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**Programs** *By* Shirley Mears

Catherine Zoller "Ouch God, That Hurts"

Catherine Zoller will be our November 14 luncheon speaker. I met Catherine at her booth at An Affair of the Heart show at the Oklahoma State Fair Park. The story of how her life was changed



makes me smile. The transformation was miraculous.

Catherine will share how her world of defiance, rebellion, jail and hitch-hiking across the country was changed miraculously. Now, her world is writing Cliff Note style Bible story books beautifully illustrated by Mr. Sketches, aka David Wilson. Catherine writes in the sing-song style of Dr. Seuss.

Catherine's work is endorsed by people like Dr. Ted Kersh, Pastor of South Tulsa Baptist Church, and best-selling author Rick Renner. Her work received the prestigious Focus on the Family seal of approval. Her Rhyme and Reasons Series books will be available for purchase and make great Christmas gifts.

Her website, <u>www.therhymeandreasonseries.com</u> has several resources and an 8-minute video interview on LeSEA Broadcasting's The Harvest Show. To learn more about our November 14<sup>th</sup> speaker, go to <u>www.snu.edu/catherine-zoller</u>. November 2016

# Homecoming 2016 Musical Showcase

## "This Is Our Story, This Is Our Song"

Bethany First Church of the Nazarene Saturday, Nov. 12th, 7:00 pm Doors will open at 6:30 pm **This is a FREE concert.** 

Join us for an evening of inspiring music by SNU's School of Music. Past and present members of SNU's Chorale and Choirs will join together in a stirring anthem. We will honor the Outstanding Alumni Awardees for 2016 as well as celebrate Dr. Mark Reighard who is retiring this year.

A reception honoring Dr. Loren and Mrs. Linda Gresham will take place prior to the showcase from 5 - 6:30 pm in the BFC Atrium. All are welcome to attend.

LUNCHEON NOVEMBER 14, 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, November 10, 2016, RSVP by phone: 405-728-0515 or by emailing donlincarley@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

We opened ASP's 26<sup>th</sup> year a little earlier than we had originally anticipated with a musical event celebrating Wally Brown's 85<sup>th</sup> birthday. Someone noted that five past or present ASP presidents were there that evening.

Thank you, Carleys and Germans, for serving as greeters at the Cantrell Music Hall that evening. ASP members Renda Brumbeloe and Hal Swinhart put together the program and also produced a CD of sacred piano music which Wally had recorded years ago.

In terms of our monthly luncheons, we are off to a good start. Congratulations to the Carleys and Reinbolds for being named the "best dressed in theme colors" at the October luncheon. I appreciate those who stepped in and picked up things when a lastminute illness caused Miltonette Brasher to be absent.

As Book Club discussion participants discovered, coffee will be available for the 9:30 events . . . but it will be down in the foyer. Limiting coffee service to one station on the main floor of the Commons will save us some money. So, get coffee before you start upstairs!

Barbara and I enjoyed having Hal and Nancy Cauthron as our guests at the October luncheon. We're planning to have another couple as our November guests. If you bring guests (and I hope you will), turn in their names to Linda Carley and also pay for their lunch.

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Luncheon Themes By Genese Gunter

First Luncheon Meeting a Success!

The October meeting was ablaze with beautiful color. Thanks to everyone who participated by wearing your fall finery. Don and Linda Carley took the prize and received a ribbon, bracelet and two guest passes to the National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum!

Our November theme is "Tailgate Party". Search out your SNU CRIMSON STORM gear in the colors of crimson and white.

Don't have any SNU gear? Now is the time to support our new SNU bookstore and buy yours today. You'll receive a discount by showing your ASP ID card. Let's storm the campus in November in crimson and white.





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## The Academy Perspective





Homecoming is a wonderful time for SNU Alumni and friends to re-connect. Members of The Academy of Senior Professionals are invited to participate in this weekend on the campus of Southern Nazarene University.

The link to information on Homecoming activities: <u>https://community.snu.edu/homecoming</u>

The SNU Alumni Office is in need of volunteers for various Homecoming events. Sign up at <u>https://community.snu.edu/events/</u> homecoming-2016/volunteer-sign-up

### ABRIDGED SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY, November 11

- 4:30-6:30 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Crimson Storm Block Party: College Ave – North of NW 39<sup>th</sup> Expressway. Local food trucks, live music, kids' activities
- 6:00 SNU Men's Basketball, Sawyer Center
- 8:00 SNU Women' Basketball, Sawyer Center

#### SATURDAY, November 12

- 9:00 SNU 5K and Color Dash. 3.1 mile run/walk. SNU Football Stadium
- 11:30 Legacy Celebration Luncheon, Bethany First Church, Chapel in the Round
- 2:00 Hall of Witnesses Ceremony, Cantrell Hall
- 7:00 Musical Showcase, Bethany First Nazarene Church, Sanctuary



Morning Seminar By Arlita Harris

#### Carol Gray Senior Vice President of Culture and Mission The Children's Center Rehabilitation Hospital

Carol Gray has been with The Children's Center Rehabilitation Hospital since 1977. She was hired as a part-time volunteer coordinator and then acquired a nursing home administrator's license in 1978. At that



point she became assistant administrator of the hospital. She views her work at the hospital as her life mission and is best known for her sweet, yet uncompromising spirit and attention to the heart.

