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## Breaking News



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

## Daylight Savings & the power of the nap!

**I**t may not seem like it, but Winter is almost over. Those winter doldrums we often feel from dreary, snowy and this year in particular, icy and extremely cold days can play havoc with our mental well-being. We all yearn for that first glimpse of spring and color burst of crocus and tulips to remind us warmer days are coming.

Whether you mark the beginning of spring with the astronomical calendar (the dates of the equinoxes and solstices) or the meteorological calendar (the first of the seasonal months) *Daylight Savings* arrives on March 10 this year.



Poster by United Cigar Stores

Did you know that it was started as far back as WWI? Implemented as a strategy to conserve energy during wartime, it was *not for the farmers*, a common misconception. In fact, they said it not only caused them to lose an extra hour of morning light, but it also threw off their cows!

So, it's not far away, hang tight. Try to exercise and go outdoors at midday for at least an hour. Push those carb cravings so strong in winter away and reach for more fruit and veggies! And get plenty of sleep to ward off losing an hour when the clocks change. But if you can't, take a nap the day after because of March 11, its *National Napping Day*, a day created for all those of you who struggle with losing an hour of sleep the night before.

Believe it or not, napping has great benefits such as higher creativity, improved cognition, reduced stress and risk of coronary heart disease. So don't be shy, take a nap and don't forget to set your clocks one hour ahead.



## Wildfire Preparedness Grants

This is your chance to  
apply for a \$500 grant to  
make your property  
firewise this year!

ONLY A FEW LEFT!

APPLICATION DEADLINE IS 05/01/2024

FUNDING PROVIDED BY:

COIC

Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council

FOR APPLICATION DETAILS CALL: (541) 923-6776

**B**e sure to check out Crooked River Ranch Fire Chief Sean Hartley's article on page two. He talks about how the fire department can help you assess your own homes' wildfire hazards.

If your perimeter ignition zone is in jeopardy, it's possible you might even qualify for a \$500 grant towards fixing the problem.

Limited funds are available in Jefferson County, so act soon!

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## Limb Dump Burn, Fuels Reduction Grants, Easter Egg Hunt, & More

*By: Sean Hartley, Fire Chief*

**P**lanning is underway for the annual Lion's Club Limb Dump burn for the end of February or beginning of March. The weather plays a major factor in when we can do this training and it may already have been completed by the time you read this article. The live fire training allows our firefighters to train on different firing tools. Firing tools are used to light controlled fire to build and burn out fuel along control lines for wildfires.

There are limited grant funds remaining for residential fuels reduction projects through Jefferson County. March is a good time to start looking around your home to see what clean-up or improvements can be done to harden your home from wildfire. You can contact the fire station to set up a property assessment. We will schedule a time to come assess your property for wildfire hazards. If you have risks in the home ignition zone you are eligible to apply for the grant. Once you have completed the work to reduce the hazards, we visit the site to verify the work and can sign off on the grant. Homeowners who complete the grant successfully will receive \$500.

The annual Easter Egg Hunt will be on Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup>. Join us at the Dick Chandler Ballfield at 10:00 am sharp. There will be lots of Easter Eggs

for the kids and prizes for each age group. We look forward to seeing you there!

In anticipation of receiving our new Wildland Fire Engine from the Oregon State Fire Marshal the Fire Board of Directors and myself have agreed to donate our older wildland fire engine to our neighbors at the Lower Bridge Rangeland Fire Protection Association (RFPA). Lower Bridge RFPA is a new organization that provides wildfire response to unprotected lands west of Crooked River Ranch along Lower Bridge Road. The donation of this engine will help them provide needed wildfire response capabilities and keep the engine local to our community.

As always you can learn more about your fire district on our website, Facebook, Instagram, or on Nextdoor. Your Fire Board meetings are the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 PM at the Fire Station and the public is always welcome to attend in-person or virtually. Board meeting information is available on our website [crrfire.org](http://crrfire.org).



# EASTER EGG HUNT

**SATURDAY MARCH 30TH AT 10:00AM**

*Dick Chandler Ball Field*  
at the corner of Sw Chinook Dr.  
and Sw Commercial Loop Rd  
Crooked River Ranch, OR 97760

*Ages  
12 & Under!*





## Lens on Learning

Friends and Neighbors of the Deschutes Canyon Area  
Presents

### Meet the authors of FANs' field guides: All About Weeds, Native Plants & Birds

With Penny Radtke, Marilynne Keyser and Chuck Gates

Date: March 16, 2024

Time: 3:00-5:00 pm

Location: Juniper Room, Crooked River Ranch

Over the last four years, Friends and Neighbors of the Deschutes Canyon Area (FANs) has produced three handy field guides covering common native plants, weeds and birds found locally in the canyons of the middle Deschutes, lower Crooked rivers and lower Whyhchus Creek. These publications have been a labor of love for the authors and for our amazing copy designer, Thomas Osborne. We have also been generously supported with grants from the Conservation Lands Foundation to cover most of the printing costs for each book. Proceeds from the sale of books go toward FANs' continuing stewardship work on public lands.

Please join the authors on March 16 at 3 p.m. for a conversation about:

- Who we are and why we jumped in with both feet;
- Why we organized the books the way we did;
- How you can use these books in the field;
- What species are the most vulnerable or, in the case of weeds, the most threatening and why;
- What species are our favorites or, conversely, our worst enemies.



