



## **BASIC/Blanchard Community Center Newsletter**

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November 2022



### **WE ARE GRATEFUL**

During this month of Thanksgiving and Gratitude, BASIC/Blanchard Community Center would like to give a heartwarming thanks to the various enterprises and folks who donated valuable Silent Auction items for our programs throughout this year.

- ❖ **StoneRidge Resort**
- ❖ **Stoneridge Golf & Recreational Community**
- ❖ **Loughnan Logging**
- ❖ **CinchTrax.com**
- ❖ **Paisley Roaster Coffee Company**
- ❖ **The Plinker Shop**
- ❖ **The Surf Shack**

And others who donated Silent Auction items to the Center's programs:

- ❖ **Bob & Linda Niehaus**
- ❖ **The Curotto/McBride Family**
- ❖ **The Mahoney/Blanchard Family**
- ❖ **Deborrah Purcifull**
- ❖ **Janet Contrares**

### **EASIER READING**

The distribution of this Newsletter is through email to save on costs of mailing. However, many folks, who have "smart-phones", have mentioned that it is difficult to read on the smaller screen. By your request, we are making copies available at: the Blanchard Post Office and the Blanchard Library. (we will use brightly colored paper with black ink)

### **HOLIDAY DECORATING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

On December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10:00 a.m. volunteers will start decorating the Community Center. There is much to do including decorating a Very Large tree! At lunchtime we will all partake of a pot-luck lunch to replenish our vigor and finish the job! Join in the holiday preparations and fun with fellow neighbors!

## BACK TO “BASIC”s

### 2022 Election of 3 Board Members

Last November, BASIC/Blanchard Community Center had encountered a period of Board fluctuation due to various issues. Consequently, the Membership needed to elect 5 out of 7 Board vacancies. According to the By-Laws, on uneven numbered years, like 2021, four positions are elected: Vice President, Treasurer, and 2 Directors-at-large. Simultaneously, the President and Board Member-At-Large #1 were elected to serve an interim timeframe until the 2022 elections were held.

*If you would like to be a candidate or if you know someone who would like to be a candidate, nominations for write-in candidates can be made from the floor on the night of the elections. Position descriptions/expectations will be available to review on Nov. 15.*

Candidates, who have read the position description/expectations, and have accepted the current nomination for the 2022 Election are:

- **President Ballot: Ruthanna Cadd** who was elected President last November, has consented to run again for another term. She has spent the last year totally immersed in the Community Center operations. Ruthanna retired from State Compensation Insurance Fund and primarily worked in Finance and Accounting. Her volunteer and non-profit experience came from her years with the Boy Scouts of America. We have an energetic and dedicated leader!
- **Secretary Ballot: Holly Stewart:** Holly is currently the chairperson for facility rentals, the website, and artistic event flyers. Holly has been vetted on the work of the Secretary position and accepts the nomination. Her background includes: 32+ years of graphic design for publications, brochures, newsletters, business cards, flyers, advertisements and other forms of printed and electronic media. She also provided administrative services such as, conference planning and registration, website hosting and updates, coordinating workshops and registration, and attending board meetings.
- **Director-at-Large Ballot:** The 2 Nominees for one position are:
  - **Deborrah Purcifull:** Elected last November to serve this interim role, Deb has consented to run again for this position. She also has been volunteering in a number of the Center’s events. Her background includes: dedication to the work, fundraising, and the leadership of Habitat for Humanity. She was also President of the Puyallup Valley Gem & Mineral Club who voted her “Woman of the Year”.
  - **Michael Stewart:** Mike has been volunteering at the center with the country breakfasts, gun shows, and taking care of some general building maintenance. His background includes: 20 years in the Air Force as a Military Jet Aircraft Mechanic, retirement from Boeing Commercial Aircraft as an Aircraft Maintenance Technician & Inspection, and he also possesses a certificate in welding.

No other candidates were presented at the time of this Newsletter. If you cannot attend the election, Proxy voting is permitted. A Proxy appointment form is attached to this Newsletter. Please have your Assignee present it on Nov. 15 before voting begins.

#### **REMEMBER TO VOTE!**

***Nobody will ever deprive the American people of the right to vote except the American people themselves and the only way they could do this is by not voting.***

Franklin D. Roosevelt



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### SAVE THE DATE! WATCH FOR FLYERS.....

(All events are held at the Community Center unless otherwise noted)

**Nov. 11, Friday:** 8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. Veterans' Breakfast hosted by the **Blanchard Grange #440**.

**Nov. 10-13, Thursday-Sunday:** The Music Man jr Out of the Woods Theater Group-  
The Music Man jr. is Director Dee Ann Boydston's **Grande Finale** Show. After over 20 years of directing Youth Theater, Dee Ann is retiring.

Final performances:

- November 10 & 11 at 7:00 p.m.
- November 12 & 13 at 3:00 p.m.

Doors open 30 minutes before show time. Ticket prices are \$3 – under 18yrs, \$5 – Adults

Online ticket sales will be available October 31 (check our website: [www.outofthewoodsfamilytheater](http://www.outofthewoodsfamilytheater) or the Out of the Woods Family Theater Face Book page for online ticket information)

**Nov 19, Saturday --** Winter Defensive Driving Free Class 9:00am - 1:00pm Please pre-register with Linda Niehaus at 559-360-5989.

**Dec. 9 Friday & Dec. 10, Saturday:** Winter Bazaar-- Friday from 9:00 a.m. til' 4:00 p.m. and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. til' -3:00 p.m. A great opportunity to shop for unique Christmas gifts made by talented locals! Contact: Penny Funkhauser at 206-799-8964.

**Dec. 17, Saturday:** Kid's Christmas Party! 2:00-5:00 p.m. Please register your child by giving name, age, gender, and current interests so we may have some gifts available. Pre-register each child to the message line at 208-437-1037 or email at [BASICIDAHO@GMAIL.COM](mailto:BASICIDAHO@GMAIL.COM). They will have fun decorating some yummy Christmas goodies and celebrating! Watch for flyers coming soon!

### 2023

**Jan. 16, Monday,** Ya'll come to the county breakfast! Back by popular demand!!! Once a month during the winter; enjoy warmth, good food, and fun fellowship.

**Feb. 21, Wednesday,** Fat Tuesday Night! (beginning of Mardi Gras)

### RE-OCCURRING EVENTS

**Blanchard Residents,** there is a free Monthly Grocery Pantry from 11:00 - 1:00. Occurs on the 3<sup>rd</sup> **Friday** of each month at the Center. During the current inflationary situation with gas, food, and shelter, folks may have to make difficult choices when prioritizing expenditures. There is no shame in seeking help; providing help to those who seek it gives a blessing and an opportunity for us, your Community Center, to serve! **Nov.18, - Dec.16 - 2023= Jan. 20, Feb. 17, Mar. 17 + more to be posted**  
BASIC/Community Center Members' Meeting 6:00 p.m.

Everyone is welcome. **Nov. 15 (Annual Elections) & Dec.13**

Blanchard Stitchers 10:00 – 2:00 Pack your lunch and enjoy making various items with other enthusiasts. We meet the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month. **Nov. 15 & 22 -- Dec. 20 & (27 no meeting this day)**