

# Newsletter September 2014



## **FROM YOUR PRESIDENT TIM ROGERS:**

Members; there has been a great strain on your board of directors over these past months and I am proud that they all stood up and carried the load. Because of that, we now have a new location to move to before December 31, 2014, better known as New Year's Eve.

By a vote of 5 to 1 the membership has chosen once again **CHINS**. During the coming weeks we will finalize the paperwork and start the small amount of work that allows us to move in. We should start looking forward to having a party for New Year's Eve.

Friday was also our annual meeting and elections. We had a healthy amount of people running for positions on the board thanks to the efforts of the nominating committee. Lisa Schrader and Valeria Ashcraft were reelected, Linda Sheridan moved to Treasurer. Our newest board member is Peggy Mark.

We now have a future and we all need to plan for it.

## **BUILDING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN ,TREVA ANDERSON, REPORTS:**

The Building Committee is so happy to report that we have a new home to move to. Again, we thank DOUGLAS COUNTY for all their years of support and look forward to continuing to work with them.

The City and County has pledged to help us with obtaining small grants.

NOW IS THE TIME WE NEED TO HAVE THE MEMBERSHIP'S SUPPORT, by volunteering to help us get the building ready to occupy. We could also use any donations to help us pay our way. We have two years to purchase the building, so we need to prove that we can support it. The money we already have will enable us to make a down payment. Thank you for your on-going support

BITS & PIECES TO CATCH YOU UP

Trudy has this to say about the membership committee:

It is my sincere hope that we can grow our membership when we move to our new building. It is with much gratitude that I say "thank you" to all of you who have remained members through the years, as we struggled with parking and a small space. You are truly heroes in my eyes.

Let us hope, along with Trudy, that her dream of a large, active, contributing, membership does come true as we move into our new facility.

HELP!

Notes from the Kitchen, Doris Loveday:

We are losing our cookie maker the first of September. Kay has gone back to work and can no longer do the cookie baking that we have been enjoying for the last year. Good luck Kay in your new endeavors. We are going to miss you.

Wednesday's kitchen is in desperate need of a new cook. Carol has tendered her resignation due to ill health. For the time being I will be taking up the apron along with doing Tuesday, but this is not something I can do as a permanent position. Our Senior Center is changing and positions are shifting. We are growing and we need more volunteers. Thank you, Carol. Your help while I have been recuperation from my surgery is greatly appreciated. You can lay down your apron with pride. You have done your part for over three years now and deserve to take it easy and get your health back under control.

A big "thank you" needs to be served up to Larry. He has stepped up and took over to carry a heavy load as a new member to the Senior Center. He and Margaret have done an exceptional job of building up the customer base for the 50+ Cafe. Larry has to slow down now due to health problems. The heart is working just fine, but the feet are shot and that is the most important body part for a cook. Get well soon Larry. We need you.

I have been trying to learn the bookkeeping job that has been expertly handled by Bill Crenshaw for the last seven years. He has done an excellent job and has been responsible for our financial growth, but like all of us, HE IS TIRED and wants to enjoy some of his retirement while he can, like all of us want to do.

So here is my request, you knew it was coming, huh? This is a non-profit volunteer program. What does that mean? It means that we get up in the morning and stagger down to the center, we are doing it because we want to do it, because it is a cause we believe in. We want to see all your happy faces as

you come in the door whether it's to play bingo or cards or even just to come have lunch. But.. it can't be done by one or two people. It's your center. What can you do to help?

If we don't have volunteers to help we will not succeed and eventually will have to close our doors because we don't have the money to pay a staff to do all that the current volunteers do to keep the Center going. We need your help and we need it now. Many of you have done your part over the years, but we have many who are just starting your "retirement" years. All we ask is just one day a week or one day a month. Many hands make the job easier.

Bottom line... The Senior Center needs your help.

### COOKIES, COOKIES, COOKIES

Since Doris wrote her Kitchen Notes with a plea for help, we now have a new cookie baking crew on board. Our new baker is Ray Ashcraft with helpers Katie Scarantino, her spouse Tony, and Carol Jahnke. I guess Carol just couldn't bring herself to completely abandon our kitchen.

We are now assured of a continuing supply of cookies, even though Kay has resigned, to return to working full time. Many THANKS to Kay for all the wonderful treats you have provided for the past several months. Our new crew has big shoes to fill, but I bet they are up to the challenge.

