

# Within Winslow

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## Thank You

The Mayor, Randy Jarnagan, and the City Council send out a BIG Thank You to Everyone who helped make Winslow's annual Christmas Parade a success. It takes the participation of many people to make an event like this come together. Winslow is very fortunate that so many people took time out of their busy and hectic holiday schedule to build floats, polish up their cars, decorate the wagons and trucks, and brave the cold to delight the crowd. A few extra Thank You's are in order this year; A special Thank You to the Boston Mountain Fire Department and Santa Claus for being on hand every year, A special Thank You to John Ford for making the beautiful wreath, and A special Thank You to Jerry Kidder for the Squirrel Christmas Banner and especially for the wonderful display of Fireworks that surprised and delighted everyone. Many of the people of Winslow who attended the festivities expressed how much they enjoyed the activities and are grateful to the City for providing this community gathering every year.

The winners of the trophies this year were: Motorized entries; 1st place, Tony and Sharlene Albroush; 2nd place was David Reed; and 3rd place was Tony Hampton. Non-Motorized; 1st place was the Winslow 4-H Club Float; 2nd place was Louis Jarnagan and his wagon; and 3rd place was Tracy Hollingshead. Congratulations to all the winners and Thank You to everyone who participated.

**HEY EVERYONE**  
Many of the pictures of the children with Santa are still at the Library. Please come by and pick them up.



## Meetings

Winslow City Council 2nd Mon @ 7:00 pm

WCDC board 2nd Tue @ 7:00 pm @ Winslow Library

Ozark Folkways Guild Board 3rd Sat @ 1:00 pm

Winslow Home Ext 3rd Tue @ 1:00 pm

Boston Mountain Quilters Ozark Folkways 10:00 a.m. Mondays Bring Potluck Lunch

BMFD Board Meeting 2nd Thurs @ 7:00 p.m.

United Methodist Women 1st Mon. 10 a.m. at the church.

BMFD meets 1st & 3rd Monday at 7:00 p.m. at BMFS

Friends Of The Library 1st Monday at 7:00 pm at Winslow Library.

Baptist Women 1st and 3rd Monday at 1pm at FBC.

Wool & Wheel Hand Spinners 3rd Saturday 10am at Ozark Folkways.

4-H Club 4:15 pm @ Boston Mountain Fire Station Wed

Community Meals Board 2nd Mon 4:00 pm at the Winslow Community Meals Building.

Winslow Library Hours:  
Tuesday, Wednesday,  
Thursday, & Saturday  
9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

# PARADE PICTURES

TAKEN BY RITA WUTTKE

# Christmas Bazaar

By Jo Ann Kyle

It was wonderful to see so many people set up and exhibit their crafts and handiwork at the Christmas Bazaar. This year the bazaar ran the first three Saturdays in December with a few different vendors each week. If you didn't visit each week you missed some wonderful things. This year there were some really unique items. One lady made tree ornaments using the almost forgotten art of Hardanger. Hardanger embroidery is a delicate form of open needlework which originated in the Hardanger region of Norway hundreds of years ago. It gradually spread to other parts of Europe and then to the United States with the Scandinavian immigrants.

A group of ladies from West Fork brought jams and jellies that they had made. The variety of flavors and blends was unbelievable. I would never have thought of adding jalapeno to raspberry, or making some of the other blends they offered for sale. I do know the flavors I bought, apricot, pear, and peach, were delicious. Ruth McBride has been a regular every year with her crocheted hangers, quilts, hot pads and many other items. This year she made vests, hats and ear warmers from fleece. She had one jacket that I bought and I just love it. Beth Hesser, Teresa Reed and Annie McCormick are more of our regulars who returned with hand-made jewelry, skirts, tree ornaments, and other novelty items for stocking stuffers. Linda Johnson was a first timer with some of the most beautiful crocheted items you've ever seen. She made neck warmers, hats, scarves, and other accessories. Christine Campbell Hooten displayed her sewing skills. The canning mats that she makes are great for many things. I use mine not only for canning, but I put them on the counter to set hot dishes on for our holiday buffets. It works much better than using several different trivets, saves space, and the dishes don't tip off the raised trivets. She makes backpacks from T-Shirts that are handy. She has made several from past years Win-Fest T-Shirts that are for sale at the library any time. Velda Brotherton was on hand with signed copies of her new books and books from some of other local authors. Mary Ellen Hagen made several items and donated them to the Friends of the Winslow Library to sell at the bazaar. There were ornaments, reindeer food, Christmas Bells, and several small stocking stuffers. I hope I haven't forgotten anyone, if so let me know. We don't charge to set up a table so I don't have a list of everyone that is there. As you can probably tell, I did some of my shopping at these tables, of course a lot of it was my Christmas to myself. I just couldn't resist these beautiful, well-made crafts. I hope this will encourage more of our local people to think about shopping with these talented crafts people next year.



