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## Breaking News 2023 New CRR Treasurer's Report Out!

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HOA and Community Life at  
Crooked River Ranch in the  
Heart of Central Oregon

## Board of County Commissioners Seeking Applicants for CRR Special Road District (SRD) Appointment

**D**ue to resignations, the Crooked River Ranch Special Road District (CRRSRD) has no members of the three-member governing board. Oregon law requires the Board of County Commissioners to “promptly” appoint replacements so the district governing board can continue to conduct business (ORS 198.320).

The Board of Commissioners will discuss appointments during their:

Wednesday, September 13, 2023 meeting at  
6:00 PM at their *Special Meeting* at  
Crooked River Ranch Juniper Room – Ranch Building –  
5195 SW Clubhouse Rd, Crooked River Ranch, OR 97760

It is anticipated that the County Commissioners will make appointments at this meeting.

To be eligible to be appointed, a person must be registered to vote in the CRRSRD. The CRRSRD includes land within Jefferson and Deschutes County.

Anyone interested in being appointed should email or submit their interest to Lyndsay Hessel (lyndsay.hessel@co.jefferson.or.us or 541.475.2449) by September 7, 2023.



For more information:  
Crooked River Ranch Special Road District (SRD)

## Ranch Reminders!

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**Crooked River Ranch Club and  
Maintenance Association  
Annual Treasurer's Report**  
*By Randy Peterson, Treasurer*  
*Fiscal Year 2022- 2023*

## 16<sup>th</sup> annual Community Yard Sale

September 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Maps with sale locations will be available Thursday afternoon and can be picked up at the Administration Office, by the kiosk at Chinook and Badger, and at the Old Fire Hall.

Last Day to get in some  
summertime fun swimming.  
Pool Closed after Labor Day!



In celebration of many fine artists in Central Oregon, this easy opportunity to view and own original artwork comes to our community through our 2nd Fine Arts festival!

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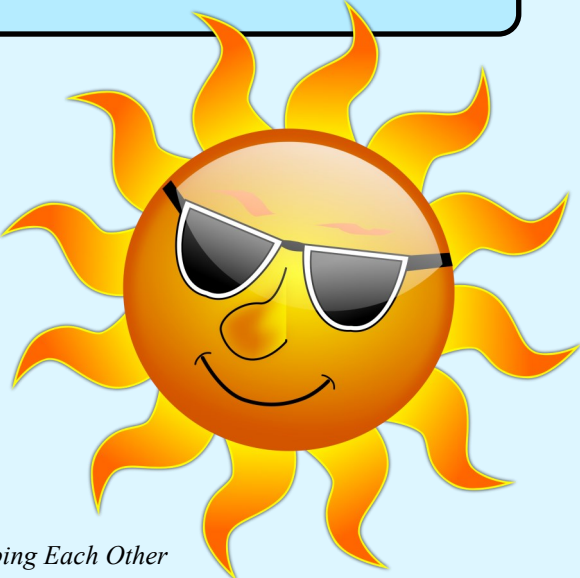
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# Summertime Fun

## 4 Generations Helping Each Other

By Earleen Arthur



Sylvia Kimbley, Fran Davis, and I put our heads together and have come up with 2003 when we started as volunteers for the CRR Summer Rec. program. Sylvia ran the scheduling, buying, and pool check-in procedure. Fran taught the beginners end of the pool and I ran the craft projects (Sue Thomas does it now). In later years I also took pictures of both inside and outside activities which in turn are given to the families on Friday picnic days.

Over the years Fran and others have taught three of my grandkids how to swim and six of my great grandkids. Treyce Walsh being one of them for the first time this year. Fran said he was the most improved beginner in the first week. Two of my great grandsons were helpers. Garrett Frank volunteered for his second year. Trevyn Walsh enjoyed learning how to be a teen helper for the first time this year. This makes four generations of volunteers.

Janet Schubert has been a helper for a few years and her daughter Teri Poppert helped Fran in the pool. Teri's granddaughter was afraid of the water and Fran was regretful she didn't learn to swim at Summer Rec. That makes four generations at Summer Rec.

Fran had her granddaughter, Sheriden Fidler as a helper with the beginners a few years ago. This is a third generation family.

Judie Spady has been a deep-end instructor for many years. Two of her granddaughters, Sophie Kirlin and Shay Wright, are her helpers. Shay started as a participant then spent several years as a teen helper. Now she is a new Summer Rec. board member and will probably take over her grandmother's role. The girls are third generation.

Elizabeth (Jo) Altstock was a board member too and helps with the crafts class. Elizabeth's daughter, Colleen, helped Kyle Tong (her son) for his first time in

*Con't on Page 3—Generations Helping Each Other*



THREE Generations

Colleen Altstock, granddaughter-Kayleen Tong (helper) and grandson-Kyle Tong (attende



TWO Generations

Sylvia Kimbley and daughter Cheryl Gieler



FOUR Generations!

Great Grandson's of Earleen Arthur  
Trevyn Walsh (helper), Treyce Walsh (attende



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THREE Generations  
Judie Spady with  
granddaughter's Shay Wright and Sophie Kirlin

the program and her daughter Kayleen Tong (Elizabeth's granddaughter) was a first-time teen helper this year. That's another three generations helping together.

Sylvia's daughter, Cheryl Gieler has taken over some of Sylvia's duties such as checking the kids in at the pool and buying the drinks and supplies. Judy McWilliams helps with pick-up and loading. Sylvia's granddaughter Holly Gieler helped Fran in the shallow-end of the pool several years ago. After twenty years, Sylvia took over the whole Summer Rec program as leader from Kitty Pullen. That is three generations.

That brings us to Ara Erdekian who started as a volunteer when his daughter Annalycia was old enough to be in the program six years ago. His son Ajax was able to participate as an underage child because he was with his dad the whole time. Ara took over the middle pool instructions from Gary Cecil who had been the teacher for about ten years. Ara also took over the outside sports. Both kids have grown up in the Summer Rec program. Now they are both teen helpers with singing and outdoor sports. Ara has now taken over the leadership of this program from Sylvia. That is two generations of helpers.

Babs Weber, another volunteer has been making dozens and dozens of cookies for years.

So, it looks to me as though many of our helpers have "Passed the Baton on to their family members." How great is that!!

The HOA generously pays for this program making it free to all the kids and is always scheduled for the last two full weeks in July. We try to limit it to fifty kids per week and sometimes it works out that a child can do both weeks. We are grateful for our volunteers. This wonderful summer program could not happen without them.



Fran Davis helping Treyce Walsh



Treyce Walsh giving a  
Thumbs UP



Happy with his art project!



Second Week Helpers

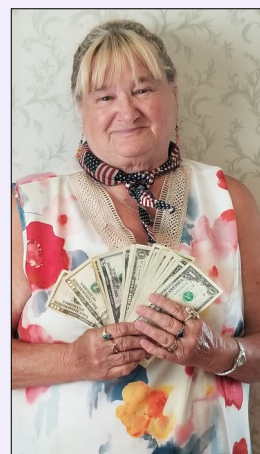
## SENIOR HAPPENINGS !



### August BINGO Players



Larry Abney turns a bright 93 Years Old!



Jackie Morton winning  
the BINGO jackpot of  
\$84 !







# It takes a village to try and save two American Kestrel chicks!

*By Marilynne Keyser, Friends and Neighbors of the Deschutes Canyon Area*

A nest containing four small American kestrel chicks was discovered in a bale of hay shipped to Tumalo from a ranch in Burns, Oregon. When discovered, two of chicks were dead. On June 13th, *Think Wild*, a nonprofit animal rehabilitation organization in Bend, stepped in to help save the remaining two chicks. *Think Wild* staff determined that these two nestlings were about ten days old and in good condition. While providing heat support and food to the young kestrels, they reached out to *East Cascades Audubon Society* (ECAS) for help locating an active nest in the area to foster the two chicks. Ken Hashagen, a licensed bander with ECAS quickly located an active nest with three kestrel chicks about 12 days old at Crooked River Ranch. On June 19th, Ken safely added the foster chicks to the box.

