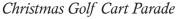


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Santa with Christmas Golf Cart Parade



Red Hat Christmas party



Ugly sweater contestants – Vicki Baker (second from right) won



The Jaci Pinkston Memorial Carolers From The Home Style Hymn Sing Group

What a great time we had riding in the back of the 1929 Woodburn fire truck in the golf cart parade! Special thanks go to Firefighter driver Mark and Korrin at Station 21 for coordinating all the fire truck arrangements and Mark and Kelly Long of Long Brothers for providing the materials for the steps that helped us climb into the back of the truck! The merry carolers included Jim, John, Hugh, Ruth T., Ruth W. and Jeanne.



happy new year

Senior Estates Dance and Social Club

By Bill Coleman, Chairman

Put the cap on 2023 in New York style by planning to attend the Woodburn Estates Dance and Social Club's annual "A New York New Year's Eve!" Sunday, December 31st. We'll sing "Auld Lang Syne" at 9:00 pm west coast time which is Midnight in New York City: hence, A New York New Year's Eve! This gets everyone home early enough to celebrate again as the clock strikes midnight west coast time.

We'll warm up the evening at the aud early with a social time at 6:00 up fast, so pm featuring a broad assortment of hors d'oeuvres and snacks. The live music featuring the rockin'/ a message.

do-wop sounds of Billy and the Rockets kicks in at 6:30.

Your \$20.00 admission gets you into the party, and automatically enters you in the evening's drawing for one of several lovely door prizes, plus a complimentary glass of champagne or sparkling cider at 9:00 pm, Midnight New York time. You'll also have an opportunity to win a big cash prize by participating in the 50/50 raffle.

We're open to the public, so all your friends are welcome to enjoy Oregon's finest dance floor at the auditorium. Space is filling up fast, so better reserve a table for your special group by calling Carla at 503 981 7547 and leaving a message.



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Reports of Officers, Boards and Standing Committees

Year End Committee Reports ~ 2:00 PM Sunday. November 28. 2023

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS -

Ken Bourne:

First, I would like to thank the many members that attended the annual meeting. It was great to see so many folks and listen to your concerns and opinions. The Board members listened, will try very hard to correct our mistakes, and do what is best for the community.

I would also like to congratulate our 3 new Board Members, Connie Johnson, Dorothy Monnier and Andrew Nordby, as they will bring different ideas to the board and will hit the road running.

I would like to tell you about an event that Gloria and I attended on Thanksgiving. We were asked to attend the Thanksgiving feast put on by The Foodies Club in our Auditorium. There were 150 people that came and ate. The Auditorium was decorated in holiday theme and took on the look of a 5-star Restaurant. The smells of the food when you walked in started the taste buds to flow. All of the tables were full, with many faces that were new to many. The Turkey dinner and all the fixings were great.

What made the event so great was the laughter heard around the room, the conversations held with members and nonmembers, with people you may or may not know. Everyone was friendly and very thankful for the event.

This was a great Public Outreach and Marketing event. I heard many people say they cannot wait for the next Foodies event. I would like to publicly thank Kim and The Foodies Club for a great job and making many feel welcome.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Fund Balances as of October 31, 2023 Operating Fund: \$483,827 Reserve Fund: \$578076 Working Capital Fund:..... \$855,769 Accounts Receivable: \$55,758

The Budget Committee met on November 15th to finalize the proposed 2024 Fee Schedule, Capital Working Fund, Reserve Fund, and the Operations Budget. Members Mike Hepburn, Linda Hepburn, managers Debbie Brown, Vince Cantwell, as well as myself.

The review of the October yearto-date financials show we are on track to be in the black 2023. Maintenance and Ground Keeping are still shorthanded which increases the workload of regular and overtime hours for employees.

I would like to give you a short explanation of our 3 funds.

OPERATING FUND: is for day-to-day operations including but not limited to utilities, payroll, taxes and such.

The 30 Year Study tracks all physical assets with an original purchase price of \$1,000 or greater. When an item is purchased that cost more than \$1,000, the information item including name, date of purchase, purchase price and life expectancy, etc.. are entered into the 30-year study. Some items might have a life expectancy of 5 years while others may have a life expectancy of 15 years or more. We use this study to help with the Reserve Budget.

