

SENIOR CORRESPONDENT

March, 2024

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Board of Directors Update

FINE ARTS MUSEUM: This trip was cancelled. This was the fault of the Senior Center as we were late putting out the sign-up sheet.

WHO DUN IT TEA: This was a great success. Thank you to all the ladies and a few “gentlemen” for helping with the tea. There was approximately 45 people in attendance. Special thanks to Marci Nickelsburg and her performers for writing, producing and performing in a play that had everyone guessing who the villain was. George claims that he spotted the deputy, however, I am pretty sure he waited until the play was over to make a guess.

POTLUCK: These continue to grow. If you have not been attending, bring your favorite dish and join in the fun.

PLANETARIUM TRIP: As usual, everyone who attended enjoyed the lunch at the Black Bear Diner and the two shows at the planetarium.

WATER COLOR CLASS: Thank you to Aline and Tanna for leading these classes. They had 10 eager students in attendance. Have not seen the final pictures, but am sure they are spectacular as usual.

CATERED LUNCH: This was provided by the Senior Center. Volunteer Appreciation is each February. In 2023, we had 38 people volunteer in various ways. The Senior Center can not function without volunteers as there are NO PAID employees. Special thanks to the ladies in the kitchen for their hard work to ensure the event was a success.

Gwen and Jim remain in the hospital. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

Cheryl has started therapy for two compressed discs. When she returns and you see her lifting anything even remotely heavy, please severely chastise her and have someone at the Liar’s Table carry it for her.

If you have suggestions for trips, please tell Cheryl. She works very diligently to provide trips of interest to the members.

Please record your volunteer time in the book at the front desk. This includes time you spend at home preparing for activities. Volunteer time is very useful when we apply for grants.

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!



Thanks to all the volunteers who guaranteed such a great success of our Winter “Who Dun It Tea”. Folks who brought all the wonderful sandwiches and desserts, the ladies who kept the food coming from the kitchen, our dapper gents who kept the teapots full of hot water and of course those who setup and cleaned up the center for the event. Thanks to Marci Nickelsburg and her students who provided the fun “Who Dun It” performance. The original script was great and the student players were awesome!

Thanks to our board who provided the February catered meal and Volunteer Appreciation luncheon.

Teller Senior Coalition provided the transportation to the Air Force Planetarium in February. Without their support we would not be able to have these trips. Thanks TSC!

Free Income Tax Prep Services

Tax Season is here. Two free tax return preparation services are available here in Teller county. Call VITA at 719-203-1265 or AARP at 719-314-5686 to make an appointment.

All Colorado 2023 full year residents can receive a \$800 TABOR refund this year. However you **MUST** file a Colorado tax return to receive this windfall.

vitalant There is an **EMERGENCY SHORTAGE** of blood. Vitalant will be at Our Lady of the Woods Catholic Church in WP on Monday afternoon, **March 11**.

Coming in April

- 4/4 or 5 AF Planetarium
- 4/9 Potluck Lunch
- 4/19 Wolf and Wildlife Rescue
- 4/20 Senior Expo
- 4/23 Catered Lunch

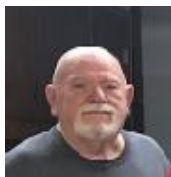
HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Anita	Ames	3 - 1
Greg	Belding	3 - 1
Gina	Billingere	3 - 1
Janette	Bushnell	3 - 1
Beverly	Cantwell	3 - 2
Mary	Hocevar	3 - 4
Susan	Janicki	3 - 4
Rose	Kelly	3 - 7
Eva	Miranda	3 - 7
Susie	Smith	3 - 8
Thomas	Gould	3 - 9
Nancy	Lambert	3 - 10
Carmen	Rhoda	3 - 11
Dawn	O'Malley	3 - 12
Brooke	Smith	3 - 12
Jerry	Zimmerman	3 - 12
Miriam	Gillespie	3 - 13
Kathy	Hastings	3 - 13
Clement	O'Brien	3 - 14
Jim	Hollingworth	3 - 16
Freeman	Howard	3 - 16
Dennis	Geraghty	3 - 17
Clarissa	Mohr	3 - 18
Eva	Mattedi	3 - 19
David	Elwonger	3 - 22
Sandi	Wickham	3 - 25
Elma	Mincy	3 - 26
Jean	Rodeck	3 - 26
Rick	Mattedi	3 - 27
Karen	Gilliam	3 - 28

March Catered Meal is FREE for March Babies!

February Volunteer of the Month

George Caley



A constant member of the Liar's Table each morning, George is one of those folks who jumps in whenever something needs to be done.

You can find him calling Bingo when our regular callers are not available, driving down to pick up lunches on those days they are not delivered to the center, taking folks to doctor appointments or bringing them to the center and back home. He even dons an apron to help serve at pancake breakfasts and high tea events.



Without George, our center would be at a loss!

