

# Dallas Area Seniors News

NOVEMBER 2013

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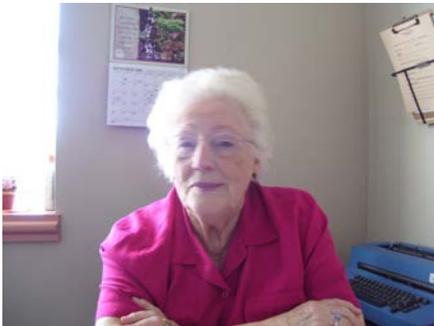
### Board Members

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## June's Jazz

Greetings to everyone. At the board meeting we had a discussion about how the price for membership was



raised from \$10.00 to \$15.00. At that time we were not having a garage

sale and the reasonable increase was decided by the board to provide enough money to operate. Then in January circumstances changed when Russ, Walt and Mary Lou volunteered to gather items for a sale in May. There have been several folks upset by the fact we raised the price and had the garage sale. At no time did we deceive our members and we were very sorry to hear of dissent by some of our friends. Please call me at (503)523-5900 if you have further questions. We will stay at the \$15.00 membership for a year from January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014. I think that is a good bargain and something that is not going up in price.

At our general meeting I mentioned Rita Grady, who is writing the grant for our new center, would be at our board meeting. Due to unforeseen scheduling she will not be there, but soon we will be meeting with her and the architect so please call and I will give you a call when we know. **YOU ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THE ACTIVITIES MEETING AND BOARD MEETINGS. CHECK THE CALENDAR FOR TIMES AND DATES.**

## Bingo

Bingo is off to a good start; the progressive pot is growing; it is now over \$100.00. The price is the same, 6 cards for \$5.00 or \$1.00 a card. Doors open at 6:00 and games start at 6:30. No one younger than the age of 18 admitted. Hope to see you there.

## Memory Screening

A representative from the Alzheimer's Network will be at our Senior Center on Tuesday, November 12<sup>th</sup> to do memory screening for those members desiring it. There are eight (8) slots available, with each taking 20 minutes to complete. There is a 10 minute

break between each session. The testing will run from 10 a.m. to 1 p.

A sign up sheet is posted on the bulletin board. If you decide to sign up, don't forget to include your phone number. It is best if people sign up in consecutive time slots so that there is not a large time gap between screening sessions for the representative doing the testing.

## Nominating Committee

At the September members meeting the general membership selected Amy Hamilton (503-385-3304), Anona Hamilton (503-949-3090), and Judy Reid (503-580-7992) for the Nominating Committee. This committee is responsible for seeking out members who are interested in running for vacant director and officer positions in the election held in December.

At our November members meeting, this committee will report to us on who the nominations are for the various positions. If you are a member of Dallas Area Seniors and interested in running for office, please contact one of people on the committee to let them know of your interest.

## Trips

We had another great day for our October trip except it was a bit windy at Vista House. But the views were still beautiful both at Vista House &

Latourelle Falls. Thanks to those with comments about the trip. They are always appreciated.



*Posing on the steps at Vista House*

On Thursday, Nov. 21st we will go to the Beaverton area for lunch and a program. Lunch will be at John's Incredible Pizza. Besides pizza they have salad bar, potato & pasta bar, soups, dessert bar & ice cream. The cost for seniors for all-you-can eat is \$5.99 with beverage at \$1.49. Nona & I are always looking for different places and this place is different. (Think fun!) From there we will go to Alpenrose Dairy for a program of holiday songs, dancing, comedy skits and some surprises put on by NW Senior Theater. The bus fee is \$5. The bus will leave the church parking lot at 10:00 AM. Please be there by 9:50 AM. Lunch is on your own. The fee for the program is \$5 and will be collected at the door. So get into a holiday mood & join us on the 21st.

## UPCOMING TRIPS

There will be two trips in December. The first is to Perrydale School for lunch and a program. The date has not been set yet but they said early December. We are also planning a

trip for dinner and viewing Christmas lights either in Salem or Corvallis. We are still working on a date and location. See the December newsletter or check at Senior Center for sign up sheets.

January, February and March, when the weather is inclement, we will probably just go for lunch unless we find something inside we can take in.

