



Jaci Smith passed away very unexpectedly on Sunday, April 5. Her memorial service was on Saturday, April 11. Below is a poem Carolyn Locke wrote and read at Jaci's memorial.

## IN LOVING MEMORY OF JACI SMITH

Jaci was indeed a gift of God  
a caring friend so dear  
We're still in shock from her sudden death  
So, in pain, we gather here.

Jaci would not have chosen this time to go  
She had lots of living to do  
With quilts to make, students to teach  
And a grandchild coming too.

But we know all life is in God's hands  
He gives and takes away.  
So He must have decided it was her time  
At church on last Sunday.

This room was filled with joyful noise  
Of Palm Sunday celebration  
The news of her death was beyond belief  
For our TPC congregation.

Let us thank God for the gift of her life  
And for her family  
The pleasure of being a friend of hers  
Means so very much to me.

Roger and Jaci—what a fine couple--  
Were married in '68  
Clearly their marriage was one made in heaven  
Though they had met just on a blind date.

Over time they were blessed with daughters  
Melissa and Catherine, oh boy!  
These talented children grew up fast  
And filled their lives with joy.

The Smith home, though not so very large,  
Always had room for more  
When Girl Scouts or Whitman students came 'round  
'Twas the place for fun galore.

Now Jaci was not much into camping  
Though she gave Family Camp a try  
They survived the week in a huge RV  
Complete with vacuum cleaner—oh my!

Roger and Jaci found Marriage Encounter  
and believed in the power of love  
The example of their relationship  
Reflected faith in God above.

The Smith family proudly expanded  
With Melissa's marriage to Brett  
And remember Catherine & Robert's wedding  
In the river getting wet?!

Becoming grandparents in recent years  
Brought a new level of fun  
Keeping up with little Gayle and Ella  
Kept Jaci on the run. (and she absolutely  
loved it!)

As a Christian Jaci acted on her faith  
Following Christ's own call  
She approached life with a helping hand  
Eager to care for all.

Jaci, with a warm and radiant smile  
Mixed with energy, intelligence, and cheer,  
Served as a leader: deacon, elder,  
And presbytery volunteer.

She believed in early literacy  
And taught those for whom life was rough  
Of course VBS, Sunday School, and church plays--  
She tackled all sorts of stuff.

Organizing piles of Smith family photos  
Gave Jaci lots of pleasure  
And now for countless years to come  
Those albums her family will treasure.



# PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Jaci was famous for her peanut brittle  
And chocolate in any form.  
But you could always count on her  
To bring lemon bars, still warm.

Sewing was another of Jaci's gifts  
Her creativity could inspire  
Also she and Roger raised voices in song  
For many years in our choir.

She was a daughter, a mother, a loving wife  
And everyone's special friend  
She made a difference in all our lives  
Right to the very end.

Some day we'll move on from this world  
To where Jaci is patiently waiting  
So let's look forward to that time  
Of some grand celebrating!

Created by Carolyn Locke with appreciation of  
Jaci's life Thanks be to God! April 11, 2009

April 15, 2009  
Dear Congregation,  
What a traumatic week it has been with the sudden  
death of our beloved Jaci Smith.

I know we will surround Roger and his family with  
love and support in the coming days and month.

I would also encourage us as the body of Christ to  
comfort and support our pastor and his family, who  
so beautifully and lovingly comforted us during  
this difficult time.

It's easy to forget that our spiritual leader can also  
run on empty, and we need to come alongside and  
let him lean on us.

I am speaking from experience. Yours in Christ,  
your deacon from Parish #9,

Edda Brown



Julie Van Buren

"Young Frankenstein" is her favorite movie. Pasta is her favorite food. She just finished reading *Marley and Me*. Meet Julie Van Buren.

