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Newsletter

Semi-Annual Rummage Sale October 7 - 8 9 am - 4 pm

Greetings, Members!

New Officers and Directors were presented at the August 17th Membership Meeting. Sworn into office were as follows: President Laurene Brousseau, Vice-President Renata Pilotto, Treasurer to be appointed, Secretary Kate Bayne, and Office Manager Irene Johnson. Directors serving a two-year term are Alta Gardner and Rick Saul. Directors serving a one-year term are Roger Corrado and Dick McCullen.

Due to miscommunication during the announcement of the new Directors, I would like to extend a personal apology to Julie Amen, and Yvonne Corzillus for the confusion.

A big thank you to the Ballot Counting Committee, Arturo Guillen, Charlie Musgrave and Joan Massey, and to Dan Schie for officiating the Oath of Office.

We welcomed approximately fifty members to enjoy cake and refreshment celebrating the Center's twenty-year anniversary of our building.

Scheduled in September are AARP Drivers Education Classes on Tuesday September 13 and Thursday September 15. Call the Business Office to reserve your space in the class. Class will be limited to 24 folks. Additional classes are scheduled for October 11 and 13, November 15 and 17, and December 13 and 15. All classes are 9 AM to 12 noon. Costs are \$20 for AARP members, \$25 for non-AARP members. Bring your drivers license and AARP membership card. Payment is due at time of classes to AARP. Participants are asked to not attend if COVID symptoms are present or you have recently tested positive. You may wear a mask.

October events include the Fall Rummage & Book sale on October 7 and 8 from 9 AM to 4 PM. We have lots of furniture, household goods, tools, appliances, sporting goods, clothing for the family, books, puzzles, CD's, DVD's, VHS, jewelry, and Gift Shop articles. Volunteers are needed to help at the sale.

Also in October is the Fall Craft Fair Friday, October 21 and Saturday October 22 from 10 AM to 4 PM. There are 1 table left to rent at \$20/table/day for members, \$30/table/day for nonmembers. Lunch will be available on Saturday from Soup R Meals. Chef Todd will provide a la carte selection. Inquires to Laurene Brousseau at 503-588-0748 for table reservation. Proceeds from table rentals help support South Salem Seniors' operating expenses.

Board Meetings and Membership Meetings will resume with the following schedule:

Finance Committee: Wednesdays 9/14; 10/5; 11/9; 12/7 at 10 AM.

BOD Planning & Work Session for 2022-23: Tuesday 9/13 at 1 PM.

BOD Meetings: Tuesdays 9/20; 10/11; 11/15; 12/13 at 1 PM.

Membership Meetings: Wednesdays 9/21; 10/12; 11/16; 12/14 at 1 PM refreshments. Members, please provide input via e-mail to <u>SSSCOffice@comcast.net</u> or call (or stop by) the Business Office for inclusion in the Agenda. Members may come to any session.

Cordially, Laurene Brousseau, President.





Celebrating the 20th year at Fairway Building

We held a reception at the August 17, 2022 Membership Meeting to honor our 20th year Anniversary for the South Salem Seniors at 6450 Fairway Avenue. Four of our members won the raffle drawing and received beautiful baskets. Congratulation to the winners are Marcella Tonga, Betty Trevena, Louise Meyers, Sharon Latshaw and Beth Cook. About fifty members attended and enjoyed refreshments of the anniversary cake, cookies, iced lemonade and coffee. A big thanks to Renata Pilotto and Kaye Bayne for assisting with the beverages, refreshments and gift baskets. Cake and cookies purchased from Costco.







Crafters News !

The Monday Crafting Group spends a lot of time on the first Monday of the month allocating their finished products to various places, such as Hospice, Senior Care Facilities, Operation School Bell, Liberty House and the homeless. As various projects are completed, they are stored in bins at the center. One of our newer members was astounded to see what had been finished during one month. Of course there are lots of afghans, lap quilts, shawls, scarves, hats, and mittens, but this month we had lots of ani-mals, as shown in the picture, and fidget quilts. The animals were taken to Liberty House, where the children were able to select one to take home. It was reported that the gnomes were a big hit.



Garden News !

The Garden Group meets the third Tuesday of each month at noon at the Senior Center. You may bring your lunch or pick up a free one in the driveway at the front of the building at noon. Bring pictures or other gardening information you would like to share. It is hot but ideal weather for weed growing. There was a garden gathering at Meg Olson's in August attended by about 7 of our members. The food was reported to be delicious. Questions? Call Barbara Castle at 503-375-7723.

Nifty Thrifty Rummage Room

Last month we were saying "Happy Summer" and now it is September with "Fall" just around the corner. Before you know it, we'll be working hard getting ready for our **big sale the first weekend in October**. Another announcement from "our gang": Ramona Peck is leaving Oregon and moving to Texas to be with family. For years she has been our dependable, "go to gal" for extra hours, tough decisions and fix-ituppers. While we all wish her well, she will be sorely missed.

