



Newsletter

From Your Board of Directors

As you may or may not know, your Board of Directors and officers have been going to board training school for a year or so. As we've moved from being supported by the County to supporting ourselves we have had to take a good hard look at how we operate. As we take possession of this building we need to operate as a business. We also need to ensure we are keeping the mission and goals of the senior center as our main focus. As we have been growing within our board some things have come to light.

We have made changes to our bylaws, which will make our board and the process for electing our board more in line with common practices for nonprofit organizations. Following are some of the changes.

1. The members will elect the board of directors. This will be done at the annual meeting in September. In order to run for the board you must complete an application. A nominating/election committee will review all applicants. The deadline for receiving applications will be August 1, 2017 at 4:00pm. At that time a list of all nominees will be mailed to the members who are in good standing. This year you will vote for 11 board members. These new members will serve a 3 year term. This means instead of voting every year for board members you will vote every 3 years. There will be no term limits.
2. The board of directors will elect the officers at the first board meeting following the election of board members.
3. In order to serve as an officer you must have served 1 current year on the board.
4. The Treasurer position will become an appointed position instead of an officer position. The reason for this is the treasurer position requires certain skill sets in order to perform the duties. They will not be a board member unless they have been voted by the membership at the annual meeting to be placed on the board. In other words they have been nominated and elected to the board.

If you would like copy of the Roseburg Senior Center by-laws, they are available in the office. If you have any questions please talk to one of the current directors. Once again, these changes are being made to ensure we are working for the members of the center.

TREASURES REPORT Linda Sheridan

We are finalizing the paperwork with Oregon Pacific Bank for the purchase of the facility. Hopefully everything will be done by the end of the June 2017. Just a reminder to everyone, just because we are purchasing the building does not mean we no longer need your support. In order to pay our loan off in five years our monthly payment will be \$5,167. We will start a capital campaign fundraising again and apply for grants. We need to pay off the building before we begin renovations. WE HAVE A LOT OF WORK AHEAD OF US TO BE DONE.

We have mailed "due" renewal notices to everyone including those of you who did not pay your dues for last year. Because of all the problems we have with the membership updates, changes and lack of information "due" notices did not go out last year, and I apologize for that. But remember I am but one person who was trying to do it all. I now have 2 wonderful people, Barbara Kinnan and Yvonne Birdsell, helping in the office. Thanks to them we now have a complete, updated membership list. We truly appreciate every one's patience and hope you will honor your past dues and renew for the year beginning July 1st. After all, we depend on your dues to help support the operation of the center.

Also please note that as of July 1, 2017, if dues are not current or you are not a member you will have to pay \$1 every time you use the center. ONLY UP TO DATE MEMBERS WILL BE ALLOWED TO VOTE IN THE ELECTION OF DIRECTORS IN EARLY SEPTEMBER. !

KITCHEN REPORT Doris Loveday

Summer is here, sort of, and gardens are being planted. As you all know we now have a Farmers Market in our parking lot on Tuesday afternoon. This is a great asset for the kitchen, fresh veggies for salads, soups and main dishes. Mary, one the kitchen crew told her husband to be sure and plant the sweet variety of grape tomatoes so she can have them to put in salads this summer. She went on to tell about his planting of zucchini. If all those plants come to fruition....OMGosh we will need another room.

A note to all of our gardener members, you too can sell your excess produce at the Farmers Market. If you are interested you can contact the program project manager, Tasha Oliverson, at southsidecommunitymarket.org or leave your name and number with yours truly, Doris in the kitchen and I will pass it on to Tasha.

We had a wonderful donation sometime in the last couple of months. I went into the back area and found a stack of pasta bowls. They have been a terrific addition to the kitchen especially for the weekly lunches. Our daily special is messy at times what with a hot dish and a salad. Those bowls make is so easy to make sure the special is hot and yet have the room to add the side salad. Thank you whoever you are. They are perfect.

