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Phyllis Taylor Editor

OUTGOING PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Jeanne Preall

It has been a great pleasure to serve as president of the community club for the past two years. All our members are very positive and ready to help in any fashion that they can. This is what makes Springville such a terrific place to live. Thank you so much for a terrific 2 years.



2024 SCC BOARD To be installed at January 25th Meeting:

President – Deniece McArthur

VP - Joyce Eshelman

VP - Rachel Niggli

Secretary – Norma Inabinette

Treasurer – Phyllis Taylor

Co-Treasurer – Tara Knesel

INCOMING PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Deniece McArthur

I hope this message finds you all in good health, high spirits, and fully recovered from the holidays. As we begin a new year for our club, I wanted to take a moment to express my gratitude for your unwavering commitment and enthusiasm.

As we look back on the year gone by, let us celebrate our triumphs, learn from our challenges, and continue to grow as a united and passionate community.

Your dedication to Springville Community Club has been the driving force behind our success, and I am truly honored to lead such an exceptional group of individuals.

Looking ahead to the upcoming year, I am filled with excitement for the opportunities that lie ahead. With your continued support and active participation, I am confident that we will reach new heights and make even greater contributions to our shared goals.

I encourage each one of you to bring your ideas, energy, and creativity to the table. Together, there is no limit to what we can achieve. Whether you have been a member for years or have

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recently joined, your unique perspective and talents are valuable assets to our club.

WELCOME

New Members

Please welcome to the Springville Community Club family the following new members:

Barb Erlewine, Karen Boriack, Laura Broisus, Chawntay Mc Kenzie, Sara Alley, Danielle Colesberry and Danielle Woodmansee,

PATTON HOUSE GIFT SHOP

Marilyn Knesel

With the major gift-giving holiday season behind us, you may not consider visiting the Patton House Gift Shop. However, now might be the time to buy something new for your home or a gift for yourself. The Patton House has a large selection of home, garden, and wall décor.

There is a complete array of Leanin' Tree greeting cards for any occasion at our always low price of \$1.50. With our dog and cat decor you can show the love you have for your pets, while with our soaps and lotions can show the love you have for yourself, or you can just stop by for a snack or candy from Naturally Nuts.

We have a wide variety of Springville souvenirs such as magnets, coasters, postcards, bookmarks, stickers, note cards, and keychains. There are also kitchen dish towels imprinted with names of places, businesses, and activities in and around Springville, as well as Springville mugs, travel metal tumblers, stemless wine glasses, and tote bags. There are several different Springville T-shirts for men and women, sweatshirts, and ball caps available.

The Gift Shop also carries unique handmade items made right here in Springville by local artisans and crafters including handmade scented candles; beautiful jewelry and bracelets; crocheted Afghans and baby clothes; handmade baby items; homemade jams and jellies; rustic hand-painted signs; finely handcrafted wood items including clocks and toys; and books written by local authors.



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NEWS FROM THE THRIFT TEAM

Joyce Eschelman

We are pleased to announce that we have a new “Thrift” team member, Marion Vickers. Welcome Marion!

Our team now consists of: Jeanne Preall, Thera Boggs, Vickie Brown, Marion Vickers, Dixie Kranz and Joyce

Eshelman. It’s true that, “Many hands make light work!” Thank you, ladies, for your; dedication, time and support. These women help in many ways: processing donations, sorting, hanging, and stocking the thrift section of the Patton House. We want our customers to have an enjoyable shopping experience, and recognize that we

have a wide selection of merchandise, and that our clerks and staff are helpful and friendly. Happy customers are our best advertisement. We want them to share their shopping experience with their: family, friends and neighbors that the place to shop is the Patton House gift and thrift shop.