Gourd Birdhouse Craft Day

Friday, March 8,
1:00 - 3:00pm

Create a Gourd Birdhouse with Aline

All Supplies provided

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



Irish Dancers

Friday, March 15,
12:30

Plan to start off your Saint Patrick's Day celebration with lunch while being entertained by our annual visit our local Irish Dancers. These talented students have been a highlight of our March for many years.

Wear your green and join us for this fun event!

AMERICAN CLASSICS MARKETPLACE ANTIQUES

COLLECTIBLES • GIFTS • FURNITURE

Friday, March 1
10:30 am - 3:30pm

Lunch in Colorado Springs



Teller Senior Coalition Bus

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



Quilling Workshop

Friday, March 29
1:00 - 3:00pm

Join us as Marilyn leads us through this exciting craft that promises to open up new creative ways to make a variety of decorative items.

Watercolor Class

Monday, March 18
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.

McAllister House Trip

Friday, March 22,
10:30am - 3:30pm

Major Henry McAllister was a friend and colleague of General Palmer.

The museum, the restored McAllister house, opened in 1961 and is lovingly maintained as a tribute to Major McAllister and as a way of bringing to life a picture of the McAllister family and the era in which they lived.



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Music Therapy

PIKES PEAK HOSPICE & PALLIATIVE CARE Music therapy promotes an environment of healing and emotional restoration in tune with a person's special needs. Join us to find out about the health benefits of music therapy.

Wednesday, March 6, 1:00 pm



Remembering Ed

Edward "Ed" Zupancic passed away February 5, 2024. The oldest of five children, Ed was born in Cleveland OH in 1938.

His lifetime of public service began in the US Army where he served from 1956-1959, including being stationed in Thule, Greenland. Meeting the love of his life, Jeanette, while in the Army, he settled in Detroit MI. After the Army, Ed spent 31 years rising through the ranks of the Detroit Police Department, retiring as an Inspector (Captain).

Ed and Jeanette moved to Florissant, CO in 1997. He was instrumental in forming the Teller County Sheriff's Posse. Ed continued his service as a volunteer firefighter, Grange Master, county coroner and was an active member of Our Lady of the Woods Catholic Church where he was a 4th degree Knight in the Knights of Columbus.

At the Senior Center, Ed was frequently seen at a back table reading magazines or the newspaper while Jeanette called Bingo.



WOODLAND PARK SENIOR ORGANIZATION

WINTER PHOTO CONTEST



Submit by March 22, 2024

Voting on March 26, 2024

Prizes for the Top Three Pictures.

Registration & Contest Rules

at the Front Desk.



WOODLAND PARK SENIOR ORGANIZATION

CHILI COOK-OFF



11th ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF

Saturday, March 16th – 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 14th 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.



Zumba Gold

Every Friday - 10:30 am
Are you working to improve your overall fitness this year?
Join us for this beginner level workout.



Line Dancing

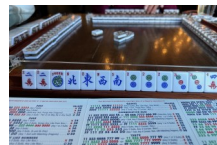


Beginning line dancing right here at the Senior Center twice every Wednesday:

ten to eleven in the morning and six to seven-thirty in the evening.

(Join in for physical and mental exercise and a lot of fun!)

Mahjong



Most Tuesdays & some Wednesdays at 11:00 am
check the Activity Calendar
Plan to join this group and learn to play this fun game!

BINGO



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February 8



February 15



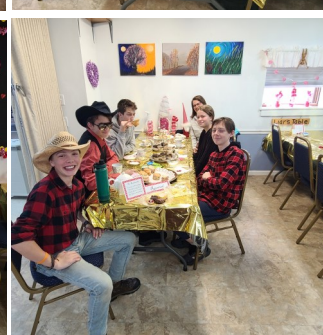
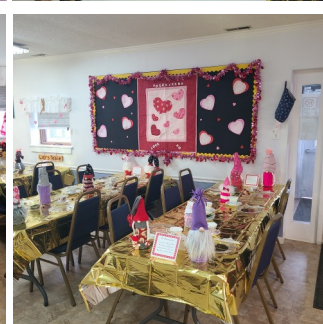
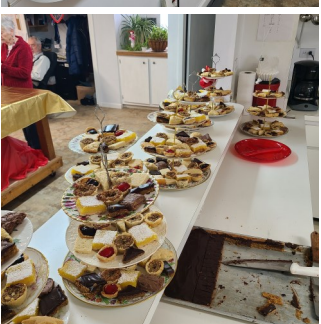
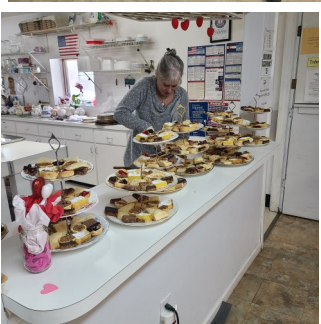
February 22



February 29



Who Dun It Tea
February 10



Volunteer Appreciation Catered Meal - February 27



Watercolor Class - February 19



Home Schooler Visit—February 7





**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.

2023 SUPPORTING MEMBERS

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

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