

SENIOR CORRESPONDENT

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Board of Directors Update

January was another busy month! Those who participated in the trips to the Wildwood and to Peak bowling enjoyed themselves and are looking forward to doing these trips again. Thank you to Gina for helping with the trip to Peak Bowling.

Sadly, we lost one of our long time members. Paul Loyd passed away on January 1. His family appreciated the help they received from the Senior Center in planning his memorial service. Paul will be sorely missed.

Participation in the potluck and the catered meal continues to grow. If you are not coming to these events, you are missing out on the fellowship and on some really good food.

Even though Aline's water color class was postponed for a week due to the weather, it was another success. Ten people enjoyed the class.

Classes on artist trading cards and book page folding were also a success. Thank you to Linn and Gwen for leading these classes.

I am still not sure what Zumba Gold is, but boy do those students seem to be having a great time.

The traditional exercise classes are continuing to grow in numbers. Thank you to Cheryl and Gwen for leading these classes.



2023 Dues

It is time to renew your membership. Annual dues are \$20. New membership cards are ready and the front desk folks are ready to help! Ask for your free shopping bag when you pay your dues!

Woodland Park Senior Organization (aka Club) was formed July 12, 1973, to bring together seniors **age 50 and over**, in Teller and adjoining counties, to promote the well-being of senior citizens and adults with disabilities by providing social interaction, mental stimulation and healthful activities. Stop by any weekday between 9am and 1pm to check out activities we currently provide that might interest you and to suggest additional activities for our community!



Gwen Hensinger and Cheryl Price have worked hard to keep our exercise program going. The latest addition of Zumba has proven to be a big hit. Thanks ladies for all your hard work!

Wally Banzhaf continues to keep us stocked with supplies we need through monthly trips to Sam's down in Colorado Springs. Thanks, Wally, for keeping on top of our needs.

Thanks to all the cooks who treated us to the great ham dinner for the February Catered Meal. Also, thanks to Teller Senior Coalition for updating us on all the great services they provide to seniors in Teller County.

Thanks to Linn Churchill for leading the Artist Trading Cards workshop. Thanks Gwen Hensinger for the Book Folding workshop. Folks like Linn and Gwen willing to share their skills help us to continue our craft workshops.

Aline Goodchild's watercolor workshops are continuing to grow in participants. Thanks Aline for sharing your expertise! Silver Key meals at the center would not be possible without Steve from the coalition, George Caley and Jerry Burnham making the trips to pick them up in the Springs. Thanks Guys!

SERVING THE CHILDREN OF TELLER COUNTY KIWANIS AFTER DARK



Collecting new or gently used Hats and Mittens for Teller County Kids!

Collection bins are at
The WP Senior Center front desk
and at the WP Library inside the front door
under the bulletin board on the left.

Collecting Until February 14th

Coming in March

- 3/10 Johnson Home Train visit
- 3/14 Potluck Lunch
- 3/18 Chili Cookoff
- 3/24 Butte Theater
- 3/28 Catered Meal



Ed	Biersmith	2 - 2
Jerry	Burnham	2 - 2
Eddy	Murdy	2 - 5
Andrea	Martin	2 - 12
Marilyn	DeCaro	2 - 14
Jerry	Paul	2 - 16
Eleanore	Piwoni	2 - 17
Martha	Hostetter	2 - 18
Shawn	Nielsen	2 - 20
Janice	Hamlet	2 - 21
Bob	Accinni	2 - 26
Donna	Distel	2 - 27

February Catered Meal is FREE for Feb Babies!

Watercolor Class

Monday, February 20
1:00 – 3:00pm

Join Aline as she guides us through the basics of watercolor painting.

All Supplies provided.

Call 719-687-3877

or sign-up at the front desk.



Air Force Planetarium & Lunch

Friday, February 10
10:30am – 3:00pm

Teller Senior Coalition Bus

Call 719-687-3877

or sign-up at the front desk.

Remembering Paul Loyd



Paul Loyd, long time WP Senior Center member died on January 1, 2023. Born on September 17, 1943, Paul was oldest of 7 children. He attended the University of Illinois before spending 4 years in the Air Force. While in the service, he learned Russian in order to help with top secret crypto work. His service took him to Alaska, England and Japan. After his discharge, Paul worked 32 years as a computer analyst for Loyola University Medical Center.

Paul had lived in Woodland Park for 23 years. His mom lived here with him and later when she became sick, his sister Sue came to help and stayed on after their mom went to heaven. While a Woodland Park resident, Paul was active in the Ute Pass Historical Society as well as the Senior Center. During the memorial service at the center, the eulogy began with a story about an 8 year old asking an old wise man. "Tell me Sir, in what field could I make a great career?" The old man said, "Be a good human being. There is lot of opportunity in this area, and very little competition." Paul's family members recalled how he succeeded in turning this advice into reality. They told of the many times during Paul's life when he reached out to help those in need. Paul was quiet - working behind the scene - but always around when help was needed.

At the Senior Center, for at least the past 10 years, Paul was the phone caller co-ordinator to get the catered meal reservations set each month. He also was the man behind the scene making sure drinks were setup for Potluck and Catered Meal events.

Paul will be missed by all us at the center!



Felt Heart Pockets Workshop

Friday, February 3
1:00 – 3:00pm

Call 719-687-3877
or sign-up at the front desk.



Pot of Gold Gnome Workshop

Friday, February 17
1:00 – 3:00pm

Call 719-687-3877
or sign-up at the front desk.