Twenty-five years ago, Don McCartney began Central Oregon's first nest box project for American Kestrels, reporting data collected to *Cornell Lab of Ornithology*. In 2012, he joined *American Kestrel Project*. Today, his 125 boxes have fledged over 3,000 birds. For many years, Jim Anderson, Oregon's incredible naturalist and storyteller, attached unique small bands to one leg of each nestling shortly before they left the nest. Ken has replaced Jim as the master bander for all the nest boxes in the program. Banding is one of the only ways to learn about adult birds once they leave the area. Do they return to the same nest box? If they are found dead, how far and where have they traveled? One kestrel banded in Central Oregon was discovered in Mexico, 150 miles south of El Paso!

*Friends and Neighbors of the Deschutes Canyon Area* (FANs) has three kestrel nest box trails, established with the help of Don McCartney. One trail has nest boxes on private property at Crooked River Ranch (CRR), another trail is on private property off Lower Bridge Road, and the third trail is on BLM property on the peninsula north of CRR. Ken bands chicks in nest boxes on all three of these trails. One of these boxes, put up in 2010, has produced twenty-five American kestrels! This is the nest box that welcomed the two foster chicks.

On June 28th, Ken returned to the nest box to band the chicks before they leave the nest. One of the foster chicks had died, but one female chick survived and was banded along with the three original residents!



If you are interested in learning more about American kestrels, go to the American Kestrel Partnership website at <https://kestrel.peregrinefund.org>.

If you want to join the effort and put up a kestrel nest box, or if you want to accompany Ken on his banding rounds, contact him at: [khashagen@hotmail.com](mailto:khashagen@hotmail.com).

## Around the Ranch Groups and Organizations

- Alternative Funding Committee**  
10am -first Thursday of the month, Juniper Room
- Art & Spirit Mingle**  
Classes available  
Contact - Patricia Kirk 406-396-1379
- Cancer Support Group**  
Contact - Karen Jamison 541-815-8435
- Classic Cars & Hotrod Wednesdays**  
Wed. 3:30 Over the Edge Taphouse  
Contact - Joe Schafer 541-797-1936
- Crooked River Ranch Classic Car Group**  
Wed. 4:00 p.m. Big Dog Saloon  
Contact - Ted Cook 541-923-2438
- Crooked River Ranch Amateur Radio Group**  
1st Wed. Fire Hall  
Contact Sean Hartley
- Crooked River Cribbage Players**  
Mon. 1:00 p.m.  
Contact - Jim Babcock 971-219-3332
- CRR ATV Group**  
1st Mon. 6:30 p.m. Over the Edge Taphouse  
Contact - Mike Glowack 480-652-0063  
Mike Grover 541-643-6726
- CRR Canyon Quilters**  
Mon. 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Chapel Family Ctr.  
Contact - Tina Wilson 541-280-0837
- CRR Lions Club**  
2nd & 4th Tues. 5:30 p.m. Sandbagger Saloon  
Contact - Cathy Schroth
- CRR Riders**  
[crrhorseriders@gmail.com](mailto:crrhorseriders@gmail.com)
- CRR Pickleball Group**  
M-S 8:00 a.m. Tennis courts  
Contact - Jim Manser 360-910-0130
- CRR Senior Group**  
Thurs. 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Heritage House  
Contact - Al Albin 541-815-5356
- Dutch Oven Group**  
Contact - Mark or Sue Schneider 541-504-8765
- Free Food Market**  
1st and 3rd Wed. 5:00 p.m. Old Fire Hall  
Contact - Steve & Stephanie Proffitt 541-604-1628
- Friends and Neighbors of the Deschutes Canyon Area**  
Board Meeting - 2nd Sun., 4:00 p.m..  
Contact - Robin Galloway 541-740-6865
- Farmers & Artisans Market**  
1st and 3rd Sat. April - Dec. 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Old Fire Hall  
Contact - Jolie Armas 541-419-5923  
Contact - Barbara Rybarczyk 541-390-3781
- Honeybee Conservation Group**  
Contact - Ann Lewis 541-610-6886
- Ladies Golf Club**  
Contact - Judy Parker 971-275-0833
- Mahjong**  
Tues. 1:00 p.m.  
Contact - Bobbie Miller 503-593-0658  
Administration Bldg.
- Men's Golf Club**  
Contact - John Smallwood
- Morning Star Gathering**  
Thurs.. 6:00 p.m., 12770 SW Eagle Vista Pl, CRR  
Contact - Jack & Louise Baldwin 541-699-8043
- Ranch Chapel** - 541-923-8081  
**Sunday School** 9:30 a.m.  
**Sunday Services** 10:30 a.m.
- Sage Quilters**  
2nd & 4th Tues. 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Senior Ctr.  
Contact - Carlen Leber 541-815-3058  
Contact - Marge Remillard 541-548-6015
- Shooting Stars**  
1st Tues. (April - Oct.) 6:30 p.m. Senior Center  
Contact - Victoria Tolbert 704-989-6909
- Twin Rivers Community Church**  
6094 SW Tarpon  
Contact - Frank Woods 541-647-0709
- Terrebonne Grange**  
Contact - Joan Proffitt 541-923-6035
- Upper Room Christian Fellowship**  
Sun. 10:00 a.m.  
Contact - Glenn or Dodie Sand 541-548-0622



# September 2023

Sun

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9:00 AM Farmers and Artisans Market

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**CRR Admin Offices CLOSED**

6:30 PM CRR ATV Group

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10:00 AM CRR Senior Group Board of Directors Meeting

10:00 AM CRR Group Library open

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10:00 AM Board Work Session

3:30 PM Classic Cars & Hotrod Wednesdays

4:00 PM CRR Classic Car Group

5:00 PM Free Food Market

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9:00 AM -4PM Senior Center Food Pantry

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**CRR Annual Yard Sale 8-4pm**

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**CRR Annual Yard Sale 8-4pm LAST DAY**

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12

10:00 AM CRR Group Library open

5:30 PM CRR Lions Social Hour

6:15 PM CRR Lions Mtg

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3:30 PM Classic Cars & Hotrod Wednesdays

4:00 PM CRR Classic Car Group

6:00 PM CRRSRD Special Meeting at CRR Juniper Room to appoint SRD BOD.

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9:00 AM -4PM Senior Center Food Pantry

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9:00 AM Farmers and Artisans Market

12:30 PM CRR Senior Group Bingo

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6:00 PM Board Mtg.

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10:00 AM CRR Group Library open

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3:30 PM Classic Cars & Hotrod Wednesdays

4:00 PM CRR Classic Car Group

5:00 PM Free Food Market

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9:00 AM -4PM Senior Center Food Pantry

6:30 PM Fire Station BOD (every 3rd Thursday)

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10:00 AM CRR Group Library open

5:30 PM CRR Lions Social Hour

6:15 PM CRR Lions Mtg

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3:30 PM Classic Cars & Hotrod Wednesdays

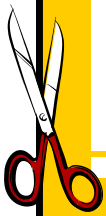
4:00 PM CRR Classic Car Group

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10:00 AM Alternative Funding Cmte.- Juniper Room

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# 2023 Summer Recreation Program Over for this year

By Fran Davis

Summer Recreation is over, and we had a terrific time with the little kids, the pre-teens and the teen helpers in the pool and with the crafts & outdoor activities. All in all, we had thirty-one volunteers including Shaylee Wright who helped her grandmother, Judy Spady, in the deep end of the pool and Mary Stanich who helped with the crafts and snacks at the Chapel and picnic. Everyone's contributions made this program a huge success, once again. Many thanks to all who participated in making this program a huge success, once again. We're hoping you will participate again next year.

Ara Erdekian has taken over the Chairmanship from Sylvia Kimbley and Sylvia's daughter, Cheryl Geiler stepped up to check in the kids at the pool and help pass out snacks at the Chapel.

Both Fridays we had a great BBQ with Ara as chef. Judy McWilliams & Sue Thomas handed out burgers & hotdogs as they were cooked. Earleen Arthur took LOTS of photos for all of us to take home, kids included. Jo Alstock filled in where needed at the Chapel and the picnic. Several mothers and dads also helped with the crafts and one Dad came in the pool with Fran in the shallow end with his son who overcame his fear of the water and swam on the last day! It was a great sight to see.

