PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Hello everyone, Hope you are enjoying all the activities various board members have organized for you. They are doing a great job! I am looking forward to seeing you at the auction this month on the 30th. Hopefully, there will be many great auction items and many buyers at this fun event. Plans are underway for the Christmas Party so be sure to save the date. Above all, remember to exercise your right as an American citizen to vote!!! We are lucky that voting is so easy here (no long lines, sometimes in the rain). It is a wonder to me that Oregon doesn’t have a 100% voter participation. Have a fun Halloween! Mary McGar

Vice President’s Message

Hi!
Whose ready for the October Auction? I’ve been practicing my arm up technique so that I can get in on the fun. Remember to have your items checked in by 9:45. Auction starts at 10:30 but be prepared to fight me over any chocolate items!!

We have Anne Schroeder tentatively set for our November meeting. She is an accomplished writer and speaker with lots of stories to keep us entertained.

See you October 30th! Tom Wilson
**Christmas Party – Dec. 19th**

**Place:** Grants Pass Golf Club

**Time:** Happy Hour 5 pm, Dinner 6 pm

**Menu:** Flat Iron Steak & Chicken Marsala

   salad, vegetables, dessert, and non-alcoholic beverages

Cost including gratuity: $19 for members

   ($24 for guests)

**Checks payable to WWN**

**Music provided by T.J. Elton**

**Sign-up sheets available at Oct and Nov luncheons**

**Last day to sign-up and pay (or cancel) December 9th**

Reservations or questions call Ginger Sackett or Linda Smith
**ACTIVITIES**

**BOWLING**

We bowl the first and third Thursday of each month. Usually the guys bowl on two lanes and the girls are on a different two lanes. Quite a few of us are beginners and just want to have a good time and get a bit of exercise and laugh.

Chair: DebraWilson  
antiquetd@msn.com  541-660-7040

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Come and join us!!  
>> We are a non-competitive Group open to bowlers of any skill! Never bowled?! Come learn!  
>> We’ll be Bowling November 1st & 15th. Practice starts at 12:45 and we begin scoring at 1pm at Caveman Bowl.

**SOCially singles**

**Friday, November 30th**  
On Fri. Nov. 30th we will be going to Winterfest at the Bear Hotel. I will be getting 16 tickets which are $5.00 each. This will include entrance, finger foods, desserts & drink. Enjoy all the decorated Christmas trees, Santa & Mrs. Claus and music to start off the holiday season. Sign up sheet at Sept/Oct meetings.

Contact Ann Barham 450-3225

**SOCially singles Christmas gathering**

Ho! Ho! Ho! Merry Christmas. The Socially Singles Annual Christmas Gathering’s place, date and time will be announced in the November Newsletter. We will have our traditional gift exchange, for those who want to participate, like we have had in the past. For those who are new to the club we bring a wrapped gift worth about $10 and appropriate to donate to the Women’s Crisis Support Team (WCST). At the party we have fun unwrapping the gifts and then donate them to the WCST. Some gift ideas are diapers, baby clothes, adult work clothes and toiletries. There will be a sign-up sheet at the October and November general meeting, however the details are still being worked out. If you have any questions please call Trish at 541-476-0466.

**Send some Sunshine to someone in need**

Are you aware of our Sunshine Feature?

If there’s a member who’s ill, lost a loved one, is recuperating or needs a boost...just let me know. I’ll send them a ray of sunshine in the form of a greeting card from the Newcomer Club.

Ms. Sunshine: Ellen McKee-Parks  
541-295-9175 (call or text)

**Let’s Eat Out**

November 7th  
Wednesday 1 pm  
@ Hong Kong Restaurant

December- No LEO. Happy Holidays.

January- LEO Breakfast TBA  
Host: Jerry Munoz  (541) 761-0380  
(Gwen Hammer will Host LEO starting January)
**ACTIVITIES SIGN-UP TABLE**

When attending the monthly luncheons, visit the table containing the sign up folders for the coming activities. Once you have decided to participate in a particular activity, make out a check if there is a charge for attending; if you must pay with cash, please give it directly to the person in charge. Checks should be made out to WWN with an indication on the bottom as to the activity involved. Once you have committed to attend an activity, the chairperson is counting on your attendance. If for any reason you are unable to continue with this commitment, please contact the chairman so they can make necessary adjustments. Plans are made for a certain number of people. Please do the polite thing and don’t drop out at the last minute without advising the chairperson.

**EVENT PHOTOS**

Go to: Shutterfly.com When the site opens, Click on "Sign In" (upper right corner of pg)
Sign in with: westwelcome2@gmail.com Password: newcomers No capital letters! Scroll down and click on "all albums". A list of the events with photos will show on the left hand side. Highlight the one you'd like to see then click slideshow. Slideshow should start in about 2 seconds. Or if you prefer you can click on one picture at a time. Any questions please contact: Janice Evans

**WIN CASH 50/50 Drawing**
Buy your tickets and go home with a little bonus. Tickets are drawn during the meeting and you could be the next to win.

