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Friends of McMinnville Senior Center



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CHATS FROM THE CHAIR

Hello everyone! I hope you are all enjoying this wonderful summer weather. I will hate to see it go as fall is right around the corner. Your Board has been busy and we have some exciting news to share with you this month.

First, we are getting some new furniture for the lobby. For those of you who have been around a while, you know that the tables and chairs are the original ones from when the doors first opened. They have been cleaned, refinished and repaired numerous times and it's time for replacement. Four new tables and 16 new chairs have been ordered and hopefully will be here by reopening day September 6th. The old tables and chairs will be for sale so if you are interested, let Anne or Erin know. Proceeds will go to FMSC.

We also have started a monthly raffle for the Wortman Park Cafe. Many of you come to the Cafe on Tuesday and Thursday and know firsthand how delicious the food is and now you can buy a \$5 raffle ticket for the chance to win a punch card good for 5 lunches! Your odds are 1 in 60 as we will only sell 60 tickets per month. We start on the 1st of each month and end on the last day of the month which is when we will draw the lucky winner. If we don't sell all 60 tickets in a given month, we will draw from what we have sold so your odds can be even better! Punch cards are not redeemable for cash and all proceeds will go to FMSC.

The Board also has agreed to purchase a commercial side by side refrigerator for the kitchen. Our finances are quite robust at this time and the Cafe is doing so well, that it became apparent that this appliance was inadequate. We are replacing the original fridge that was donated to the center by the Belleview Club years ago. It still works well but is far too small for the needs of the kitchen. It will also be up for sale soon. If you are interested, contact Anne or Erin and all proceeds from the sale will go to FMSC.



We took it upon ourselves to apply for a grant from the Oregon Community Fund. We have requested

\$15,000 to pay for interior painting and a few other smaller improvements. We will find out in November if our request is successful. Much of the interior has not been painted since it opened and we hope that we can spruce it up both for our patrons as well as prospective renters. Think good thoughts!

We plan to start utilizing the bulletin board in the dining room more. Keep your eyes peeled for new photos, posters, news and information.

That's all for now. I leave you with, "I was down to my undies in the voting booth before I realized it wasn't a changing room!" - Maxine

MORE NEWS

“The friends in Need” project has begun and you will find the application/donation box in the foyer of the Senior Center. Again this program has been set up for anyone who is a member of the Friends in good standing (dues paid). If you have an unexpected expense or need (up to \$100) you can fill out an application form and drop it in the box. The board will review the requests and act on them accordingly.

The friends are having a quarterly drawing from the membership list to provide a \$50.00 gift certificate for any class offered at the senior center. This is another reason to be a member of The Friends of the Senior Center.

A survey will be coming out soon to all members to help us in planning future events. Please take a few minutes to fill it out and return it to us.

FUTURE EVENTS

A wine tasting evening is planned for Friday, September 16, 2016 from five to seven. Tasteful appetizers will be available and a variety of wines, \$5.00 for members and \$7.00 for non-members. For those designated drivers and nondrinkers there will be a \$2.00 charge. Please preregister by September 12, 2016.

The Thanksgiving dinner will be held Saturday, November 19, 2016 at 1:30 PM. More information later.

The next board meeting will be September 9, 2016 at 11:00 AM.

There will be a general membership meeting on Thursday, October 13, 2016 at 1:30 PM in the dining room of the senior center to discuss the results of the survey.