The Reserve Fund tracks which assets are due for scheduled repair or replacement over the course of the next 30 years. The Reserve Fund must have adequate funds to cover the cost of repair or replacement. Careful management of the Reserve Fund assures us there will be sufficient funds to cover costs as needed now and in the future.

Working Capital Fund. When a home in WEG is purchased, there is a Working Capital Fee (WCF) that new buyers pay to become a member. The WCF must first fund the Reserve Fund to cover future costs. The balance remaining can be used for new and non-existing Capital Projects. Recently the Capital Working Fund were invested in the RV Storage units, which will provide additional income to the Operating Fund. End of report.

SECRETARY'S REPORT -

Kim Farquharson

The Secretary would like to thank and commend the election committee for their work with the election of the annual meeting. Their quiet but professional way of handling their duties was very nice. A special call out to the Chairperson, Diana Lindberg for all of her organization, work, and oversight of the process. There were several changes made to the whole process this year, and I have to say that they were very successful and contributed to the smoothness of the whole election. The redesign of the envelope seemed to resolve the issue of people signing in the wrong place as there were only 8 envelopes that did not have signatures on them in comparison to the close to 70 envelopes with issues the last two previous years. This year, there was a stipulation added to Bylaws 5.3-5 'if there was a difference of 15 votes or less between candidates #3 and #4, then an automatic recount shall be done within three days. I wish to make sure all are aware that there were only 14 votes between #3 and #4, and it did trigger the recount. The votes were counted, not once but three times. In the end, all was well done, and I wish to thank all involved. End of Report

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE -

VP Sharyn Cornett

The billiard room is finished and ready for play. Thanks to the many people who made this happen. Pictures and articles will be in the next N&V. Come learn to play with friends. The money collected from guests will be used to get new tips for the cue sticks. If you want to donate for this cause, please put money in the locked box in the room under the sign in sheet. Each new tip costs \$12.

Come to the toy drive this Saturday for Love Santa and the opening of the Christmas Season here at WEG. Entry is an unwrapped toy, you will get door prize tickets. A Christmas painting from the Glatt house will be given away plus some other prizes. Winter paintings will be on display. Enjoy a piece of pie with friends and neighbors and sing some holiday carols. Santa will be there and Elf to take your gift. This is the last official event of this activities group for 2023. Next year will be a whole new group, think about joining and bringing new ideas for our members to enjoy.

RV COMMITTEE –

Director Connie Johnson

The new storage units were delivered and are being assembled as we speak.

GOLF COMMITTEE –

Chair Ken Bourne

Golfing activities this month have only included the brave in heart and spirit as the temperature and the wind have been cold. The few brave souls, all bundled up with extra clothes, stocking caps and golf heaters barely missed a day, and all said it wasn't too bad and can't wait for tomorrow.

HOUSE COMMITTEE –

Director Marilyn Sbardellati

I want to thank everyone who volunteered to perform the winter pruning of the rose garden.

CJ Hansen was out to preventative maintenance on all HVAC units. A gas leak was found in the dining room unit and repaired.

Carpets were cleaned in the restaurant, living room, library and hallway in the west wing. This is the second time this year the restaurant carpets were professionally cleaned by WEG.

Next up will be the pro shop, pool room, and foyers for the office, dining room and auditorium.

The next step in repairing the storm water drainage around the clubhouse is to repair the broken line leading out to the city's storm drain along the property line bordering the east side of the golf course.

work to be done on the pool. The committee made the decision to hold off on the leak detection work until the pool renovation begins. There is some risk whenever excavating near the pool. Doing both jobs simultaneously will reduce the number of times the pool is closed and reduce the risk of damage to the pool to one time period rather than two.

MARKETING/PC COMMITTEE -

Director Sherman Lackey

The Marketing PC Committee discussed the following:

Changes and updating of the Woodburn Estates & Golf website.

Advertising in relation to revenue. Last year Publications had a short fall of \$4582.00 dollars, this year we project News & Views to nearly break even, and Publications to be \$882.00 in the black.