**TICKETS**
Purchase your tickets at the registration area. Ticket prices are 1 for $1.00, 3 for $2.00, 5 for $3.00, 10 for $5.00

**HOLIDAY TIME IS OPEN SEASON ON SENIORS**
Criminals are very busy during the Holidays trying different ways to rob you of your money. **Do not fall for it!** Do not send anyone money that calls you. **No matter what they say.** If the caller threatens you, scares you or says it is too urgent to check with someone else, tell the caller you will call them back. Make a call to a relative or trusted friend and tell them about the call.

**WWN LUNCHEON INFORMATION**
Program is at 11:00 AM Luncheon follows. Come early to reserve your seat, socialize, and sign up for activities. Lunch entree is $13, Salad Bar only $9. Program only (with or without beverage) is $2.00. You will need to reserve a seat by Noon on the Sunday before the luncheon. Purchase your luncheon ticket at the meeting with cash or check then give it to the ticket takers at the time of the lunch. If you are a “no show”, you will be billed as we have to give an accurate count to the Wild River Pub Restaurant. Emergencies are an exception. If you have to cancel, please give Jiggy a call as soon as possible at 541.955.1794. **IMPORTANT! Wear your badge**
**ACTIVITES**

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**Upcoming Newcomers Events Planned**

**November 29th**  **OLIVER and Dinner** – for the members who have already signed up/ detailed directions sent by e-mail /will meet at Walmart outer parking lot @4:50 PM to car pool to ARBOR HOUSE in TALENT for dinner reservations at 5:30 PM (reminder this family owned restaurant will accept cash or check and no credit cards / reservations for the musical OLIVER at the Camelot Theatre for the 8 pm show have been made-host Ed Agricola 541 226 2369

**December 2nd**  **MESSIAH** full community orchestra and choir at 3PM held at River Valley Church downtown Grants Pass – meet in lobby at church to sit together 30 minutes in advance / no charge for the event / please sign up by October 30th /host Ed Agricola 541-226-2369-

**December 16th**  **Barnstormers presents MIRACLE ON 34TH STREET** – 2 PM Sunday matinee – meet at theatre lobby @1:45 PM/ cost is $12 pp for group rate payable by October 30th (DATE OF AUCTION) /check made out to WWN -host Ed Agricola 541-226-2369-

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**ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES**

**BRIDGE CLUB**

We play bridge after lunch on the 1st & 3rd Thurs of each month at 12:30 PM at the home of our Host. Drinks and snacks provided. If you’ve not already signed up to play with the group and would like to join in, or you’d like to take beginning bridge lessons call: 503-860-1574
Host: Leslie Coster, 911 Mystic Dr, Grants Pass

**BOOK CLUB**

Book Lovers Unite! Come share your latest binge read with others. Join us for lunch the second Tuesday each month. Elmer’s Restaurant @ 1:00 PM
Host: Trish Bell 541-218-2119

**FUN AND GAMES**

Want to form a Mexican Train group? A couple have already formed and others are interested. Let me know and I will get you together. Diana 951-813-6266

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**MEMBERSHIP**

**WELCOME ALL, WE’RE GLAD YOU’RE HERE.**

Can’t wait to see all of you at our annual auction. Its so much fun and you won’t believe the incredible items.

Join me in welcoming Yvonne Metz, new member, and be sure to wear your name badges to help her get to know everyone.

We have had several requests to have newsletters mailed, but understand if you do, its an additional $15 charge to your membership.

See you at the auction. Launie Myers, Membership Chair.

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**October Birthdays**

A birthday in October can be a special treat. The harvest has begun of pumpkins, gourds and wheat. So on your happy day here’s a birthday wish for you- May you gather joy and laughter, love and friendships too.

Diane Lewis  Terri Williams,
Marcy Kappner  Dianne Agricola
Barbara Hughes  Erlin Peake
James Converse  Becky Bochman
Jim Connelly  Phyllis Greenwood
Janis Palmer  Ron Fisher
Bill Forbes  Bill Davis
GENERAL INFORMATION • If your e-mail address has recently changed, please contact Diane Lewis so we can update the club’s information. • Attention all picture takers: If any of you have taken pictures of WWN activities and would like to share them for the picture album, please contact Janice Evans. Magnets for your club badge are available at the check-in table at every luncheon.

JOSEPHINE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
Do you like Genealogy? Join the Josephine County Historical Society. Primary events each year: Graveyard Tour, Victorian Christmas Open House, and a Pie and Ice Cream Social. Call the Society at 541-479-7827 or call Cindy English at 541-476-8712 (h) or 541-660-5587 (c).

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