## IN CITY HALL



- COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS!
- SET YOUR PRIORITIES!
- TRY SOMETHING NEW!
- LOOK TO THE PAST TO FRAME THE FUTURE!
- BUT DON'T LET THE PAST RUIN YOUR FUTURE!
- IT'S TIME TO START ANEW!



1st ticket drawn in the Pot of Gold.



## From The Friends of the Winslow Library

By Linda Dysart

Well, the little village of Winslow did it again! Our annual Christmas parade and chili feast was enjoyed by the whole community and some came from miles away. The Friends of the Library served chili and crackers and hot chocolate in the Mercantile where it was toasty warm. Our apologies to some who didn't get served; next year we'll plan to make more chili and more hot chocolate. Our thanks to Dan Kerlin for letting us serve in the Mercantile as it was sooooo much warmer than outside on the sidewalk where we have served in past years. Of course, without Jerry Kidder building a fire in the wood stove to warm up the building, it wouldn't have been nearly so comfy. Thank you Dan and Jerry!!

After the parade all attention was in City Hall for the Pot of Gold drawing. We congratulate the fifty dollar winners who were Beth Breed, Steve Winkler, Tawnya Glasscock, Susan McCarthy and Donna Stout. Ann Millwee was the winner of the \$500.00.

The Library was a busy place on Saturday all through the month of December with our Christmas Bazaar. We hope you took advantage of being able to do your shopping for gifts right here in our town and we extend a big "Thank You" to the crafters, artists, writers and all who set up to help make the Bazaar a success.

Now comes the time for looking ahead; yesterday is gone and today is the time we focus on as we start a new year. Only you can determine what your priorities will be and how you spend your twenty-four hours each day. Plan well. Happy New Year!!

**My Apology for the items of news that were left out of the December Issue of Within Winslow. I misplaced an envelope of news items that were to be included. Although they may be out of date I will include them in this issue.**

## Eulogy for Carolyn Nesbitt

No Community can survive, unless its citizens support its inner structures, and Carolyn Nesbitt clearly recognized this fact. Of everything Carolyn accomplished in Life, she had endurance and imagination to efficiently meet challenges at the Winslow Community Meals Program. She knew that the Program offered a place where all of us could come together to meet each other, relax, and savor a delicious meal and cater to those of us that are limited in travel.

Her limits of helping this organization were endless and each task she met head-on boldly and without worry. In financial matters, she displayed a heart of gold. Greeting all challenges with a smile on her face, she engaged our attention and set the tone for others to follow. It was her invitation of love for the Meals Program for it to continue forward in a most positive manner.

A friend to all, anyone that truly knew her shall forever carry her spirit of giving within their heart and her dedication and inspiration for the Meals Program shall long be remembered.

Her words now lay in silence but her courage and determination continues on within each of us that wish to make a difference in our community.

Winslow Community Meal by David Gesn

## Joys of Fall

By Ginger Fritch

Well Folks, Have you all enjoyed the colorful country side these past few months? What a paradise we live in. Now we can all grab a rake and clean up the mess. All those rainbow colored leaves were so pretty on the trees but not so great in the yard. Oh Well, each season brings its own show of beauty, but Fall is still my favorite.

What has happened to all the deer? Usually every year about this time there's a whole herd running back and forth in the meadow on the north of the house; then they'll line up and watch us as we watch them. Even the deer hunters that come each year can't find any.

## Cass's Canine Rescue

**As most of you are aware, this time of year is when all the non-profit organizations do their "begging" and Cass's Canine Rescue is no different. If you are aware of the good we do for the area and the needs we have, you know that we are deserving of any help we may receive. In addition to monetary donations (via our website at [casscaninerescue.com](http://casscaninerescue.com) where you can donate with a credit card, PayPal or through the address given), we can use newspapers, treats and/or any lamb & rice dogfood or Pedigree. Right now, there are fourteen dogs (includes 4 puppies) and one cat available. During the past year, we have found great homes for fifteen dogs and this year we hope to do**

## The Far Reaches of "Within Winslow"

**Within Winslow began as just a short newsletter to keep Winslow in touch with its citizens. A few years ago we set up a web site which was only up for a few months. Three years ago Debby Brown offered to set up a permanent web site for the City of Winslow which included links to Within Winslow. This has been far more popular than we ever anticipated. NOT only have former graduates of Winslow School and descendents of earlier residents accessed our Winslow site but friends from long ago and far away have found people they once knew, as in this recent email to the webmaster .**

From: Kay Butler  
To: [webmaster@winslowar.com](mailto:webmaster@winslowar.com)  
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 1:09 PM  
Subject: Update Info

Just writing to tell you I enjoy the website of your wonderful little town. Fewer than 400 people? WOW!

