

RELIGION

Church Hosts Holiday Meal

SnowCap Community Charities will again provide a free holiday dinner for low-income families and individuals in the east Multnomah County area on Saturday, Dec. 24 from noon until 2 p.m. at the Rockwood United Methodist Church at 17805 S.E. Stark St.

SnowCap is a philanthropic organization founded to provide food, clothing, advocacy and other services to the poor in an area includ-

ing Gresham, Fairview, Wood Village and Troutdale. The agency currently serves more than 9,000 people, including many children, each month.

The organization welcomes cash and food donations to "get us through a truly tough time where the requests for assistance runs well ahead of our capability to serve all those who are in need," said Judy Alley, SnowCap executive director.

Memorial Service Friday

Edward Carter

A memorial service for Edward Carter will be held on Friday, Dec 23 at 11 a.m. at Genesis Community Fellowship Church; 5424 N.E. 27th Ave.

He was born July 8, 1945 and passed away on Dec. 14, 2011.

He is survived by daughters Monae Elliott and Alaina Carter-Knight; son Darnell Love; sisters Beverly Carter-Frazier, Brenda Lewis, Elizabeth Lawrence, and Myra Faye Lewis; brothers Arthur Carter Jr., Fred Carter, Charles Carter, Kenneth Carter, Wayne Lewis, Ronald Carter, and Kenneth Lewis; six grandchildren; and seven great grandchildren.

Visit terryfamilyfuneralhome.com for a full obituary and to sign the online guestbook. Arrangements by Terry Family Funeral Home.



In Loving Memory

Edna Hall

Funeral services for Edna Hall, who passed away on Dec. 2, 2011, were held last Thursday at Mt. Olivet Baptist Church.

She was born April 14, 1919 in Mount Calm, Texas to Lonnie and Velvet Searcy. She was the oldest of three girls. She graduated from high school in Texas. She married Bowie Butler and they had two children: Peggy Butler was born in Texas and T. Yvonne Butler was born in Portland.

Her first husband passed away in 1952, and she later married Charley Hall, and he passed away in 1982.



Edna was a devoted wife, mother, sister, grandmother and aunt. She was one of a kind, always had a special smile and never a harsh word. Everyone always asked her for advice because she could tell you how to do it and do it right. She was a strong but mild mannered woman.

She leaves behind her daughters and their husbands; grandchildren Terry White, Wendy (White) Hurlie, Clifford White and John Otis White Jr.; eight great grandchildren; five great-great grandchildren, many cousins, nieces, nephews and friends, as well as her church family.

She was a loving mother and grandmother to all. All will miss you Momma. You will be in our hearts forever. We love you.

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Gospel Mission Christmas Meals

Union Gospel Mission downtown is planning to serve over 700 free meals to anyone in need on Christmas Day, Sunday Dec. 25 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Donations to support the dinners may be dropped off at the mission offices at 3 N.W. Third Ave. Boneless hams, fruit pies,

and coffee are needed. Toys for the children of men and women in the mission's LifeChange addiction recovery community would also be welcome.

Call 503-274-4483 for more information. Cash donations to support the Christmas event may be made online at ugmportland.org.

Christmas Dinner Open to All

It wouldn't be Christmas without Potluck in the Park's annual Christmas day dinner open to anyone in need!

The non-profit will transform the downtown YWCA gymnasium at 1111 S.W. 10th Ave. into a festive holiday banquet room so guests can dine on a turkey dinner with all the trimmings. The meal will be served from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Jazz musicians Tom Grant, Ramsey Embick, George Mitchell and Patrick Lamb will perform

throughout the meal. Guests will receive warm wear donated by employees from Fred Meyer and socks filled with goodies by elves at the Cathedral School. Guests can make free phone calls using cell phones provided by volunteers, and have their photos taken with Santa. Pet food from the Pongo Fund will be distributed and kennels for guest's pets will be available during the meal. Guest transportation is available by calling 503-933-3653.



Deacon Potts Remembered

Arthur M. Potts Sr.

On Dec. 19, 2011 Deacon Arthur M. Potts Sr. passed away.

He leaves behind his wife of 54-years Doris L. Potts; and his children Rene, Sharon, Arthur Jr., Charlotte and Nika. He was a great husband, father and man.

Services will be held Friday, Dec. 23 at 10:30 a.m. at Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church, 4009 N. Missouri St. with Pastor Rev. Johnny Pack IV.

MY FATHER'S HOUSE MINISTRIES Come and Experience Faith and Miracles!

Join us for our *Christmas Service* With Special Musical Guest **Ray & Ada Tellis**

Merry Christmas from Pastors Jerry and Annie!

Friday, December 23rd at 7pm



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