Carol will share the history of the Children's Center, which was started by Mattie Mallory. Mattie was also a founder of the City of Bethany and many of Bethany's institutions, including Southern Nazarene University.

As the Children's Center has grown under the leadership of Carol's brother, Albert Gray, she has served primarily as Chief Operating Officer. However, with the latest growth spurt and the hiring of additional staff to operate the greatly-enlarged facility, Carol has the new title of Senior Vice President of Culture and Mission.

"Inspiring Excellence" is the theme of this year's Morning Seminars, and Carol Gray is the perfect person to begin this series. She inspires excellence, caring and compassion, and radiates her love of the Lord wherever she goes. She may even break into song to better convey her message. She's an inspiration and I want all of you to meet her. We'll be in the President's Dining Room (3rd floor) at 9:30 a.m.







**Obituaries** *By* Vickie Sacket



Ruth DeLong was born in Chillicothe, Ohio, on January 23, 1928 and passed away on August 7, 2016. She was one of nine children. Her parents were pastors in the Church of the Nazarene.



Ruth was an insurance agent for New York Life Insurance for many years. She was a member of the Church of the Nazarene and served on her local church board for 28 years as NWMS president and 30 years as teen director. Ruth held a sail plane license and flew solo as a hobby.

In 1974, she worked with Dr. Don Gibson, Beverly Burgess, and Chick Shafer in training people in Personal Evangelism through the International Church of the Nazarene. She traveled throughout the United States and internationally many times to train believers in Personal Evangelism.

In 1975, she felt the call to full-time ministry and served as associate pastor at Orangewood Church of the Nazarene in Phoenix, AZ, under Pastor Marion McKellips for eight years, at Sun City Church of the Nazarene for seven years, and at Glendale Church of the Nazarene for several years. She retired in 2010 and moved to Southern Plaza in Bethany.

Ruth is survived by her daughter Diana (Deni) and son-in-law Dr. Jim Robinson, son, Willard (Bud) DeLong, Jr., three grandsons, one granddaughter, seven great-grandchildren, and one brother, Dale Coppock.

A Celebration of Life Gathering is planned at the Sun City Church of the Nazarene in Phoenix, Arizona, on November 4.

Our condolences to the family of **Maurine Dickerson**. Services are scheduled for October 24.

# Fred Floyd Archives

**The SNU Connection** 

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Marion Snowbarger

Our October presentation asked you to think of home churches that have influenced you. Each of them, large or small, has been part of the mergers which resulted in Southern Nazarene University. They may include stories that would be very important additions to the Fred Floyd Archives, adding to the preservation of our rich heritage.

Your personal story may or may not be related directly to SNU, but just the fact that you reside in this community probably involves some connection. Please consider recording your stories and donating them with documents, memorials, photos or artifacts. I will be glad to present a few of the many connections that SNU has to ASP and vice versa.

Contact us as follows: Corbin Taggart - <u>ctaggart@mail.snu.edu</u> Phone: 405-491-6351, ext. 6467 Archives webpage: <u>www.snu.edu/archives</u> Marion Snowbarger <u>msnowbarger1@cox.net</u> Phone: 405-226-9476

I know you enjoyed Mr. Taggart's presentation. He will present more interesting projects including artifacts, oral histories, as well as interaction with students and alumni. More background of the Archives will be presented in November. We may have a surprise story teller and some connection with the current SNU Homecoming. Suggestions and questions are welcome.

Thanks for allowing me to use my home church, Pleasant Hill, as an example of our heritage. You may enjoy singing the following words with the tune, "The Little Brown Church in the Wildwood" as your invitation to come visit us!

*Oh, come, come, come, come Come to the room in the Library Oh, come to the Paul Gray Reading Room. There's no place you will find so much history As the SNU Fred Floyd Archives* !







## The Academy Perspective



ASP President Howard Culbertson



Greg Gunn Founder Family-ID

OCTOBER LUNCHEON

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Luncheon Pianist Renda Brumbeloe



Founding Member Jack David Armold







Marion Snowbarger and Corbin Taggart report on SNU Archives.



Greeter Anna Belle Wiedeman



Genese Gunter, Howard Culbertson, Elaine Wood



Top: Legend Sponsors Barbara Culbertson won the drawing





Frank Dewey introduces Neal and Shirley Braswell

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Monday November 14, 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. Morning Seminar 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 Flinner Room

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