I found it because my sisters and I were talking about a "boy" they fixed me up with in the very late 1950's.

They were active in junior rodeos and two of their girlfriends had a cousin they thought would be "just perfect" for me. He was an agriculture major at Arizona State College (now ASU) in Tempe. They forced him into asking me out...and then they forced themselves along on our date...drive-in in a pickup truck.

That boy went on to get married and move to Arkansas...or maybe move to Arkansas and then get married...I don't recall, but I actually found a 2007 photo of him and his wife on a church website for Winslow, Arkansas. They're Sumner and Betsy Smith...and he looks just as cute and nice as he was as a college boy.

It was fun to troll through your website and see small town America.

Kay Butler ~ Tempe AZ  
Population: 175,000 in '08

----- Original Message -----

From: Kay Butler  
To: Debbie Brown New  
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2010 5:07 PM  
Subject: Re: Winslow AR

Sumner was a "quality boy," the sweet, hard-working kind my two sisters and I remember fondly--the type that not one of us (including our mother) married. I did meet Betsy not long after they were married. It was sheer coincidence; they visited Prescott, Arizona, during the 4th of July rodeo week. I saw them at a street dance. He always wanted to farm but land in Arizona was too expensive. I don't know if he had any affiliation with Arkansas...or if he just searched the U.S. for a wonderful place to live and farm.

I'm sure Sumner has family and friends

I barely knew Sumner...and met Betsy only that one time. I did notice that she appeared to be using oxygen in the anniversary picture, so I hoped she was okay. Guess it wasn't to be. If you see Sumner...remind him about our "date," maybe more than one; I don't recall. These were the participants in the first one:

Linda and Donna Williams, Sumner's cousins  
Pattee and Marsha Butler, my sisters. Marsha rode horses with Linda and Donna all the time

Kay Butler ... me ... the blind date  
The Butler girls all had freckles...lotsa freckles.

Kay

# WINSLOW LOVED ONES WE HAVE LOST

## REVEREND JOHN L. CLAYTON

(November 2, 1923 - November 9, 2010)

U.S. Veteran

Rev. John L. Clayton, 87, of West Fork, died Tuesday, November 9, 2010 at Fayetteville City Hospital.

He was born November 2, 1923 at Deer, Arkansas, the son of Archie Boyd Clayton, Sr. and Delia Ann Clayborn Clayton. He was preceded in death by a son, David Noland Clayton.

He joined the Navy when he was eighteen years old and served during World War II. He was a fighting Seabee and proud member of the crew on the ship Mount Vernon. John was the seventeenth man out of the P.T. Boat during the invasion of Leyte Island Philippines. He served under General MacArthur and was present on October 20, 1944 when the General came ashore. He was awarded five battle stars during his service.

Reverend Clayton was a minister of the gospel for 54 years. He began preaching when he was 15 years old. Her later attended Bible College and was ordained by the Assemblies of God. He had a true pastor's heart and always put the Lord's work first in his life.

John's family was also extremely important to him and he took great pleasure in his roles as Husband, Daddy and PaPaw to two generations.

We love you dearly and will strive to carry on your legacy of Love, Laughter and Faith. We anxiously await the day when we will be together again! Your loving family.

He is survived by: His wife of 63 years: Ruby Clayton Two daughters: Johnnie Gail Fortenberry and her husband Charles E. of West Fork, AR. Linda Nelson and her husband Mike of West Fork, Arkansas A son: Mike Clayton and his wife Lisa of West Fork, Arkansas A brother: Archie Boyd Clayton Jr. of Paris, Arkansas Eight grandchildren: Chuck Fortenberry, Crista White, Shannon Fortenberry, John Paul Nelson, Kevin Lambdonis, Davy Clayton, Dustin Clayton and Dylan Clayton Eight great-grandchildren

Pallbearers were Chuck Fortenberry, John Paul Nelson, Kevin Lambdonis, Davy Clayton, Dustin Clayton, Dylan Clayton, Samuel White and Cecil White.