The nine-to twelve-year-olds were able to get to hit a bucket of balls at the golf course, learn a little bit about pickleball and how to play with Bim Gardner. Ara had them out for kickball and golf. Kevin Smith brought his bird PowerPoint and shared his expertise answering bird questions.

Laura Jones from the Jefferson Co. Library in Madras came on the second Tuesday to read a book about birds. She also brought *goodie bags* with items to take home and projects to do in their spare time. It was a good way to show the kids what the Library in Madras has to offer to us here on the Ranch.



Staff photo

## SUMMER ACTIVITIES AT THE HERITAGE RANCH HOUSE

By Al Albin



Back Porch Pantry— only one wall showing!

The CRR Senior Group hosts a variety of activities, games, social groups, craft groups, and meetings. Dominos and bingo is well attended. Jackie Morton won \$84 in blackout bingo. (See Jackie's picture on page 3)

Larry Abney is an active member of the Senior Group. He is involved in a number of activities including being our bingo caller. Larry delivers Meals on Wheels and is a very knowledgeable and accomplished fellow. Larry recently celebrated his 93rd birthday. Go Larry! (See Larry's Birthday pic on page 3)

Our back porch food pantry is still going strong. We receive food donations from several local sources. In July, we received generous donations of canned food collected during Over The Edge Taphouse's food drive. The food pantry hours will change starting in September to Thursdays between 9 AM and 4 PM.

Our lending library is available whenever the House is open. We have books for all ages on a wide range of topics and interests. We also have DVDs. The library is attended by our very knowledgeable librarians, Barbara Lokting and Evelyn Eads on Tuesday mornings.

The Senior Group has been hosting luncheons almost every Thursday. Jim and Amy Shores have prepared and served several luncheons this summer as have the Morning Star Group. Their menus have been quite varied and very well received. Potluck luncheons have been brought back by popular demand.

Nia classes started in June and interest is increasing as the word spreads. Nia combines dance, martial arts, and healing arts. Nia is suitable for people of all ages and physical abilities. Classes are led by Michele Thompson on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

The Seniors held their annual picnic on August 17th. This annual event is a chance for all our members to gather, enjoy each other's company. Greg Hays catered the picnic which is always a big draw. This event is an opportunity to thank and celebrate all those who contribute to our activities and accomplishments. Among those is Dona Smith-Bell who has been very active in the Senior Group. She has cared for our flower beds around the House, contributed to event planning as well as so many other activities and projects. We will miss her energetic and creative input.

The Heritage Ranch House will host the Desert Wind Arts Fest September 3rd. Fine art, music and food. The House will be open for tours and information. Come out and join them on the grassy field as they begin to close out the summer activities.

The Heritage Ranch House and the grounds are available for a variety of events including parties, weddings, receptions, memorial services, and other social gatherings.



### Lions Club Limb Dump

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If you have questions regarding the Telegraph, please call  
**541-548-8939.**







## Closing!

**The Crooked River  
Snack Shack  
will close for the season  
on Sunday,  
September 10, 2023.**

The Snack Shack staff would like to thank all of our customers, Ranch employees, the Men's and Women's Golf Clubs, and swimmers for all their support through a very busy and fun summer.

Unfortunately, the current Snack Shack Staff will retire this year. The Snack Shack will be open for any interested parties that may wish to take the reins of a great little seasonal small business in 2024.

The Snack Shack lease requires the Shack to be open for business continuously from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend during pool hours. The lessee does have the option to open earlier than Memorial Day and close later than Labor Day.

Should you have interest in this opportunity, please contact our HOA at 541-548-8939 or Randy Knight at 541-410-3537 for more information

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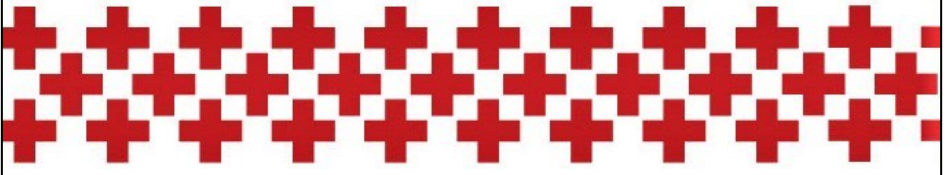
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## HERITAGE HOUSE

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TREASURE OF CROOKED RIVER RANCH

MEETINGS/COMMUNITY CONFERENCE CENTER  
EVENTS/LIBRARY/MUSEUM/SENIOR CENTER



## Friends and Neighbors of the Deschutes Canyon Area RESCHEDULED Annual Membership Meeting Summer Party

WHEN: September 23, 2023 2:00PM TILL 5:00PM

WHERE: CROOKED RIVER RANCH HERITAGE HOUSE

Dessert Social – Bring a favorite treat to share!

**F**ANs Members and guests are invited to come celebrate ELEVEN years of dedication to preserving and restoring the Deschutes Canyon Area, a scenic landscape we love!

Enjoy desserts shared by the attendees. FANs will provide cold drinks: water and lemonade along with coffee. President of FANs, Robin Galloway, will present The Year in Review and what's ahead. If you're curious about our stewardship organization and want to learn about our work for public lands, come and join us! Our guide books will be available for sale: Native Plants of the Deschutes Canyon Area, Common Birds of the Deschutes Canyon Area and Common Weeds of the Deschutes Canyon Area.

Please register for attendance by visiting our website: [www.fansofdeschutes.org](https://www.fansofdeschutes.org) and open the link to EventBrite. Bring a camp chair!

Driving Directions to Heritage House at Crooked River Ranch: Drive on Chinook Drive north and turn right onto Ranch House Road. This turn off is located at the intersection of Hill Road & Chinook.



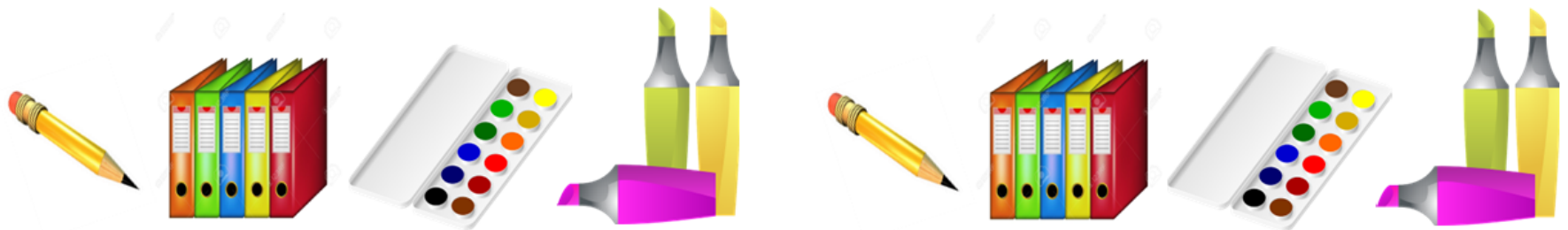


# SCHOOL SUPPLY

## DRIVE

**Aug 1st - Sept 15th, 2023**

Help us help children in our community by dropping off new, unused school supplies at the fire station. There is a collection bin in the main entryway. The donated school supplies will be delivered beginning on Aug 26th.



Supplies Needed:	Shoes and winter boots
Pencils	Highlighters
Pencil Boxes	Markers
Red Ink Pens	Crayons
Pencil Sharpeners	Colored Pencils
Glue Sticks	Copy Paper
Glue bottles	Erasers
Scissors	Small Headphones
Spiral notebooks	Binder with dividers
Composition Wide-rule notebooks	Plain plastic 2 pocket folders with brads

***Monetary donations should be made directly to the Terrebonne or Culver School***



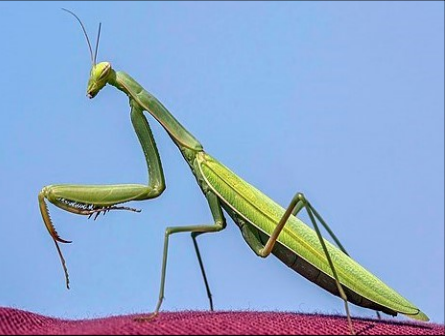
# Wildlife of the Month: Praying Mantis

(*Stagmomantis Californica*)

By Cindy Murray

Praying mantids are a great favorite of gardeners everywhere. These highly successful hunters will ambush and eat all varieties of insects (including each other!). Most mantids can fly much like grasshoppers and while fierce hunters, they are harmless to people.

