



Committee & Group Reports – September 2024

Choir report

Choir is set to start again on September 20 in the PAC from 10:30 to noon. We will meet every Friday through December 13, except for the Friday after Thanksgiving. Signe Lusk will be back with us, directing “from the bench” while we look for a new accompanist. On September 9, Miranda and Andrea met with CEO Glen Lewis, who has agreed to include money in the Rose Villa budget to pay for our accompanist and director starting in 2025. This is most welcome news, as we have been self-supporting since starting the choir in 2018. Choir members will be able to pay a reduced fee per term.

Food Think Tank (Anna Van Tyne)

Norine updated us on the Timeline for Harvest Grill updates. There will be improvements to the acoustics and the space will be made brighter and more joyful. Norine answered many questions she had received prior to the meeting. They included questions about staff reimbursement and benefits, BYOM, weekend seated service, and menu items. Details of all items can be found in the Food Think Tank minutes under the Work Groups & Reports icon on Touchtown.

Foundation Report (Cathy Schar)

Alexis Anderson, Rose Villa’s new Chief Philanthropy Officer, is attending many resident groups and learning about all the different ways we each do our part to carry on our community’s tradition of neighbors helping neighbors.

With the rapidly increasing need for safety-net resident assistance – already quadruple last year to date – please remember your Foundation in your year-end donation plans and consider increasing your contribution if you are able to help meet the growing need.

The Tuesday Farmers Market will run through the end of September. THANK YOU again to all the gardeners, Susan Hyne and the blueberry sale team, and all the many volunteers for doing your part to cultivate and share the bounty, nourish our community

of both Residents and Team Members, and raising funds for your Foundation – already nearly \$3,300 this year!

Don't miss your Foundation's Education & Enrichment Committee programs scheduled for this fall, including natural burial options, our brains on prejudice and natural light therapy. Have a great presenter to suggest for the E&E Committee, or any questions about your Foundation? Reach Alexis at 503-652-3075 or Foundation@RoseVilla.org.

Green Team (Paula Wiiken)

--The Green Team is excited to announce that Bob Sack is the Green Team co-chair, effective immediately; Paula and Bob will be sharing the chair responsibilities. Thank you so much Bob!

--The Green Team is working with David Gosser to enhance and fill in the park rows along SE River Road. We hope to be planting it soon.

--Have you seen the wonderful new Green Team icon on rvillagers.org? It has games, notices of exciting upcoming speakers and a place for new members to sign up for our email list. Visit the link below or go to the website and click on groups.

<https://rvillagers.org/green-team/>

--This is a reminder to save the afternoon of November 1 for the Climate Resilience Summit to be held here at Rose Villa. Seating will be limited, since many CCRCs will be attending. Registration forms are available for the groundbreaking event; contact Marilyn Gottschall for help registering.

Madrona Grove (Norma Martin)

Information about Opening Minds (through) Art [OMA] will be available soon. It will offer opportunities for serving in a variety of areas. The program itself is scheduled for February. Additional information will be coming soon.

Quilting Group (Mary Claire Phelan)

The quilting group meets on the second and fourth Mondays from 2:00-4:00 PM. Pam Duren will be there to help with your project, questions or interest should you care to attend. On Thursdays 9:30 until 11:30 AM a few volunteers will be in the sewing room to help residents with alteration or mending for donations that help maintain equipment and mostly go to our Foundation. To continue this very needed service we need others to help, especially those able to mend black fabric with black thread. Even a day a month or occasional help would be greatly appreciated by all involved. Please just show up or contact Pam Duren at X3158.

Readers Theater (Suzie Matranga-Watson)

Readers Theater will start up again on October 3 from 2:30 to 3:00 pm in the PAC.

Sunday Suppers (Susan Hyne)

Year-to-date totals through end of August (including potlucks): 28 meals with 586 diners. Three Sunday Suppers and a potluck were held in August and 65 meals were served. One meal featured a new Head Chef and another welcomed a guest Head Chef. The September schedule features four meals plus a potluck hosted by residents with September birthdays.

Treasure House (Judie Hansen)

The month of August was full with sneak peeks and a book sale -- and thanks to everyone cleaning out their garages, we are getting bicycles and a fair amount of small furniture pieces. It is all good. The bad news is that two of our very, very long-time volunteers have decided to retire! Darlene Benjamin and Dori Jones, who go back to when the original Treasure House was in the basement! of where Schroeder Lofts is now. They were both anchors, showing up week after week -- thank you both. Our next big sale is on September 26 when we will feature more than 100 coats and vests.

Woodshop Report (Joel Metzger)

We completed two projects for residents in August:

- 1) Repaired and reinstalled a water feature.
- 2) Assembled a garden cart.