

DATELINE: FEBRUARY 14, 2016

Valentine's Day

Tim Rogers

How good was that?! Dinner, Dance, and live music by the Fire Crackers, they played to a full house. The food that night was excellent, service, fantastic, and to all the volunteers who gave up their valentine's day for us, THANK YOU!

PROGRESS REPORT II

Ron Elliott

On February 11th Melony Marsh made a Capital Campaign report to your Senior Center Board.

Quote:

“We want to compliment and congratulate your efforts in raising over \$24,000 within the Roseburg Senior Center members and their associates. This proves how much the members are willing to do to make this dream come true. With this in mind, the majority of your members are on a fixed income and so Mark Sherman, your Grant Writer, is requesting that your in-house campaigning outside the Center come to an end at this time.”

By using this example of our personal commitment to this project, Mark and the “Dream Team” made up of carefully selected members of our community, will be making contacts for large donations. It is very important that we DO NOT make any attempt at outside fund raising on our own! We have talked to our members who have great ideas about how to recruit outside financial help; most of these ideas involve newspaper and TV ads or talking to other organizations. Doing that will defeat Mark's plan! We are paying this man for his knowledge. We have to trust him to lead us in the right direction!

Quote:

“Keeping the campaign on track makes us look professional, stable, sincere in our goals, and paves the way for future capital campaigns. The Roseburg Senior Center will have built a solid reputation as a viable, robust, productive organization qualified and worthy of future grants.”

Melony is our link to Mark. She has promised to keep us up to date with reports to the Board. Melony also has a demanding full time job. We don't want to contact her any more than we have to. Treva has been appointed as the go between for any questions or problems.

What a Great Job Everyone! Congratulations! Continue to pay your pledges. If you have planned to pay a pledge or donation we will still take the money to add to our growing building fund account. We have over \$25,000 at this time. This is an exciting and scary time. We are going to buy this building to provide a home for seniors for generations to come. But, we have to let Mark do it his way.

Senior Center Building Committee

TREASURERS REPORT

June Ervin

There is no current update in this Newsletter because our Treasurer, Linda Sheridan, is on vacation. She did, however, complete her report for the Board meeting on February 11, 2016 covering all monies through the end of the previous month. All deposits and necessary checks are being handled as usual, in her absence. Her normal report will be included in the next issue of this paper.

1st ANNUAL VALENTINE DINNER DANCE

Phyllis Stroble

To all of you wonderful members of the Roseburg Senior Center; we had a very successful, awesome, amazing Dinner and Dance on February 14th at the Center. Featured was a wonderful roast beef dinner lovingly and professionally prepared by our kitchen staff, led by our new chef, Vivian.

Frank McCracken and the Firecrackers were so, so wonderful! I didn't want them to stop playing their amazing music, even when it was closing time.

We had a great time with standing room only! Thanks to all who attended and supported our first effort into the field of a "sit down" dinner. Let's do it again next year!

NOTES FROM THE KITCHEN

Doris Loveday

The kitchen has been doing really well. We have two new members added to our staff, Vivian the new cook, who is working with Larry, and Lynde, who works with us before Pinochle starts on Tuesday. They have been a great addition to our kitchen. We have also been blessed with the help of four upstanding young men who are coming in on Tuesday to help clean and then two of these young men return on Thursday to help prep for Friday's lunch. They are missionaries here in the Roseburg area, who volunteer at the Senior Center. Their names are Elder Cook, Elder West, Elder Flake and Elder Schick. They are hard working young men and it is wonderful to have their help. The glass doors into the Café have never been so clean so often.

I do have to brag about the operation of the Café. When the Center started the kitchen it was just a snack bar. It is now a full fledged Café. It is paying for itself and is contributing to the income for the Center. I'm hoping we are paying for the water, gas and lights, but we are definitely paying for the food. Yes Folks, we are making a profit. As Bill Crenshaw used to say, "It may not be a lot, but it's more than we had before." Thanks to you, the members, who eat lunch here. Without you, the Café would not exist.

BINGO UPDATE

Lisa Schrader

Are you missing out on Bingo?

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| Monday Penny Bingo | 1:00 to 3:30 PM |
| Wednesday Bingo | 1:00 to 3:30 PM |
| Friday Bingo | 6:30 to 9:30 PM |

Programs and prices are available at your Roseburg Senior Center. Bingo cards may not be purchased or played other than at the approved location of the licensee's game. A player must be present to win. Bingo committee meetings are the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 10:30 AM. Information will be posted on the Board (or wall) between the Bingo area and the Computer room, and on the monthly calendar. There is not always a need to meet every month, so sometimes it will not be posted. We have changed our Red strip block-out from \$500.00 to \$750.00 for 47 #'s, down to \$99.00 must go. Come check us out.

