

From the Program Director

Happy Spring from all of us at The Landing! Lots of things happening here.

*The Learning Tree @ The Landing preschool has been busy learning their letters, numbers, colors and names since Loretta Ellis has come on board. They are even learning sign language! Both the morning and afternoon classes recently earned a party for every student recognizing their names. They painted rocks and will be hiding them around Butte Falls in hopes of people finding them on their walks. If you find one while around town, please send us a picture or post it on our Facebook page. They will say Learning Tree on one side. The preschool is who will be planning the Easter Egg Event this year. We are looking for donations of candy and goodies to stuff the eggs with and will also be having a bake sale and hot chocolate and coffee for sale. Donations of money to purchase what doesn't get donated would be greatly appreciated.

*Lisa Retherford has continued to volunteer her time to prepare the meals for the preschool. She averaged 40 hours a month as a volunteer for us and we couldn't do it without her. This is her second year doing it and we are so appreciative of all her hard work and dedication!

*As things warm up around the Landing, we could use some help outside. Anyone needing volunteer hours or just wanted to lend a hand is welcome to come and help out. We are planning a succulent memorial garden closer to the end of spring in honor of Linda Azavedo, one of our first board members and long-time supporter and volunteer. We would like the event to include community members bringing succulent starts to add to the garden.

*If there is someone who would like to do the Community Garden this year, please come in and speak with Bridget at the Landing on Tuesday or Wednesday.

*The Butte Falls Community School Partnership would like to thank Sunny Bryant for volunteering her time to get the Bulletin up and running again. We didn't have an editor for a couple of months and are happy to have Sunny as a part of our team.

*Pantry Fridays are very busy at The Landing. From 10:00-12:00 Allison Ellis and Shane Smith volunteer their time to host the Preschool Play Date, which is a time that parents of preschoolers can get together for peer support and a light meal while their children play. From 12:00-3:00 DHS Family Coach "Tank" is here to help connect families and individuals with social services. From 2:00-4:00 Buff Lawrence and his helpers cook and serve a hot meal for anyone who is hungry. From 2:00-5:00 Michael and Susie St George and their helpers coordinate and run the Food Pantry.

*Dan Murphy hosts poker on Saturday nights. The support from this event helps out here at The Landing to keep this place open and running. They have helped support every program that is offered here and also with our facility costs such as utilities. Thank you to everyone who continues to come and play!

*We are actively looking for new board members. If you are interested in serving on our board of directors and helping to guide the direction of this organization, please let us know.

*Thank you to everyone who volunteers and partners with us to keep the doors open and provide programs and resources to enhance our community.

Many thanks,

Bridget McGonagle- Program Director