Brad Crenshaw, Pinochle chairman, has announced that the charge to play was increased in July by fifty cents, to \$1.00. Since that time their group has been able to contribute nearly twice as much to the building fund. For five weeks, it totaled nearly \$80. Their previous donation was only forty dollars for a like period of time. WAY TO GO, Pinochle players!

### BINGO REPORT

Monday: Penny Bingo

Donna Bursik, Chair, reports it is doing well

Wednesday:

Val Ashcraft, Chair, We are building it up and we are doing well"

Friday:

Co-chairs Lisa Schrader & Val Ashcraft say, "We are growing and doing well"

WE WOULD HOPE THAT YOU WOULD COME AND ENJOY ANY OF OUR BINGO'S

Bingo Supervisor is Lisa Schrader. Please call her for any questions or comments at: 541-957-1428 or 541-643-8883

### ITEMS OF INTEREST

According to a flyer circulating about, the Tuesday Serenity Sisters AA group will be meeting at a place other than the Roseburg Senior Center beginning this month.

The Red Hot Hattitudes have been meeting at Linus Oaks for the past several months; Mondays @ 7:00 PM.

WOOD CARVERS COMMITTEE CHAIR, WILL HOOPER, HAS THIS TO REPORT

We have an average of 7 to 10 members meeting on Tuesdays and 10 to 14 folks on Wednesdays. Our president, Jim Lemery, has had a second serious episode, but he is recovering nicely with in-home rehab. He remains in very good spirits.

Since the summer vacation period is in full bloom, our membership is a bit down, but that will recover and even expand, based on new outside interest.

Let us hope that Will is correct, with a new, larger building for our SENIOR CENTER groups to meet and grow.

FIR GROVE SCHOOL COMMITTEE CHAIR, KATY SCARANTINO STATES:

The school year has started and because of your generosity, we have not only given school supplies but we have been able to purchase another LCD PROJECTOR for the school (This makes 2 in two years) Every time I make a delivery I am greeted with smiles and "thank you" from the office and teaching staff. I am passing this along to you:

"THANK YOU FOR WHAT YOU HAVE GIVEN, WE WILL ALWAYS BE GRATEFULL TO ALL OF YOU FOR YOUR THOUGHTFULNESS AND CONSIDERATION".

Mona Lee Wilson has provided the following schedule for our information:

MONDAY: Steps for Sobriety AA group will move to Westside Christian Church.

TUESDAY: Serenity Sisters AA group

THURSDAY: Mt. Nebo AA group are both now meeting at Faith Lutheran Church.

WEDNESDAY: Red Hot Hattitudes now meet at Linus Oaks.

SATURDAY: Red Roses of Burg now meet at Oakland City Hall

ROSEBURG SENIOR CENTER'S SECOND ANNUAL HOLIDAY BAZAAR & BAKE SALE

Please join us on Saturday November 8 @ 10AM to 4PM and

Sunday November 9 @11AM to 3PM

Our annual Holiday Bazaar. Lunch will be available from 11AM to 2PM each day.

Soup is \$1.50, Sandwiches are \$3.00 and a combo of both for \$4.00

Local vendors, including our Seniors will be selling their hand made, crafted items.

Do your holiday shopping for someone special or treat yourself. We offer gift wrapping, for a donation, to save you time.

Come by to see what we have on display, enjoy yourself, and have some fun! There will be door prizes; maybe you will be a lucky winner.

THIS IS A FUND RAISER FOR THE NEW ROSEBURG CENTER!!!!

Linda Cornett will be happy to answer any questions, 541-673-9066.

#### YOUR NEWSLETTER EDITOR'S COMMENT

When our President, Tim, asked me to take over the newsletter at last month's Board meeting, I did agree to give it a try. Admitting that I have very limited computer experience, I know that I have much to learn. This "bare bones" copy is an effort to keep you all informed in a timely manner as we have such a lot going on here at the Senior Center, at this time. It is my hope that future issues will look a lot more like the newsletter you are all accustomed to finding in your mailbox.

If any of you have an item you wish to have published, please leave it in my box in the office (currently to the left of the door as you enter the building). I will keep you informed how to reach me after we move.

Respectfully, June Ervin