If you have any questions, comments or complaints you may contact me at 541-643-8883. We are still collecting canned food for UCAN. Wednesday is a free paper for 2 cans/boxes of food. Friday is on- going at 4 cans for one "6 on" packet, 3 cans for one early bird packet. We have donated many cans of food to UCAN already. Keep up the good work!

Come have fun and WIN! Help your Senior Center!

Val Ashcraft is our back-up chair, who also orders our supplies.

CARVERS SHOW

Carol Stewart

Don't miss our 17th Annual Umpqua Wood Carvers Show at the Roseburg Senior Center on March 19th

Admission is FREE and hours are 10AM to 4PM. See our large flyer on the bulletin board at the Center, in full color with contact information and phone numbers. Check out all our beautiful, one of a kind items: walking sticks, gourd and pine needle art and much, much more. Talk to the Artists and see them at work. Many of the articles will be available for purchase.

MEMBERSHIP

Trudy White

Our total membership continues to grow. As of the most current board meeting, we had 802 paid members, with many more added since then and new people joining every day. The volunteers are hard at work providing the many services and "fun to do" things we offer to our seniors. The

total volunteer hours for 2015 were 9,523. Twenty two of the volunteers averaged 483 hours per month and four had an average of 100plus hours per month. Great work and we thank you each and every one for all your help in advancing the RB Senior Center....

HOSTESS ON DUTY

June Ervin

We have a new hostess during lunch. Phyllis Stroble is now here at the desk to help folks as they arrive and sign in. In addition, she is assisting those who would like a bit of help in ordering their lunch and bringing it to them where they have selected to sit. Many of our seniors find this very helpful, when it is no longer necessary to carry hot soup or beverages from the kitchen to where ever they are playing cards or bingo. No more waiting in line to order.....she does that for you, too, and will even fill out your order if you wish. The kitchen staff has found it speeds up the service for everyone when there is a real rush all at once. THANK YOU, PHYLLIS

While we are talking about hostesses, I also need to thank the other ladies who faithfully sit at the front desk each day to welcome folks arriving. Many are visitors for the first time and have a multitude of questions. These ladies also help with filling out membership applications and direct them to the proper person to complete the process. One of our goals is to have a person at the desk any time the center is open. PLEASE CONSIDER VOLUNTEERING A FEW HOURS EACH WEEK. Men, you are also welcome to lend a hand, helping the ladies.

SPRING CLEANING SALE

June Ervin

We are about to clear out more of our “treasures” (sometimes referred to as junk) cluttering up much of our storage space. This area will soon become part of our useable Senior Center, adding much needed meeting room, dining area, and general expansion space. It will need to be available when the time comes to begin moving our walls. So, we will have our next “yard sale” even though it will be inside, not in the yard, on Saturday, March 12th from 9am to 4 pm. Mark your “to do” list to include visiting the Senior Center that day to find something you just can’t live without. We still need more help to put this BIG event together. It will be a major fund raiser, so please consider contacting one of the board members to see what you can do to help. We will be assisted by the members of South East Roseburg Voices in Community Enhancement (SERVICE) with our sale. This is the same group who helped with the yard sale last year and also the Halloween Party.

Thank you, SERVICE, for helping again as we extend our outreach here in this neighborhood.

Plan to have lunch while you are browsing our books, household goods, kitchen items and fixtures, lots of doors, building supplies including sinks, 8X8 plastic floor squares, light fixtures, room dividers, a furnace. Also a 50” projection type TV, two folding tables, crescent shaped and straight sided and 2 folding tables with carry handles. Many other items not listed. Come and

see for yourself; have a hotdog for \$1.50, chilidog for \$2 (or a bowl of chili), our always available \$0.25 coffee and soft drinks in the machines. SEE YOU THERE!

CRIBBAGE

Brad Crenshaw

Cribbage is growing; we have 8 to 12 players on Thursday afternoons at 1 PM. We are playing two player and 4 player partnership. Come in and join us.

PINOCHLE

Brad Crenshaw

Pinochle is going strong; we are averaging 20 to 24 players each week. Cost is \$1; we play 5 games, 4 hands per game. Top 3 total scores win, 1st place - \$3, 2nd place - \$2, 3rd place - \$1.

Pinochle gave the Center over \$100 toward the purchase of the building over the last 2 months. Let's keep it up so we can buy this building.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Linda Cornett is on a leave of absence as of this writing, but a few of the things you can look forward to in the near future will be:

A Senior Day Fair in April or May

Maybe a pool tournament with the proceeds going to recover the tables

What about a CPR training class? Would you like to take one.....talk to Tim.

Quilt Show at Fair Grounds April 22-24th. Get in FREE a half hour early (9:30AM) on opening day if you show your RB Senior Center membership card. Stay all day, if you wish!
Linda will be back for the next issue with her regular report.