Streaming Board meetings. In 2020 the Board decided to use Zoom to provide our membership, and the Board, a method to have accessible board meetings. In going through the emails amongst the board between April and July 2020 I found that Zoom meetings were never intended to be permanent but were expected to be dropped as the Governor of Oregon allowed public meetings to be held. The Listen In phone service was never approved by the Board and may bear some liability if member names are not secure. If the Board decides to hold live stream Board meetings, the Committee suggests that we have a service, like MCS, to do an inventory of the equipment needed, bandwidth updates needed, and suggestions on how to provide our members with such a service. I have spoken with MCS and they can assist us with this, they have some experience with live streaming, and we are already a client of MCS. The committee also insists that no member of the board be involved directly in running live streaming, as this is a distraction, and the Board members need to be attentive to the business of the Board. MCS says that from a security standpoint MS-Teams or Zoom is better than You Tube or Face book for live streaming. But first the Board needs to determine, via a motion to do the live streaming.

Discussed making short a informative brochure to distribute via the pro shop that showcases the Organization using our incorporated name Senior Estates Golf & Country Club; this needs be a concise (not wordy), brochure with associate types and associate fees listed.

Creating a short survey of the members regarding the electronics used in the home. I have spoken with We received our first bid for the House about this as House was going to do a demographic survey, which was shut down by the mess of the recall, and interference by the Board secretary.

Woodburn Estates & Golf Organizational Meeting *Tuesday, November 28, 2023 – 1:30 pm ~ Approved December 12, 2023*

CALL TO ORDER 1:30PM

ESTABLISH A QUORUM – Ken Bourne, Kim Farquharson, Allan Lindberg, Connie Johnson, Marilyn Sbardellati, Marilyn Plowman, Steve Garner, Andrew Nordby, and Dorothy Monnier

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

President:	Ken Bourne	8 votes
Vice President:	Steve Garner	6 votes
Secretary:	Kim Farquharson	9 votes
Treasurer:	Allan Lindberg	9 votes

MEETING ADJOURNED: 1:40 pm

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Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, November 28, 2023 – 2:00 pm ~ Approved December 12, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

Establish a quorum – Ken Bourne, Sharyn Cornett, Kim Farquharson, Allan Lindberg, Connie Johnson, Marilyn Sbardellati, Sherman Lackey, Marilyn Plowman, Steve Garner.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Secretary Kim Farquharson: All motions regarding Minutes: Seconded and approved.

Motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the BOD meeting of October 24, 2023.

Motion to approve the minutes of the BOD meeting of October 24, 2023, as modified.

Executive session – Tuesday, November 21, 2023 – 1:00 pm. All present except Kim Farquharson and Steve Garner. Topic of discussion: Legal Issue; Personnel

TREASURER'S REPORT

Fund Balances as of October 31,

Operating Fund: \$483,827 Reserve Fund: \$578,076 Working Capital Fund:..... \$855,769 Accounts Receivable: \$55,758

Motion to approve the Treasurers report. Seconded and approved.

Adjourn to Open Mic – Reconvene Meeting

MOTION #1 Seconded and approved.

Treasurer Allan Lindberg: Motion to transfer \$8,453.61 from the Reserve Fund Account to the Operating Fund Account to cover qualified expenses as follows:

Asset TBD Jacobsen AR331 rear rollers & repair parts, Asset# TBD (purchased 12/21-none assigned yet) \$1,205.33.

Asset # 1167 Jacobsen Turfcat 4wd replacement battery & mower deck parts = \$1,065.40

Asset# 3100D 1164 Toro Sidewinder electrical system parts & repair = \$1,183.88

Asset # RF6 Tru Double Door Refrigerator replaced = \$4,999.00

MOTION #2 Seconded and approved.

Treasurer Allan Lindberg: Motion to approve the personnel issue as discussed in the Executive Session on 11-21-2023.

The Men's Golf Club of Woodburn Estates & Golf met for its monthly meeting on December 6, 2023 at 10:00AM in the WEG Dining Room.

President Fred Bourne CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER at 10:03AM, followed by the **PLEDGE** OF ALLEGIANCE. All officers and committee chairmen/representatives were present unless otherwise noted. There were 16 members in attendance.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Fred Bourne reminded members that all voucher funds must be spent by the end of the year. The purchase of gift cards for the pro shop is an option to use the funds.

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Mike Archer had no report.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Dean Cullison reported on the end of November balances:

• Checking account: Ending balance of \$1,693.79 (including \$612.50 in 50-50

MOTION approved:

Treasurer Allan Lindberg: Motion to adopt the proposed 2024 annual budget.

Division of House:

'Yes' vote by Bourne, Lindberg, Farquharson, Plowman, Cornett, Lackey, Garner, Johnson.

