



# THE NEIGHBORLY NEWS

WESTERN WELCOME NEIGHBOR

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Our annual auction is fast approaching! This event is very important to WWN. The money we make is essential to us so that we can plan fun events for the year to come. Please donate gifts to be auctioned and don't forget to bid on these wonderful treasures!



I want to thank *Angel, Sherrill and Ed Eads* for all they did at the senior fair! I stopped by and they were busy telling everyone about our great social group and all we offer. Thank you *Debra Wilson* for getting the new rack cards printed in time for the event.

*Susan Jaeger* has offered to take over Book Club as our chairperson. She has been coming to Book Club for quite a long time so this will be so easy for her! Many of you know Susan from cards & Mexican Train. She also has an ad each month in our newsletter. Check it out!

Launie Myers

Vice President

[launiemyers@gmail.com](mailto:launiemyers@gmail.com)

Thanks to all for coming out to our August General Meeting - we had a very fun time Naming That Tune. It was fun to see who still had a good memory- Margie!! Thanks Jan for stepping up to volunteer to lead the day. Always welcome new people to step up and be a part of the planning - makes it more fun.



This month we will have more live entertainment - our own Carmen Cowan and her group shall do a dance exhibition. Come out, enjoy the fun and hear about upcoming activities. See you there

## WE ARE MAKING CHANGES!

We are now **Western Welcome Neighbors!**

Why the change? I think many of you have heard the same thing from friends, "I can't join, I'm not a newcomer!" We wanted to keep the almost 40 year tradition of WWN but make it inviting to everyone, thus Newcomer was changed to Neighbors!

We will be rolling out changes over the next weeks.

*More about new name badges on page 5*

# 🎉 WESTERN WELCOME NEWCOMERS ANNUAL AUCTION 🎉



Tuesday, October 28th



**Doors open 9am, auction starts 9:30am**

Join us for one of the most anticipated events of the year — our Annual Auction, the Western Welcome Newcomers' only fundraiser.

Whether you're donating, bidding, or just cheering from the sidelines, this event promises fun, laughter, and friendly competition. Enjoy a festive atmosphere and an amazing variety of items, such as:

- Beautiful Handcrafts from our talented members
- 🍪 Fresh-baked treats
- 🧶 Hand-knit and crocheted items
- 📦 Gift baskets packed with goodies
- 🌿 Potted plants, wine, gift cards, and more!



🎤 Our Auctioneer: Nelson Maler  
Get ready for a lively, laughter-filled afternoon with the one and only Nelson at the helm!

## 📝 ITEM DONORS, PLEASE NOTE:

- **Every auction item must include TWO (2) 3x5 cards with:**
  - **Item Title**
  - **Brief Description**

Pick up blank cards at the September meeting.

- ⓪ No rummage sale or used items, please.

Let's make this year's auction another memorable success. We can't wait to see you there!

Terry O'Dell  
503-812-0381

## CRAFTS @ CONNIE'S



On Oct 15th at 10:00 the craft at Connie's is a Christmas decoration that can be used as a light up centerpiece or you could set it in your window for a pretty decoration. I'll try my best to keep the cost at about \$20 - \$25. There will be a sign up sheet at the general meeting in Sept.

If you want to do a craft to donate to our Auction in Oct. you could do that also. I have several items available to do. You can call for questions or to sign up. Thanks

Connie Hager (541)218-2804  
[conniehager@rocketmail.com](mailto:conniehager@rocketmail.com)

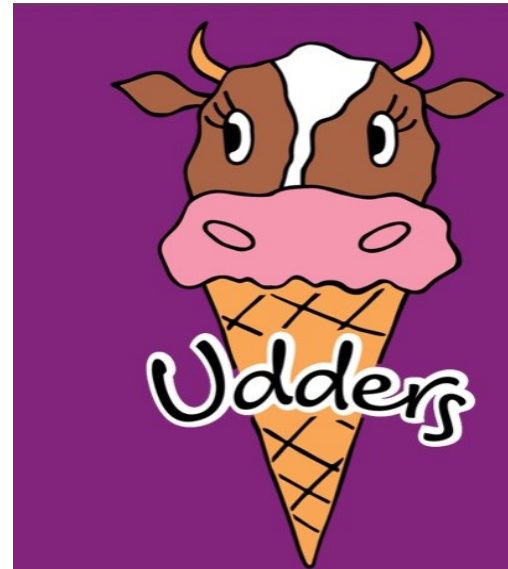


### October Birthdays

| Day | Name              |
|-----|-------------------|
| 1   | Diane Lewis       |
| 1   | Kathleen Gray     |
| 2   | Larry Boynton     |
| 4   | Marcy Kappner     |
| 6   | Jeff Gray         |
| 7   | Jim Connelly      |
| 8   | Mary Dimock       |
| 12  | Dianne Agricola   |
| 13  | Erlin Peaker      |
| 16  | Becky Bochman     |
| 18  | Phyllis Greenwood |
| 22  | Starr Terra       |

