


FIRE FLASH

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From the Desk of the Chairperson:

As the mountain prepares for Winter, we are getting ready for the Holiday Season. Due to Covid, celebrations may be a little different this year, but it is still important to reach out to family and friends.

I want to thank everyone for their support and can-do attitudes this past summer. Our three mini sales were very successful. We raised just shy of \$7,000. We had tremendous community support. It was a great time to see our friends on the mountain.

The water fountain/bottle filling station has been installed in the station. An ice machine has been donated to us by the company that Starlight resident Marty Hopwood works for. Marty has agreed to pay for the installation costs and has coordinated with a local plumber. We are just awaiting installation. Thank you, Marty, for your generous donation and support.

The membership approved the purchase of materials to replace the sagging door on the mini shed. Our on duty firefighters will complete the work. The membership also voted to remove the aging bulletin board on the front of the shed, as notices are now on line on the Blue Ridge Fire Department website. Go to **brfdaz.org** and **click on the auxiliary tab.**

A reminder to all that ordering thru the Amazon Smile program donates money to the auxiliary. So go to smile.amazon.com and look for the Blue Ridge Fire District Auxiliary to sign up.

I am hoping that we are back to normal for our 2021 sales. That being said, I appreciate all of the work that our auxiliary members and crafters put into creating merchandise for our sales. Winter is the perfect time to create your masterpieces.

Please stay healthy and safe. Have a great Holiday Season.

See you on May 1, 2021 at the shed.

Linda Hammer

From the Treasurers Desk:

Hello all,

Well it's been an interesting fall so far. We've had a couple of snow storms, and now feels like spring! My plants think so too because my lilacs have leaf buds on them and I have grass growing out back.

Sales information: Believe it or not, we were able to raise \$7,141.11 this year just from the three Parking Lot Sales held behind the Fire Department Building . It took a lot of work by many hands, and great support from the community and our loyal customers. This is almost as much as one of our big sales held each summer, without serving any food!

Now on to the yearend TREASURERS REPORT:

	Reconciled Balance as of September 30th	Checking Account
Balance:	\$27,565.04	
		Savings Account
Balance:	\$15,895.83	

The annual filing to Corporation Commission has been completed and the annual filing to the IRS for the 501(3)c organization has been completed, both with no issues.

I just want to remind everyone that the Membership Renewal Form is now on the BRFD web site. The web address is brfdaz.org/Auxiliary. Please make sure this Form is completed and sent in with your dues this year (yes I do use these to confirm membership records). You can also find the Expense Reimbursement form on the same website. For those of you that are new members, the dues are \$20 per year and due by July 1st of each year. I will try and have Forms available in the Auxiliary Shed but those can run out fast. Instructions for submitting Membership Dues are on the Form.

I wish everyone a safe and wonderful holiday season and we will see you all next year!

Cindy Perelli

Treasurer and Membership Coordinato=-0

From the Red-Hot Mamas:

Hello everyone,

Thank you all for supporting our mini-craft fairs this year. I think we did a very good job in getting creative and continuing to follow the mission of raising funds for the Fire Department. As always it took a lot of effort and it is greatly appreciated.

For those of you who like to continue to craft, sew or crochet throughout the winter we appreciate your efforts. As always, I believe the scrubbies sold out, or got very close.

We greatly appreciate the donations of various materials.

We could use baby food jars (cleaned and labels removed), beads (preferably wooden or crystal).

We hope next year is back to normal and we will be able to have our normal sales on Saturday, July 3, 2021 and Saturday, September 4, 2021.

We have had a fun, while short season and look forward to seeing everyone in the spring. We look forward to seeing everyone in the spring.

Happy Holidays and stay healthy.

Vicky and Leslie, Coordinators

Reminder to all!

Please use our Amazon Smile link for your Amazon purchases.

<https://smile.amazon/ch86-0887083>.