You might be interested to know what we do with items that are donated that are too big or just not suited for sale in the Patton House. Also, what we do with items that we have an over-abundance of, (usually its clothing) and items that we remove from the “thrift” section that are seasonal or have been on the shelves for several months, and you have probably noticed that we have an area by the front sea train where there is a sign “Free,” that piques your curiosity. Items that are too big for the Patton House, any one of our team members take those items to specific donation centers in Porterville. That also includes an over-abundance of clothing, shoes, and items that are not suitable for our market and/or clients, left-over seasonal items, and items that we remove from the store that haven’t sold in a very long time. Our “Free” pile consists of items that have some damage, anything that a baby sits or sleeps in, (No thrift will take them, it’s a liability issue) electronics that can’t be tested, odds and ends of glass/housewares and bedding that is only fit for pets. That’s just a few examples.

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The Club's "gift and thrift" team appreciates all the clerks who volunteer their time working the sales desk, helping with housekeeping and stocking of merchandise. It is absolutely vital to have the Patton House open every day as it is the Club's primary source of income.

May you and your family have a healthy, prosperous and blessed New Year!

YOUR GARDENING TEAM

Joyce Eshelman

Currently, January 9th at 9 a.m. is the date for trimming all roses in the front and back yards of the Patton House.

Marilyn Knesel will show us how roses are to be trimmed for the winter. After Marilyn's instructions, those who attend will be encouraged to go and trim as many rose bushes they desire to do. Bring your own clippers/pruners and gloves. Also rakes. A trailer will be provided for the cuttings. Should rain fall on this date, we'll pick another date and time and will notify Club members by email.

Future plans for the Memorial Garden include pressure washing the fountain and a fresh coat of paint. On-going trimming and care of plants, bushes and trees as the seasons change. At some point in time, re-sodding or refurbishing the lawn in the back yard.

PATTON HOUSE CLERKS NEEDED

Robbi Metzler

We had a great response to my previous request for more Patton House clerk volunteers. We still need more!

Patton House sales are the chief income. We are now open on Sundays from 1:00 to 4:00. If you are interested in training or having a refresher, call one of our Clerk Supervisors, Melissa Lucas

(788-7538) and Phyllis Taylor (359-1135).

2024 BLOOD DRIVES

Phyllis Taylor

As usual, the Springville Blood Drive will take place on the 1st Wednesday of each quarter of 2024. The dates are Jan 3rd, April 3rd, July 3rd and Oct 2nd. At the Springville Veterans Memorial Building from 3:00 pm until 6:00 pm. You will need to bring a picture I.D. and a willing heart.

I have seen the Blood Drive participation dwindle and would like 2024 to be the year that we make a comeback to higher donations by our community. As we mature, we are more fragile and may be one of those individuals or know of a loved one or friend that will be in need of a blood donation, so please, if you are

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able, donate one more time to help save up to four lives – it is worth the donation of your time. It takes approximately one hour for the whole process and you are rewarded with a feeling of helping others survive. Please consider donating in 2024 to this worthwhile cause.

SPRINGVILLE CONCERTS IN THE PARK



Phyllis Taylor

This year will be the 25th year we have been hosting Concerts in the Park. The bands for this year have yet to be selected. The dates for the 2024 season are June 14, June 28, July 12, July 26, August 9 and 23.

APPLE FESTIVAL



Judi King

41st Apple Festival took place on October 21, 2023

It takes a community to put on a successful Apple Festival and that has never been more evident than this year. We had so many people helping us this year and we would never have been able to make it happen without their help. Every member of the committee did what had to be done in their areas and we also had many other volunteers that assisted us. Norma Inabinette handled our insurance and assisted Gail Woods with property management, and she also ran the costume contests with assistance from Melody Inabinette. Tara Knesel is our Treasurer, and she also supervised the game booths in the park and along with her mother Marilyn Knesel, took care of the t-shirts including creating the design.

