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South Salem Seniors Inc. Newsletter

Dear Members,

I hope your holidays were full of fun and joy.

Our apologies for having to cancel the December Pancake Breakfast. With great sadness we learned that Chef Todd Wieweck is closing his business. We will be missing his wonderful meals and contributions throughout the past years. We will be working with our hearty group of breakfast volunteers to continue this well-loved event. Stay tuned for more information.

Coming soon! Scheduling appointments for the AARP Tax program will be booked with the Business Office staff beginning January 9, 2023. Appointment dates are scheduled from January 31 through April 6, 2023.

The AARP Drivers Education classes scheduled for 2023 is listed inside. Classes allow for up to 24 per session. Sessions are a two-day event on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

There is still room for participants to sign up for the free "Promoting Healthy Aging" sessions beginning January 4, 2023. This five-week session is held from 10 to 11:30 am on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Two new activities to look into: Wood carving taught by Ann Engleson and Art at the Center, taught by Terry Winkler. See inside for more details.

For those interested in quilting, we have several totes of quilting materials in the Craft Room that need attention. These totes contain projects in various stages. The materials were donated some time ago by a local quilting group. Members interested in continuing the projects or creating a quilting class, please contact the Business Office.

Note that we will be closed January 16, 2023 for MLK holiday. The following day, January 17, the elves will take down the holiday decorations and store for another year.

Julie Wittenberg, a new member, has volunteered to be our Travel Director. She will begin with day trips. So members, if you have some ideas on interesting day trip destinations, please leave a message for her at the Business Office. We are hoping to begin travel this coming Spring/Summer.

See inside to check out our list of furniture and tools for close out sale at 50% off. After consultation with various members and the Board it was determined that we will longer be accepting donations of large furniture. This decision was made based upon the safety of our pick-up and delivery crew and availability of space in the building as we continue to add new activities. Please consider other charitable organizations for your furniture donations. If you have questions regarding a donation, please contact the Business Office.

Cordially, Laurene Brousseau, President

# Ever Wanted to Try Your Hand at Woodcarving?

At the December Board meeting Director Roger Corrado introduced Ann Engleson, a member of the Capitol Wood Carvers, who is offering to teach a beginner class in the techniques of wood carving. She brought with her a box of delightful items including a variety of Christmas ornaments (carved and then painted), small utensils (decorative spoons, small bowls) and other winsome creations. Ann will initially provide carving tools and wood at no charge. Date and time will be determined by the availability to participate of those interested. Contact the Office to sign up. Kate Bayne



#### Members Celebrate the Coming Holidays

Folks attending the December Member meeting enjoyed a gift exchange and time to visit with friends over coffee (or eggnog) and a variety of delectable cookies. It was a small but jolly gathering. Winner of the raffle basket was Marcella Tonga. Kate Bayne



### Art at the Center

Pictured above are students of SSS member and artist Terry Winkler's

art class which meets Thursday afternoons from 1-2:30 p.m. in the Craft room. Basic instruction is in acrylics but already, members have indicated interest in other mediums (oil, watercolor and sketching}. Who knows where this might lead but clearly, those attending are enjoying the class and the opportunity to meet new friends. Currently there is one space open. Contact the Office to sign up. Kate Bayne



### Calling All Canasta Players!

Member Marlene Couser reports that anyone interested in a Canasta game is encouraged to join the group that meets every Thursday from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the Card room. Whether you play basic, Ponytail or any of the myriad Canasta versions, come join this friendly group. Marlene says there are plenty of tables and all are welcome. Contact her at 503-602-0672 or drop by or call the front desk to sign up. Note that the sign-up list is headed **Hand And Foot.** Kate Bayne



#### **Current Weekly Activities**

Mondays	Needle Crafts	12:00 pm - 2:pm	
Tuesdays	Bridge	11:00 am - 3:00 pm	
"	China Painting/Arts/Painting	10:00 am - 12:00 pm	
Wednesdays	Life Story/Writers' Group	10:00 am - 12:00 pm	
-	Rummikub	12:30 pm - 2:30 pm	
Thursdays	Hand & Foot Card Game	10:00 am - 3:00 pm	
"	Scrabble	11:00 am - 3:00 pm	Pa
	Painting	1:00 pm - 2:30 pm	Su
"	Singing Group	2:00 pm - 3:30 pm	
Fridays	Mexican Train	10:00 am - 3:00 pm	
"	Double Deck Pinochle	12:00 am - 3:30 pm	of
Mon-Fri	Pool playing	10:00 am - 2:00 pm	we
3rd Tues	Garden Club	12:00 noon	
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### Happy and Healthy New Year From the Gift Shop !

Thank you members for your Patronage and continuous Support.

Come see us for new inventory of collectibles and other treasures and weekly discounts.

Hope to see you soon! Renata

#### Crafters News !

The Crafters' group meets every Monday from noon to 2:00 unless there's a holiday. Then we meet on Wednesday.

On the first Monday of the month, the storage bins are emptied and the items are apportioned to the various charities: 2 hospices, a nursing home for dementia patients, Operation School Bell, a birthing center, and Liberty House. For the month of December there were 5 animals, 1 fidget quilt, 36 blankets, 3 baby sweater sets, 12 baby hats, 4 baby blankets, 6 shawls, 20 scarves, 40 hats, and 6 fingerless mittens.

That was for just 1 month!!! Incredible!

