

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN NEWS

The ladies of our PW want you to know what *Honorary Life Membership* means.

Honorary Life Memberships are presented by Presbyterian Women to women and men for outstanding service and leadership and in recognition of faithful service in some aspect of the life of our church.

The past recipients of PW Honorary Life Memberships at First Presbyterian Church are:

1945 – **Ella May Hall**

1947 – **Lula Scott Wilson**

1959 – **Elizabeth Freund**

In the 1970's – **Elizabeth Ann Greisser, Ruth Hendrick, and Julie Hall**

2003 – **Zelle Moore**

2004 – **Jean Garrison and Ruth Penny Smith**

2005 – **June Owen**

2006 – **LaWanda West**

2007 – **Florence Bickly Crank and Carmon McFerran**

2008 - **Billie Ford and Lil McClerkin**

2009 – **Sue Ellen Hall and Martha Nell Richards**

A Nomination can be made by individual church members, the PW Coordinating Team, circles or other church groups. It must be in writing using the Nomination Form for Honorary Life Memberships and submitted between November 1 and January 15. The Honorary Life Membership Committee will meet after January 15 and a decision will be made. The recipient receives a pin and certificate of recognition which is presented at our March meeting.

If you would like to nominate someone for this award, you may obtain a Nomination Form from any PW Coordinating Team member or from the church office. You will be asked to state your reasons for nominating this individual, i.e. examples of their faithful service to the church.



The symbol above represents and portrays the qualities of persons deserving the honor and recognition of the Honorary Life Membership. Following are some of the meanings found in the symbol.

The **caring, supportive hands** represent women who seek to build an inclusive community of Presbyterian Women. The **leaf** represents growth of our personal and corporate response to Jesus Christ as we nurture our faith. The **dove** indicates our work for peace in our own lives and throughout the world, shown in the globe. At the center of the design is the **cross**, by which our sins are forgiven and we are freed to live in Christ who is at the center of our lives. The overall design is of a **butterfly**, a symbol of newness in Christ and the emergence of a new creation — Presbyterian Women.