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## Randy Joe Grizzle

Randy Joe Grizzle, age 62, of Winslow, AR passed away on Dec 3 2010

He is survived by one daughter Tess Carter of Spanish Fort, AL; one son Chris Grizzle of Fayetteville, NC; three brothers, Gene Grizzle of Houston, TX, Jerry Grizzle of San Diego, CA, and Danny Grizzle of Houston, TX; two sisters, Martha O'Malley of Houston, TX, and Linda Barnes of Garland, TX and three grandchildren.

A memorial service for Randy was held at the residence of Darrell and Dianne Center on Thursday December 9 2010.

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## Mary Alice Arnold Jones

(April 5, 1926 -December 31, 2010)

SPRINGDALE — Mary Alice Arnold Jones, age 84, of Springdale died

Friday, Dec. 31, 2010, in Springdale. She was born April 5, 1926, in Fayetteville.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Douglas C. Jones.

She traveled the United States and Europe with her husband, while he was in the Army and on book tours. She was an avid reader and unpublished author. Her journals and writings will be donated to the University of Arkansas just like her husband's writings.

She is survived by three daughters, Meg Butler of Bella Vista, Marty Lunsford of Greenland and K.G. Martino of Fayetteville; son, Eben Jones of Springdale, Ark.; 10 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to Circle of Life Hospice, 901 Jones Road, Springdale, AR 72762. To place an online tribute, visit [www.moorefuneralchapel.com](http://www.moorefuneralchapel.com).

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## Janie Noisewater

(June 4, 1950 - January 2, 2011)

Janie L. Noisewater, 60, of Fayetteville, passed away January 2, 2011, at Washington Regional Medical Center. She was born June 4, 1950, in Fayetteville, to the late Jesse Vance Paschal and Bonnie Nickell Paschal.

She was a special education teacher at Mountainburg Public Schools and enjoyed collecting crafts. She was preceded in death by her parents and one sister, Patsy Doolin.

She is survived by her husband of 39 years, Dolan; four children, Terri Tomlinson and husband Wayne of Lincoln, Kenneth Noisewater, Chester Noisewater and Cory Noisewater, all of Hazel Valley; two brothers, Jerry and John Paschal and one sister, Mary Sallee. She is also survived by three grandchildren, Kassi Noisewater, Kameron Noisewater and Sophie

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## Ruth Evelyn Swan

(January 7, 1934 - January 6, 2011)

Ruth Evelyn Swan, 76, of Fayetteville, passed away January 6, 2011. She was born January 7, 1934, in Kenny, Arkansas, to Virgil and Iva Harrison Birchfield. Ruth was raised on a farm and after marrying and raising her family she spent her time fishing, quilting, gardening and especially enjoyed traveling. She was preceded in death by her father, her husband: Fred A. Swan, son, Jimmie Swan,, sister Sylvia Birchfield and brother, Sam Ray Birchfield, and brother-in-law Carl B. Jones She is survived by: Mother: Iva Birchfield of Winslow Sons: Ricky Swan and Freddie Lee Swan of the home Daughter: Glenda Sullins and her husband



Rick of Fayetteville Four Sisters: Bertha Jones of Lowell, Faye Birchfield and Joyce Bridges and husband Larry, both of Indiana, Jane Rosebeary and her husband Nolen of Farmington Two Brothers: Charlie Birchfield and his wife Janie of Winslow Dean Birchfield and his wife Debbie of Winslow Two grandchildren: Matt and Tyler Sullins, both of Fayetteville Visitation will be held on Tuesday, January 11, 2011, from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. at Moore's Chapel Services will be held Wednesday, January 12, 2011, at 10:00 a.m. at Moore's Chapel with Rev. Scott Gage officiating. Interment will follow at Zion Cemetery. Pallbearers will be: Grant Birchfield, Johnny Vanover, Johnny Birchfield, Matt Sullins, Tyler Sullins and Jesse Sullins. Honorary pallbearers will be Nolen Rosebeary, Stan Sullins, Kevin Rosebeary and Henry Birchfield.