'No' vote by Sbardellati

MOTION #4 Motion to table: Seconded and failed.

Motion seconded and approved.

Director Sherman Lackey: Motion to return to our Incorporated business name - Senior Estates Golf & Country Club by January 1, 2024.

VP Sharyn Cornett: Motion to table this motion:

Division of House:

'Yes' vote by Bourne, Lindberg, Sbardellati, Plowman, Lackey, Garner, Johnson.

'No' vote by Cornett, Farquharson **MOTION #5** Motion to amend: per month Seconded and passed.

Motion seconded and approved as amended.

Director Sherman Lackey: Motion to increase the spending for Mail Chimp to \$50.00 per year month beginning December 1, 2023.

MOTION #6 Motion withdrawn by Director Steve Garner.

MOTION #7 Motion withdrawn by Director Steve Garner.

MOTION #8 Motion withdrawn by Director Steve Garner.

MOTION #9 Motion withdrawn by Director Steve Garner.

MOTION #10 Motion withdrawn by Director Steve Garner.

MOTION #11 Seconded and approved. Director Steve Garner: Motion to approve 2023-1024 Rules & Regs #14.36 (add).

14.36-10 Bikes are not allowed. (From Orange Form used in golf shop, Signage on the Golf course, and R&R 14.35). Seconded and approved.

MOTION #12 Motion to amend 13.10-2 to read: 'toxic or hazardous chemical' – Seconded and approved.

Motion then seconded approved as amended.

Director Steve Garner: Motion to approve 2023-1024 Rules & Regs section 13 (revised).

13. RECREATIONAL VEHICLE (RV) LOT

#3 Seconded and The RV space may be used for the 13.6 Due Date Penalty. If the lot following vehicles:

> 13-A RV or Motorhome, 5th Wheel, Travel Trailer.

> **13.1** Members, Family of Members, and Associates May Obtain Space -Only homeowner members, family of homeowner, and associates may obtain lot space or storage unit space on an annual basis with priority going to homeowner, and then family of member. Associates may also obtain RV lot space and or storage unit space for their own unit(s) on space availability. [associates 3-23-2021]

> **13.1-1** All lot sizes and storage unit sizes are defined in the Fee Schedule.

> **13.1-2** The unit(s) stored must be moveable and must be identified on the form and/or photo may be attached. Ownership must be verified at the time of application along with proof of insurance and registration of ownership. Moveable, as defined in this section, means that the owner is able to drive down and drive away, reload, or hook up and move their unit, as required by the Association. [10-24-2017]

> 13.1-3 It is advisable that the owner has an emergency contact on file who may move the unit if the owner is unable to move the unit in a situation requiring a move. [10-24-2017]

> 13.1-4 Lot and or Storage Unit users are expected to follow Rules and Regulations for usage. The Association member will be responsible for compliance, usage, and fees.

13.2 Lot Space and Storage Unit Agreement Must Be Renewed Each **Year**

13.2-1 This RV Lot space agreement must be renewed every year on a full year basis. Proof of Insurance and Proof of Current Registration of Ownership will be required. The prorated RV lot fee will be for the first-time RV member or the first time RV Associate only, not the first time with that vehicle or the first time in that lot space.

13.2-2 Individual Storage Unit agreement must be renewed - see Fee Schedule. Proof of Insurance will be required. No alteration to the unit door, walls, ceiling, or floor.

space or storage unit fee is not paid within thirty (30) days of the due date, or if the member does not clean out their storage unit and or remove their unit(s) immediately upon termination of this RV Lot agreement, their access may will be denied. All costs for such action(s) will be the responsibility of the member.

13.9 Member Termination of Space

By permanently removing their unit(s) from the lot space and leaving the lot space and or storage unit space clean, or non-payment of the fee. [3-2-2021]

13.10 Unit is Stored at Owner's Risk **13.10-1** The Unit(s) will be stored in the RV lot space at the owner's risk.

13.10-2 The following are not allowed: toxic or hazardeous chemical, flammable, corrosive, or explosive materials may not be visible on open trailers. [5-23-2017]

13.10-3 The Association will not be responsible for loss or damage caused by fire, vandalism, theft, weather, or the act of other person(s), including acts of natural disaster. It is up to the owner to provide their own insurance to cover such loss or damage.

