

FIRE FLASH

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Greetings from the Desk of the Chairperson:

I need to start by saying thank you to everyone who helped to make the 4th of July Sale a **HUGH** success. It took a team of dedicated Auxiliary members and some of their spouses to make everything come together. That being said, it took the tremendous support from the mountain community to help us have the highest grossing sale ever - a whopping \$19,185.00.

I would also like to recognize the Blue Ridge Fire Department staff and volunteers for all of the work they put into it to make the station sale ready.

On my list of people to thank also is Bob Mulch who completely redid the Red Hot Mamas sign for the Auxiliary Shed. Check it out when you are in the area.

August 9th at 5:00 PM is the annual Appreciation Dinner. For those attending, please remember to bring your own table service and either a side or dessert. Beverages will be provided.

The August 30th Labor Day sale will soon be upon us as well. Set up is Friday the 29th at noon. The sale is from 8:00 AM until 2:00 PM on the 30th. The Raffle Drawing will start at 1:30 PM.

The Red Hot Mamas have been busy crafting and also pricing many items donated by some of our community crafters. Becky Pettit continues to gather Raffle prizes with some help from Lisa McKenzie. The two Cindys, Duca and Krah, are busy coordinating the Fire Dog Breakfast and Lunch. We will have many of the usual vendors as well as a few new ones. The Forest Service's Junior Ranger Program will have games for the kids. We also expect Native Air to be there with the Native 7 helicopter. And last, but not least our Firemen will be selling t-shirts, hats, sweatshirts and BRFD mugs.

Our August meeting is on the 9th at 10:00 AM in the Aux shed. I hope to see many of you there. It will our last planning meeting before the Labor Day Sale.

Linda Hammer
Chairperson

From the Red-Hot Mamas:

The Red Hot Mamas have been busy pricing donated items (we greatly appreciate those generous groups and individuals who donate to us). We've been crafting items for fall and Christmas for the Labor Day sale. Come join us at the shed on Wednesdays at 9am. It's always a fun time!

Again, we can use your help setting up on Friday before the sale and "working the floor" on Saturday. Please let one of us know if you're available.

Thank you,

Vicky and Susie

BAKE SALE

We need PIES and other baked goods!! You can drop them off at the Fire Station on August 29th in the afternoon or after 7:00 a.m. on August 30th. If possible, please pre-price your items. The Bake Sale Price List is included with this newsletter.



In addition to the beautiful quilt (picture attached), more great raffle prizes have been added which include:

- Desert Botanical Garden membership
- Gift baskets
- 21 piece T-Fal Cookware set
- Air fryer
- Stanley thermos

Let me know if you would like to purchase tickets prior to the Labor Day sale.

Blue Ridge Fire District Auxiliary

Who are we and what do we do? The BRFDA was organized soon after the Fire District was formed. Women from the Fire District got together to craft, bake and have public suppers. All proceeds went to benefit the Fire Department, which at that time had no money because taxes had not started coming in. We have grown from these small beginnings to where we are today.

Yearly Fund Raising Events

All proceeds from the fundraising events go directly toward purchasing fire and EMS equipment for the Fire Department.

Examples of Some Equipment Purchased

Thermal Imagers	Turn-out Gear	Helmet Lights	Hoses
Wildland Gear	Gurneys	SCBAs	Hose Nozzles
Handheld Radios	Manikins	Scanner	Tools
EMS Equipment	Rescue Ropes	Alarm System	Air Pants
EMT Books	Turret for E111	Furniture for Crew Quarters	

These are just some of the items that we have purchased. In total we have purchased over **\$300,000.00** worth of equipment for the Fire Department. We could not do it without you!

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The logo for "Cook's Corner" features the text "Cook's Corner" in a black, cursive-style font. The text is positioned on a yellow rectangular background that has a slight gradient and a drop shadow.

This edition's recipe is shared by Cindy Duca.

Green Chile Pork

1 lb. Boneless pork, cubed
1 16 oz. jar 505 Southwestern Flame Roasted Hatch Valley Green Chile
1 10 oz. can Rotel
1 can Water
1 12 oz. bag Flav-R-Pac Santa Fe Medley frozen vegetables
Potatoes, cubed

Combine ingredients in a slow cooker and cook on high for 3-4 hours or low for 6-8 hours.

If you have a favorite recipe (or two) you'd like to share, please send them to:
kcannizzaro@cox.net.



BRFD Auxiliary Bake Sale Price List

<u>PIES</u>	12 inch	\$20
	9 or 10 inch	\$17
	5 or 6 inch	\$5
<u>BROWNIES</u>	8"X 8" Pan	\$12
	Frosted	4/\$5.00
	Frosted	6/\$7.00
	Plain	4/\$4.00
	Plain	6/\$6.00
	Rice Krispy Treats	4/\$4.00
		6/\$6.00
<u>COOKIES</u>	Small cookies	5/\$3.00
	Large cookies	4/\$3.00
		6/\$5.00
	Bar	4/\$5.00
<u>FUDGE/CANDY</u>		4/\$4.00
<u>CAKES</u>	Frosted	\$15.00
	Unfrosted	\$10.00
	½ Cake	\$8.00
	Cupcakes	\$1.00 each
<u>SHEET CAKE</u>	Whole	\$15.00
	Slice	\$2.00
<u>BREADS</u>	Large	\$10.00
	Small	\$6.00
<u>CINNAMON ROLLS</u>	Large, each	\$5.00
	Small, each	\$3.00
<u>MUFFINS</u>	Each	\$2.00 or \$3.00
<u>SCONES</u>		\$2.00 or \$3.00