Remember, if you have ideas about trips or places to eat, write them up, put them in an envelope marked "TRIPS", and mail to or leave at the Senior Center. Nona & I will get them from there. Thanks.

Helvi Ross

## Painting Class

Remember that there will be no classes in November & December. However we will begin again in January & February. Look for the Start Date in your News Letter & come Paint with Norma.

## Annual Garage Sale

We will be having a garage sale in the spring. We are looking for all good usable items. If you are downsizing to a smaller home or town house we would welcome your excess furniture and the many things you may have in abundance such as tools gardening supplies, useable boats, motorcycles etc.

This will help to support the new center. For pickups call:

Russ Thommen (503)623-3077,  
Walt Hildebrand (503) 623-4169 or  
Mary Lou Koenig (503) 623-4903

## Holiday Bazaar

This year's Holiday Bazaar is November 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> in the Dallas Senior Center. The sale hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day. A wide variety of handcrafted items and holiday gifts will be for sale as well as raffle tickets for a quilt. Delicious baked goods such as breads, candies, cookies, and canned preserves will also be sold. If you're hungry, lunch will also be available for purchase.

The crafting ladies have been working away on making these items. Drop on by and take a look and maybe even spend a little money on that special gift.

### SATURDAY DANCES

Most 1st and 3rd Saturday evenings of the month, we load our bus and head out to the Keizer/Salem Senior Center for dancing to a live band. The bus leaves at 6:00 p.m. The cost is \$5. Entry to the center is an additional \$4. To partake in the potluck is \$1 if you don't contribute any food. For more information or to sign up for a seat on the bus contact Cecil Maginn, cell phone: 971-239-7107



# The lot at the corner of Church and Washington Streets

Our president mentioned in the June newsletter of Dallas Area Seniors purchasing the vacant corner lot at Church and Washington Streets. It was brought to our attention at our October Board meeting that some members were upset about purchasing the lot. Here is some background and reasoning behind the Board's decision.

The city is pursuing a grant to build us a new senior center. Either the criteria changed since the idea was first floated or past city administrations the grants manager didn't do a thorough job of clarifying site criteria necessary to qualify for this grant. In a nutshell, no grant monies can be used to purchase property for the site and no construction can occur in a floodplain. The city of Dallas has to own the property at the time the grant request is submitted. For example, the old swimming pool site is in a floodplain and neither the old Lutheran church nor the old Safeway are owned by the city.

This left us and the city looking at the only other appropriate city-owned site. It is located immediately south of the old city library (Carnegie Building) on Church Street. A reasonably sized two-story senior center is feasible on this site, but very little parking can be accommodated on the site. Russ Thommen noticed that the vacant lot in question was posted for sale and

negotiated a sale price. He brought the idea to the Board and the Board agreed to purchase it with the proviso that Russ agrees to purchase the lot from Dallas Area Seniors for the original sale price should the grant fall through. Additionally, Russ paid for all closing costs associated with our purchasing this lot.

When the new senior center is built, we will pave this lot and it will afford us a lot more parking just a short walk from the new center.

Many of you are aware that Tim's Automotive Specialties is adjacent to our corner lot along its eastern boundary. This establishment and its customers used it to park their vehicles, though they never owned the property. Some members may feel that we should still allow the lot be used by Tim's rather than blocking it off and posting it.

Our reasons for posting it are twofold. First, this lot now belongs to Dallas Area Seniors so if anyone injures themselves or even their property, our organization could be held liable for any sustained injuries or damages. Second, the City of Dallas considers this to be an undeveloped lot so using it as a parking lot at this time is not a permitted use. Our lot is currently graveled, not paved. The lot we purchased had been for sale for several years during which time Tim's had every opportunity to purchase it.

Though some members may disagree with the Board's actions, we hope this at least clarifies our reasoning in this matter.