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## Shiftless Conservative Youth Brigades

BY SANDRA TRENT

We've given scant attention to a growing blight on society. Yes, I'm talking about that sorely neglected shiftless young conservative who hates liberals and everything for which they stand except for those gubmint goodies they keep shoveling his/her way despite vociferous protests. What's that? They not only haven't protested this taxpayer largesse, they've actually applied for it in the form of food stamps, Medicaid, Welfare, subsidized housing, etc.? They even accepted tax refunds despite having paid no federal income taxes? In addition, they often mooch off their parents? Can that truly be? Are we really talking about Tea Party-supporting, Obama-hating, big government-slamming conservatives? Well, yes. And while no one ever claimed conservatives aren't adept at cornering the market on hypocrisy, these shiftless characters take it to unusually lofty heights...or depths.

I've known many people who fit the definition. Some I had the displeasure to know when I lived in Houston for 13 years; some I've met here in Northwest Arkansas; and some I've even been related to or reluctantly acquired the acquaintance of through in-laws and outlaws. All shall remain unnamed.

I knew one young man who, incensed over President Obama's handling of North Korea announced that he was going to join the KKK. He did not express a similar desire to join the Black Panthers over President Bush's similar handling of N. Korea. Nor does he have a problem with taxpayers supporting his wife and children, along with his overburdened parents. Another conservative young man with a wife and children on the government dole joined a branch of the military. Never having held a job for very long because of drug and alcohol abuse, he suddenly expressed the desire to go and "kill a bunch of ragheads."

Once he attained his heart's desire, he then claimed, after very little time in the service, that he was too traumatized to continue and that this had driven him to drug and alcohol abuse. Apparently the military doesn't do much in the way of research, or they would have discovered he had a drug/alcohol problem well before his service, along with a lengthy arrest history. In any event, he was given full disability including generous pay and can now spend his days getting stoned/drunk out of his gourd and raising hell terrorizing the area in which he lives.

Another conservative bubba has no problem producing a series of children he cannot afford outside of marriage, yet would love to see gays executed, as they are destroying the institute of marriage...Nor is he particularly fond of blacks. He is, however, fond of the almost \$1,000 his partner receives each month in Food Stamps, Medicaid and the money he manages to mooch off family and in-laws. And he's especially fond of almost any mind-altering drug he can get his hands on.

Were this not getting so long, I could also do service to the conservative bubbettes, who do not have a problem with taxpayers picking up the tab for their children, yet routinely rail about what a godless nation this is and how the Tea Party is dead on.

Were I less kind, I could tell them a thing or two...Oh, screw it! I'm not that kind! Conservative Bubbas and Bubbettes, the Tea Party does not like you! Progressives do not like you either, but we are at least willing to support your children, who deserve better. Were it up to the Tea Party, your children would go without basic care since you are too lazy, inept, stupid, drug/alcohol-addicted or apathetic to financially care for them yourselves.

Being progressive, we do not mind helping those genuinely in need. We support the governmental safety net you routinely deride. And, yes, we understand that not everyone is born on an equal footing. Some people will never have the intellectual, emotional or physical resources to ever rise above minimum wage. We also want to help these people and their families. We do not, however, want to continue to feed the beast that lashes out at us for our efforts.

Shiftless conservative youth brigades, grow up, man up or shut up.

Hello everyone: Even though the wind was bitter cold, all who attended the tree trimming in West Fork enjoyed a wonderful time. City officials opened the city hall conference room so people could grab a cup of hot cider or hot chocolate. Jessica had a great time standing on the platform in Paul Libor's truck and hanging up ornaments – even though several ornaments were hung very close together! The best time of the evening occurred when Santa arrived at the tree hanging on the back of the fire engine. Three of my grandchildren, Jessica, Judy, and Meghann got to ride in the fire engine truck. They were so excited. Santa gave out candy to all the children and had his picture taken with the children and a couple of little dogs! I want to thank the park director and the city council for a wonderful time for the citizens of West Fork and surrounding area to come together in fellowship. I was able to meet Mr. Rosetti, one of the council members and personally thank him. My grandchildren are hoping we can do this again next year.

The Christmas program was held last Saturday afternoon at the Presbyterian Church. The children did a wonderful job and we sincerely thank them for all they did. I was given the roll of Santa Clause in the play. Our pastor almost fell in the aisle laughing as I came down the aisle yelling 'ho, ho, ho' all dressed up in a Santa suit complete with wig and beard. No one knew except the children that I was playing Santa. The idea was that children (and adults) always stand in line to talk to Santa but not to Jesus. In our program, after the children sat on Santa's lap, (during a song), they sat on chairs and listened and then went to the manager and knelt by the Baby Jesus – showing that Jesus is the most important part of Christmas.