Being curious about how many items are donated by just one person, I asked if anyone had kept track of what they had donated, our two chairwomen Betty and Linda had. Betty has donated 74 lap robes, 6 fidget quilts, 25 hats and 20 scarves. Linda has donated 40 hats, 32 sets of wrist warmers, and 61 hospice throws. Amazing!!! Now we know why they are the heads of our group!

The rest of us donate items, but most of us don't keep track.

Our group consists of 15 —20 regular attendees and there is room for more! Just drop in on a Monday and join in on the fun. We have yarn, needles, hooks, and books!

Arlene Williams





#### **Garden News!**

Our December meeting will begin, and end at the 13<sup>th</sup> St Garden store. The gentleman there sounded so welcoming; he said there is a table, plus 4 chairs in a corner, near the entry where we can sit, bring folding chairs, if you can. He said they will have coffee, donuts for us. I'm feeling better about our gatherings, Getting speakers set up, really helps. Now, thinking about the January meeting, ideas are always welcome, put on your thinking caps, let me know if you have an idea I can pursue for us to enjoy and learn from.

At the November meeting we had new faces to join us, always a happy event, hoping we can keep this up. Has anyone visited Pembertons on 13<sup>th</sup> Street? It has been on my list for a long time. It may be a florist shop, with interesting, enticing items visible as we drive by, so let's find out. I'll phone them, ask what their specialty is, then perhaps we'll visit there in January. We'll need to reestablish our phone tree, so we can phone our members when the newsletter is Mailed before I have all the facts for the upcoming meeting. Please feel free to call me, if you are uncertain about our meeting location at 503-375-7723, the evening before our meeting.

Until spring, all we can do is dream about gardens to be, look at seed catalogs. If you have any catalogs to share, please bring to our Senior Center; tell the front desk folks what you are bringing, for the upcoming Garden Meeting. If in a bag, labeled with my name, that should help in getting them to me.

Please stay warm and safe until our next meeting date, third Tuesday, 12:30 each month. Sincerely, Barbara Castle

	AARP Drivers Education:
Please welcome new members as of December 20, 2022 Julie Wittenberg Kyla Tincher Patricia Brown Dorothy Christensen Michelle Prather Martin Prather Carol Castleberry Janice Dillon Anna Lee Carri Reed Michi Kohlhoff Crystal Wright	2023 Tuesdays & Wednesdays         Jan       10 & 11       Meeting Room       8:45—12:15         Feb       14 & 15       Bingo Room       8:45—12:15         Mar       14 & 15       Bingo Room       8:45—12:15         Apr       11 & 12       Bingo Room       8:45—12:15         May       9 & 10       Meeting Room       8:45—12:15         Jun       13 & 14       Meeting Room       8:45—12:15         Jul       11 & 12       Meeting Room       8:45—12:15         Aug       8 & 9       Meeting Room       8:45—12:15         Sep       12 & 13       Meeting Room       8:45—12:15         Oct       10 & 11       Meeting Room       8:45—12:15         Nov       14 & 15       Meeting Room       8:45—12:15         Dec       12 & 13       Meeting Room       8:45—12:15
Donation Acknowledgements: Tribute for Dianne Windsor by Donnie Brearley Betty Jo Kostenborder Ed and Marilyn Northcutt	Please call the Business Office 503-588-0748 for scheduling your class time and additional infor- mation.
To Chocolate & Peanut Butter Lovers No Bake Cookies 2 cups Sugar ½ cup Milk	In Memorium Shirley Behnke
<ul> <li><sup>1/2</sup> cup Butter</li> <li><sup>1/2</sup> 1/2 - 3 cups Quick Oats</li> <li>6 Tablespoons Cocoa</li> <li><sup>1/2</sup> cup Peanut Butter</li> </ul>	Marion Polk Food Share Lunch Pick Up 12:00 to 12:30 pm

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 **January 13** for the **February** newsletter.

The following furniture and tools are available first come first served. \$1000 Pride Go Chair with new batteries & good charger Almost new (not discounted) Nifty Thrifty-Sale of the following Furniture and tools at 50% off the following pricing to Close out: Tools-various tools, too many to list US General Tool Cabinet \$150 Health O Meter Bath Scale (upright) 10 \$ Twin Bunk Bed frame \$ 75 Proform Treadmill \$ 250 Day Sofa (red print) \$ 80 Maple Coffee Table w/2 matching end tables \$150 Glass top end table 30 \$ Coffee Table \$ 10 Arm Chair \$ 100 End Table \$ 25 Record player/radio in wood cabinet (vintage) \$150 Honeywell Air purifier 50 \$ Maple End Table (round) \$ 30 Book case \$ 30 Book case \$ -5 Bed Headboard \$ 20 \$ 150 Hutch Loveseat \$ 60 Office Chair \$ 75 Letter 4 drawer file cabinet (HON) \$ 25 Legal 2 drawer file cabinet \$ 20 Many lamps Many pictures



Shop to you Drop, Business Hours 9-4

Nifty Thrifty for house wares, clothing and small appliances open 10 am to 2 pm.

Library has lots of books, DVD/s, and puzzles to browse through.

## Membership Meeting 1/11/23 1:00 PM

Board Meeting 1/10/23 1:00 PM

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# Breakfast on hold until we get a Kitchen Supervisor.

Join us for pancakes or homemade biscuits and gravy. Served with eggs, sausage or ham, orange juice, coffee or tea