Fire Flash

The newsletter of the Blue ridge fire department auxillary

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Officers:

 Chairperson - Linda Hammer - 928-477-2788

Co-Chair- Marie Buddle928-595-0318

 Secretary – Vacant

 Treasurer - Cindy Perelli - 928-651-8005

 Committee Coordinators for Auxiliary

 Events:

 Red Hot Mamas - Susie Lutz - 480-986-1672 or Debbie Smith - 520-625-6106

 Food Sales- Linda Hammer - 928-477-2788

 Kitty Korner - Kelly Summers - 602-258-1033

 Outside Vendors - Linda Hammer - 928-477-2788

 Bake Sale - Darlene Thomas 623-297-0409

 Raffle Tickets - Mary Levine - 928-477-2668

 Raffle Prizes - Vacant

Membership Coordinator- Cindy Perelli-928-651-8005

 Newsletter - Carrin Banning - 512-563-0743

From the Chairperson's desk:

August 6th we held the annual Fireman’s Appreciation Dinner with 74 attendees. Chief Banning again recognized the auxiliary with a Certificate of Appreciation for our hard work and dedication to the District. Stop by the aux shed to check it out.

At the August meeting the Chief requested that we consider paying to replace the gas dryer in the crew quarters. The members present approved up to $600.00 to be spent on a replacement dryer. Also at the meeting the Nominating Committee reported that they have found some people to be interested in either the co-chair or the secretary positions. A reminder that the election of these officers will be held at the September meeting. Anyone interested in either position should contact one of the committee members - Carrin Banning, Leslie Gant or Vicki Scott.

We are busy getting ready for the Labor Day Sale. The Red Hot Mamas have many new crafts to share/sell. Members have been soliciting raffle prizes. Thank you to all that have stepped forward to help. The bake sale will include silent pie auctions and at least one cake walk. Please make sure you stop by the bake sale area to participate. As always we can use your help to set up on Friday, September 2nd and for the sale from 8 to 2 on September 3rd. Let’s see if we can top last year’s gross sales!

July 15th our current membership list was provided to Chief Banning for him to forward to AmeriGas[$1.40/gal] and Ferrell Gas[1.35/gal]. This has been done. Amerigas customers need to go thru Mark Shaver, 928-308-6586 to get the BRFD pricing. Existing accounts with Ferrell will automatically reflect the new pricing.

Please plan to attend out September meeting on Saturday, September 10th at 10:00 A.M. in the aux shed. Elections will be held and decisions will be made regarding item’s from the Chief’s wish list. I hope to see you at the sale and the meeting.

Linda Hammer

Linda Hammer

**From the Treasurers Desk:**

I hope everyone is looking forward to the Auxiliary Sale on September 3rd.  The fun starts at 8AM.

An e-mail was sent out August 17th asking for a few volunteers to help out with the following Tables:

Coffee/Cappuccino Table

Kids Activity Table

Cashier’s Table

Francine Hurt has graciously volunteered to help man the Coffee/Cappuccino Table, but we are still looking for volunteers for the other two Tables.  At the Cashier’s Table the volunteer would be working with me by collecting money and entering credit card sales.  If you are interested in helping out or need more information, please contact Linda Hammer at either 928-477-2788 or 928-699-6556.

**Membership:**

***Reminder****:*  ***Dues for 2017 are due not later than September 1st***.  The Auxiliary Fiscal Year ends September 30th so please help by having all dues paid and all Member Reimbursement requests submitted, which will mean less last minute data entry while trying to do the year end Financials.  A copy of the Membership Form is included with this Newsletter.

**PLEASE CHECK YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION ON THE MEMBERSHIP LIST.  I HAVE SEVERAL PEOPLE THAT I HAVE TRIED TO REACH BY E-MAIL WITH OUT SUCCESS.  EITHER CALL ME AT 928-651-8005 OR SEND AN E-MAIL TO** **hgcg1934@gmail.com** **WITH ANY CHANGES OR CORRECTIONS.**

Thank you for all your continued support of the Blue Ridge Fire Department Auxiliary,

Cindy

**From the Red Hot Mamas**:

The Red Hot Mamas are putting the final touches on many new things for the Labor Day sale September 3. Among them will be fall and Christmas décor items. Also available will be our famous chicken and pork rubs, as well as two soup mixes. Our crafts make great gifts so be ready to shop. We look forward to seeing you at the sale.