Sunday after worship services, the CIA (Christians In Action) and part of the Campfire (teens) group ate a meal of spaghetti and/or hotdogs then the trucks were loaded up to head to Fayetteville to the High-rise Apartments. The people were thrilled and astonished when we just kept coming in with presents. Everyone received a warm sweater/lap blanket/robe/; personal items, food items, socks, and candy canes. We took cookies, chip and dip, candy and punch. The children passed out plates and napkins then served the residents cookies, etc. One resident asked if this could be the first of an annual tradition! The children all enjoyed putting the sacks together. As my six year old granddaughter said, "Grandma, this makes us feel good." Her sentiments were echoed by the rest of the crew. Jessica was called the cute little brown-haired pixie by most of the residents. Each child wished the residents a Merry Christmas as they handed out the gifts. I believe we were the ones most blessed by this endeavor.

My friend and neighbor, Susan McCarty received a very wonderful Christmas present last week. Her daughter, Christy, was accepted into Yale! Congratulations Christy. We're very proud of you.

Thanks to the Girl Scout leaders for all they've done this past year with the girls. A couple of weeks ago, the girls had a very lovely tea party. Complete with tiny sandwiches and tea poured from a real tea pot. The girls were all dressed in old fashion hats and wraps. They looked beautiful!

As of this writing, Lenora Warren (my sister-in-law) is doing great. The doctors gave her 'maybe three days' and that was two weeks ago. As Lenora said, "God isn't through with me yet. He has something for me to do and when that mission is accomplished, He will take me home." She has a wonderful attitude and is still very upbeat.

Until next time: Have a safe and wonderful New Year and make a resolution to keep Christ first in all things.

# HELPING HANDS FOOD PANTRY



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# Past, Present, & Future: New Year's Day



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## Welcome 2011!

Whether you celebrated the coming of the New Year with friends, by toasting champagne and kissing on the stroke of midnight, you had dinner with your family, you set off fireworks, or you called it a night long before the clock struck midnight, the New Year's celebration has an interesting and long history.

The earliest recorded festivities in honor of the New Year date back some 4,000 years to ancient Babylon. They celebrated New Year's on a day in late March that gave an equal amount of light and darkness. This day began the celebration of a massive religious festival called "Akitu" (named after barley, which was cut in the spring); the festival lasted 11 days, each day with its own ritual. The early Roman calendar originally consisted of 10 months which, according to tradition, it was created by the creator of Rome, Romulus. Later, King Numa Pompilius is credited with adding the months of Januarius and Februarius. Julius Caesar introduced the Julian calendar (which closely resembles the Gregorian calendar) and established January 1st as New Year's Day in 46 BC. The Romans dedicated January to "Janus", their god of gates, doors and beginnings. The Romans celebrated the coming of January by offering sacrifices to Janus, exchanging gifts, decorating their homes with laurel branches, and going to parties. Throughout the Middle Ages, a variety of "Christian" dates (such as December 25, the supposed birth of Christ, and March 25, the Feast of Annunciation) were celebrated as New Year's Day, although the calendars still ran from January to December. Pope Gregory XIII reestablished January 1st as New Year's Day in 1582. It was customary for Pagans in the 7th century to exchange gifts at New Year's. England's Feast of the Annunciation on March 25th was actually their New Year's until they adopted the Gregorian calendar in 1752. Those still using the Julian calendar celebrated on January 14th, the day that some Eastern Orthodox churches celebrate their New Year's.

In Russia, a giant clock tower chimes at midnight on New Year's Eve and it's customary to make a wish with each chime. In European countries, the custom is to discard old Christmas trees by building large bonfires and thousands gather around the London Eye to watch fireworks. In Greece, the tradition of turning out all the lights at midnight and then cutting a loaf of bread called a "vassilopita" which contains a single coin; the person who receives the coin in their slice of bread is believed to have good luck for the year. In the Philippines, loud sound systems and booming fireworks are believed to scare away evil spirits, which prevents them from bringing bad luck into the New Year. Some other traditions are to eat specific foods to bring good luck; grapes are eaten in Spain, soba noodles in Japan, rice pudding in Norway, round fruits in the Philippines, and black eyed peas in the southern United States.

The meaning of New Year's to me is to reflect on the year behind and to make plans of betterment for the year ahead. Many people don't keep their New Year's resolutions, but it is a popular tradition to plan on doing things that you never quite got to in the previous year. Another popular tradition is to watch the ball drop, whether you're in New York City or

watching it on TV around the world, it's what millions of people around the world end up doing on New Year's Eve. The now 11,875 pound Times Square Ball (which began in 1906 as a 400 pound iron and wood orb) begins its decent at 11:59 PM and people begin counting down the last ten seconds of the year.

