

October 2019

Primetimers' Gazette

Greetings From your President



I hope everyone had a good time at the Volunteer Dinner. Joe and Marleen Ruegsegger always do a good job setting it up.

Don't forget, there will be a Pharmacist from Walgreens at our November 6th meeting to give flu shots starting at 12:30. We want everyone to stay healthy.

Saturday June 6, 2020 is the date of the car show. Members are needed to take charge of the kitchen for the brat fry. If no one steps up, the car show will have to be cancelled. The previous chairpersons have notes to help with this. Getting help isn't usually a problem, PrimeTimers are always willing to *help*. But we need a coordinator or co-coordinators. Sadly, we had to cancel the Snowflake Dance because there was no chairperson. The car show is revenue we depend on. Please help!!!

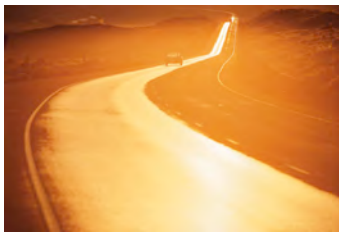
Because of all the members who volunteered to work at the car show and dragonboat races this summer, we were able to donate \$5550 to different charitable organizations. Thanks to all of you.

Marleen Ruegsegger will doing the activity list, check it out, there are a lot of fun things planned. The next meeting is Wednesday, November 6, 2019.

Audrey Lehner
President



Sunshine Report:



This month we were pretty healthy and happy because get well cards were sent to only two people, Carolyn Jolin and Martha Upthagrove. Stay healthy, get your flu shot!

*Karen Grills-Engel is our Sunshine Lady. If you know **of any member in need of cheering up for any reason please call Karen at 715-479-5322 or email her at karengrillengels@gmail.com***



Thanks from the co-chairs.....

Ginny Sparkowski and Heleen Kortendick wish to thank the following for their help for the 6th grade lunch on Sept 26th. Shirley Bemish, Bonnie Butzer, Don Colton, Gerry Goretski, Jane Klug, Susan and Roger Mommaerts, Donna and Jerry Ponosch, Pat and Gordy Rolland, Monica Semrau, and of course, Ginny and Heleens indispensible husbands, Dan and Tom!

KUDOS Korner from Margie, PrimeTimers' vice president:

This month I would like to begin my KUDOS Korner. There are many invisible volunteers in our club who are rarely acknowledged. They never toot their own horn, so I will be tooting it for them.

Kudos to: **Sherry Kairis**, who has taken over the newsletter editor position and has, after a number of months and much hair pulling, claimed the title beautifully. Milt and I can now leave it in her competent hands and know that the job will be well done. Clap your hands for Sherry!

Kudos to: **Karen Engels**, who has been our sunshine person for a number of years. She loves to send out the cards to those who have been ill/injured or lost a family member. Anyone is free to give her a call: 715-479-5322 to let her know of people needing a bit of sunshine in their lives. She will promptly send out a bit of cheer to them. Also, if you have any spare cards lying around that she could use, they are always welcome. Clap your hands for Karen!

Kudos to: **Karen Grace**, who has been our refreshment chair for a number of years. All the treats, the chili meal, and the ice cream sundae socials that we have after our meetings are overseen by Karen. She does a fantastic job. Clap your hands for Karen!

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## Learn how to use a tablet computer for FREE!

We even provide tablets at the sessions that you can learn upon! In a small group, working with a friendly coach, learn internet safety, how to search for information, connect with friends and family, use YouTube (and learn why folks love it), how to use the camera, store photos and more! Do you have a smart phone but need the skills to fully use it? What you learn on the tablet applies to your smart phone as well.

Learn to use a tablet computer, at no cost, in our **Sip & Swipe Café®** (two 2-hour sessions, Thurs/Fri Oct 17th & 18th 1-3pm, and Wed/Thurs Oct 30th & 31st 9-11am, in rm 6 at the St. Germain Community Center) Call Milt or Margie at 715-479-2028 to signup.

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WOW..... What a great trip we had!

Bad omens? Friday the 13th plus a full moon provided a double whammy for the PT departure to San Antonio. Sure enough—due to an emergency the 7:30am bus didn't arrive until 8:30. We had a temporary driver briefly until we picked up our loveable, personable permanent driver, Joey.

At that point things immediately turned around and it was clear sailing. A stop at Mullins Cheese factory at Knowlton provided everyone with a small bag of fresh curds for a morning snack. (and some prizes for a lucky few)

The Kansas Museum of History gave a good feeling of the prairie, Indians and cowboys before we got to Texas. The Alamo was visited on the first day. It seems that when it was inevitable that the battle was lost, a soldier was ordered to blow up the room holding the powder and ammunition to keep it from falling into enemy hands. The soldier was killed five feet from being successful. Five feet more and there would have been no Alamo left to visit.

Another highlight day was the visit to the Texas State Aquarium and wading in the Gulf of Mexico. More highlights: an excellent talk by the guide at the LBJ Ranch, a visit to "boutique town" Fredericksburg, and a stop at the SAS factory (where many pairs of shoes were purchased at bargain prices!) just to name a few.

