

Community

Senior News

By Jacqueline Ramsay

Senior Center Problems? Really!!

Take a good look at the picture. Are you the person who dropped (dumped) it off on Saturday, November 10?

The police were called, pictures were taken, papers with names found in the mess are in the hands of the police. The "garbage" and unusable items that were sorted out from this "donation" filled our dumpster, so there was no room for the Center's refuse. By the way, whoever put their papers, etc., in the dumpster, the same weekend, you left your name on a letter. The public transfer station was "OPEN" on this particular Saturday.

Please - for what is good and usable, we say thank you. BUT, two senior ladies spent three hours Sunday afternoon wearing rubber gloves, cleaning and gleaning your thoughtlessness. The children's toys (filthy and covered with barn dirt and rat doo) are still sitting in the rain waiting for someone to help us clean them up so they can be recycled into the store area. So are all the chains, good, but filthy.

The books were unusable because of dirt, musty mildew and rat smell. Sorry, dumped.

As a used-product resale outlet, we need clean, "usable" items. We have no facilities to wash, mend or repair items and we do not wish to be known as a junk store.

True, I do take home some

clothing (childrens, baby items) stuffed toys and some hand-craft items to wash, mend and finish or reclaim at my own expense "if" the items are basically good. But I'm on the same tight S.S. budget as most sen-

Eighty-plus people enjoyed food, friendship, music and shopping. Thank you, Linda and Staff, for another fantastic spread.

Remember, we will be closed November 21, 22, 23.



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iors. My bills went up just as yours did. Someone or two owes the Vernonia Senior Center one week's garbage bill (which isn't cheap). The center cannot operate in the red.

Please do unto others as you would have them do unto you. Put your garbage in your own cans. Then, bring us your usable items and we will be more than happy to say thank you for your support.

Now - what has been dooin' at the center? Well, the Thanksgiving dinner November 14 was a "Wow", what a meal.

Dr. Aves will be in town December 14.

We lost our foot care person. The Beauty Parlor does foot care, I'm told.

The Five Area Luncheon is November 26 in Clatskanie at Noon.

Naming the Bazaar - A Senior Moment. December 1-2, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Come in, browse, eat, buy, or just visit.

Watch for December closing dates on the doors.

The Board of our new Senior Center has met with the Architect and we have begun the process of designing what we need, space-wise. Blank paper

and lots of circles and squares to combine needs with "hope there's room fors."

Enjoy the rain. It's warm, not frozen fog and east winds like Condon, Oregon, where I was last week.

You'll hear from me again in December. Thank you for listening to your Senior Center.

Oh - redface - I've been forgetting to say Happy Birthday to you all.

INFORMATION NUMBERS

COLCO Transportation
 429-4304
 Senior Advocate.. 429-9112
 Senior Center..... 429-3912

Natal Grange plans events for celebration of 100th anniversary

In celebration of its 100 years of continuous service to the community, Natal Grange is planning a community dinner on Sunday, December 2 at the Grange Hall.

The public is invited to help celebrate the occasion with a turkey dinner served

from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m., followed by music by the Golden Oldies.

There will be a visit from Santa, and free pictures with Santa and the little ones will be available.

For more information, call Jeannette Grant at 503-429-8470.

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