Greg King handled operations and vendors and was one of 4 pickup drivers who delivered tables, chairs, easy-ups, signage and trashcans to the lots and picked them up at the end of the day. Lot Monitors made sure the vendors were in the right spots and included Kari Storey Wanmer, Mel Snyder, Phyllis Taylor, Melissa Lucas, Deniece McArthur, Robbi Metzler and Tara Knesel. Andrew De Lange created our new website, and publicity and worked with Justin Inabinette to make our wi-fi hotspot happen. He also handled getting musicians to entertain us in the gazebo.

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in the park. He and Bekah Whinery also put together this year's program. Melinda Snyder made sure we had a dumpster available, and Phyllis handled sanitation. Deniese McArthur was able to get us two shuttle buses from Eagle Mountain Casino and she and Melissa Lucas managed the two shuttle bus stops. Lisa Snyder managed the Apple Run and Travis Wales managed the Fat Tire Bike Race. Also assisting at the game booths, information booth, tee shirt sales and bus stops were several Community Club volunteers.

So, as you can see it does take a community to put on a successful Apple Festival! Thank you to everyone who helped in any way to make it happen.

I want to thank all the participants in our Empty Bowls fundraiser, with so many helping hands it made the event easy, fun and a great success.

We were able to give \$500.00 each to Lighthouse Chapel, Pleasant Valley and Springville First Baptist churches for their food pantries – all due to your support.

Please let me know any improvements we can make for next year, Again, Thank you.

SANTA CLAUS ARRIVED IN SPRINGVILLE!

EMPTY BOWLS

Melissa Lucas



Norma Inabinette

Those who visited the Patton House before the holiday were met with an inspiring sight. The tiny tree covered with tags was now surrounded by 92 beautifully wrapped gifts waiting for them to be delivered to 41 Springville families.

The gifts were grouped by family and ready to meet their final destination.

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when the Lighthouse Chapel included them with the food baskets. This year's gifts seemed bigger and brighter than ever. While the gifts are intended to brighten the day for children, they did so much more. Each gift brought peace and serenity to the giver.

It was emotional to hear the stories of the Angels who bought the gifts. For some, like me, who have no youngsters or have them who live far away, it allowed us to share the joy of Christmas that families must experience when their young children awake on Christmas morning and find a gift for them.

For others, the Angels would bring their children or grandchildren to choose a tag and help buy a gift for someone else inspiring the spirit of the season.

The last several years, Sandy Whaling followed a tradition in her family by choosing a tag for each of her relatives, buying a gift, taking a picture of the before and after wrapping, and presenting the pictures to her family members as their gift. Both Sandy and her recipients got to share the joy of giving, the true intent of Christmas.

No matter what the reason for participating, Springville Angels made Christmas special and rewarding for all. Thank you each one of you who took the time to make the Angel Tree a huge success and showed once again. how Special Springville residents are.



SPRINGVILLE COOKBOOK

Melinda Synder



Once again, I seek your assistance in completing the task of updating the cookbook to increase sales in The Patton House. I have had very few responses to date regarding any recipe submissions.

I am asking that you please submit any recipes that are current family favorites - in any category, whether it be salad,

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soups, appetizers, main dishes, casseroles and desserts.

Many of the existing recipes are very dated (lots of Jello salads). I can try and update the existing recipes but would also like to add some new, more modern dishes into the cookbook. Food costs have changed dramatically over the last few years.... if you have implemented any dishes that you make on a regular basis resulting from cost cutting, that would also be helpful to many folks. If there is a favorite dessert you make on a regular basis, please submit that!

Your assistance is greatly appreciated. Please send any recipes directly to Melinda Snyder's email at geosmellie@gmail.com

Thank you and bless you!

COMMUNITY CLUB WEB SITE

Stay in the know by visiting our clubs' website. We are trying to get this to be "the place" to go if you have questions about our upcoming events. Hopefully, we will get the Newsletter posted to the site as soon as it is published.

So, there will no more missing meeting dates and events put on by our Springville Community Club and

participating community groups. Check us out at: springvillecommunityclub.org

A SPECIAL GIFT

Kathleen (Kathy) Mitchell, Sandy Whaling's, Daughter-in-law's mother from Mission Hills, gifted a \$100 donation to the Springville Community Club to aid the Club's efforts to support our community.