Senior Center Neighborhood walks



We are starting a series of once a month neighborhood walks. Most months the walks will be on the last Saturday of the month. Our first date is set for Saturday, February 18. We will meet at the senior center parking lot at 11:00 am and car-pool if necessary. The time frame will be about an hour.

Some areas to walk may include: Northwood and sports fields, Stone Ridge, WP Middle School area, golf course/west side streets, Baldwin/Rampart Range sidewalk, Memorial Park and north of the library, others as suggested by participants.

Call 719-687-3877 or sign-up at the Senior Center front desk.



Friday, February 24

10:30am - 3:00pm

Lunch in Cripple Creek

Teller Senior Coalition Bus

Call 719-687-3877
or sign-up at the front desk.

**WP Senior Center Course Offering:
"Your Legacy Letter"**



Wednesday, March 1, 15, and 29
from 1:00 to 3:00.

"Life has many chapters, some good, some not so good. Some long, or not so long." Ever thought about writing a "letter" of what matters to you for others to read and appreciate? It's a document to pass along to those who you care about, with personal insights, values, dreams, and so on...

Composing and designing this document can be a rewarding exercise as you put into words what significant experiences and life lessons have shaped the person you are. It's a living history record to pass along to the next generation, and best of all, you'll have company.

Join us for support and direction over a few sessions learning to create Your Legacy Letter that reflects aspects of your journey and its meaning. Sign up at the front desk to be included in this special process.

SAVE THE DATE!!!

WP Senior Center Craft Show

Saturday, April 18 - 9am -1pm
All crafters welcome - \$15 table fee
Space limited to 12 tables
Register at the front desk or
Call 719-687-3877



WOODLAND PARK
SENIOR ORGANIZATION

CHILI COOK-OFF



10th ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF

Saturday, March 18th – 11am to 1:00pm

Senior Center – 321 N Pine Street

Open to all for \$5 Fee. Everyone welcome!

Chili, Cornbread, Drinks, Dessert

All Chili Cookers are invited to enter your favorite Chili - \$20 entry fee.

Drop by the Senior Center for a Registration Form

Limit of 12 Chili Entries – March 16th deadline to register.

Cash Prizes will be given to the top 3 Chili Entries and the People's Choice

1st place \$100 – 2nd place \$75 – 3rd place \$50 – People's Choice \$100

Tasting starts at 11am and awards at 12:45pm

This is a Fundraising Event for the Woodland Park Senior Organization. Please join us and vote for the best Chili in Woodland Park.



WOODLAND PARK
SENIOR ORGANIZATION

**WINTER PHOTO
CONTEST**



Submit by March 24, 2023

Voting on March 28, 2023

Prizes for the Top Three Pictures.

Registration & Contest Rules

at the Front Desk.

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Blood Donation

There's an **EMERGENCY
SHORTAGE** of blood.

Vitalant Blood Donation
dates on Mondays at
Our Lady of the Woods
Catholic Church
in Woodland Park.

March 13

May 8

July 10

September 11

November 13

BINGO



January 5



January 12 - Jeanette in tutu made by Gwen

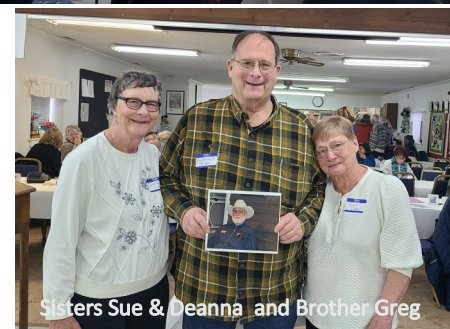
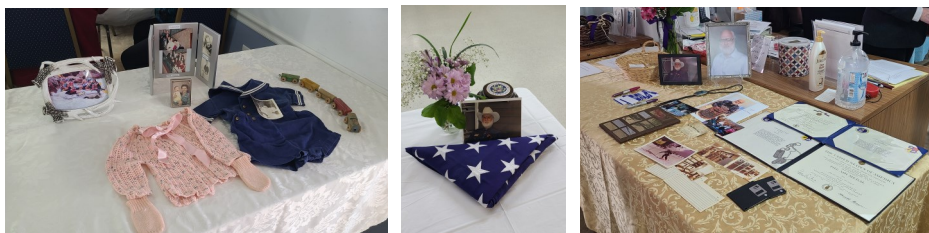


January 19 - fun having Kevin back in town



January 26

Paul Loyd Memorial - January 21



Sisters Sue & Deanna and Brother Greg



January 10 - Potluck



Ruth's Daughter in Law Kathy Calling Bingo



January 6 - Artist Trading Cards Workshop



January 24—Catered Meal



Proud Grandpa Kevin back for a visit



Senior Coalition folks sharing about their services for seniors

January 30
Water color Class





WOODLAND PARK
SENIOR CITIZENS ORGANIZATION

JOIN THE **FUN**

WOODLAND PARK SENIOR CLUB TOP 10 MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

1. SOCIAL ACTIVITY
2. CLUB HOUSE
3. INCREASE KNOWLEDGE
4. REGULAR ACTIVITY
5. FITNESS & WELLNESS
6. SPECIAL DISCOUNTS
7. SPECIAL EVENTS
8. NETWORKING
9. VOLUNTEERING
10. FUN, FUN, FUN



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All members are encouraged to join a committee where their interest lie. Please contact any of the board members with any concerns or suggestions.

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Any individual, business, or organization helping to support the Senior Club with a cash donation or a gift in kind

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To leave a comment or if you have a question, call 719.687.3877.

Like to contribute to the Senior Correspondent? Submissions for are due by the **25th of each month**