13.12 11 Personal Item Storage at Owner's Risk. All properties by owner stored inside, outside, or underneath the owner's unit(s) are at the owner's risk of the owner. It is up to the owner to provide their own insurance to cover such loss or damage. The following are NOT allowed - flammable, corrosive, or explosive materials.

13.11 12 Unit May Be Covered but not Anchored to the Ground or Fence.

MOTION #13 Motion withdrawn by Director Steve Garner.

MOTION #14 Seconded and approved. Director Steve Garner: Motion to approve 2023-1024 Storage RV

Adjourn to Open Mic – Reconvene Meeting

Announcement for Next Meetings BOD Meeting - Tuesday, December 12, 2023, at 1:30 pm

Adjourn Meeting

Agreement (revised).

Annual Men's Golf Club Monthly Meeting December 6, 2023

• The Treasurer reported 136 current members.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: No report by Steve Kufeldt.

GREENS COMMITTEE REPORT:

Ken Bourne was not present. Some concerns shared by members included some trees that are dead that need removing as well as dead branches that are potential hazards. The ground along the wall on the south side of hole #2 also needs some maintenance. Dave Rushton will recommend that membership in the national Golf Course Superintendents of America organization be paid for Vincent.

HANDICAP COMMITTEE REPORT:

Marty Smith reported that Steve Kufeldt will be assisting him with the Golf Genius

MIXED TOURNAMENT REPORT:

Fred Bourne reported that the same committee members and workers have Tournaments.

RULES COMMITTEE REPORT:

Dave Schuur reported on a couple of

- Options pertaining to rule #6.2 on reteeing the ball.
- There are similar options for a ball in a sand bunker, if not desiring to hit from the where the ball lies (with appropriate
- For a ball on the cart path, relief must be taken at the "nearest point of relief," which may not be the most favorable condition.

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE REPORT: Chuck Johnson was not present.

OGA COMMITTEE REPORT:

Dave Rushton reported that the R&A and the USGA announced today new "distance roll back" regulations for golf balls, with different regulations for pros and select amateurs. For most amateur golfers, these new rules will go in effect in 2030.

• Voucher account: Ending balance of agreed to assist next year with the Mixed UNFINISHED BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS:

Fred Bourne made a motion (seconded by Dave Rushton) that the Men's Golf Club recognize the "Most Improved Golfer" each year as determined by the Golf Genius program (minimum of 30 posted rounds) with a \$50 gift certificate from the pro shop. The motion passed unanimously. It was reported that Robert Jones is this year's recipient, who went from a handicap of 21.2 to 15.4.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER: None.

50-50 RAFFLE:

A total of \$28 in tickets were sold and Stan Hiller won (\$14).

It was duly moved and seconded to **ADJOURN** the meeting at 10:36AM.

The **NEXT MEETING** of the Men's Golf Club will be Wednesday, January 3, 2024 at 10:00AM.

Submitted, Steve Kufeldt, Secretary Accepted by: Fred Bourne, President Page 4 December 22, 2023

SENIOR RESOURCES - continued

By Karen Linton

Some of our members aren't old enough for **MEDICARE**, but this information is for those who are. Medicare A covers hospitalization. To get coverage for doctors, lab work, X-rays, etc., you need Medicare B. When I first got Medicare, I didn't know anything except a Medicare Supplement to receive those services. It didn't cover prescriptions, so I needed another policy for that -Part D. It was quite costly and kept going up. So I switched to an HMO, like Kaiser Permanente. That saved me some as the premium wasn't as high and included prescriptions. That premium kept going up as well so I finally learned about SHIBA-**SENIOR HEALTH BENEFITS ASSISTANCE**. This is a network of certified Medicare counselors who can help you decide what program is best for you. You can contact them at 1-800-722-4134. However, I prefer someone local who would meet with me personally. We have a member, **CAROL BOLTON**, who is a counselor or you can look up Medicare counselors online or in the phone book to find one. I decided to get a Medicare Advantage program that covers everything. There are some plans starting at a zero (0) premium.