The California mantis is native to the west coast and is the species found in Oregon. Mantids will resemble their surroundings such as green leaves, woody sticks and even colorful orchids with wings that look like petals. These amazing creatures are the only insects that can swivel its head 180 degrees and look over its shoulder. With their five eyes, they can see insect movement up to 60 feet away.



Mantids generally mate and lay their eggs in Autumn. The eggs are covered with a liquid that forms a hard shell around them which protects the eggs through Winter. These egg encasements are called Ootheca. They will hatch in Spring, emerging as tiny nymphs resembling the adults. Mantids do not have a metamorphic stage and will begin hunting tiny insects immediately. The adult mantids have a short lifespan and only live for a year. Researchers have on occasion, observed females eating the males during mating! I would recommend the males be on best behavior when courting their chosen mate!

Please consider buying Mantid eggs for release in your garden and watch the aphids, cutworms and other voracious violators of your produce disappear! Help a native insect thrive and forego the pesticides! You will also be helping our native pollinators.



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# 2023 Crooked River Ranch Annual Treasurer’s Report

*By Randy Peterson, Treasurer*  
*Fiscal Year 2022- 2023*

As part of the annual meeting, it is the Treasurer’s job to provide the membership with a report on the financial condition of Crooked River Ranch Club & Maintenance Association. We have received an audit from Capstone CPA’s, LLC independent auditing firm that indicates confidence in the fiscal management of the Ranch. The audit involves obtaining audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements as well as evaluating Association accounting policies and procedures. Copies of the Audit are part of your packet and are also available upon request at the Administration Office.

This fiscal year audit represents the conclusion of a process that begins with the first meeting of our Budget/Audit Committee (BAC) at least six months prior to the adoption of a Capitol Reserve Plan Budget for each fiscal year. Before the Budget Audit Committee (BAC) can begin their work, the Department Supervisor’s must prepare an Operating Budget of revenues and expenses as well as a Capitol Reserve Plan (CRP) for any repairs and/or replacement of Association assets. The Department Supervisor’s then present their budget drafts and, along with the Ranch Manager, answer questions and provide input. The BAC puts an extensive amount of time into fine tuning these proposed budgets in order to maximize revenue and reduce expenses. After months of meetings, examination and analysis, the final proposed budgets are presented to the Board

of Directors (BOD) for adoption. The entire process is totally transparent and open to the public. The BAC’s calendar is posted in the monthly Telegraph as well as on the Ranch Website. Attending these meetings is a great way to better understand the financial workings of the Association. You can find a copy of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 Operating Budget as well as the FY Capitol Reserve Plan in your Annual Meeting Packet.

Ranch operations are tracked in eight departments, four of which (Administration, Rentals, RV Park & Pro Shop) record significant income and expenses. The remainder (Pool, General Maintenance, Roads & Golf Maintenance) are essentially cost centers only. The Administration Department revenue (Dues) covers the expenses of Administration, Pool, General Maintenance & Roads. The Pro Shop is responsible for generating enough revenue to cover the cost of the Pro Shop & Golf Maintenance. The remaining, (Rentals & RV Park) are standalone profit/loss Departments. All Departments contribute a percentage towards Administration costs. These allocations are based on the amount of Administration staff support they require to operate.

FY 2023 saw a continuation of some of the same challenging issues that we experienced in 2022. With a budget of a little over \$3.1 million we are happy to report that the ranch exceeded budgeted net revenues by \$300,426. Rentals realized a loss of \$8,716 this year due to some unforeseen events. These events include

work done at the Heritage House that involved replacement of the heat pump, electrical repairs and asbestos testing. Also contributing to this was a water leak in one of the rentals that created a lot of damage. Even though insurance covered most of the cost of repairs we still had deductibles. The RV Park had \$143,399 in net revenue. The Golf Course experienced a net revenue of \$197,607. Another great job to our Ranch Staff for keeping our facilities in such great shape, and operating at a high level of fiscal responsibility.

As we all know HOA dues increases are never popular, the need for them is driven by two major factors. The first, operation costs go up every year. Even though the inflation rate has slowed to around 3% for the year, we are still feeling the effects of the over 9% last year. The cost of materials and fuel used to maintain our infrastructure here on the ranch has only continued to increase. To compete in the local job market, we

had to increase wages in an attempt to keep our staffing levels where they need to be in order to maintain our facilities. Secondly, the need to set aside reserves to maintain or replace our aging assets that are key to maintaining our operations and the quality of life here on the ranch. These reserves also help to prevent the need for special assessments when dealing with unforeseen events.

I would like to thank all the Department Supervisors and Ranch Staff who work so hard to keep this Ranch looking so nice. I would also like to thank all the association members who volunteer their time serving this community. It takes Employees and Volunteers working together to make this work. And a very special thank you to our Budget Audit Committee who work so hard and put in many hours to ensure this budgeting process works.



## Award Recipients at the 2023 Annual HOA Meeting



Marie Carter (L) **Volunteer of the Year**  
Presented by Judy Lapora; CRR Manager



Randy Petersen, (L), **Service Award**  
Presented by Kari Vickery; BOD President



Phyllis Carlin  
**Employee of the Year**



# RANCH BULLETIN BOARD

## 2023 CROOKED RIVER RANCH ANNUAL PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

By Kari Vickery, President

I would like to thank all those who attended this year’s CRR Annual Meeting on August 19 and a big thank you to our dedicated, hardworking employees who prepared for our meeting.

Thank you to our Ranch Manager, Judy Lapora, for her dedication and service to the ranch. Judy has a wealth of knowledge so deep that I don't believe it could run dry. Her unwavering support for her staff and the ranch is commendable. Thank you to all our department Supervisors, Richard Jensen- Golf Maintenance Supervisor; Randy Ballard- PGA Professional Pro Shop Supervisor, Jordan Jones-Road Department Supervisor; Julie Inman- RV Park Supervisor; Mike Knoke, General Maintenance- Mike will be retiring soon, and this isn't his first time retiring from the ranch. I wish him nothing but the best in his next adventure. I want to thank the community committee volunteers for their exceptional service over the past year. We have many committees here on the ranch that our By-Laws, CC&Rs, and Policies and Procedures require: the Architectural Review Committee, Budget & Audit Committee, CC&R Committee, Events Committee, Parks & Rec, Phase Reps, and Ranch Enhancements. Volunteers operate all these committees; we thank you! I would also like to call out the many community groups that provide additional opportunities for growth and adventure: The ATV group, CRR Car group, Friends and Neighbors of the Deschutes Canyon Area, Farmers and Artisan Market, Volunteer Firefighters Association, Men's and Ladies Golf Clubs, CRR Lion's Club, CRR Senior Group at the Heritage House, Equestrian group, Pickleball group, Shooting Stars, and the Veterans Services.

This year, we've accomplished significant milestones that were only possible with all the ranch staff and volunteers. Let's celebrate our successes and reflect on some of our milestone projects. The range of accomplishments achieved over the past year is exceptional, from launching our new Crooked River Ranch website to implementing the new online reservation and scheduling software for the RV park and golf course. The addition of the RV Park dump station and new solar panels for the pool, as well as the fencing installation at Commercial Park and upgrade to fencing at Panorama Park, highlight our commitment to enhancing the various aspects of our community.

It has been an incredibly insightful year as a member of the Board of Directors, especially the President. Thank you to all the Board members for their service, leadership, ideas, and commitment to making the ranch a great place for current and future generations. I look forward to working with you all in the next year. I wanted to dive into everything as much as possible, but some things were beyond my control, as with most well-laid-out plans. I have dedicated myself to understanding the ranch, the growth of our community, and preparing for forthcoming changes. Change is a constant force driven by community members; the transformation of the ranch from its previous culture to its current pivotal point reflects the dynamic nature of our journey. As we move forward, we will be looking at continuing to promote the safety and well-being of our members, maintaining property values and Association assets, and providing events for the enjoyment of our residents. Together we can all work to keep Crooked River Ranch the wonderful place to work, play and live.