Homeward, the fascinating Cowgirl Hall of Fame in Ft Worth offered videos of our ladies riding a bucking bull to email back home. The outdoor Cowtown Museum in Wichita was a place to walk the streets of an old Western town. Some enjoyed a sarsaparilla from the saloon. After one more day Joey got us home to "cool" St Germain.

Editors note: (on behalf of everyone on the trip)

Yes, San Antonio was HOT. We hit 100 one day but really there is no difference in the way you feel between 96 and 100 !! So we have bragging rights to 100 degrees! All of us on the trip want to give our sincere thanks to Don. He did an **amazing** job. He cajoled restaurants (more than one!) into extra perks, found extra places to visit when time permitted and provided us with far more than was on the agenda. From all of us that have bragging rights, **THANK YOU DON COLTON FOR A WONDERFUL TRIP!!!!**

Great Trips, Great Times

We are looking into having two trips offered to the PrimeTimers in 2020. An interest only sign-up sheet was offered to members at the meeting this month. We really need to know how many people might be interested in going on these trips before we spend a lot of time making plans and then have no interest from members. So if you weren't at the meeting, please give the contact person your name if you are interested in either of the trips.

- Spring trip to Door County. Hoping to be there during the cherry blossom time. Contact Margie: 715-479-2028
- Fall trip to Frankenmuth. Hoping to visit "lower Michigan's Little Bavaria" and perhaps an Amish town in Indiana. "From fantastic festivals and eclectic shopping to rich historical beauty and culture, Frankenmuth is the ideal departure from our ordinary every day lives. This would include a visit to Bronner's, the world's largest Christmas store. Contact Jim: 262-391-8843
- **Also To Be Determined: WJFW Tour and newscast.** This is our own Rhinelander station, channel 12. A sign up sheet will be posted at the meeting when the date is determined.

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 Use as a reminder of what you sign up for

October 2019

Oct 2	Wed	Monthly Mtg 1:30 pm -- Dr. Brad Camo - Dental Health for Seniors
Oct 14	Mon	LDF Casino Leave 11:00 \$2 Fred 715-479-6310
Oct 16	Wed	Dartball 1:00, Community Center, Tom 715-542-2739
Oct 28	Mon	LDF Casino Leave 11:00 \$2 Dave 715-479-1401
Oct 30	Wed	Wausau Shopping leave 8 am Van \$8 no same day cancel Pat 715-479-3947
Nov 2	Sat	**WCT "HUNCHBACK OF NOTRE DAME" - 11:50am \$18/\$6 Van - Judie 715-479-6659
Nov 6	Wed	Monthly Mtg 1:30 pm -- Susan Corrieri - Vilas ADRC Medicare Update
Nov 9	Sat	*NCT "THE ART OF DINING" Time: 4:45 \$8/\$2 van, Judie 715-479-6659
Nov 11	Mon	LDF Casino Leave 11:00 \$2 Fred 715-479-6310
Nov 20	Wed	Wausau Shopping leave 8 am Van \$8 no same day cancel Pat 715-479-3947
Nov 20	Wed	Dartball 1:00 Community Center Tom 715-542-2739
Nov 24	Sun	Nicolet, Rhinelander Community Band Concert, Time 11:45, Free/\$2 van
Nov 25	Mon	LDF Casino Leave 11:00 \$2 Dave 715-479-1401
Dec 4th	Wed	Monthly Mtg 1:30 pm -- Who tdb - Topic tdb
Dec 9	Mon	LDF Casino Leave 11:00 \$2, 715-479-6310
Dec 12	Th	Christmas Holiday dinner @ Whitetail - Social 5:30 Dinner 6:15 - entertainment is the Skippy & Lucy Show - Barb 715-479-6550
Dec 15	Sun	*WCT - "CHRISTMAS CAROLE," 11:45am \$19/\$6 Van - Judie 715-479-6659
Dec 16	Mon	Sleigh Ride Details to follow next month - Margie 715-479-2028
Dec 18	Wed	Dartball Community Center, Tom 715-542-2739
Dec 23	Mon	LDF Casino Leave 11:00 \$2 Fred 715-479-6310
Jan 8	Wed	Monthly Mtg 1:30 pm -- Who tdb - Topic tdb
Feb 29	Sat	Ironwood Theater "TRIBUTE TO JOHN DENVER." Details to follow.

(All trip departures are from St Germain Community Center unless otherwise noted)

*CC -Community Center (St. Germain)

*WCT- Wausau Community Theater

* NCT- Nicolet College Theater

Repeating Events:

- Mon 12:30 Bridge Dorothy 715-542-3527 or Carol 715-356-3880
- Tue 1:30 Line Dancing Pat 715-479-3947
- Wed Noon ADRC Meals Nancy 715-617-27
- Wed Dartball- 3rd Wed every month (Oct-May) Tom 715-542-2739
- Wed 6:00 pm Sheephead
- Th 12:45 pm (Oct-May) Bowling Jim 715-542-2010
- Th Noon ADRC Meals Nancy 715-617-2795
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