### November Birthdays

| Day | Name             |
|-----|------------------|
| 3   | Carmen Cowan     |
| 6   | Debra Wilson     |
| 6   | Denise Newlove   |
| 10  | Paul Lonnquist   |
| 14  | Sharon Gossett   |
| 16  | Lou LeBlanc      |
| 20  | Greg Stewart     |
| 21  | Lori Stonecipher |
| 23  | Cheri Klusman    |
| 24  | Sandy Driscoll   |
| 27  | Jan Franz        |



## UDDERS ICE CREAM TOUR

1893 NE 7th St  
**Tuesday 10/7**  
**10:30**

RSVP

Annette Schmidt  
 541-815-1224

[heartrockschmidty@gmail.com](mailto:heartrockschmidty@gmail.com)



MARK YOUR CALENDARS  
 WVN ANNUAL CHRISTMAS  
 PARTY  
 DECEMBER 8TH  
 WILD RIVER PUB  
 DETAILS TO FOLLOW





**MEXICAN TRAIN**  
**BEAR HOTEL**  
**2101 NE Spalding**

***~~October 8th & 29th~~***

**PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE**

**Doors open at 12:30**

**Bring your quarters, dominoes and racks!**

**Many of you know during November & December the Bear Hotel is unable to accommodate our group. Sandi Antich has arranged the following:**

**November 12th noon**

**Elks Lodge  
618 SE J St**

**November 26th noon**

**Connie Hager's home  
1255 SW Ironwood**

**No Mexican Train in December**

**Questions & RSVP**

**Sandy Antich**

**541-218-4015**

[sandygoing@hotmail.com](mailto:sandygoing@hotmail.com)



Book club at Elmer's August 11th

**Book Lovers Unite!**

The Book Club meets **2nd Monday of each month** for lunch and discussion of books we've read or listened to



**October 13th 12:30**

**Elmer's Restaurant**  
175 N Agness, Grants Pass

**Come share what you're reading! We don't all read the same book in this book club. It's fun to hear about new Authors and genres.**

**Thank you to Susan Jaeger for agreeing to be the new Chairperson for Book Club**  
**Please RSVP**  
**Susan Jaeger**

**With gratitude--  
 optimism is sustainable  
 Michael J. Fox**

**50/50**



**\$\$ WIN**

Buy your tickets and go home with a little bonus. Tickets are drawn at the meeting and you could go home a winner!

Purchase your tickets at the registration area.

Ticket prices are 1 for \$1, 3 for \$2, 5 for \$3 and 10 for \$5.

August 26th winners

Cathy Pallari \$36

Terry O'Dell \$25

The total collected is divided 50% to the club and the other 50% is split two ways



3rd Monday of each month

Location is kept secret to avoid having woman crash the party

Contact Terry O'Dell for the monthly location

503-812-0381



## **HAND & FOOT, 5 CROWN, KINGS IN THE CORNER CARD GAMES**

**Elks Lodge**

618 SE J Street, Grant Pass

1st & 3rd Thursdays

We start at 12:00 PM for LUNCH.

We all must pay for our lunch in order to use the room to play cards. No pay—no play. Menu has many under \$10 items

**Cash only**

**October 2nd & 16th  
November 6th & 20th**

**If you don't know how to play we'll teach you. It's FUN! Come join us!**

Connie Hager (call or text) 541-218-2804

## **BOWLING**

**Good News from the Alley Cats!!**

We gather at the tables in the area of lanes 4-8.

**Only \$3.00 a game and that includes shoes and ball!**

**Caveman Bowl**

1230 Rogue River Highway

**October 9th & 23rd  
November 13th**

**Practice starts at  
9:45am**

**Please RSVP**

Any questions? Call or email Lynn Burke

541-244-8645

cherlynnb123@gmail.com



**AUCTION  
OCTOBER 28TH 9AM**





## NEW NAME BADGE DESIGN

New members will start off with this design.  
If you would like to order a badge with the new design please see our membership chair, Sharon Keir. They will be \$3