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## MEETINGS

### CRR ASSOCIATION

#### BOD Work Session

10:00 a.m. / 1st Mon/Juniper Room

#### Monthly Board Meeting

6:00 p.m. / 3rd Monday / Juniper Room

Contact: Admin Office 541-548-8939

#### Architectural Committee

3:00 p.m. / 2nd & 4th Monday / Admin Bldg.

Contact: Gail DesBrisay

Phone: 458-666-5044

#### Budget/Audit

Juniper Room

Contact Herb Parker for

Information, dates and times

Phone: 503-998-8872

#### Parks & Recreation

6:30 p.m. / 4th Monday

Contact: Ara Erdekian

Phone: 541-350-3246

#### Phase Representatives

6:00 p.m. / Quarterly

Contact: Karen Atwood

Phone: 503-351-9250

#### Nominating Committee

Contact: Mike Carey

Phone: 541-548-8939

#### Events Planning Committee

1:00 pm / 1st Thursday / Juniper Room

Contact: Judy LaPora: 541-548-8939

#### CC&R Committee

1:30 p.m. / 3rd Tuesday

Contact: Stephanie Proffitt

Phone: 541-548-8939

#### Ranch Enhancements Projects Committee

Contact: Carl Harbour

Phone: 541-420-5011

## OTHER CRR GOVERNING ENTITIES

#### Special Roads District

10:00 a.m. / 2nd Tuesday / Juniper Room

Contact: Dale Wiley

Phone: 503-887-0586

#### CRR Fire Protection Board

6:30 p.m. / 3rd Thursday / Fire Hall

Contact: Sean Hartley

Phone: 541-923-6776





# CRR Men’s Golf Club

*John Smallwood, President*



Club Champion – Rigo Montes with  
Tournament Chair Jamie Frantz

The 2023 CRR Men’s Golf Club Championship was held August 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. This is a two round (18 hole) tournament. The club champion is determined by the person with the lowest 36-hole score. This year our **2023 Club Champion is Rigo Montes** with a 36-hole score of 146. It all came down to the last hole. Rigo Montez was in tight competition with Steve Skinner who came in second by one stroke (36-hole score of 147). Congratulations to Rigo for his victory and Steve for his valiant effort throughout the 36-hole competition.



(Just a note about the 1<sup>st</sup> round leader, John Smallwood... he cracked like an egg on the 2nd round and ended up third with a score of 151... )

**Interesting Fact:** The average PGA Tour player makes a 10-foot putt 68.3% of the time. Now, what is a good number of putts for 18 holes for an amateur? (answer below upside-down)

The flight results for the 2023 Club Championship are as follows:

Flight 1 – Gross		Flight 1 – Net	
Rigo Montes	146	Steve Skinner	139
Steve Skinner	147	Rigo Montes	140
John Smallwood	151	John Smallwood	145
Bruce Beyer	152	Deane Cooper	146
		Jamie Frantz	146
		Bruce Beyer	146
Flight 2 – Gross		Flight 2 – Net	
Ron Fitzpatrick	170	Pat Marquis	142
Bill Daw	172	Odie Carter	143
Shad Stanley	173	Bill Daw	146
Odie Carter	173		
Wylo Schwartz	174	Ron Fitzpatrick	148
		Ron Aker	148
		Wylo Schwartz	148
Flight 3 – Gross		Flight 3 – Net	
Michael Callagan	184	Alan Bakkala	141
Gary Molder	190	Michael Callagan	144
Alan Bakkala	191	Terry Weaver	147
Dick Risley	192	Dick Risley	150
		Bill Burt	150
		Gary Molder	150



David Linkel, John Smallwood, Steve Skinner, Rigo Montes (left to Right)



CRR Club Meeting

The CRR Men’s Golf Club held their annual meeting after the tournament. The significant outcomes from this meeting were as follows:

- 1) Club president for 2024 will be Bruce Beyer
- 2) The club will no longer have Home & Home events with other courses. Due to the low participation by other golf clubs, CRR Men’s Golf Club voted to schedule other course visitations where CRR club members would go as a group to other courses and play golf. We will plan to have three events next year on either Monday or Wednesday of the week we have the event.
- 3) The \$20 late registration fee for annual club membership was dropped from the By-Laws.
- 4) Due to cost increases, the club voted to increase regular club membership by \$10. For those who are 80 years old and in the club for 15 years or more, we will raise the annual membership by \$6.
- 5) The club membership was informed that for tournaments and playdays, we will only keep the cash payouts for two weeks (unless other arrangements have been made) and then the money will go on the pro shop books for that member. The P&P game will be handled the same way.
- 6) It was announced that the storage shed was approved to remain in place for a year to see if there are any issues with the location. If there are no issues identified after the year, the shed will be granted to stay permanently.

**ANSWER:** In general anywhere between 30 and 36 putts per round is considered reasonable for the average golfer.



## BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

September 2023

- The meeting was called to order by President Vickery. All Directors were present.
- A change in today's agenda to move the agenda item "Presentation of FY 2022/2023 Annual Audit" to the Work Session on Wednesday, September 6 was made.
- It is noted that the RV Park and the Golf course are ahead of last years' revenues. It was also noted that due to a recent inspection performed by the Fire Marshall's Office, the oil heater in the Golf Maintenance facility does not meet the proper certification and must be replaced. A different heat source will be researched.
- General Maintenance Supervisor Knoke is officially retiring, again. A replacement has been hired and will start September 1, 2023. Supervisor Knoke will stay for approximately two weeks to work with the new supervisor to ensure a smooth transition.
- The Annual Meeting on August 19 went well. There were approximately 60 residents in attendance. Employee of the Year went to retiring Telegraph Editor Phyllis Carlin, and Volunteer of the Year was given to Marie Carter. A thank you plaque went to Treasurer Peterson as he steps down after his three-year term.
- Director Jones is working with Jefferson County, Phil Steinbeck Interim Planning Services Manager to look at zoning options in the Buffalo Place area. She will report back after another meeting.
- Ranch Enhancement committee Chair Carl Harbour provided list of all projects and status per the committee. He asked for approval for two projects: Purchase of six weighted umbrella bases for under \$250.00. RV Park Tree Enhancement for removal and replacement of trees within the RV Park. The cost is not to exceed \$14, 440. A motion to approve these two purchases was made and approved unanimously. Chair Harbour also presented a survey of usage of the community pool. It showed that homeowners were the main users of the pool, not the RV Park or Ranch Cabin visitors and that the pool was never at capacity. He believes the impression of over capacity by pool users is due to a lack of sufficient seating and shade. His results will be published in the Telegraph.
- Randy Knight, current lessee of the Snack Shack, announced that he will be retiring at the end of his lease. He does see potential for the Snack Shack to succeed with the right management. He is willing to work with a new manager for the next year.
- A motion to approve the Revised CC&R Procedure and Handbook, which includes the addition of committee filed complaints was made and approved eight to one with Director Randall opposing.
- Kent Inman, Stephanie Proffitt and Herb Parker all spoke during Public Input.
- The following announcements were made: CRR Fire & Rescue Pancake Breakfast, September 3, 2023, 8:00 am – 11:00 am; Desert Wind Arts Fest September 3, 2023 10:00 am – 4:30 pm Heritage House; CRR Annual Yard Sale – September 8, 9 & 10; Jefferson County Commissioners Meeting September 13, 2023 at the Juniper Room. Three candidates will be appointed to the SRD.
- A motion to adjourn the Regular meeting and go into Executive Session was made and approved unanimously. The Regular meeting was adjourned at 8:02 pm. At 8:06 Executive Session was called to order. Executive Session was adjourned at 8:42 after a motion and unanimous vote. A motion to utilize the Ranch attorney to respond accordingly to the letter received from an attorney on behalf of a Ranch resident and follow the legal advice of the HOA attorney in regards the our response and actions to said Ranch resident was made and approved unanimously with Directors Woolverton having already left the meeting. A motion to adjourn was made and approved unanimously. The Regular meeting was adjourned at 8:44pm.

2022/2023

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## Phase Representative Notice

If you're a Ranch resident, please take advantage of our Phase Rep email program. The program has undergone many changes and we continue to modify our messages based on feedback from our residents. This email system is designed to keep you apprised of upcoming Ranch events, meetings, and other important notices that affect residents or that our Phase Reps determine would be of interest to our residents.