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SUN	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				<i>*Please note the temporary change of time for activity meetings while the Tai Chi class is ongoing.</i>	<b>1</b> 9:00 a.m.* <i>Activity Meeting</i> <b>10-11 AM TAI CHI</b>  12:30 p.m. Pinochle  6:30 p.m. <b>B-I-N-G-O</b>	<b>2</b> Daylight Saving Time ends tomorrow... Set clocks back one hour tonight.
<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> <b>10-11 AM TAI CHI</b>  1:00 p.m. Table Games	<b>5</b> 9:00 a.m. Arthritis Exercises  10:00 a.m. DAS BOARD MEETING 10:00 a.m. Hearing Aid Service  Noon - 3:00 p.m. <b>CRAFTS</b>	<b>6</b> 10:00 a.m. Wii Bowling  1:00 p.m. Pinochle & Mah Jong	<b>7</b> 9:00 a.m. Arthritis Exercises <i>10 AM-NOON Writing Class</i>  1:00 p.m. ♣Bridge♣	<b>8</b> <b>10-11 AM TAI CHI</b> 10:30 a.m. Spirit Mountain Casino 12:30 p.m. Pinochle <b>6-8 PM DANCE CLASS</b>	<b>9</b> <b>11:30 a.m. General Meeting</b> <b>12:00 Potluck</b>  <b>B-I-N-G-O</b> follows Prizes Furnished
<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Veteran's Day <b>10-11 AM TAI CHI</b> 1:00 p.m. Table Games Duplicate Bridge <b>6-8 PM</b> ♪Karaoke♪	<b>12</b> 9:00 a.m. Arthritis Exercises <b>10 AM - 1PM ALZHEIMER'S SCREENING</b> 10:00 a.m. Hearing Aid Service 1:00 p.m. Bunco	<b>13</b> <b>10-NOON Medicare</b>  1:00 p.m. Pinochle & Mah Jong	<b>14</b> 9:00 a.m. Arthritis Exercises  <b>Holiday Bazaar set-up after exercise class</b>  <b>NO BRIDGE TODAY</b>	<b>15</b>  <b>Holiday Bazaar</b> 8 AM to 4 PM	<b>16</b>  <b>Holiday Bazaar</b> 8 AM to 4 PM
<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> <b>10-11 AM TAI CHI</b>  1:00 p.m. Table Games	<b>19</b> 9:00 a.m. Arthritis Exercises  10:00 a.m. Hearing Aid Service  10:00 - 3:00 p.m. <b>CRAFTS</b>	<b>20</b> 10:00 a.m. Wii Bowling  1:00 p.m. Pinochle & Mah Jong  <b>5:00 p.m. Leopard Chicks rehearsal</b> ♪	<b>21</b> 9:00 a.m. Arthritis Exercises <i>10 AM-NOON Writing Class</i> <b>ALPENROSE TRIP</b> 1:00 p.m. ♣Bridge♣ ♪ 6:30 PM ♪ <b>Music Jam</b>	<b>22</b> <b>10-11 AM TAI CHI</b>  12:30 p.m. Pinochle  <b>6-8 PM DANCE CLASS</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> <b>10-11 AM TAI CHI</b> 1:00 p.m. Table Games Duplicate Bridge <b>6-8 PM</b> ♪Karaoke♪	<b>26</b> 9:00 a.m. Arthritis Exercises  10:00 a.m. Hearing Aid Service  1:00 p.m. Bunco	<b>27</b> <b>10-NOON Medicare</b>  1:00 p.m. Pinochle & Mah Jong	<b>28</b> 	<b>29</b>  <b>SENIOR CENTER CLOSED</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>1</b> <b>DECEMBER</b>	<b>2</b> <b>10-11 AM TAI CHI</b>  1:00 p.m. Table Games	<b>3</b> 9:00 a.m. Arthritis Exercises 10:00 a.m. Hearing Aid Service  10:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m. <b>CRAFTS</b>	<b>4</b> 10:00 a.m. Wii Bowling <b>10-NOON Medicare</b> 1:00 p.m. Pinochle & Mah Jong	<b>5</b> 9:00 a.m. Arthritis Exercises <i>10 AM-NOON Writing Class</i>  1:00 p.m. ♣Bridge♣	<b>6</b> 9:00 a.m.* <i>Activity Meeting</i> <b>10-11 AM TAI CHI</b> 12:30 p.m. Pinochle <b>6-8 PM DANCE CLASS</b>	<b>7</b>