None of us know what the New Year will bring; perhaps, we'll find true love, make a new friend, find a better job, win the lottery, take a needed vacation, help a stranger, reconnect with family, or we'll do something for someone else and not expect anything in return. My point, the New Year is always full of new and exciting possibilities and as long as you have hopes and dreams, hope forever and dream big. There is no small change in this world if you attempt the change with good in your heart and hope for a better world in your spirit.



Next Month's Column: Valentine's Day



## ROSES & THISTLES



**A big Rose and many many thanks to Lannie Heater for the multitude of baseballs he has contributed to the kids ball programs over the years. They are very much appreciated.**

**We want to thank everyone for the donations to the Romaine and Colony Benefit for medical expenses. It is a blessing to know the community pulled together to help them in this time of need.**

**Jane Reed and the Winslow 4-H Club**



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Middle School:

January 7th Honors Assembly 5/6th grade @ 2:00 7/8th grade @2:30 in the Cafeteria

February 1st - Middle School PTO Meeting 5:30 in the Library

## BRENTWOOD CEMETERY

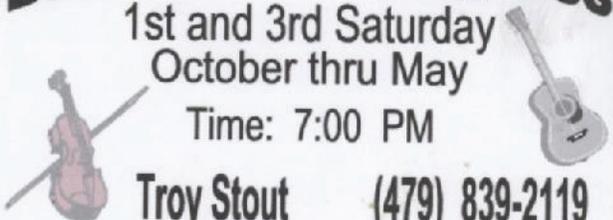
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## **An Obituary printed in the London Times Interesting and true.**

Today we mourn the passing of a beloved old friend, Common Sense, who has been with us for many years. No one knows for sure how old he was, since his birth records were long ago lost in bureaucratic red tape. He will be remembered as having cultivated such valuable lessons as:

- Knowing when to come in out of the rain;
- Why the early bird gets the worm;
- Life isn't always fair;
- and maybe it was my fault.

Common Sense lived by simple, sound financial policies (don't spend more than you can earn) and reliable strategies (adults, not children, are in charge).

His health began to deteriorate rapidly when well-intentioned but over-bearing regulations were set in place. Reports of a 6-year-old boy charged with sexual harassment for kissing a classmate; teens suspended from school for using mouthwash after lunch; and a teacher fired for reprimanding an unruly student, only worsened his condition.

Common Sense lost ground when parents attacked teachers for doing the job that they themselves had failed to do in disciplining their unruly children.

It declined even further when schools were required to get parental consent to administer sun lotion or an aspirin to a student; but could not inform parents when a student became pregnant and wanted to have an

abortion.

Common Sense lost the will to live as the churches became businesses; and criminals received better treatment than their victims.

Common Sense took a beating when you couldn't defend yourself from a burglar in your own home and the burglar could sue you for assault.

Common Sense finally gave up the will to live, after a woman failed to realize that a steaming cup of coffee was hot. She spilled a little in her lap, and was promptly awarded a huge settlement.

Common Sense was preceded in death, by his parents, Truth and Trust, by his wife, Discretion, by his daughter, Responsibility, and by his son, Reason.

He is survived by his 4 stepbrothers;

I Know My Rights  
I Want It Now  
Someone Else Is To Blame  
I'm A Victim

Not many attended his funeral because so few realized he was gone. If you still remember him, pass this on. If not, join the majority and do nothing?



## The Pastor's Pen

You will enjoy the new insights that Rick Warren has, with his wife now having cancer and him having 'wealth' from the book sales. This is an absolutely incredible short interview with Rick Warren, 'Purpose Driven Life' author and pastor of Saddleback Church in California.

In the interview by Paul Bradshaw with Rick Warren, Rick said: People ask me, What is the purpose of life?



And I respond: In a nutshell, life is preparation for eternity. We were not made to last forever, and God wants us to be with Him in Heaven.

One day my heart is going to stop, and that will be the end of my body-- but not the end of me.

I may live 60 to 100 years on earth, but I am going to spend trillions of years in eternity. This is the warm-up act - the dress rehearsal. God wants us to practice on earth what we will do forever in eternity..

We were made by God and for God, and until you figure that out, life isn't going to make sense.

Life is a series of problems: Either you are in one now, you're just coming out of one, or you're getting ready to go into another one.

