. This doctor introduced her to the Spanish Church who was giving out free Bibles. She so desperately

wanted a Bible so she filled out the card requesting a free bible, and the Lord, knowing her heart was hungry for truth, sent Pastor Cortez to their home with a Bible in his hand and fulfilled her dreams of having her very own Bible. He also gave her and her children Bible studies every Sabbath. She, Mary and her 2 oldest boys made the decision to be baptized into God's royal family. Since the Redlands Spanish Church had no baptistry, the family was baptized at the Mentone Seventh-day Adventist Church with their membership going to the Redlands Spanish church. It was a joyous day for Flora as she watched her children being baptized and as she herself came up out of the water - she felt she had finally come full circle - she was a princess again, but this time a "Princess" of God's royal family.

Life was changing for this little family, this time for the good. One of the patients she was taking care of lived in the Yucaipa Village Mobile Home Park for seniors. When he passed away he left his mobile home to Flora and her family. For the first time in her life she, along with her family, moved into their own home. NO more renting - it was theirs!

She started coming to the Yucaipa Church around 1991 and united with our church family through membership transfer. She has been an integral part of our church family ever since.

Flora is a quiet but courageous and determined little lady. In a few days, on May 1, Flora will be 94. In writing this story there were many times I had tears in my eyes for the pain that Flora suffered through from the time she was a little girl through her growing up years. I got teary eyed as I watched God's hand in every step of her long journey. Carrying her close to His heart as He found people along the way to help her over the toughest parts of her journey. It is a story of tremendous grief and heartache turning into great joy and happiness in finding her Lord and Master, Jesus Christ and joining His family through baptism. I have come to admire her courage and her tenacity and I praise God from whom all of Flora's blessings flow.



# GRANDPARENTS CORNER



**Abriele Lily Bridges**  
 Born April 12, 2014  
 7lbs 14oz 19¼ inches  
 Parent: **Briana Bridges**  
 Grandparents: **Linda & George Groth**



**Scarlett Grace Von Robinson**  
 Born April 8, 2014  
 7lbs 10oz 20 inches  
 Parents: **Becky & Jeff Robinson**  
 Grandparents: **Margaret & Tony Venckeleeer**



**Mason Isaiah Netroe**  
 Born June 7, 2014  
 8 lbs 4 oz. 21 inches long  
 Parents: **Amanda Mikhail & Eric Netroe**  
**Grandmother: Janel Mikhail**  
**Great Grandparents: Bill & JoAnn Clegg**



**Juliette Nichole Burton**  
 Born June 14, 2014  
 7lbs 1oz 18½ inches  
 Parents: **Mike & Miranda Burton**  
 Grandparents: **Linda & Mike Burton**



**Carter Anthony John Paza**  
 Born June 20, 2014  
 6 lbs 10 oz 21 inches long  
 Parents: **Tammy & AJ Paza**  
 Proud Sisters: **Rylee & Emma**  
 Grandparents **Linda & Jack Hill**

## JULY, AUGUST, SEPTEMBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Jack & Bobbi Stevens	7/2/1994
Irvin & Doreen Kuhn	7/3/1956
Cindy & Joe Wilkinson	7/20/75
Ron & Christine Neish	7/21/7383
Alton & Bonnie Johnson	7/15/1962
Dallas & June Bobst	8/2/1951
Eddi & Ethelyn Glassford	8/3/2001
Calvin & Ruth Moses	8/4/1968
Bill & JoAnn Clegg	8/4/1957
Mike & Linda Burton	8/13/1978
George & Linda Groth	8/16/1970
Jerry & Chris Bartram	8/23/1964
Jim & Donna Valles	9/5/1996
Richard & Carrie Ford	9/1092001
Gary & Traudy McLarty	9/18/1983

## BIRTHDAYS

### JULY, AUGUST, SEPTEMBER

Ann Buchmiller	7/1	Shirley Israel	7/3
Lily Reyes	7/4	David Larson	7/7
Charlyne Wertz	7/8	Twila Grecian	7/12
Shirley Bristol	7/14	Ron Lemmon	7/15
Elmer Buchmiller	7/18	Barbara Roth	7/18
Ardyce Fowler	7/21	Norman Farley	7/22
Robbin Christianson	7/23	Hilda Al-Hakim	7/23
Deanne Joseph	7/27	Milton Barton	7/27
Shefrah Rozenstain	7/30	Sterling Labe	8/1
Eddie Glassford	8/5	They Dunkin	8/5
Elizabeth Davisson	8/5	Betty Weischadle	8/7
Joyce Smith	8/8	Toni Nelson	8/13
Mary Jane Casey	8/14	James Gilchrist	8/15
George Tudose	8/15	Bill Prokop	8/17
Barbara Dixon	8/17	Irvin Kuhn	8/18
Julio Diaz	8/20	Donna Valles	8/21
Ken Cox	8/22	Pat Henry	8/23
Gloria Pohren	8/24	Attarah Jaffery	8/25
Phyllis Brooks	8/26	Dollie Sullivan	8/27
Marjorie Brito	8/27	Linda Carlson	8/28
Vera Miller	8/28	Margaret Venckeleeer	8/30
Ted Troia	8/31		
Raymond Lonser	9/3	John Decker	9/5
Steluta Tudose	9/5	Patti Smith	9/6
Bill Lo	9/7	Larry Tomat	9/8
Darold Retzer	9/8	Laura Pote	9/9
Mike Burton	9/11	Irene Motley	9/14
John Vipond	9/14	Linda Hill	9/14
Joyce Young	9/16	Jack Stevens	9/17
Tony Venckeleeer	9/17	Steve Forland	9/21
Carrie Ford	9/23	Joanne Igyarto	9/27
Tim Chapman	9/30		

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Get ready, get ready, get ready! Hear the angels cry,  
Heed the angels' warnings. Oh! why should anyone  
die.

Get ready, get ready, get ready! Hear the angels  
plea,  
Today they're earnestly pleading, "Get ready!" to you  
and to me.

The sifting time is on us all,  
Heed God's warning lest you fall.

Get ready, get ready, get ready! Hear the angels say,  
Awake, awake, awake for the coming of the day.

The Father is ready to send us his Son,  
The conflict is over, the battle is won.

Search your heart, get ready to sing,  
When we gain heaven, we gain everything.

Composed by Bob Cash      May 29, 2014