This is not the first time Kathy has donated to the Club. Last year, Kathy selected a family from the

Angel Tree and left Sandy the money to buy Christmas presents for Springville children. Kathy has become a part of Sandys family and has come to admire what the Patton House and the Club do for our community.

THANK YOU, KATHY!!

BIRTHDAYS



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January

Barbara Forlano 6th, Darlene Lowe 10th,
Andrew DeLange 11th, Lien Childress
14th, Denise Young 16th, Vanola
Jeffries 21st, Judy Douglas 24th, Sheri
Smith 30th.

February

Marie Nave 12th, Carol Manning 14th,
Norma Inabinette 17th, Jane Caves 28th

March

Robbi Metzler 1st, Susan Brassfield 4th,
Mary Barker 5th, Rachel Niggli 6th,
Janelle Stark 11th, Virginia Radeleff 13th
(she will be 105!), Gail Woods 21st



Featured Member Norma Inabinette

For a city girl, the move to Springville was culture shock!

Instead of buying ingredients for the evening meal on the way home from the University, I now had to drive one hour round trip for a celery stalk. Instead of living in a neighborhood where I knew no one, everyone on the street said hello here and rather than hearing sirens, traffic, and the folks next store yelling at their children, I heard birds and the flow of the river.

But the shock soon wore off when Springville became my true home. While I was a professor at California State University, Fullerton, Bob ran his own business and worked as a reserve police officer in Fullerton. Several of his colleagues owned orange groves in Strathmore and when we came to visit one weekend, we found an ad for 5-acre property in Springville, and to our surprise it had a river running right in front of it. What more could one want for paradise? That was 1978 when our first house was built and then in 2000 I retired and moved into our permanent home.

While I still taught down south, I made the trek to Southern California and back every week for 15 years.

Once I formally retired, a neighbor invited me to attend a Community Club meeting. I went home and told my husband I would never join that group—they did too many things and always wanted cookies for something. That resolution lasted only a few weeks and I soon found myself involved as Secretary, First VP, Second VP, Parliamentarian and even President, 2 terms and one extended because of covid. While serving on the Board wasn't enough, I started the baking contest and the Book Talk Tea as well as serving on dozens of committees.

Springville offered so many opportunities to serve that I became

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involved in the library summer and weekly story time. I instituted the friends of the library group, volunteered at Teddies pre-school and still do. I helped the special ed teacher at the school diagnosed children's reading difficulties and established remedial programs. I have been actively involved in the Apple Festival for 20 years. I now serve on the Memorial Board.

A colleague of mine who retired several years before me told me that the best way to survive retirement was to find a group and make it my home. I found my group, my home -- the **Springville Community Club**.

DECEMBER CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

At our December 21st meeting, we had 31 in attendance, lots of food (main dish was provided by the club) and sides provided by attendees. There was singing, a singing skit, games, prizes, silent auction (we made \$55.00 off of three thrift items) and lots of fun.

Featured left to right are:

Marion Vickers, Carol Manning, Frances Pyles Velma Coats, Norma Immel, and Vicki Brown



Melody Inabinette, Carol Manning, Sara Alley, Melissa Lucas, Judi King, Ron Relyea, Deniece McArthur and Daivd Eshelman



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Judi King, Dara Shaw, Robbi Metzger,
Melinda Snyder and (new member)
Carolyn Mattazaro



Deniece McArthur and David Eshelman



Entertainment/Guest Jane Dignam,
Melissa Lucas, Angie Soriano, David and
Joyce Eshelman

AND A GREAT
TIME
WAS
HAD
BY
ALL!!!!



HAPPY NEW YEAR
EVERYONE

January Meeting is on
The 25th at Noon
See you there!

Photos courtesy of Greg King

And a great time was had by all!!!!