The reason for this is that God is more interested in your character than your comfort; God is more interested in making your life holy than He is in making your life happy.

We can be reasonably happy here on earth, but that's not the goal of life. The goal is to grow in character, in Christ likeness.

This past year has been the greatest year of my life but also the toughest, with my wife, Kay, getting cancer.

I used to think that life was hills and valleys - you go through a dark time, then you go to the mountaintop, back and forth. I don't believe that anymore.

Rather than life being hills and valleys, I believe that it's kind of like two rails on a railroad track, and at all times you have something good and something bad in your life..

No matter how good things are in your life, there is always something bad that needs to be worked on.

And no matter how bad things are in your life, there is always something good you can thank God for.

You can focus on your purposes, or you can focus on your problems:

If you focus on your problems, you're going into self-centeredness, which is my problem, my issues, my pain.' But one of the easiest ways to get rid of pain is to get your focus off yourself and onto God and others.

We discovered quickly that in spite of the prayers of hundreds of thousands of people, God was not going to heal Kay or make it easy for her- It has been very difficult for her, and yet God has strengthened her character, given her a ministry of helping other people, given her a testimony, drawn her closer to Him and to people.

You have to learn to deal with both the good and the bad of life.

Actually, sometimes learning to deal with the good is harder. For instance, this past year, all of a sudden, when the book sold 15 million copies, it made me instantly very wealthy.

It also brought a lot of notoriety that I had never had to deal with before. I don't think God gives you money or notoriety for your own ego or for you to live a life of ease.

So I began to ask God what He wanted me to do with this money, notoriety and influence. He gave me two different passages that helped me decide what to do, II Corinthians 9 and Psalm 72.

First, in spite of all the money coming in, we would not change our lifestyle one bit.. We made no major purchases.

Second, about midway through last year, I stopped taking a salary from

the church.

Third, we set up foundations to fund an initiative we call The Peace Plan to plant churches, equip leaders, assist the poor, care for the sick, and educate the next generation.

Fourth, I added up all that the church had paid me in the 24 years since I started the church, and I gave it all back. It was liberating to be able to serve God for free.

We need to ask ourselves: Am I going to live for possessions? Popularity?

Am I going to be driven by pressures? Guilt? Bitterness? Materialism? Or am I going to be driven by God's purposes (for my life)?

When I get up in the morning, I sit on the side of my bed and say, God, if I don't get anything else done today, I want to know You more and love You better. God didn't put me on earth just to fulfill a to-do list. He's more interested in what I am than what I do.

That's why we're called human beings, not human doings.

Happy moments, PRAISE GOD.

Difficult moments, SEEK GOD.

Quiet moments, WORSHIP GOD.

Painful moments, TRUST GOD.

Every moment, THANK GOD..

## God's Blessings

HE ARRIVED THIS MORNING, WE HAD PRAYER; SPENT SOME TIME JUST TALKING, AND HE HELD ME FOR AWHILE BECAUSE I WAS HAVING A BAD MORNING.. THEN, HE WAS ON HIS WAY TO YOUR PLACE.

## Brentwood Community Church



We hope every one had a blessed Christmas. We certainly did. Now we are looking forward to a new year.

We know there will be new trials for the new year but we also have Jesus to help us through. Please keep focused on him and the trials won't seem so overwhelming.

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## BLACKBURN COMMUNITY

**Marsha Cooley, Pastor**  
 SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00 A.M.  
 WORSHIP SERVICE 11:00 A.M.  
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 479-839-2125  
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## GRACE FELLOWSHIP

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 JOHN MEADE: PASTOR PH. (479) 445-4906  
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 SUNDAY WORSHIP 10:00 AM  
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 MEN'S MEETING @ MEMBERS HOMES TUS. 6:30 P.M.

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 WEDNESDAY EVE SERVICE 7:00 P.M.

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 SUNDAY EUCHERIST SERVICES 9:45 A.M.  
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 EVENING SERVICE 6:00 P.M.  
 WEDNESDAY EVE SERVICE 7:00 P.M.

## UNITED METHODIST

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 CHILDREN'S CHURCH 9:00 A.M.  
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 SUNDAY  
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 MORNING BIBLE STUDY 10:00 A.M.  
 MORNING WORSHIP 10:45 A.M.  
 EVENING WORSHIP 6:00 P.M.  
 WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY 7:00 P.M.

## WINSLOW FIRST BAPTIST

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 Church- 479 634-2871 Cell 479-430-8114  
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