We continue to get many contributions of lovely furniture, clothing and every type of household goods. Please remember our rooms are open to the public, as well as members, so help spread the word wherever you go.

Our thanks to all of you! Nifty Thrifty Gang

Volunteers Needed !!

If you have read our past newsletters, you know that our Center is run by volunteers. As with any organization, volunteers come and go but are the heart blood of our operations. So, we are in need of a volunteers to fill a very important jobs. If you are interested in volunteering please contact the center front desk at 503-588-0748

Gíft Shop

Explore and shop at the Gift Shop for collectables dolls, crystal glass, pottery, this and that.

Greeting cards are still \$.25 each. Watches and jewelry start at \$2!

What a bargain!

Marion-Polk Food Share and Meals on Wheels Lunch Pick-Up

The lunch program will continue with 'Grab and Go' meals that may be picked up in the parking lot from noon until about 12:30 PM. Per Scott Harper, from Marion Polk Food Share in our meeting on August 8 stated that in-house meals will be announced later. Scott will provide advanced notice when future changes are made.

Volunteer Opportunities and Committees Participation Sought

As South Salem Seniors moves to longer operating hours after Labor Day (9 AM to 4 PM Monday through Friday), we continue to look for additional activities that members are interested in. This goes hand in hand with having volunteers to support those activities.

Currently the following are:

Art Group Bingo Breakfast: manage the Dining Room, Kitchen Food Preparation & Cooking, Cleanup Building and Yard Maintenance Computer Classes or Other subject classes Games Garden Club Library Lunches (once Marion/Polk Food Share brings meals in-house) Needlecraft, Quilting, etc. Newsletter, Advertising Contributions, Folding and Mailing Nifty Thrifty, Staffing AM & PM Pickups/Delivery, Advertising Room Rentals Singles Club Scrapbooking & Display Calendar

Support will also be needed for ad-hoc building maintenance, work crews to clean cabinet contents in the dining room, kitchen and other areas not in use while operations were suspended. Please contact the Business Office if you are interested in volunteering. Your help is much appreciated.

We will begin summarizing volunteer hours beginning September 2022. Volunteers, please pick up your volunteer hours sheet and submit to the Business Office at the end of each month. This allows us to quantify the value of your volunteer contribution for in our year-end reports.

Membership Records

Many have wondered about changes occurring with the membership records. Recently we have been able to bring membership records current using QuickBooks. Over 4,000 records of past members accumulated in the ledger files were reviewed. Five hundred fifty members files have been verified as currently active. And membership is growing weekly. We will also now be able to use the data to easily generate address labels, election ballots, direct mailings, etc. The benefit of correlating the membership and financial record ensures accuracy and validation of membership standing. Your renewal date will be now be printed on your newsletter address label.

Would you like to write an article for the newsletter? Have something to share? Drop your article off at the front office or email it to arturojg@comcast.net Deadline for submissions is **September 13** for the **October** newsletter.

Front Office Staffing Facilitates Longer Hours

Thanks to the good work of Office Manager Irene Johnson and increasing volunteer interest, the front desk will switch to two shifts per day effective Tuesday September 6, 2022. allowing Center hours to expand to 9AM to 4 PM Monday through Friday. Thanks to carryover staff Irene Johnson, Kate Bavne, Linda Jones, Nancy Grabow, Sharon Latshaw, Dolly Allen, Susan Meithof, Pattie Norris, Mary Reiman and Marilyn Loppnow and a hearty welcome to new volunteers: Diane Gregory, Val Guerrazzi, Beth Cook, Rhonda Coppin, Jeri Aunspaugh, Barbara Hamilton, Karen Koos, Jayne Jergentz, Joan Massey, Marion Macry and Dorothy Emerson. Members are encouraged to stop by and meet the new folks.

Center Welcomes New Members

Following are the names of new members effective July 11th through August16th. Welcome David and Sharon Whitney, Sharon Elroy, Connie Doherty, David and Elaine Luth, Gay Federico, Susan Levy, Rianah Rhone-Stephens, Margaret Smith, Elizabeth Cook, Dick and Joy Hayes, Virginia Ferguson, Donna Boge, Ray and Sally Brasswell, Jennifer Gallagher, Aaron Smith, Lisa Dunn, Lois Dunn, Irene Schweigert, Shirley Hardwick, John and Stephanie Masciocchi, Tricia Barnes, Halen Matthews and Mary Ann Ellis.



We appreciate your Donations

Board Meeting 9/20/22 1:00 PM Membership Meeting 9/21/22 1:00 PM

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Breakfast will resume Soon !!

Join us for pancakes or homemade Biscuits and gravy. Served with eggs, Sausage or ham, orange juice, Coffee or tea