Julie was born in The Dalles, Oregon, but moved to Portland when she was 2 years old. She graduated from Grant High School and attended First Presbyterian Church downtown. Her parents, Warren and Joyce Aney, currently members of Southminster Presbyterian and active in the Presbytery of the Cascades, are longtime friends of TPC's own Dee Johnson.

Julie is a devoted mother to Christina and Robert. Christina is a graduate of Willamette University and lives in the Portland area. Robert is in the process of moving from Houston to Boston to attend Harvard to earn a Master's Degree in education.

Julie has a career in Human Resources for Safeway Corp. as well as working in the men's department at Macy's in Washington Square. She likes to read in her spare time, enjoys traveling and is looking forward to taking a trip to the east coast with her son, Robert, later this year.

Singing in the choir and serving as a deacon are active roles for Julie at TPC. Thanks, Julie, for your service to TPC.

Submitted by Jack Lemmon, deacon of Parish #5.

## CONTAINER GARDEN DESIGN CLASS

**Saturday, May 2 from 9-10:30am.**

Learn to design beautiful container gardens for your yard. Learn to grow edibles in pots. In this class designer Ellen VanSchoiack will share tips and resources to help you get your garden season up and growing. Following the class there will be an optional field trip to tour Ferguson's Fragrant Nursery. Cost is \$10. Car pool to be arranged. Sign up in Narthex.

## OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY, MAY 3

All are invited to our Christian Education and Children's Education & Ministries Open House on **Sunday May 3** immediately following the worship service. Fresh Starbucks coffee, treats, food and tours will be available. This is a great time to see what we provide the members of our congregation: Christian Education, nursery childcare, well-stocked library and meeting space.

Faithfully yours,  
Christina Robertson, Adult Education Elder and  
Marsha Steffen, Children's Ministry & Education  
Elder

## WOMEN'S GOLF Saturday, May 9

We are looking for a few good women (all women are good) to play golf on Saturday mornings. We are good for 9 or 18 holes starting at 8:30 AM at Charbonneau Golf Course in Wilsonville. We are playing the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month. Join us May 9th. Email Marilyn Wood at [zip@teleport.com](mailto:zip@teleport.com)

## MEN'S BREAKFAST

**SATURDAY, May 16th, 7:30 AM**

Please join us on Saturday, May 16th at 7:30 AM for breakfast. Use the signup sheet in the narthex or contact Chip Kyle ([cvkyle@comcast.net](mailto:cvkyle@comcast.net) / 503-387-3940) to let us know you're coming.

## BELL CONCERT

**Saturday, May 16 at 7:00 PM**

At the concert on **Saturday, May 16** you'll hear original compositions written specifically for bells, as well as some familiar arrangements. You may hear some of the Christmas pieces that were never played due to the snow and ice. It promises to be a delightful evening of music and laughter. Please save the date: Saturday, May 16.

## ADULT EDUCATION ON MAY 17TH

The Adult Sunday class will have a guest lecturer on May 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 AM. Don Klosterman from the Oregon Center for Christian Values will speak on the current health care system in America and Oregon in light of Scripture. We will survey some problems with the current system and reflect on Biblical themes including God's original intention for, and subsequent mission towards health and wholeness for humanity, and our responsibility to contribute to society to make it more closely reflect God's priorities for humanity. We will give some practical tools for how to influence the systems and governments we participate in so that they reflect Christian values of respect for human dignity, and our obligation to care for each other in times of sickness and need. We invite you all to attend!

For more information, ask Ted Pelletier at [tedandadele@earthlink.net](mailto:tedandadele@earthlink.net) or (503) 625-4600.



## Pancake Breakfast!

Boy Scout Troop 530's  
38th Annual Pancake Breakfast  
**Sunday, June 7**

**8:00 am-1:00 pm** at the  
Tualatin Senior Center  
8513 SW Tualatin Road

Cost \$5.00/adult; child/senior \$3.00; Family \$15.