This email system is never used for solicitations and your information will not be shared. If you would like to be added to the list, please contact the Administration Office at [info@crookedriverranch.com](mailto:info@crookedriverranch.com) or 541-548-8939. You may contact the Phase Rep Chairperson, Karen Atwood at 503-351-9250 or [krayon22@outlook.com](mailto:krayon22@outlook.com).

### Crooked River Ranch Club & Maintenance Association

#### Mission Statement

The mission of Crooked River Ranch Club & Maintenance Association is to its members by working for the preservation and betterment of property values; by ensuring a safe, secure and clean living environment; and by the continuing improvement of the quality of life for Ranch residents.

#### Vision Statement

We envision Crooked River Ranch to be a place where members, staff and elected leaders all work together effectively to create a strong sense of community and maximize the quality of life for homeowners, renters and guests, so that Crooked River Ranch remains a "Great Place to

## Outreach for Veterans at CRR

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# AQ Index too high to play scheduled tournament!

By Judy Parker



Dandy Borges, Vicki Johnson, Debbie Raney, and Pat Nordstrom (L-R) were some of our diehards. They started their round in the smoke and heat, stopped long enough to enjoy lunch and then went back out to finish the round.



The canyon was filled with smoke. Picture taken from #3 tee box by Judy Parker

Some ladies opted to play anyway, though no monies were distributed.

Lunch was served to those who wanted to attend as a caterer had been hired and was onsite, prepared for the event,

We then began the effort to pick up the pieces by returning entry and sponsor fees, paying the caterer, returning sponsor's gifts and basically undoing a years worth of planning. Although this was a bump in the road, we will begin again by planning for next year.

Our club championship is at the end of the month and there are a few more visitations but our summer is winding down. Our ladies have an appreciation lunch scheduled for our maintenance people in September and we have a few meetings but then we are just enjoying golf until our Christmas party.

include at least one Crooked River Ranch ladies club member. While this change dropped the number of ladies signed up, it was requested by numerous members and the feedback from others was positive.

We planned to host thirty-one ladies from various other clubs and cities in the form of friends, relatives and acquaintances with twenty-nine members playing. The temperature was predicted to be hot but we were prepared with lots of bottled water and cool, damp face cloths to be handed out at the end of the round.

It was not meant to be. The night prior, wildfire smoke moved in and worsened during the night. Richard Jensen, our course superintendent, sent us an email early that the air quality index was so high that he would not have his men working on the course. After discussion, we canceled our event just several hours before it was to start. Though difficult, it was the right thing to do.



Picture taken from personal residence looking across canyon toward Grey Butte and Smith Rock by Judy Parker.



## Inflammation

By Robin Gaudette, RN, ACSM-HFI

The inflammatory process is part of our immune system, protecting from invaders such as microbes, chemicals and allergens, physical trauma and stressors. Acute inflammation or short-term is part of the healing process. When inflammatory triggers remain and accumulate, the inflammatory process becomes long-term and may cause problems. The immune systems components work to fight off invaders and building defense for future attacks. Without balance our body is vulnerable to the damaging effects of inflammation.

Chronic inflammation is a persistent, low-grade, long-term immune response. Research links chronic inflammation to the development of chronic diseases; cardiovascular, pancreatic and intestinal tract disease, rheumatoid arthritis, cancer, neurological diseases and reproductive disorders. And low-grade inflammation contributes to age-related conditions in the elderly including; hypertension, atherosclerosis, vascular and nerve diseases and COPD.

Research states exercise can support the immune system with positive anti-inflammatory benefits. Moderate-intensity aerobic exercise was beneficial in managing low-grade inflammation. Moderate-intensity aerobic exercise performed for 45 minutes 3 days per week lowered pro-inflammatory markers and increased anti-inflammatory ones. Exercise at high intensity, longer than 20-30 minutes or low-intensity lasting longer than 75 minutes can drastically increase inflammatory markers. Studies support resistance training for seniors and recommend resistance exercise performed at moderate-intensity, targeting every muscle group, 3-5 sets of 10 repetitions, 3 times a week. Concluding that adding more resistance exercises, at a greater frequency and duration appears to be a positive support for dealing with low-grade inflammation.

- Immune support nutritional support include;
- consuming more fruits and vegetables daily,
  - reducing trans-fat and saturated fat intake,
  - increasing intake of omega-3 fats (fatty fish and fish oil, olive oil, avocados and walnuts),
  - reducing intake of simple carbohydrates and animal products.

Plant-based diet, certain herbs and phytochemicals also improve the anti-inflammatory artillery.

Do your immune system a favor by making simple changes and modifications before problems arise.





# Horsey Happenings with Crooked River Ranch Riders

By Kay Limbaugh, CRR Riders Horse Group



Heidi on Cricket

It has been a very busy summer for the Crooked River Ranch Riders! Here are some of the activities of the CRR Riders.

To quote Bob Dylan, “The Times they are a changin’.” This is the last regular article written by me (Kay Limbaugh). Starting with the next issue of the Telegraph, CRR resident and horse owner Heidi Olds will “take the reins” of the Crooked River Ranch Riders monthly articles.

Hailing from a lifetime in Washington County, Heidi states she was born with the *horse gene*. Her folks bought her first horse when she was six and she has owned a horse (or several) her entire life. Her earlier

horse experience included gaming, barrel racing, pole bending, team penning, cutting and even a breeding program which put her horses in the show ring. It probably goes without saying, Quarter horses are her preferred breed and bloodlines are extremely important to her. After a life of high-performance horse activity, Heidi’s horse time now is trail riding alone or with friends.

When Heidi decided it was time to leave the Valley and head east of the mountains, she knew she needed to find a place where there was a horse community. Once she found Crooked River Ranch, she was hooked and did not look back. She doesn’t miss the valley at all but had to pare her herd back to just two

horses, Tuffy and Boone. Heidi says horses are her life and she will never be without one.

The Riding Incentive Program (RIP) continues to encourage horse owners to spend time in the saddle. With several events within the program, a number of Riders have hit the goal of 400 miles or 100 hours. A few Riders have found all 12 Unicorn shoes and decrypted the code and many between-the-ears photos have been submitted for the monthly challenge. RIP continues through the month of October with a grand finale gathering in November.

For the umpteenth year, Sheep Springs was the location of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July horse camp for Crooked River equine owners. With rides, food, visiting, joking, laughter and friendship, a good time was had by all.

A clinic on clicker training was held at the Karr Arena. Gaila Bailey shared her expertise on this interesting training method.

To everyone’s delight, the CRR Riders also participated in the 2023 Crooked River Ranch Parade.

Some Riders are riding in a variety of organized endurance rides, distance rides and trail rides.

Most Riders are spending time with their horse(s) riding, training, grooming or just loving.



For more information about activities of the Crooked River Ranch Riders Horse Group, contact [CRRhorseriders@gmail.com](mailto:CRRhorseriders@gmail.com)



Sharalyn Hay on Flash



Sheep Springs annual equine gathering



Dottie McCay leads Dusty in the 2023 CRR Independence Day Parade



Becky Ruedi on Paco hits 100 hours of riding for RIP

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# Local Option Levy on November Ballot, Welcome to New Staff & Volunteers

By Fire Chief Sean Hartley

The month of July was busy for Crooked River Ranch Fire & Rescue. During the month the District responded to a total of seventy emergency calls. This included five fires, fifty emergency medicals or rescues, five service calls, six good intent calls, and four false alarms. July set a record for the greatest number of responses in a single month. We attribute this increase to the growing population, and popularity, of Crooked River Ranch.

As the District grows and service demands increase so does the cost to provide those services. Every five years since 2004 the voters have approved a local option levy to help fund the District and maintain a high level of service. Our current local option levy was approved at a rate of \$0.89 per \$1,000 of assessed value and it expires June 30, 2024. This November you will see a local option levy on the ballot for the voters to consider. This local option levy is asking voters to approve an increase of \$0.28 per \$1,000 of assessed value over our expiring levy, making it a rate of \$1.17 per \$1,000 of assessed value.

