William N. Pennington Life Center "Generations Joined " Newsletter Issue #1



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Greetings to everyone,

We just completed our first month in our new location and doing business as the William N. Pennington Life Center. And this is our first newsletter coming out of our new home. I hope I don't have to remind anyone why it might be a little late! It has been a very, very busy last few weeks and with a fairly easy transition to get to this point, <u>WF</u> all are starting to get settled in. We obtained our goal for moving across town without shutting down either of our meal programs and the other services we offer. It took some planning and effort. But we did it! And it takes a community! We had the most well-attended grand opening ceremony that many of us have ever witnessed in the town of Fallon, except for maybe Taco Bell, a few years back. There were many of our community partners involved in making our opening and entire moving process such a success. I truly thank each and every one of you for all your many efforts. You **all** know who you are. This would not have been possible without all of you. Please accept my sincerest thanks.

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Now that all the "festivities and falderal" have subsided, we can get down to business and start focusing on our overall operations. As you have heard in passing over the past year, we have big plans for expansion in our programs and services to be offered here. I urge you to get on our email blast list so that you can get the latest up to date information and you can always come in to eat lunch and pick any information available.

As you know, we will be providing the "intergenerational program aspect" at our new location. We are still all about and totally dedicated to serving our Senior population but want to bring in all ages to share, socialize, participate, and get involved in the activities and engage in the community. This is where it's at and we want to see this building flourish! In case some of you didn't know, we have always been open to feeding more than just the Senior population, you just need to pay \$6.00 for lunch if you are under 60! And the same \$3.00 suggested donation still applies if you are over 60 years of age! (continued on page 2)



WNP Life Center Mission Statement

To develop, coordinate and deliver a comprehensive set of supportive services for the William N. Pennington Life Center—services designed to ensure seniors and community members lead a meaningful and dignified life, while maintaining a healthy, safe, secure and prolonged independence. There's a saying that I heard repeatedly as a child by both of my grandmothers and my mother, "the more things change, the more they stay the same" This is so true. And I bet, if you all take a moment to read on and think about it you will get the jist. As we continue our transition from old building to new building, from old location to new location, from old furniture to new furniture, old parking lots woes to new parking lots, to different dining room configurations, to new ideas of trying different things, and so on. What this saying is telling us, is we can attempt and perform a meaningful change event but there will always be the underlying fundamentals still there staring us in the face! We still all were raised to be respectful, kind, patient and loving and we need to remember to practice daily civility to one another over the course of our time here on the earth. And if you weren't raised this way, then you need to search deeply in your inner soul and find that respect, kindness, patience, and love and make it available to share from your heart. Chances are good you will feel much better about yourself and it will make someone smile and return the favor. I challenge you to try it. We all owe it to each other to work on ourselves for the better.

I want to leave you with a few things to ponder...in the four weeks that we have been in our new building we have seen approximately 100 new or returning Senior faces. On the day of our grand opening we fed over 310 individuals in the dining room, 190 Meals on Wheels went out the back door, and 270 meals were frozen for the weekend inventory. Is that amazing or what? Here's another one for you...yesterday was our monthly Birthday Lunch, we served ribs, Matt Louie came to give out gift certificates for the July birthday people, just like the past years. But we broke a record for feeding 135 individuals in the dining room for a lunch time meal! Remarkable! And on top of that 174 Meals on Wheels went out the back door! I have the best terrific staff wouldn't you agree?

Build it, fill it with smiling faces, serve food and they will come!

Here's to our new beginnings... in a new building with a new address and new faces of all ages daily. I'm excited. I hope you are too! This is a huge opportunity for you to make a difference in your daily life and that of another human being...reach out and be kind.

Stay tuned and until later,

Lisa Erquiaga

Lisa Erquiaga, Executive Director William N. Pennington Life Center





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William N. Pennington Life Center is happy to share with our readers-upcoming activities and events that are happening in our community. Please make sure you notice the instructions for sign up, reservations, and deadlines. Not all events are sponsored by WNP Life Center.