If you are eligible income-wise, you can apply for **EXTRA HELP**. It offers three levels of assistance depending on your income. It will help pay your premiums and part of your prescription costs. You apply directly through the Social Security office 800-772-1213 to order an application or complete one over the phone.. There are also Medicare savings programs administered by the Oregon Department of Human Services. QMB pays Medicare premiums, deductibles, co-pays and co-insurance. Income limits are \$1215/mo.single—\$1644 couple. SMB and SMF pays for Medicare Part B premiums only. It depends on federal funds and may not be available always. SMB limits are \$1428 single—\$1972 couple. SMF limits are \$1641 single—\$2219 couple. Contact Aging and Disability Resource Connection (ARDC) for more information. 503-304-3420 or information.nwsds@nwsds.org. They also have many classes to help with caregivers, living with Alzheimer's, etc.

You can also, if eligible, apply for the Oregon Health Plan (Medicaid). This program pays for your medical and dental services. The income limit is quite low—\$794/month or have a disability. You can't have more than \$2000 in savings as a single or \$3000 if a couple. There are other stipulations and also deductions so the best way to find out if you are eligible is to call for more information, ADRC—1-855-673-2372.

THE OREGON PROJECT INDEPENDENCE is a needs-based state-funded program. You must be over 60 and have a disability, not receive full Medicaid and need help from another person to bathe, dress housekeeping, etc. All people in the program pay on a sliding scale. Again, contact ARDC at 503-304-3420.

There are more many more programs available for seniors. **ARDC** can give you information on what programs would be available to you. There will be a Senior Resource Fair in February at the clubhouse. Watch for notices and plan to attend.

Let's not forget our 4-legged companions. There are programs that can help you with the costs associated with having a pet. A Spay and Neuter Clinic of the Oregon Humane Society Salem for cats offers accessibly-priced services as well as reduced costs for community members on government assistance, 503-480-7729. Friends of Felines also offers a spay and neuter clinic in Keizer, 503-362-5611. Many veterinary clinics offer low-cost or sliding scale spay and neuter clinics.



By Steve Veltman

Woodburn Estates resident Bob Musser is our featured artist for the month of January. Born in Evanston, Ill (outside Chicago) in 1935, Bob took Architectural Drawing in high school. His first experience painting was with paint by numbers but began a serious pursuit at North Park College (now Chicago Teacher's North) at the age of twenty six. Bob's artistic education continued with classes taken at the American Academy of Art in Chicago as well as the Chicago Art Museum.

At age forty, Bob plunged into ceramics. He exhibited his work in local galleries but eventually tired of hauling his artwork back and forth- He quit creating art altogether in 2008.

Recently, Bob was inspired to pick up his brushes yet again. Though his chosen subject matter is conventional, his new paintings might be considered abstract. "Now I am painting for my children", he says. Hopefully they will pass his artwork along to their children and in that way, become family heirlooms.

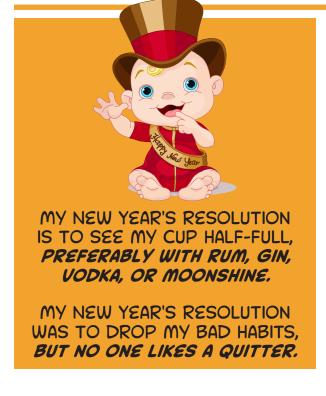
A reception for Bob Musser will be held in the Living Room on January 7th at 4pm. Please plan to join us.

Call around to check. There was one in Canby that advertised in the Woodburn Independent that offered low or no cost spay and neutering once a month. There is a pet food bank in Oregon City that offers pet food for a donation. It also has very low-priced treats and collars, leashes, etc. They are open 9 am to 2 pm the third Saturday of the month and Wednesdays from 9 am to 12 pm.

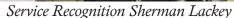
TRANSPORTATION

If you need transportation to medical appointments, the City of Woodburn has a service for older citizens and the disabled that will take you, for a donation, if you're going outside Woodburn. They will go to Salem or Portland. They took me to Milwaukie for my cataract surgery. Inside Woodburn it's free and can be used for shopping, dining, church, etc. It's called Dial-a Ride. You call and make a reservation and they will pick you up at your home, take you and bring you back to your home. Reservations must be made at least one day in advance. Call 503-982-7433. There is also bus service within Woodburn with stops in our community. Until further notice, all fixed routes, weekend routes and express route services are free.

Hopefully, some of these ideas will help you with your finances. All income limits are based on 2023. The limits will probably be raised in 2024, so you should check back if you've been denied or think you can't apply. You should get current information and apply even if you're a little over the limit. The programs may have deductions that would enable you to be eligible.