Menu: Pancakes, Sausage & Eggs (scrambled); and assorted beverages. Tickets can be purchased at the door. Proceeds from the breakfast directly support the Scouts and their scouting activities. For additional information go to [www.troop530](http://www.troop530), or call scoutmaster Norm Dannemiller at 503/885-2405.

**SAVE THE DATE  
ALL CHURCH PICNIC  
SUNDAY, JUNE 14**

**Presbytery of the Cascades  
FAMILY CAMP**

will be **August 8-15** at Honeyman State Park just south of Florence on the Oregon Coast. To register, download the Family Camp Registration form from [www.campcascades.org](http://www.campcascades.org) or there are forms on the Tower in the Narthex.



**DAVID NORSE**

left on Monday, April 20th for the Iona Community in Scotland. To hear what's happening with him, check out his blog at:

[revelinthethinplaces.wordpress.com](http://revelinthethinplaces.wordpress.com)

**Treasures are great through year #8!**

"Treasures", our outreach program serving local developmentally disabled adults, is still going strong after 8 years. In April 2001 nineteen TPC volunteers welcomed our first 6 Treasures. Now our regular attendance is more than 20 Treasures.

Having more volunteers would allow us to give Treasures more individual attention. If you ever want or need an inspirational and uplifting experience, come and join us on the third Tuesday of each month. Thanks to all of you who have helped make this a quality program over the years. You are the best!

With appreciation,  
Carolyn Locke

**Treasures are fine starting year #9!**

**HE'S HERE!**

Logan William Winslow was born April 17, 2009 and weighed in at 7 lb 9 oz. Mother, child, father and sister are all doing well. Grandma, Carolyn Hale, is particularly happy.



**TPC COOKBOOK**

The TPC Cookbook Project is a very important mission for TPC. All profits from the sale of these cookbooks will be placed in our Helping Hands Fund. This fund is a discretionary fund overseen by the deacons but distributed by our pastor in a confidential manner to those in our congregation who need emergency assistance for housing, food, transportation and/or medical treatment. Please support the cookbook project by donating your favorite recipes to be included in the book, as well as any historical information about your recipes. Information is available each week in the bulletin, each month in the Spirit and on the Tower in the Narthex. June 1<sup>st</sup> is the deadline for turning in your recipes. Thank you for extending your "Helping Hand" in this important way.

**TUALATIN SCHOOL HOUSE PANTRY**

The food pantry continues to feed many local families. All kinds of food are appreciated.

**WHAT IS PER CAPITA? For 2009, it is \$22.55 per member.**

Tualatin Presbyterian Church is a member congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA) and, as such, has a relationship with every other church in the denomination, as well as with the governing bodies: Presbytery, Synod, and General Assembly.

Per capita has been compared to a utility bill. Just as we pay for heat, light, water and telephone in order to remain connected and benefit from the services provided, we pay per capita so that the Presbyterian system can function on behalf of all of us.

Tualatin Presbyterian Church must pay a 2009 per capita fee of \$22.55 for each member, an expense that is not included in the annual budget. Each member is asked to pay his/her own per capita fee. Reminder: This is an individual fee, not a family fee. Please make your check payable to TPC, write per capita on the comment line and drop it in the offering plate or take it to the office. Thank you.

## TPC NUTS AND BOLTS

To add a name to the **prayer list**, please email Greg Imus at [gimus@shindaiwa.com](mailto:gimus@shindaiwa.com). Also, to remove a name from the prayer list, email Greg.

If you would like to make a **verbal announcement on Sunday morning**, please email your request to Pastor Ken by the preceding Tuesday, [pastor@tpcspirit.org](mailto:pastor@tpcspirit.org).

To include information in the **Sunday bulletin insert**, please email it to [office@tpcspirit.org](mailto:office@tpcspirit.org) by noon on the preceding Thursday.

