

# Committee & Group Reports – July 2024

## Choir (Andrea Drury)

The choir is still on its summer break. Watch for signup flyers in late August!

## Foundation (Cathy Schar)

The Foundation's financial audit was reviewed by the Foundation Board last week. The Foundation continues to be financially sound. Donations during this transition period are important and questions about donations or other Foundation issues can be answered by CFO Angela, Don Lehman, Louise Williams or Cathy Schar.

Identifying a new Foundation Director is moving along quickly thanks to the energy and effort of the new CEO, Glen Lewis. During this transition period, on hold are the monthly Listen & Learn Happy Hours and the Community Engagement Activities Committee.

Looking ahead to Education & Enrichment Committee programs, the "Summer Program 2024" publication -- a document recommending ways for life-long learners to fill the gap until E & E programs resume in September was provided in June. For the Fall, when residents return from travelling, fun in the sun and family getaways, committee members are investigating potential programs. Options include informing residents about natural burials and other options, how neuroscience can help overcome bigotry, long Covid information and strategies surrounding successful retirement. Have ideas for programs you'd like?? Let us know.

## Ready Force (Jean Lofy)

Ready Force completed Map Your Neighborhood events for the North Main, South Main, and Southwest neighborhoods in June and July. The South/Central neighborhood will have its meeting later in July. These events help residents learn about their fellow residents and what skills, supplies, and needs their neighbors have. Ready Force is also planning a radio preparedness exercise for the fall.

## Sewing & Quilting (Mary Claire Phelan).

Pam Duren has sold several "bowlies". These are handy for taking bowls of hot food from the microwave and for comfort when holding a bowl of ice cream or other cold foods. They make great gifts. She is making more to sell at the Tuesday market. She will also make potato bags which require her to buy a special batting called wrap and zap. Those will also be sold at the Tuesday market.

Thanks to the people who have offered help do mending and sewing on Thursdays. A few more volunteer sewers would be greatly appreciated by all those who use this mending and alteration service. Jean Corn will be taking over the treasurer's duties handling the donations given for this service & sales.

#### Safety (Mayo Marsh)

On December 22, 2023, Miranda Manners introduced the issue of Main Street entry lighting. When driving at dusk, night or fog and approaching the Main Street entry off River Road, the Rose Villa illuminated sign wasn't visible from a distance. FACT: Red light is less visible from a distance anyway. With trial and error, the light was changed to white, and reflectors were attached to the curb which increasing visibility. The project was completed April 2024. Eight other issues are currently in process.

#### Sunday Suppers (Susan Hyne)

Year-to-date totals through end of month (including potlucks): 21 meals with 455 diners. Three Sunday Suppers and a potluck were held in June and 94 meals were served. The July schedule features three meals plus a potluck hosted by the Gayish and Grayish group. Starting in August, residents will be asked to host the community potlucks based on their birthday month (August birthdays will be invited to host the August potluck, etc.). Information is shared via monthly flyers and posted on RVillagers.org.

#### **Treasure House** (Judie Hansen)

The Treasure House distributed money to the Rose Villa Foundation and Rose Villa, Inc for a total of over \$30,000 from 2024 sales so far. This amount came from Sneak Peaks, book sales, and metal recycling. The gold and silver sales from residents were quite successful and will be scheduled again. The next book sale will be on August 13<sup>th</sup> in the Club Room. We continue to get large pieces of furniture donated which cannot be sold in the store. If you have large items, contact Jennifer Allen who will list the items separately in an email. So far, that system seems to be working. We can always use more volunteers.

#### Woodshop (Joel Metzger)

Six projects were completed during the month of June. Four were projects for residents: Reduced the height of a cabinet to fit a countertop. Repaired an antique piano stool. Repaired a broken ceramic bowl and cup. Hung a flower basket. Two projects were for resident groups:

Framed the land acknowledgment statement for the Land Acknowledgment Circle. Created a "Do Not Water" sign/symbol for the Alice Lane manzanita tree.

For the first six months of the year, we have completed 24 projects for residents, 10 for resident groups and one for an employee.