The funds would be used to maintain the District's current level of response to fire and medical emergencies, including those requiring ambulance transport. Population growth and the growing popularity of Crooked River Ranch have contributed to a 36% increase in call volume over the last 10 years and a 66% increase in emergency medical calls over the same time. Passage would help ensure continued response to each emergency with fully trained firefighter/paramedics at all hours of the day and night. You can find out more information on the levy by visiting our website [crrfire.org](http://crrfire.org) and clicking on "Levy Information" in the top menu.

On Friday, August 11<sup>th</sup>, the District held a Swearing In and Promotion Ceremony. Sworn in were the following people. Four new Volunteer Firefighters, Emily Lara, Brooke O'Connor, Alex Silva, and Jackson Spadaro. One Volunteer Paramedic/Public Information Officer, Grant Caudel.

Two new career Firefighter/Paramedics that were hired with grant funds from the Oregon State Fire Marshal's Office, included Elizabeth Ramirez and Laura Waldron.

We also had two promotions. Firefighter/Paramedic Adam Wiley was promoted to Captain and long-time volunteer Dennis Senko was promoted to Deputy Fire Marshal. Congratulations to all!

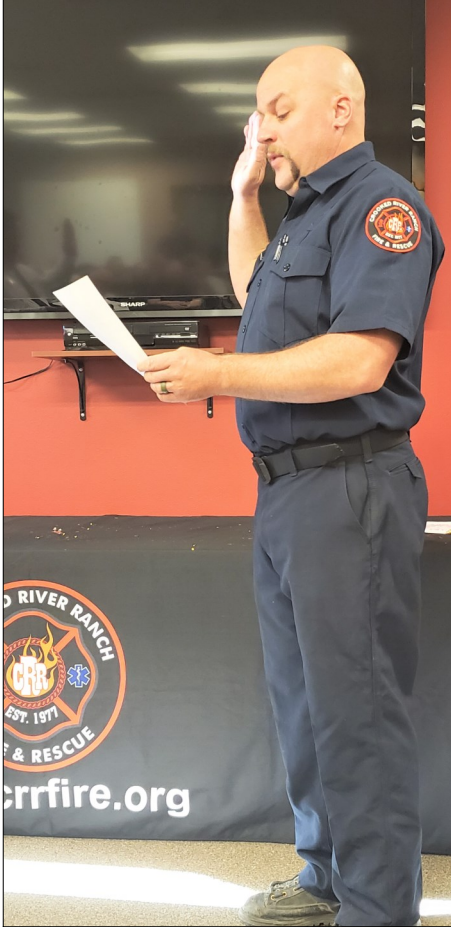
As always if you would like to know more about CRRF&R or have comments or concerns, please drop in, call, or visit us on our social media (Facebook, Instagram, or Nextdoor). Our regular Board Meetings are on the third Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm at the fire station. These meetings are also streamed via the Zoom platform and information is available on our website [crrfire.org](http://crrfire.org).



Newly sworn in Volunteer Firefighters Brooke O'Connor, Emily Lara, Jackson Spadaro, and Alex Silva (from left to right)



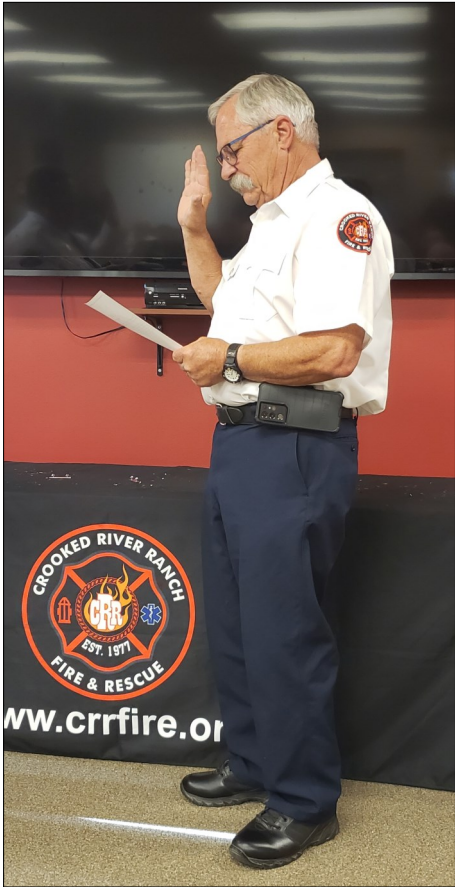
Newly sworn in Career Firefighters Elizabeth Ramirez and Laura Waldron (from left to right)



Newly promoted Captain Adam Wiley taking his Oath of Service



Volunteer Paramedic and Public Information Officer Grant Caudel (on the right) taking his Oath of Service




Long time Volunteer Dennis Senko taking is Oath of Service as our new Deputy Fire Marshal

## Firefighter Breakfast Fundraiser




Don't Miss it  
Go to  
page 20 for  
details





## Pool Time and Summer Fun is still on schedule!





**K**aren Atwood's granddaughter tries out our new "Ranger 2 Powered Pool Lift chair," ADA compliant enabling residents young, older, and those needing assistance to enjoy our beautiful pool. This was purchased with proceeds from the Steel Stampede contributions. Combining smaller left-over funds, enabled the enhancements committee to approve a much deserved addition to our summer fun pool offerings.

**Summer  
time!**



*Photos by Kara Burkhart*

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## CROOKED RIVER RANCH CRIME WATCH JULY 2023

There were 1,001 county wide calls made to Jefferson County Sheriff Department in the month of July. CRR actions and calls for service: 163.

Of a total of 80 incidents in the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department **Press Log** for the period July 3, 2023, through July 30, 2023, twelve (12) involved Crooked River Ranch.

- **July 3** - a Deputy with the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office took a report of a restraining order violation in Crooked River Ranch.
- **July 7** - A Jefferson County Sheriff's Deputy took a report of a burglary in Crooked River Ranch.
- **July 8** - A Jefferson County Sheriff's Deputy responded to Crooked River Ranch for a report of a stolen ATV and firearms. The ATV was located.
- **July 10** - A Deputy with the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office arrested a resident on SW Peninsula for driving impaired after they were involved in a motor vehicle crash.
- **July 12** - A Detective with the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office took a report of damage to the restrooms at the Crooked River RV Park.
- **July 16**, a Deputy with the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office responded to a report of a motor vehicle crash on SW Hill Rd. After an investigation, the vehicle was towed due to a hazard.
- **July 17** - A Jefferson County Sheriff's Deputy investigated a crash involving a motor vehicle and a bicyclist on SW Shad near SW Stallion.
- **July 23** - A Deputy with the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office took a report of telephonic harassment on Crooked River Ranch.
- **July 24** - A Detective with the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office received and reviewed a DHS Cross Report regarding children living in Crooked River Ranch. No crimes were identified. DHS closed their case at screening.
- **July 25** - A Deputy with the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office took a report from a residence at Crooked River Ranch regarding violation of a restraining order and theft.
- **July 28** - A Jefferson County Sheriff's Deputy responded to a dog at large call from Crooked River Ranch. The dog was seized and transported to the Rockn EZ Rescue Ranch and lodged.
- **July 28** - A Jefferson County Sheriff's Deputy arrested a resident from Crooked River Ranch for driving impaired and their vehicle was impounded

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## Friends and Neighbors of the Deschutes Canyon Area offer two guided hikes for September



### Guided Hike on September 9<sup>th</sup> 9:00am-12:00pm, Coyote Canyon – Easy, Two Miles total

**A**l Albin, trained geologist, will lead both hikes and share his knowledge of both these spectacular volcanic wonders. The Coyote Canyon hike is an easy hike through an area of volcanic linear ridges and swales. Many of the ridges are fractured along their crests. Hikers will have the opportunity to view and experience these unusual landforms resulting from the dynamics, the surging and ebbing, of the youngest lava flow in this area. Textures that formed on the surface of the lava as it chilled and solidified are also preserved. This is an easy walkabout with no elevation gain/loss.

### Guided Hike on September 16<sup>th</sup> 9:00am-12:00pm, Hollywood Trail – Moderate, Three Miles total

**T**he Hollywood Trail hike is of moderate difficulty. The trail is good with an elevation loss/gain of 400 feet. Hikers will see very accessible exposures of rock units that make up the Deschutes Formation. We will also see how the lava flow that partially filled the Crooked River Canyon interacted with the Canyon that existed at that time and the result of subsequent erosion by the Crooked River.