<u>*July 24 Monday 7am-5pm</u> C.A.R.T. (Churchill Area Regional Transportation) is planning a one day getaway to Reno to visit Harrah's Auto Museum and lunch opportunities at Peppermill. Cost is \$10 for bus trip and \$10 for the museum and you buy own lunch. Gather a group of friends and go for an excursion and let CART chauffeur you. Call Cathy at CART to RSVP or for more information 428-2988.

***August 7 Monday 8am-5pm** the **ARTs Center** will be registering and receiving payment for their Poster Contest for "Healthy Lives." No age limit, families encouraged to participate. Opportunities to work side by side with an instructor. \$15 per person, \$20 for family of 4. All supplies provided. Come and discover your "inner artist." Call Patricia Sammons for more information at the ARTS Center 294-4135. These classes will be first come first served and held at WNP Life Center Art Room.

*August 19 Saturday 7am-12noon it's Community Reunion Weekend Our traditional BIG Breakfast will be served 7:30am-10:30am for everyone at William N. Pennington Life Center. Cost is \$6 each. Also come shop at our annual **Purse, Shoe, and Jewelry Sale FUNDRAISER** for WNP Life Center MEALS on WHEELS program. The shopping begins at 8am to 12noon. The Classic Car Club and Antique Tractor show will be on site for your viewing pleasure. Your presence and support is greatly appreciated. Watch for flyers to come out soon.

*August 20 Sunday 7:30am-10:30am Community Reunion Weekend continues

Join us for another traditional BIG Breakfast on this day once again at WNP Life Center for the reunion weekend wrap up. The cost of this breakfast is \$8 for adults and \$6 for under age 12. This is a **FUNDRAISER** for the WNP Life Center program. Watch for flyers to come out soon.

***August 20 Sunday 1pm** The **Reno Aces** play Fresno Greater Nevada Ball Field It's a **FUNDRAISER** for the ARTs Center and WNP Life Center for future art classes. Let's get Fallon to the ballpark. We will assist in facilitating carpooling for this event. Tickets on sale now. \$20 each. See Jennifer to reserve your ticket and pay.

***August 29 Tuesday 4-7:30pm** the **ARTs Center** will teach Beginners, Intermediate Art Drawing Classes hosted by the ARTS Center at WNP Life Center Art Room. Call Patricia Sammons for information at 294-4135. Classes will be first come first served.

***August 31 Thursday 6-7:30pm** the **ARTs Center** will teach_Advanced Art Drawing Classes hosted by the ARTS Center, Patricia Sammons at 294-4135. These classes will be first come first served.

**ATTENTION: DONATIONS of PURSES, SHOES, JEWELRY, or Handmade Crafts (all in selling condition) to this WNP Life Center fundraiser, please drop them by at the front desk no later than August 10, 2017.



Come join the "latest" activity that is going like a locomotive at the William N. Pennington Life Center!





It's Mexican Train Dominoes! Thursdays 12:30pm in the William N. Pennington Life Center Dining Room. Come and join us! Teaching of game is provided. William N. Pennington Life Center

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Try this brain teaser. This was a meal eaten in June, Brenda Moore, our WNPLC Business Manager, lends her drawing talents for others to decipher the menu on their way into the dining room.

Happy 4th of July

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Play this puzzle online at : http://thewordsearch.com/puzzle/244784/



Come in for lunch...then... Play Bingo

Every Tuesday 12:30-2pm

Thank you Highland Village for snacks for the Bingo group .

Cards .25 each Thank you Bingo Volunteers!





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We are searching for volunteers!! We are currently recruiting individuals to volunteer at post-lunch clean up and general center cleaning. We have a much bigger building now. Even if you have only an hour to share once or twice a week, we would love to have your involvement!!

If you are interested in becoming one of our many dedicated volunteers, please contact Jennifer Freeman at (775) 423-7096. It is the volunteers that help keep us running our daily nutrition programs.

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THE BRAINS BEHIND SAVING YOURS.

Fallon Support Group (On-site Respite Provided)

2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month, 10:30am-Noon

The Homestead

365 West A Street, Fallon, NV, 89406

Facilitator: Candy Foster

Contact: (800) 272-3900

*Please RSVP if you would like to use respite services.