Once a month volunteers come to the church to collate and fold **the newsletter**. Del Judy has a list of people she calls to find helpers; she would like more names as sometimes people are busy. The newsletter is usually prepared on the fourth Thursday of the month starting about 10 AM for an hour. If you're willing to have your name added to the list, please let Del (503-692-6407) or the office know (503-692-4160). Thanks.

### MAY BIRTHDAYS

5/1	Elise Schmidt	5/17	Sandy Reiling
5/2	Craig Walker	5/17	Gary Frey
5/2	Wesley Shiffer	5/17	Scott Cameron
5/4	Rick Mauer	5/19	BJ Stevenson
5/7	Mark Robertson	5/21	Ronn Rhodes
5/9	Ella Evers-Hood	5/21	Cackie Kyle
5/11	Ron VanSchoaick	5/23	Emily Mazzuca
5/11	Dave Backen	5/24	Emerson Wood
5/15	Dorothy Martin	5/24	Jose Corona
5/15	Stephanie Bartlett	5/24	Brian Jones
5/15	Jackson Cobb	5/27	Benjamin Schleicher
5/16	Alex Lewis	5/30	Matt Winkler



## Vacation Bible School 2009 "Discovery Canyon"

Dear Sunday School Families and Friends,

Come and explore Discovery Canyon VBS at Tualatin Presbyterian Church Monday through Friday, July 6-10, 9 AM to noon  
Cost is \$25.00. Scholarships are available.

Family BBQ, Thursday, July 9 at 6 PM

Mark your calendar now for a week of wonder and fun. This VBS is for children ages Pre-K through 5th grade.

Set in the rugged and majestic Discovery Canyon, this year's VBS has something for everyone. The week will be filled with adventure with kids crafting away in Cavern Crafts, running, jumping and playing Gully Games, singing a set of new tunes that ROCK, and hearing the good news echoing off the canyon walls.

This is the VBS you won't want to miss! It's all about connecting with others, learning and having fun, of course.

Sign up today! Registration begins now. Bring a friend. There's a registration form on page 6 of this newsletter. Additional forms are available in the TPC main office. Office hours are Monday through Thursday, 9-3 and Friday, 9 to noon. For additional information, contact Jackie Dannemiller, (503)885-2405 or email [ndannemi@spiritone.com](mailto:ndannemi@spiritone.com)

Yours in Christ,  
Jackie Dannemiller  
Discovery Canyon VBS Team Leader

# Discovery Canyon VBS 2009 Registration Form

Confidential Form Deadline for submission is June 14, 2009

Please return to TPC's Main Office.

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's age: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ M or F

Last grade completed: \_\_\_\_\_

In case of Emergency (in case parent/guardian cannot be reached)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to child: \_\_\_\_\_

List allergies/medical needs:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Person responsible for picking up child at the end of VBS daily:

\_\_\_\_\_

Signature of parent/guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle or write below if you can volunteer:

Site Guide Assistant

Daily Attendance

Other

BBQ

Activities Leader

Tell us anything special we need to know about your child:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Family BBQ RSVP: Total attending** \_\_\_\_\_

**Thursday, July 9 – 6:00 pm**

Cost is \$25.00. Make checks payable to TPC; write VBS on the memo line.  
Scholarships are available.



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**Worship Service – Sundays at 10:30 AM**

**Elders:** Craig Bowen, Norm Dannemiller, Paula Miller, Scott Mitchell, Joan Nardi, Adele Pelletier, Meg Price, Chris Robertson and Marsha Steffen

**Deacons:** Rob Ayers, Edda Brown, Pam Cameron, Carolyn Hale, Jack Lemmon, Sherry Nelson, Judy Nix, Bill Smiley, Kathy Sweetland, Julie Van Buren, Linda Watkins

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**Art Director:** Ellen VanSchoiack

**Bereavement Committee:** Pam Cameron

**Wedding Coordinator:** Stacy Mauer

**Church Office Hours**

Monday – Thursday: 9:00 AM– 3:00 PM, Friday – 9:00 AM to noon