**New Badges are optional!**

HAVE YOU BEEN OUT TO THE DAIRY  
FARM ON LOWER RIVER ROAD?  
MANY OF YOU HAVE ASKED ABOUT THIS TOUR

Annette Schmidt has arranged our tour

**Wednesday 10/22**

**TOUR WILL BE AT 10AM**

**RSVP**

**Annette Schmidt**

**541-815-1224**

**[heartrockschmidt@gmail.com](mailto:heartrockschmidt@gmail.com)**



**LUNCH BUNCH**  
**WEDNESDAY 10/22**  
**11:30**

After the Farm Tour head on  
over for lunch at

Sizzler  
1871 NE 7th St  
Grants Pass

RSVP  
Jan Kloes  
541-862-2803  
**[yngrvls@aol.com](mailto:yngrvls@aol.com)**



**Rogue Creamery Dairy and Farm  
Stand:**

6531 Lower River Road  
Grants Pass, OR 97526  
(541) 471-7292

NEVER TOO EARLY TO  
THINK ABOUT  
**COOKIES!**  
Christmas Cookie  
Exchange  
12/12  
Black Bear Diner



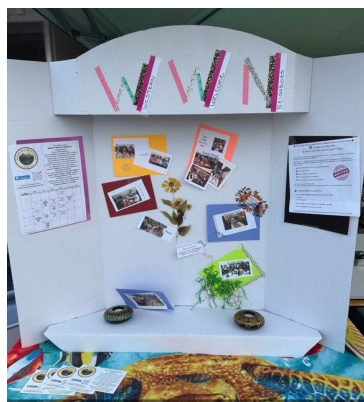


THANK YOU  
ED EADS!  
I heard this group had a great time at the  
Josephine County Sportsman Assoc  
Gun Range on 9/9

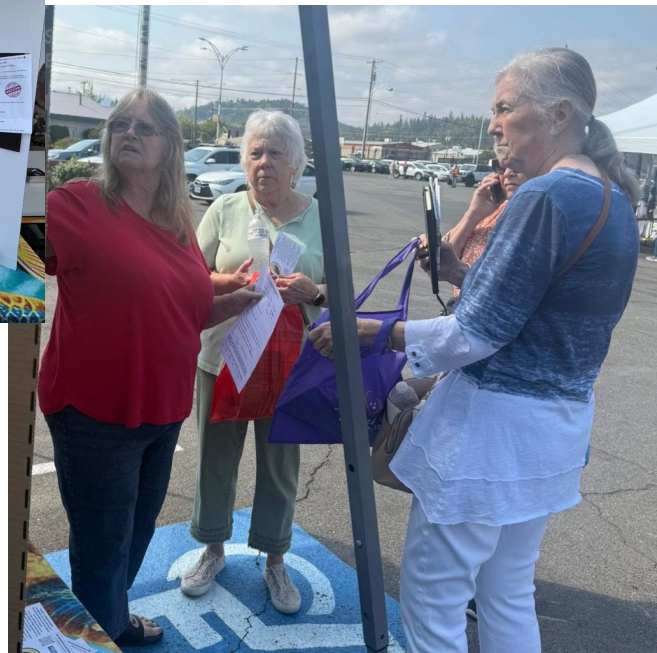


Our two new members are  
friends of member Pat  
Kellam. Many of us have met  
them at the card games at the  
Elks and Mexican Train

**Lynn Montgomery**  
**Lilly Radbourne**



*Linda Angel* talking to  
interested people at  
the Senior Fair! Thank  
you *Sherrill Eads* for  
all the great info post-  
ed on the board, Al-  
most 80 rack cards  
given out!





## WWN CLASSIFIED ADS

*Ads are accepted only for member items or services.*

Ads are \$3.00 (prepaid) for up to 25 words (\$5 for up to 50 words). Deadline is 10 days before the monthly Newcomers Meeting (last Tuesday of each month).  
Business Card ads are \$36/6month

Ads may/may not require your name, phone number, address, description of the items for sale or wanted, price, condition of item or date of event.

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### Launie Myers

Licensed Broker

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**CENTURY 21**

J.C. Jones American Dream

858 NW 6<sup>th</sup> St. Grants Pass, OR 97526



We treat you like family!



### The Board for 2025-2026

#### Officers

|                 |                  |
|-----------------|------------------|
| President       | Starr Terra      |
| Vice-President  | Launie Myers     |
| Secretary       | Sandy Antich     |
| Treasurer       | Diane Lewis      |
| Auditor         | Shireen Hartmann |
| Parliamentarian | Sandra Antich    |

#### Chairpersons

|                     |                       |
|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Activity Chairman   | Annette Schmidt       |
| Book Club           | Susan Jaeger          |
| Bowling             | Lynn Burke            |
| Calendar/Newsletter | Debra Wilson          |
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| Events              | Sherrill Eads         |
| Greeters/Hosts      | Connie Hager          |
|                     | Oleita Sanford        |
|                     | Kathy Gray            |
| Historian           | Tom Wilson            |
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|                     | Ann Barham            |
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| Publicity           | Linda Angel           |
| Ways and Means      | Steve and Joan Knecht |
| Webmaster           | Mark Simonds          |