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and its operations/programs are financially supported from grant monies from the State of Nevada, Aging and Disability Services Division, as well as generous funding both from Churchill County and City of Fallon. We also receive contributions from many local citizens, businesses, organizations and our many fundraising events.

Grant Funded Services

Congregate Dining Room

Lunch is served Monday - Friday Soup is served at 11:00 a.m. Lunch is served starting at 11:30am to 12:30pm. Seniors 60 and older -Suggested \$3.00 donation Under 60 - \$6.00 Meals on Wheels Program

Available to qualifying homebound seniors 60 and older Daily Delivery Monday—Friday <u>Homemaker Program</u>

Available to eligible seniors 60 and older. Includes light housekeeping, pick-up of prescriptions, or other needs. <u>Nevada Care Connection</u> <u>Resource Center</u> Available to seniors 60 and older, people with disabilities & their caregivers, and veterans. Provides helpful information, referrals to available programs,

services and community resources.

We appreciate the community support!!

La Invitacion . . .

El Churchill County Center invita a todas las personas mayors de 60 años de edad y para disfrutar de un almuerzo diario en nuestro comedor en 310 E. Court St., cerca Parque Avena. Ofrecemos una gran variedad de servicios, incluyendo comidas sobre ruedas, ama de casa, el envejecimiento y la discapacidad especialista de recursos y muchas actividades. Las comidas se sugiere una donacion de \$3.00 para los ancianos. Sopa comienza a las 11:00—11:30, con un almuerzo a partir de las 11:30-12:30. Esperamos contar con su presencia! 775-423-7096.





Highland Village Campus of Fallon

550 N. Sherman Street Fallon, NV 89406 775-423-7800

Highland Estates , monthly rates \$1800 one bedroom . Highland Assisted Living, Deluxe Suites \$100/day

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The Donations have been AMAZING!

And really do make a difference to everyone!

We are so fortunate to have such supportive individuals that donate to WNP Life Center. There are many ways to donate. Check em' out! Monetarily, volunteering, sharing an expertise, and much more. See Jennifer for further details.

Thanks to all of you that over the past year have donated to the

ICE CREAM MACHINE fund!

It's been a great opportunity to fundraise with such a great group of generous people. And because of that... our Soft Serve Ice Cream Machine is enroute! Yes, that's right our long awaited and talked about "ice cream dreams" are about to come true!



Mentioned below are a few great supporters and sponsors that have recently donated to put the Ice Cream Machine over the top to reach the goal of being purchased. Please thank them personally.

Mrs. Jim Regan, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Mello, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hardy, and Donna Strickland.

We also want to thank **Mrs**. **Diana Ford** for her generous contribution in the memory of her late husband, Bob Ford. And **Sylvia Kurzrock** for her generous contribution to our *Meals on Wheels* program costs.

Our next specific fundraiser with be for an Automatic BINGO Board. You can be the first to start this fund! Any volunteers to help this project see Jen.

In the very near future, we will be circulating a flyer asking you all to become a member of William N. Pennington Life Center. With that initial donation request we would like you to consider a monthly sustaining automatic debit donation that you can afford to assist in our continued programs and services.

Do you need assistance paying your Mobile Home lot rent?

The Lot rent Subsidy is available to persons

who have lived in the same mobile home park for at least 1 year. Must own and hold title to the mobile home. Must not have assets valued at more than \$12,000 and meet the income guide-lines below.

For 1 person in home - \$1005.00 For 2 persons in home - \$1353.00 For 3 persons in home - \$1701.00 For 4 persons in home - \$2050.00

If you think you may be eligible, contact NV Care Connection Resource Center at 775-423-7096 for an appointment



How We Help: Nevada Care Connection works with Nevadans one-on-one to create customized care and support plans for older adults, people with disabilities, and their caregivers and family members. We can connect you with just about any service or resource you need.

There are many services and resources throughout the state, many of them free or low-cost, that can help you or your loved one –and it's our job to connect you with the services you need most. Contact us today to start working on your personalized service plan.

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