Service Recognition Sharyn Cornett

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Unusual Christmas Myths From Around the World

On Christmas Eve, Santa Claus flies around the planet in a sleigh with eight reindeer (or nine, depending on whether they're being a jerk to Rudolph that year). He goes down the chimneys of all the good boys and girls, dropping off toys and other gifts. Kids leave milk and cookies for him to snack on before he goes on his way to the next house. On Christmas morning, all the children wake up to find beautiful presents from the jolly man in the red suit with the long white beard.

That's the legend that most of us grew up hearing and believing. However, in different parts of the world, there are several other myths and legends that children believe in. And to much surprise, a lot of them are extremely frightening. This article will detail 10 of the most unusual – and sometimes creepy – Christmas myths from around the world. If these myths don't make you want to be good boys and girls this year, nothing will.

BELSNICKEL – The myth of Belsnickel originated in Europe during the middle-ages. While he would separate the good children from the ones who were bad all year, he allowed the naughty ones to redeem themselves back to the good side. For the children who were good all year, he would leave toys and candies, while the naughty children received switches. Unlike Santa Claus, Belsnickel would actually announce his presence by knocking on doors and windows so the children could see him. He is described as a thin person who wears fur clothing with bells attached and wears a mask. In one hand, he carries a bag of presents for the good kids, and in the other a switch or whip for the naughty ones.

KNÉCHT RUPRECHT — The legend of Knecht Ruprecht has two different beginnings — the first one is that he was a wild child but was found and raised by Saint Nicholas; the second version is that he was a farmhand prior to becoming Saint Nicholas' assistant. Just like Belsnickel, Knecht Ruprecht would also carry around a switch. He helped out Saint Nicholas by going to each child's house and asking their parents if they were good or bad that year. If their parents said that they were bad, Knecht Ruprecht would use the switch on them as punishment.

PERE FOUETTARD – The story of Père Fouettard originated in France and southern Belgium in the year 1150. He was a butcher who lived in a small French village with his very greedy wife. They lived near a boarding school where the children of the wealthy families would attend.

SINTERKLAAS – The Dutch have their own version of Santa Claus, and while there are numerous similarities between the two, there are also a few notable differences. Sinterklaas looks more similar to the Pope (hat and robe) rather than a fat man in a red suit.

GRYLA – In Iceland, dating back to the ancient Pagan time period, there is a very frightening myth of Grýla who is said to be a mountain troll with hooves for feet, and has 13 tails. Every Christmas when she leaves the mountain, she looks for children who have been naughty. When she finds them, she kidnaps them by stuffing them into a bag, and brings them back to her cave, boils them alive, and eats them in a stew. She is always in a bad mood because she is constantly hungry for children

Music Jammers

by Dena Hollod

What a feast we had at our potluck on December 10! Our tables were full of food and we really had a nice turnout attendance wise. Thank you everyone for making our potluck such a success. There are no more jammer play dates in December. We'll see you all on January 14 at 1 pm in our auditorium.

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JÓLAKÖTTURINN – Another myth from Iceland is the Jólakötturinn, or the Yule Cat. He's also, in fact, the family pet of Grýla and the Yule lads. The myth of this Christmas cat has been around since the 19th century (at least, as far as written records go). He is said to be a large cat that wanders the streets during Christmas and eats people who are not wearing new clothes. While it is believed that the Jólakötturinn likes to eat humans, other versions of the legend have him eating all the food belonging to the people who were so poor they couldn't afford new clothing. At one point, it was illegal to use the story of the Jólakötturinn to scare children, but the ban was lifted shortly after.

LA BEFANA – La Befana is an Italian Christmas witch that has quite a few similarities to Santa Claus. On Epiphany Eve, the old woman carries a large bag and flies around on a broomstick visiting boys and girls to see if they have been good or bad. She will leave the children candy and gifts if they have been good, but if they have been bad, she will leave them dark lumps of coal. And instead of leaving out cookies and milk, a glass of wine is often left for the witch to enjoy before going on to the next house.

It is believed that the myth of La Befana dates as far back as the 13th century. Legend has it that the Three Magi were on their way to present gifts to little eight pound, six ounce baby Jesus when they stopped at an old woman's house to ask for directions to Bethlehem. Before they left, they invited the old woman to accompany them to see the new-born King, but she refused. After much thought, she decided she wanted to join them, but they were already gone, so she left sweets at every child's door along her journey, hoping that one of those houses had Jesus inside.

