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Greetings from Anna Manley, your new 20/21 President



I've been coming to WWN for about 1.5 years and you may recognize me from my ad in the newsletter with my photo. I work full time at the Rogue Community College Foundation and I originally agreed to serve as Vice-President. Leslie Miller gave the board her resignation on August 1st. With the support of the board I've agreed to serve as President for this 20/21 year and I hope that will include seeing and getting to know many of you better.

I want to pause and express my thanks to Leslie for stepping up and trying to do what she thought was right. Our hats are off to her efforts and we hope she'll be able to join us.

The board unanimously confirmed the decision to not hold regular Club meetings for the balance of '20, but instead will be offering an informal, monthly gathering in Sept/Oct/Nov outdoors (see the calendar for more information). As January gets closer, we'll assess and address the issue at that time.

Each committee's chairperson is asked to proceed with activities as they/their participants are comfortable with, and to conduct those activities per the social guidelines current at the time of activity, using waitlists or breaking the group into sub-groups, where necessary.

Please know that if you have underlying conditions or for whatever reason choose not to participate while we navigate these times, we completely understand and honor your decision. If you chose to participate, know that in doing so you agree that it's completely at your voluntary consent and that Western Welcome Newcomers (WWN) bears no liability.

The board has confirmed their decision to not charge dues this year and to roll forward to 21/22 those who have already paid. We hope that works for you. If you have concerns, please talk to a board member. Our desire is to make this work for you.

I moved to Grants Pass in early '97 from San Diego. I was the Director of Financial Aid at RCC for 25 years and recently stepped down to take a less stressful/rewarding job as Scholarship Coordinator with the RCC Foundation. I was a foster parent for 11 years and have worked with GP High School and my church to house a number of women in transition. I'm the oldest of 5 kids and grew up with a full and busy family. I love cooking and watching things grow. I feel so blessed and am thankful for the life I've been given.

I appreciate the opportunity to be part of WWN and look forward to getting to know each of you better. While I believe Covid19 is real and respect each person's choice in how they navigate these times, I also believe it's reach is grossly exaggerated, so look forward to resuming our ability to socialize, as each is comfortable. Enjoy the sunshine and fresh air and know you are not forgotten or alone! If you have sentiments you want me to be aware of, I welcome your contact. My cell is 541-218-8191.

COVID UPDATE

Statewide Gatherings, Social Get-Together Guidance Effective date: July 24, 2020

“Gathering” means a group of individuals meeting for a common purpose including faith-based, civic, cultural and other purposes. A Gathering is outdoors. A gathering does not include an indoor social get-together. Maximum Capacity Limit – Phase 2 is 100 people outdoors.

OREGON COVID PHASE 2 Masks worn by anyone over age 5 when in an indoor public space Masks are optional outside when physical distancing is possible Gatherings: 50 indoor/100 outdoor Social get-togethers: 10 indoor

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GENERAL INFORMATION



If your email address has recently changed please contact Diane Lewis so we can update the club's information.

Diane@Lewismailbox.com



HAPPY BIRTHDAY EVERYONE!



* SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS *

Trish Bell, Norm Foley, Linda Sanders, Melinda Schoen, Darrel Johnston,
Suzanne Davis, Ron Exley, Tom Cowan, Charles Della Maggiora,
Stan Ehrenfort, Mark Simonds

* OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS *

Diane Lewis, Larry Boynton, Marcy Kappner, Jim Connelly, James Converse,
Terri Williams, Patty Marty, Dianne Agricola, Erlin Peaker, Leslie Miller, Becky
Bochman, Phyllis Greenwood, Janis Palmer, Ron Fisher, Bill Forbes, Bill Davis

WWN Board of Directors 2020 - 2021

Board President	Anna Manley	541-218-8191
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Committee Chairmen

Activities	OPEN	
Calendar/Newsletter	Kristi Mishell	541-761-1810
Computer	Mark Simonds	541-955-4810
Crafts	Connie Hager	541-218-2804
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Hosts	Mary McGar	503-939-9717
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Let's Eat Out	Jiggy Bem	541-955-1794
Luncheon Information	Tom Wilson	541-660-7040
Luncheon Tables	Karen Stoner	541-474-2233
Membership	Jiggy Bem	541-955-1794
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Publicity	OPEN	
Socially Single	Trish Bell	541-218-2119
Sunshine	Jacque Melancon	925-597-0177
Ways and Means	Mona Hartmann	541-973-5920
*Covid Chairman	Debra Wilson	541-660-7040



Comings & Goings

Been working on a quilt which I have never made a BIG one before. What a challenge! (Marci Kappner)

I am pretty well hunkered down for the duration, other than hitting stores for groceries or yard/home maintenance. How did I ever manage to do all this forest and home effort when I was working an 8 to 5 (+) job? (Mark Simonds)

We went to grandson's postponed graduation in Las Vegas. No casino or dine in eating. Out of respect for friends and fellow Oregonians, we have self quarantined for 11 out of 14 days. Feel fine. Paul has been doing Ham radio and Linda has been doing online bridge. Give us a call if you're interested in either hobby. (Linda Paul Lonquist)

A few ladies from Colonial Valley meet when the weather cooperates for weekly "driveway visiting" at my home. We sit (socially accepted distance) in the shade & chat - each person bringing their own chair, drink, etc. (Pam Petrusha)

Road trips to Sunriver and the coast (Yachats, Bandon and Gold Beach). A lot of reading and Don is revisiting his stamp collecting hobby. (Don & Sandy Roberts)

I'm enjoying my new puppy Emma (Springer/Choc Lab) and enjoying 3 dog dates a week sitting on my front deck social distancing and watching them exercising like crazy in the yard. Looking for more dogs! (Kristi Mishell)

Dodging spittle! (Robert Ray)

Send your information to kristimishell@gmail.com for next month's newsletter

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**** Let's Eat Out ****

Chair: Jiggy Bem 541-955-1794

Where: River's Edge

Date: Sept 11th

Time: 4:00 PM

Address: 1936 Rogue River Hwy



Hosted by Jiggy Bem jiggylee9@gmail.com



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Elmer's Restaurant @ 1:00 PM

For more information please email or call
Trish Bell 541-218-6109 tb_euhs@yahoo.com



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Ms. Sunshine: Jacque Melancon 925-597-0177
(call or text)



3rd Monday of the month.
Black Forest
Interested?

Call Terry 503-812-0381

*** CRAFTS ***



TILE COASTERS OR TRIVET
 Sept 16th
 10:30 AM

Connie's: 1255 SW Ironwood Dr.
 \$20
 Come have fun!

Chair: Connie Hager 541-218-2804



*** SOCIALLY SINGLE ***

Chair: Trish Bell 541-476-0466
tb_euhs@yahoo.com

WHERE: Train Depot
ADDRESS: 577 NE 'F' St. Grants Pass
DATE: Sept 17th
TIME: 1 PM

We'll be eating on the patio if possible.
 To sign up, please call or email Trish.





MEXICAN TRAIN
 Wed's, 1-5 PM

Connie Hager's House
 Two times a month.

Please check the calendar for date and times,
 they may change.

Everyone is welcome, beginners or experienced.

There is room for up to 30 players and we will
 switch it up so you get to play
 with different people.

Contact: Debra Wilson 541-660-7040
antiquetd@msn.com

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Join the Josephine County Historical Society.
Primary events each year: Graveyard Tour,
Victorian Christmas Open House,
and a Pie and Ice Cream Social.
Call the Society at 541-479-7827 or
call Cindy English at 541-476-8712 (H)
541-660-5587 (C)

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