We will be setting up the merchandise September 2. If you are able to help please be at the fire station at noon. Come join the fun and make new friends.

You are always welcome Wednesday mornings, 9:00, at the BRFDA building (behind the fire station). Bring a friend and be part of a worthy cause.

Thank you to those of you who donate supplies to us.

We continue to need donations of:

* Glass baby food jars, large & small
* 24 oz. size glass jars: Kirkland (Costco) Sliced Peaches, Classico Spaghetti Sauce, Safeway Select Marinara Sauce (or similar)
* Lace/crocheted doilies, any size
* Zippered bags from linens, blankets, etc
* Christmas/Fall wired ribbon, any width
* Batting (Polyester Fiberfill)

**Reminder:** Please wash jars and remove labels before donating them to us.

Goo-Gone or Mineral Spirits work well to remove labels.

 

 ***BRFD Fair September 3rd 2016***

***Darlene Thomas***

To: RHMs/BRFD Auxiliary, and all of our bakers on the mountain. Hope everyone enjoyed a wonderful summer on the mountain and are looking forward to a beautiful fall. Fall is fast approaching as is our BRFD Fall Fair.

CAKEWALK- plan is coming along. We’re planning on having several, depending on donations and customer demand. We’ve made 12 to 15 standing spots. Space will be planned at set up with Auxiliary Board Members/Members at Large. We have an emcee and music is in the works. Tickets will be $1. Cake donations will be needed. Any other ideas or suggestions are welcome.

Due to popular demand we are happy to inform everyone that a silent auction is being planned for the Bake Sale. Auction items will be specialty, beautifully packaged baked goods. Look for signs and the table set up with bid sheets. If you have a specialty item, delicious pie or cake that you would like to donate for the silent auction, please contact me (if you haven’t already). Bake sale contact information is located on the front cover of the newsletter.

As always, we need donations for the bake sale and all of our bake sale projects. We need all the items listed in the last newsletter and a request for Oatmeal Chocolate Chip cookies.

Please bring your donations to the fire house during set up, Friday, September 2nd. Or bring them the morning of the sale, Saturday, September 3rd. If you are planning on bringing something specifically for the Silent Auction or the Cake Walk we will need it by 7:30 a.m. Saturday. There is a bake sale room and table set up for nonperishables and a refrigerator for items that need to be kept cold. Don’t hesitate to contact me if you have any questions, concerns or a great idea. Thanks again for all your help and donations.

There are lots of pie crust recipes, this is a basic, but delicious one

~ PIE CRUST ~

Makes 3 pastry shells

1 egg

1 tsp. vinegar

5 Tbsp. ice water

3 cups flour, sifted

1 tsp. salt

11/3 cups shortening

1. Combine egg, vinegar and ice water and mix thoroughly.
2. Combine flour and salt. Cut in shortening until mixture resembles small peas. Add egg mixture and mix well to form ball.
3. Divide dough into 3 parts. Roll out each ball onto floured surface.
4. Place in pie pan and follow directions for making pie.

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Blue Ridge Fire Dept. Auxiliary

Unapproved Minutes of August 6, 2016 Meeting

In attendance: Linda Hammer, Marie Buddle, Cindy Perelli, Carrin Banning, Patricia Raygor, Ruth Palmer, Vicky Scott, Mary Brock, Peggy Wilson, Leslie Gant, Darlene Thomas, Mary Lavine and Susie Lutz.

Linda Hammer, Chairperson opened the meeting at 10AM

**Chief John Banning:** Still needs information for the webpage, Linda Hammer is working on getting that together for him. Chief Banning handed out further information regarding propane pricing for 2016/2017 (see attached). He said there was a need for a new dryer in the crew quarters, the dryer had completely stopped working and couldn’t be repaired. A motion was made by Susie Lutz to purchase a new gas (propane) dryer, not to exceed $600. Motion seconded by Ruth Palmer. Motion carried. Chief Banning asked about the status of our 501-C3 status. Cindy Perelli stated that we just got the application back in the mail and it is missing one thing, that is an easy fix and it will be mailed, again! He thanked the Auxiliary for all they do to help the Fire District.