KRAMPUS – Most of us have heard of Santa's evil and terrifying sidekick Krampus. The name Krampus comes from the German word "krampen," which translates to "claw." The legend of this long-horned, furry, goat-like beast with a long tail and a forked tongue has terrified children for many years, making them afraid that, if they were bad during the year, Krampus would beat them with a bunch of sticks, kidnap them, and bring them down to Hell for an entire year to punish them.

FRAU PERCHTA – The legend of Frau Perchta is well-known, specifically in Germany and Austria. This Christmas witch is also known as the "belly slitter" because if a person is lazy or committed too many bad deeds during the year, she will slit their belly open and steal their insides with the long knife she hides under her clothes. She will then replace the stolen organs with garbage, straw, or rocks. She has also been said to cut out the tongues of children who lie, and if she found a spinner's work half finished, she would set fire to it. She is followed by a pack of demons who torture people who are bad; however, she is also said to protect good people from those evil spirits.



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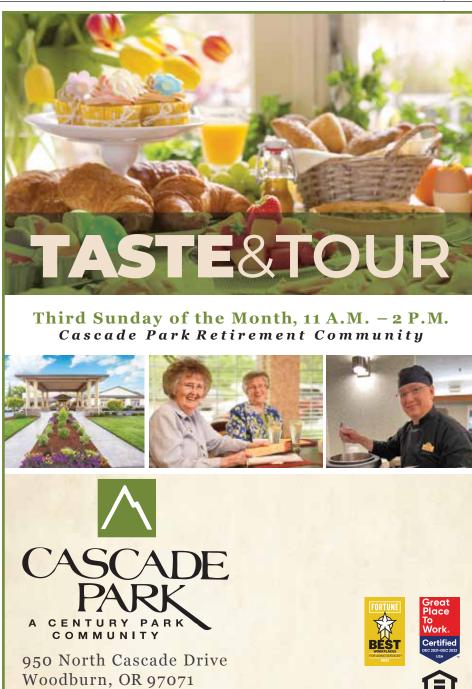


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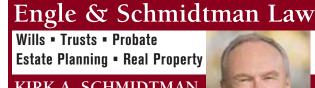
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Regular Board Meetings are held the 4th Tuesday of Each Month at 1:30 in the Auditorium

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23

 10:00am - 12:00pm
 Pickleball (Aud)

 2:45pm - 5:00pm
 Water Volleyball (Pool)

 5:00pm - 9:00pm
 Hand & Foot Group (Craft Rm)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24

Christmas Eve

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25 - Merry Christmas

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26

Mermaid Water Aerobics (Pool) 8:00am - 9:00am 10:00am - 11:00am Senior Fitness (Aud) 10:00am - 12:00pm Needlecraft (Card Rm) **10:00am - 12:00pm** Ping Pong (Dining Rm) Ukulele Uke-de-dos (Craft Rm) 11:00am - 2:45pm 11:30am - 1:15pm Kiwanis Club of Woodburn (Blue Rm) 1:30pm - 2:30pm Bible Study (Conf. Rm 1) 2:00pm - 3:0pm Happy Hour Club (Blue Rm) 2:45pm - 5:00pm Water Volleyball (Pool) 5:00pm - 9:00pm Tuesday Night Poker (Card Rm) Beginner Line Dancing (Aud) 6:00pm - 7:00pm 7:00pm - 8:00pm Intermediate Line Dancing (Aud)

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30

 10:00am - 12:00pm
 Pickleball (Aud)

 2:45pm - 5:00pm
 Water Volleyball (Pool)

 5:00pm - 9:00pm
 Hand & Foot Group (Craft Rm)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31

6:00pm - 9:00pm New Years Even Dance (Aud)

2024 MONDAY, JANUARY 1 Happy New Year

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12:30pm - 3:30pm Bunco (Craft Rm)
2:00pm - 3:00pm Women's Water Aerobics (Pool)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6

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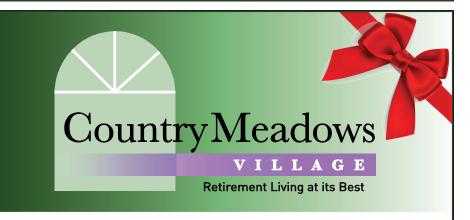
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