

DECEMBER

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Friends of McMinnville Senior Center



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Karen Ostrand

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LaVerne Rickard

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Chats from the Chair

Hello everyone! Well, the election is over and it is what it is. The sun came up this morning and we'll just keep on keeping on.

We held an all membership meeting on October 19th and the turnout was quite small. We discussed the outcome of the member surveys we had sent out in September and the following was voted on:

1. The Friends will continue with an annual scholarship to a graduating senior of McMinnville High School.
2. Membership dues will remain \$15 for individuals and will rise to \$20 for households.

The Thanksgiving dinner will be held on Saturday the 19th. Tickets are \$8 per person and can be bought at the Friends Kiosk desk in the lobby. We are limited to 90 tickets so get yours soon. One ticket for each person so if you are a couple, please fill out two tickets.

As a reminder for all you folks that might have a First Federal bank account, First Federal will begin their "Customer Ballot" program in January running thru February. This program gives away cash to your favorite non-profit and all you have to do is nominate one. We are asking all seniors to write in the Friends of McMinnville Senior Center on your ballots. We only need 10 nominations to be eligible for cash and last year we received

only 1 vote. Tell your friends and neighbors to join in and support us!

We have three more handmade quilts to raffle off between now and December 14th. They are on display in the dining room and tickets for them are at the Kiosk. One dollar per entry. Good luck!



The Café lunch raffle is still going strong and October's winners were Thelma Otto and Lizann Burch. Congratulations to both of you. We are still waiting to hear about the grant request we put in for last summer. Announcements should be made this month but not sure when. Keep your fingers crossed.

Elections will be held before the end of the year. We still need someone to run for treasurer as we are losing our current one at the end of the year. So far, the chair, vice chair and secretary are all running unopposed. Please let me or anyone else on the board know if you are interested in running for a position.

Til next time....keep your chin up, slap a smile on your face and keep reaching for the stars!
Karen

MORE NEWS

If you have interest in the Friends and/or have time on your hands, we are looking for board members and continue to search for a bingo caller. No experience is necessary. Training is available.

The pancake breakfast free to all paid up members is on Saturday, January 21, 2017. To sign up and to get the details check the Friend's kiosk in the lobby of the Senior Center beginning in December. Reservations must be made in advance and dues must be paid before you eat.

The Friends are giving Christmas bags of goodies to the folks receiving home delivered meals. If you are interested in helping with this project, or in donating items to go in the bags, contact Karen Ostrand. We are anticipating preparing 100 bags.

It's time to pay your dues for 2017. Below is a form you can mail or turn in at the Friend's kiosk in the center lobby.

2017 FMSC MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAME(S) _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP _____

PHONE #1 _____

PHONE #2 _____

Email _____

ANNUAL SINGLE PERSON DUES \$15.00 _____ CHECK # _____ CASH _____

ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD DUES \$20.00 _____ CHECK # _____ CASH _____

DONATION \$ _____

MEMORIAL \$ _____ IN MEMORY OF _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____ DATE _____ THANK YOU!!!!

The board of the Friends of the McMinnville Senior Center wishes all of you a Merry Christmas and looks forward to seeing all of you in the New Year!