I'm sure everyone has heard about the new mixer the kitchen was able to purchase. It couldn't have been done without your generosity. We have been able to make enough dough at a time that the gals putting cookie dough on the baking sheets can't keep up. Thank you for your help in making this purchase. We are now able to make the old time favorites and yet have time to try new recipes.

Interior Decorations

Have you walked into the Center and felt it needed a little umph? Like, where is the hominess? Well, Louise Piazza has volunteered to head the decorating committee for the Center and perk it up. Do you have a flair for decorating? Louise can use all the help she can get.

There are boxes of flowers, hanging decorations, all the foo foo's you can dream of, all the Center needs are people who are willing to lend a helping hand.

Have you noticed how healthy the plants are looking? One member, Marie, comes in once a week and waters them and pulls off the dead leaves and then plays a couple of games of pool. Thank you, Marie.

Louise will need that kind of help. We have lots of holidays coming up that we can decorate the Center for.

Louise is here every Monday and Wednesday and looking for ideas so give her hints and a helping hand.

OPERATING CHANGES Linda M. Cornett

As we move into the business mode of operating the Senior Center, with the purchase of the building, you may see changes. These changes are for the best, even though you may not like them or agree. Your board members are trying to do what is best for you and the Center.

Please take time and fill out our survey, either on line at our web site, or a copy can be picked up at the front desk. This helps us receive feed back as to where we need to improve and what activities you would like to have at the Center. Thank you for your co-operation.

TOURS Tim Rogers

The tour group has been very active, looking for new venues. The Sternwheeler boat, out of Cascade Locks, proved to be popular. This tour is full, but we are starting to make a "stand-by" list.

The other trip, to the Hellgate Jet Boats trip on July 23rd still has openings. Remember, this group is dedicated to getting you the best that we can, for the least cost. This tour costs \$95, for members and \$105 for non-members. This is an afternoon and evening trip that includes dinner on the river.

The tour group includes everyone in the center. Meetings are every Tuesday at 10:00AM. If you have an idea, stop and let us know about it. We want to keep our calendar full of up-coming, interesting and fun trips for all to enjoy

FRONT DESK HELP June Ervin

The ladies who work in the office have asked me to "advertise" for some more regular help at the front desk. Someone who likes people and helping new people understand what we are all about here at the Center. When we have a capable person to greet new folks and answer their questions that means fewer interruptions to the office ladies. It is very difficult to count money and make reports and do telephone business when there is someone new standing at your work station every few minutes needing help or a receipt or directions about something.

PLEASE, IF YOU LIKE PEOPLE AND CAN DONATE A FEW HOURS A WEEK ON A REGULAR BASIS, STOP IN AND OFFER YOUR HELP. THE OFFICE LADIES WILL BE VERY GRATEFUL .

YARD SALE A SUCCESS Doris Loveday

Our annual yard sale held in June resulted in \$375 added to our coffers. We rented all 13 tables available to those who sold their own items. This year we also had neighborhood participation with folks having a sale on the same day, in their yards.

Hot dog sales during the sale were brisk, for those who missed our breakfast held earlier in the morning.

Breakfast sales were great, with all the extra folks here to set up their tables, plus early shoppers.

Weather co-operated with no rain so it was a pleasant day for all, which we will repeat again next June.

While we are on the subject of income, the Tea Party in late May resulted in \$760. In profit for us and the ladies all had a wonderful time and enjoyed great food and entertainment.

SOCK HOP

Our annual summer event, the Sock Hop, is upon us. We hold it every year during Graffiti week. This year the date is Thursday, July 6th.

The DJ who plays "oldies" for us to enjoy and dance to is DJ KLE3N. He has a wonderful collection of CD's from the 50's thru the 70's so you are bound to hear many of your favorites during the evening. Ticket prices remain \$5 at the door. Doors open at 5PM and dinner will be served 5 to 7. Cost of the meal is again \$5. Pulled Pork sandwiches, salads, and a drink are this year's menu. The News Review is providing free ice cream this year, for dessert. Poodle skirts, neck scarves, tennies, bobbie socks and jeans will all be in display on the dance floor.

