

Committee & Group Reports January 2024

Employee Holiday Gift Fund Committee Report (Judy Francis)

If you need a lift during this wintry weather, take a look at the thank you notes from employees to residents for last year's holiday gift checks. They're in a binder located in the South Main lobby. Employees helping residents to stay safe and warm during the recent ice storms reinforces why we want to say thank you.

<u>Food Think Tank Report</u> (Anna Van Tyne)

Norine Mulry updated the committee on the Emergency Preparedness Plans for Madrona Grove and Independent Living.

Norine revisited the Food & Beverage budget requests for extending hours for the Harvest Grill and Madrona Café and reminded us of the priorities for 2024 that were to hire an additional Social Worker and an Assistant for the Wellness Center.

Joan Berry gave an update on the reusable mugs project.

Details of all items can be found in the Food Think Tank minutes under the Work Groups & Reports icon on Touchtown.

Readers Theater Report (Susie Matranga-Watson)

Readers Theater is a fun weekly get together. We read short plays. No memorization is required, as we read from a script. Most of the plays are funny or quirky. All you need to bring is yourselves and your laughter. Readers Theater meets every Thursday from 2:00--3:30 in the PAC. We would love to see you there!

Ready Force Report (Jean Lofy)

Ready Force went through major changes this year. Steve had to pull back, so we formed a Steering committee that meets monthly. Within the Steering Committee, Mary Eusterman, Margaret Bell, Ed Gellenbeck, Jean Lofy, and Louise Williams formed an executive committee that meets weekly.

Steve and Karen Morris made changes to the emergency red binder. Ready Force volunteers passed the binders out to all residents in one day.

We finished the Map Your Neighborhood (MYN) meetings for all 11 neighborhoods. The data from these meetings showed how much preparation residents have made with water, food, charging equipment for cell phones, etc. This information along with the 2024 Ready Force Strategic Plan was presented at the Ready Force celebration on December 4th. A recording of that is available.

Four members of the executive committee are also part of the resident committee on the Resiliency Action Plan (RAP).

Ready Force sponsored three community wide presentations: Greg Wenneson Oak Lodge, CERT on the Cascadia subduction earthquake, Steve Morris on fire and smoke. preparation, and Dr. Marlee Klaus on disaster sanitation preparation. Ready Force was awarded a Foundation grant to pay for preparedness supplies and the trainings that will be offered in 2024.

At the Ready Force celebration, we presented the strategic plan for 2024. There will be a Rose refresh party with Green Hammer in February. This will be a fair where we can learn about different ways to prepare. In March, we will offer a five-week CERT Lite preparedness training. In May, we will offer first aid training. (Louise Williams)

Rose Villa Foundation Status Report (Cathy Schar)

Donations to Rose Villa Foundation returned to pre-pandemic levels in 2023, benefitting an increased number of residents who need financial assistance to remain in their homes.

In addition to annual gifts from the Treasure House, the Pacesetters Club, Fall Appeal, Tuesday Market, vehicle donations, and other events and activities, the Foundation also benefitted from increased participation in the Legacy Society, which will come later from people's estates.

Thank you, donors! Your support is vital to your neighbors, now and in the future.

Three Education & Enrichment Programs will be offered in January:

- Dr. Stephanie Kaplan, ND, is presenting January 12 in the PAC at 1:30 on <u>"Voluntarily Stopping Eating and Drinking"</u> (VSED), legal in every state, but which requires planning and support. Come ask your questions and learn about this option.
- "Happy & Healthy 2024: Managing Mental Health During the Dark Months and Holidays". Come to the PAC January 18 at 10:30 to hear Gary Marschke of NAMI Clackamas County (National Association of Mental Illness) address challenges that some people endure during the winter months.
- <u>Advances Directives & POLST Workshops</u> are presented on both January 29 and February 12 from 1:00 -3:00 PM in the Training Room. Come prepared with

your own personal information and, with help from Vanae Rodriguez, complete either your POLST or Advanced Directive. An RSVP is required.

The Foundation has committed to expanding Pillar III Professional Services with the edition of bi-monthly <u>Financial Fitness Clinics</u> on campus. Get more information at the Resident Services Counter.

An expanded Foundation Board of Directors begins work in 2024. We welcome new members *Molly Holsapple, Bob Sack, and Paula Wiiken*, all Rose Villa residents, to the Board this year.

Sewing & Quilting Report (Mary Claire Phelan)

In the sewing room, after some minor repairs, our serger is working beautifully. Please contact Norma Martin or Jeannie Corn, if you would like to know more about it and learn how to use it.

Thanks to our sewers, Rosebud now has five dozen small hand towels and three art aprons, all made from fabric donated to the sewing room.

Pam Duren and Jan Rogers made over 35 microwavable potholders using donated fabric. Most were sold at the Popup Shop with proceeds going to the Foundation. On Thursdays from 9:30 until 11:30 am, volunteers continue to be in the sewing room to help residents with alterations or mending for donations that help maintain equipment and mostly go to our Foundation.

Woodshop Report (Joel Metzger)

Five projects were completed for residents:

Repaired a chest of drawers.

Refinished a garden bench.

Reduced the height of a bookcase.

Repaired shelving

Assembled a plant stand.

The Woodshop started tracking YTD statistics in August. Here are the total projects for the past five months:

33 projects for RV residents

3 projects for RV groups

1 project for RVI (Madrona Grove)

1 project for RV employee

Happy New Year!