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Friends of McMinnville Senior Center



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## CHATS FROM THE CHAIR

Hello everyone! Fall is in the air with these chilly nights we've been having and we have a lot of things to share with you! First we had a very successful second Ice Cream Social with somewhere in the neighborhood of 60 folks that enjoyed a cold treat on a hot day as well as the musical talent of Johnny Williams. What a treat!

Come by the kitchen at the Center and take a peek at the new side by side refrigerator and commercial freezer that you all helped purchase. With the success of the Wortman Park Café and the growing services of the Meals on Wheels program, the current appliances were very inadequate. Thanks to Ann and Erin, the old appliances were sold quickly and FMSC were given the profits of those sales...\$1125 went back into the bank. They also sold the pool table and we were given those proceeds as well. Another \$300 to add to our coffers.

The new Café Raffle is a great success! If you haven't heard, the Friends are selling raffle tickets for \$5 that gives you a chance of winning a punch card good for 5 Wortman Park Café lunches! We are only selling a maximum of 60 tickets per month and have decided to draw two winners each month. Our first two winners were drawn on August 25<sup>th</sup> and they were Paul Christianson and Dennis Parr. Congratulations guys! If you've eaten at the Café you already know how great the food is and now a chance to win 5 free lunches! What a deal! All proceeds go to FMSC.

Another new program we are implementing this Fall is the Tuition Give-a-Way! If you sign up for a class that is taught here at the Center and are a member in good standing (dues paid), you can enter your name into a drawing to win back your tuition! One winner per quarter will be drawn and it costs nothing to enter. Just another way of giving back to our members.



Full Members Meeting is scheduled for October 12<sup>th</sup> between 3-5 pm. I hope you can make it as we have some important matters to discuss and we will be sharing the results of the survey that was sent out in

September. Let's have a great turnout!

The staff at the front counter will no longer be signing you up for FMSC events or collecting monies for Friends functions. By the puzzle table in the lobby, you will find a stand up desk and drop box. Sign up sheets will be provided for you to fill out as to the event you are interested in. Put your money (if applicable) in the provided envelope with your name and event on the outside and drop it into the drop box. It might take a little getting used to but we can be flexible! We might have to tweak it a bit and your input is always welcome.

That's all for now. I leave you with, "An election is a moral horror, as bad as a battle except for the blood; a mud bath for every soul concerned in it." – George Bernard Shaw

Karen

## **MORE NEWS**

Check out the Friends Kiosk in the main lobby! What you will find is a table and new drop box mounted to the wall with sign up sheets, pens, envelopes, suggestion forms etc. to be used by the Friends when you sign up for an event. This is something new! As stated in Karen's Chat above, the front desk staff will no longer be signing folks up or taking monies from those signing up for Friend's events. Staff will be glad to help you if you have a question. The drop box front will advertise the latest upcoming event and a notebook with sign up sheets will be provided.

A slight change to last month's announcement of the tuition gift certificate program. Instead of a gift certificate, when you sign up for a class taught here at the Center, are a member of the Friends in good standing (dues paid), you can fill out an entry form at the Kiosk to have a chance to win back your tuition! We will draw once a quarter from the entries received.

This year's scholarship winner, Shaylyn Bristow, has registered for her classes at OSU and her check was sent directly to her student account. Let's hope she does well.

Be watching the bulletin board in the dining room for some "redecorating" and Friends news and event postings!

## **FUTURE EVENTS**

The wine tasting event which was previously scheduled for September will be October 14 from five to seven. Tasteful appetizers will be available and a variety of wines. Tentatively the tastings will be \$5 for members, \$7 for non-members and for those non-drinkers and designated drivers \$2. Please preregister by October 11th.

There will be a general membership meeting on Wednesday, October 12th from 3-5 pm in the dining room of the senior center to discuss the results of the survey, upcoming elections and any other issues brought up by the members. Please try and come.

The next board meeting will be October 7th at 11 am.