Come have supper, enjoy the music and dance the night away!

PINNOCHLE REPORT

Brad Crenshaw

Games are played on Tuesday and Thursday at 1 PM and on the Saturday mornings when breakfast is served at the Center. Those games begin at 9AM. All sessions are fun and Tuesday and Thursday have "pay outs". Cost for 5 games is only \$1.00. Come on by and join in the fun and make some new friends. This is a great group and if you do not know how to play, someone will help you learn.

ELECTIONS

June Ervin

The election of the Board of Directors will be held on Friday, September 15th. Friday is our Buffet Luncheon day and elections are held in the morning before lunch is served at noon. The schedule for that day is: 10 AM Introduction of candidates.

- 11 to 12:30 Voting
- 12 noon lunch is served
- 1 PM results will be announced

Only members in good standing will be allowed to vote. You will be asked to sign in to receive a ballot. Dues for this calendar year were due on July 1st and notices were mailed. If you are in arrears, you will not be able to receive a ballot.

Election chair is Val Ashcraft again this year. Votes will be counted and verified by 3 people at the close of voting, during the lunch break.

Deadline to file for a position on the Board of Directors is August 1, 2017, and paperwork has to be submitted to the office by that time. Applications are available in the office. Completed applications will be submitted to the Directors at the August 10th board meeting. After that date, and before the end of August a Voters Pamphlet will be compiled and mailed to members in good standing,

MEET THE SENIOR SENIORS

June Ervin

This is the first of what I hope will be a series of articles introducing folks who have been members of the Roseburg Senior Center for many, many years. A lot of us newer members (less than 10 years) do not know who they are and what they have done in the past, for the Center.

My first person selected for this series is [Tom Weathers](#).

Tom joined the RSC back in 2001. He was kind of kidnapped into the job. At the time, there were two separate clubs operating in the same building, (the same one we moved from) at the same time with not too much co-operation between the memberships. He told me there were a lot of yelling, name calling and grudges going on. The lady who was in charge of the overall project was the second from the top of directors at the County Health Dept. Her name was Vicky Neuncamp. She was more than fed up with the bickering and knew Tom and some of his background in several different organizations, some at state and national level. He was coming in to play pool at the center at the time. So she drafted him into service to head up the Roseburg Senior Center, combine it with the Roseburg Senior Advisory Commission (the second part of the group) and get it running in a professional manner. This worked out with some success for about a year. Then they were told they would need to vacate the county building within two years.

It was decided that there needed to be a board of directors formed and an election was held.

Tom was the president. There were five on the board including the only other officer, a secretary-treasurer. At the time the two clubs combined, their net worth was about \$40,000.

Tom said he consulted with the officials at Seven Feathers at every turn because they were having great success and were very willing to advise him any way they were able to help. About then, they decided to have Friday night Bingo at the Center and the money began to roll in, and with almost no expense, it added up fast.

They then went through very similar actions that we did when we moved to this building. They applied for grants and held fund raisers. There were many "sales" of every kind and they got the Mayor on board and had a big, all day event at the High School called Senior Center Day. They were allotted use of the cafeteria to hold the event and several small rooms to branch out for all the presentations they hope to attract local folks to and raise a of of money. It was NOT a big success! Not much money was raised.

Their plan was to build on a lot donated by the county out at the location where the current county buildings are now, near COSTCO. This never happened and they stayed on at the health dept. building where the Center was still located up to the recent past when we were asked to leave.

Tom is a local guy who has been in many businesses. Once a logger, he was very successful in the Real Estate field, once owning the largest office in Roseburg. He lived in Camas Valley while raising his family, and moved to Roseburg in 1965 where he currently resides with his partner of 23 years.