Please register for each hike by visiting our website <http://www.fansofdeschutes.org/> open the link to EventBrite. Each hike is limited to ten participants. Wear sturdy shoes or boots – no sandals or flip flops recommended. Bring plenty of water and snacks, walking poles, sunscreen, hat and windbreaker for any weather changes. Great outings for photos!

#### Driving Directions:

**Coyote Canyon:** Located at the intersection of Quail Road and Rainbow Road at the west end of Quail but before the Alternate Exit. From Chinook Drive, turn onto Badger Road away from the information kiosk. At the bottom of the hill, immediately turn left onto Rainbow Road. Drive to the intersection of Rainbow and Quail Roads and look for the FANs event sign for parking.

**Hollywood Road:** Parking is located in the cinder lot in front of the Ranch Chapel on Clubhouse Road. Look for the FANs event sign.

*This event is sponsored by Friends and Neighbors of the Deschutes Canyon Area (FANs), a group founded in 2011 by landowners surrounding the Deschutes Canyon-Steelhead Falls Wilderness Study Area in Central Oregon who came together over their shared love of nearby public lands. The focus area of FANs includes many special places such as Steelhead Falls, Alder Springs, the Peninsula, Otter Bench and Scout Camp. Become a member by visiting our website: [www.fansofdeschutes.org](http://www.fansofdeschutes.org). Memberships are just \$10 per person per year.*

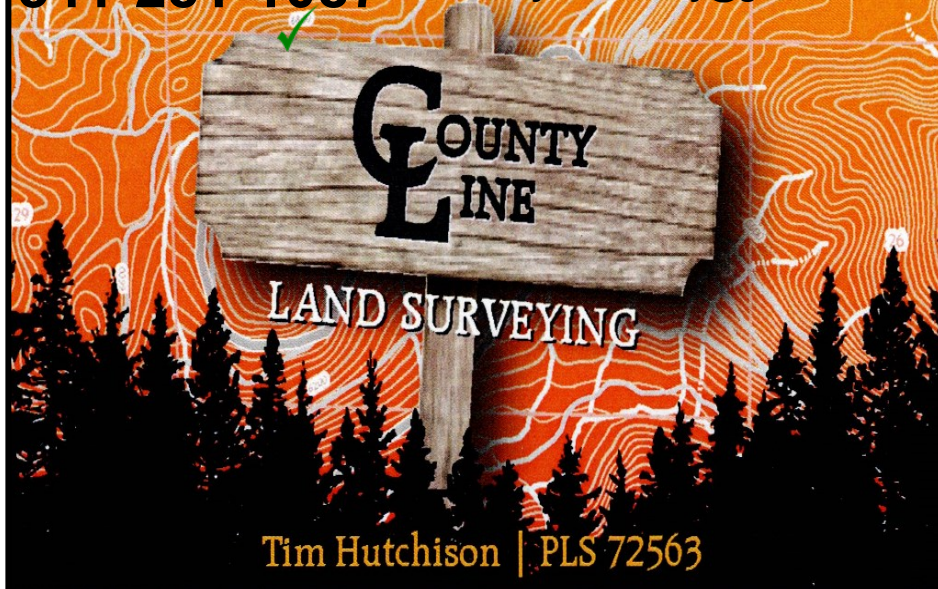
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Friends and Neighbors of the Deschutes Canyon Area

Weed of the Month: Jerusalem Oak (*Dysphania botrys*)

By Penny Radtke, FANs Weed Consultant

Jerusalem Oak, aka sticky goosefoot or feathered geranium, is a late-summer weed that is in the Pigweed or Amaranth family. It is native to southern Europe and Asia and is now widespread throughout most of the US. This strongly scented annual can grow to 2 feet tall or remain fairly short depending on growing conditions. It's fond of disturbed areas such as driveways, roadsides, and gardens.

Its leaves resemble fleshy oak leaves with distinctive deep, often reddish veins which are mostly located at the base of the plant, but also grow alternately and smaller on the stems. The stems are green with fine hairs, and the upper portions are covered with clusters of hundreds of tiny round, fuzzy, sticky, green flowers.

Jerusalem Oak is not listed on the county weed lists as noxious, but it is considered *obnoxious*! Since it is an annual, pulling and disposing of the plants before they set seeds can be an effective method of control.

If you need help sorting out the weeds and native plants on your property, contact me at [pradtke48@gmail.com](mailto:pradtke48@gmail.com) to schedule a consultation.

Weed consultations are free, except for the price of our weed book, Common Weeds of the Deschutes Canyon Area. If you already have the weed book, there is no charge.



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**Celebration of Life**  
October 7, 2023  
2:00 pm  
Ranch Chapel with military honors and ice cream social following.

### Please slow down for walkers!

CRR is a wonderful place to get some exercise by taking a walk.



Please be mindful that shoulders on our roads are limited. Watch-out for our community walkers, slow down and drive appropriately. Thank you for watching out for your neighbors!

### Need a newsletter.....

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## Attention Crooked River Ranch Submariners

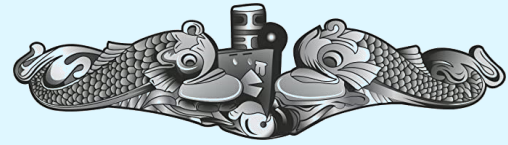
Sunday, August 13th was our annual picnic and meeting. This was the first time we met at Sam Johnson Park in Redmond under the covered Pavilion. As it was rather *warm*, it was great to have it at a covered location.

Western Regional Director, Jim DeMott came down from Port Orchard, WA. to meet with us again and pass on the invitation to come to the Bremerton-Seattle Bases' Veterans Day Parade up there in November. We may do a carpool to get up there for the parade.

Our first annual yard sale was a great success and the *leftovers* were taken to a couple of places as well as selling the washer and dryer online. The funds we received will go to benefit needy Submarine Veterans in Central Oregon, as well as other needy Veterans in the area.

Our next scheduled meeting will be Sunday, November 12th at 1300 hours. Keep the date in mind. If the weather is nasty, we will let you know what the Zoom link will be.

For further information, call Base Commander, Rick Neault 530-434-1102 or Sec. Fran Davis 541-527-5484



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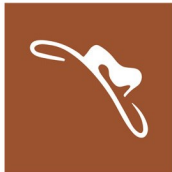
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- Once wildlife associate people with giving them food, they come to expect it. Feeding will invite more deer and elk to your property and encourage them to stay.
- Artificial feeding can cause deer and elk to become habituated to humans and aggressive towards them.
- Concentrating deer and elk in human-settled areas can lead to an increase in vehicle collisions and conflicts between wildlife and pets.
- Concentrating deer and elk can hurt habitat by encouraging excessive grazing.

Every year, ODFW also sees seemingly healthy deer and elk die because they have been fed the wrong food by well-intentioned people. Their diet requirements actually change with the seasons and are best met by native forage. Deliberately feeding deer or elk may inhibit digestion and lead to death by starvation or infection.

For more information, visit ODFW's web page at [www.dfw.state.or.us](http://www.dfw.state.or.us) or call your local ODFW field office or ODFW Headquarters at 800-720-ODFW (6339)



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September 2023



Coming Attractions in  
our October Issue:  
**CRR Canyon  
Quilters**



Judy McClurg and Pat Hayes in the  
gift quilt closet                      Staff photo

Photo of the Month  
Thank you Jean Martwick



Setting sun and a Rainbow lighting up the canyon

## Announcing CRR Riders Community Tack & Craft Sale



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Calling all photographers.....

## Announcing the "Photo of the Month"

For all you photo enthusiasts, the Telegraph would like to introduce a new feature called "Photo of the Month." If you have taken a print-worthy photo of life on the Ranch, send it to

[newsletter@crookedriverranch.com](mailto:newsletter@crookedriverranch.com).



Please write a little blurb of when and where the photo was taken. Include your name so we can credit the photographer. Photos can be of the weather, our amazing clouds, sunrises and sunsets, wild animals, plant-life, the canyon and mountain views.