**Old Business:**

The **minutes** from the July 9, 2016 meeting were submitted by Linda Hammer and read by Susie Lutz, Secretary. Mary Levine made a motion to accept the minutes as read, seconded by Cindy Perelli. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's report was given by Cindy Perelli, Treas. Total in all accounts is $28,667.19 (see attached). Motion made to accept the report as presented was made by Mary Brock and seconded by Vicky Scott. Motion carried. Cindy said several members have not paid dues and she will be sending letters to them as a reminder.

Our **Labor Day Sale** will be September 3, 2016. Linda Hammer went through the various venues to be sure we are all on track. **Bake Sale:** Darlene Thomas asked for suggestions on the pricing of pies, it was decided to raise the price from $8 to $10 or $12 for extra nice pies. Darlene is planning to do a pie auction and a cake walk. Carrin Banning volunteered to make a nice cake for it. Darlene also asked for help with the auction and cake walk, plus help in making more baked goods. Darlene would like to have some donations of nice glass pie pans, as well as the tin ones. **Breakfast:** Susie Lutz reported that we will be making 400 burritos on Friday September 2nd at 8am at the Starlight Pines Community Center. Volunteers are needed to bring coolers to take home burritos and heat them up the morning of the sale. Pat Ragor said she would cut up the ham for the burritos and Mary Brock said she would fry the sausage. **Raffle:** Mary Levine, said we have sold $1,101 in raffle tickets to date. Linda Hammer stated that she will be calling realtors for prizes and has asked vendors to donate something for the raffle. **Vendors;** Linda Hammer, said she is making room for as many as want to have items to sell. She is not turning anyone away. **Red Hot Mamas:** We viewed many of the items that have been made for the sale. All is going well and the RHM’s look forward to the sale. All other venues remain the same as the 4th of July Sale.

**Firemen’s Appreciation Dinner**-**August 6th:** Linda Hammer asked for a set-up crew and Peggy Wilson volunteered herself and her husband Don. Plus, Mary Levine, Marie Buddle, Mary Brock and Linda Hammer volunteered to serve the food and heat the tortillas. We have 85 reservations at this time.

**Nominating Committee** reported that we have several members interested in the two postions that are available; Co-chair and Secretary. Some would like more information regarding the postions. Linda will call each and give more details. Carrin Banning said she will make us a paper ballot for the next meeting.

 **New Business**

None

Meeting was adjourned at 11am

Respectfully submitted: Susie Lutz, Secretary



Queen Elk Quilt

Hanging Coat Rack

License Plate Birdhouses

Books by Lowell Zieman

Lowell Observatory Tickets

Soap and Lotion Gift Basket

Gift Certificate from A StylisticApproach Salon, Winslow

Gift Certificate for Legend’s Restaurant, Anthem

Gift Certificate for Torta’s Chano Restaurant, Anthem

Gift Certificate for Two Brothers Kitchen, Anthem

Gift Certificate for Ebisu Sishi Grill, Anthem

Gift Certificate for Tru Burger, Anthem

Gift Certificate for Pier 83, Glendale

Gift Certificate for Ocho Loco Restaurant, Anthem

Gift Certificate for Princess Nails, Anthem

Bird Bath

The Sunshine Lady needs your help!

You may know someone who is sick, post-surgery, spends most of their time at home or is lonely. If so, please contact Cindy Hoover as she would love to send them a greeting card. 928-607-9605.

Blue Ridge Fire District Auxiliary Membership Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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 (example: Starlight Pines, Blue Ridge Estates, Pine Canyon, CCP 8/9, CCP 3&7)

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• Dues are $15.00 per year (July 1 to June 30th) and are due no later than August 31st.

• Please make checks payable to Blue Ridge Fire District Auxiliary or BRFDA.

• Mail to: BRFDA, 5023 Enchanted Lane, Happy Jack AZ 86024 or place in BRFDA basket in Chief’s office.

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