Bring your books (also available for purchase at the event), as well as your plant/bird/weed questions and your photos needing identification and be prepared to enjoy this enlightening discussion. The authors will be available after the program to sign your books. And, if you don't have all the books yet this will be a great opportunity to buy autographed copies.



Presented by Friends and Neighbors of the Deschutes Canyon Area, Lens on Learning programs are posted on Eventbrite and registration is required. Attendance for FANs members is free; a \$5 donation at the door is requested for non-members.

Register for this event at:  
[www.fansofdeschutes.org](http://www.fansofdeschutes.org)

*Photos by Marilynne Keyser*



## CRR Men's Golf Club

March 2024

*By Bruce Beyer, President*

Winters Grip is easing after a rough January. February allowed golfers to return to the course. March is the start of the CRR Men's Golf Club season. Posting of scores for the OGA handicaps begins March 1<sup>st</sup>.

The official kick off for the 2024 Men's Golf season is on March 5<sup>th</sup>. We will begin with a full breakfast buffet at The Sandbagger Salon (8 am) and have a short business meeting before heading to the golf course for our annual ABCD scramble shotgun tournament at 9:30 am.

The 2024 CRR Men's Golf Club schedule is posted on the CRR golf website. The course conditions are excellent, and the course maintenance crew did an outstanding job during the winter months so we can enjoy great golf conditions this Spring. We are always open for new members to join the Men's Golf Club, if you are interested, contact any Men's Club member or the Golf Pro Shop and they will direct you to the application form and soon you will be teeing it up with the other golfers in our club. You don't have to be a good player; you just need to be willing to enjoy the great golf we have to offer and be ready to make a lot of new friends.

## Golf Quotes:

**"Golf is a compromise between what your ego wants to do, what experience tells you to do, and what your nerves let you do."**

**-Bruce Crampton**

**"The more I work and practice, the luckier I seem to get."**

**-Gary Player**

**"There's no such thing as bad weather, only inappropriate clothing."**

**-Anonymous**





# A SEASON OF HOPE

After the dark days of winter, it is uplifting and inspiring to see the first signs of Spring. More sunlight, more warm days, inspires everything to begin to grow and we see the array of beautiful Spring colors of green grass, yellow daffodils all these signs give us hope that the cold dark days are over, and life is renewed for a season.

We all love life. We rejoice to see the birth of a newborn baby. The earth as it comes alive in the Spring brings hope for a better future. But all of us know that nothing lasts forever; or does it?

Twin Rivers Community Church will be celebrating the Resurrection of our Savior on March 31<sup>st</sup> with three identical services at 8 am, 9:30 and 11 am.

Come join us for a special presentation entitled *"The Power of the Cross"*. For more information call 541-647-0709. Children's church will be provided in the 9:30 and 11 am service.

Twin Rivers Community Church  
presents a mini-dramatization of:  
**"THE POWER OF THE CROSS"**  
~ A ROMAN SOLDIER'S JOURNEY

Easter Sunday,                      Message by:  
March 31, 2024                  Pastor Frank Wood

Three Services:  
8 am, 9:30 am and 11:00 am

6094 Tarpon Rd Terrebonne, Oregon 97760



## Groups & Organizations Around the Ranch

- Art & Spirit Mingle**  
Classes available  
Contact : Patricia Kirk 406.396.1379
- Cancer Support Group**  
Contact : Karen Jamison 541.815.8435
- Classic Cars, Hotrods, & ATVs Get-Together**  
Wed. 3:30 / *Over the Edge Taphouse*  
Contact : Joe Schafer 541.797.1936
- Crooked River Ranch Classic Car Group**  
Wed. 4:00 PM / *Big Dog Saloon*  
Contact : Ray Rose 541.390.2860
- Crooked River Ranch Amateur Radio Group**  
3rd Wed. / *Fire Hall*  
Contact : Sean Hartley 541.923.6776
- Crooked River Cribbage Players**  
Mon & Wed at 1:00 PM  
Contact : Jim Babcock 971.219.3332
- CRR ATV Group**  
1st Mon. 6:30 PM / *Over the Edge Taphouse*  
Contact : Norm Park 541.408.6293  
Mike Grover 541.643.6726
- CRR Canyon Quilters**  
Mon. 9:00 AM-2:00 PM / *Chapel Family Ctr.*  
Contact : Tina Wilson 541.280.0837
- CRR Lion's Club**  
1st Tues: 10 AM Board Mtg. / *Juniper Rm.*  
2nd Tues: 5:30 PM Business Mtg. / *Sandbagger*  
4th Tues: 5:30 PM Social / *Sandbagger*  
Contact : Cathy Schroth 971.322.9836
- CRR Riders**  
crrhorseriders@gmail.com
- CRR Pickleball Group**  
CRR Tennis courts  
Contact : Jim Manser 360.910.0130
- CRR Senior Group**  
Thurs. 10:30 AM-1:30 PM / *Heritage House*  
Contact : Al Albin 541.815.5356
- Free Food Market**  
1st & 3rd Wed. 5:00 PM / *Old Fire Hall*  
Contact : Steve & Stephanie Proffitt 541.604.1628
- Friends and Neighbors of the Deschutes Canyon Area (FANs)**  
Board Meeting - 2nd Sun., 4:00 p.m..  
Contact : Robin Galloway 541-740-6865
- Farmers & Artisans Market at Old Fire Hall**  
1st and 3rd Sat. / April-Dec. 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM  
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
- Men's Golf Club**  
Contact : Bruce Beyer 503.887.6906
- Morning Star Gathering**  
Thurs. 6:00 PM / *12770 SW Eagle Vista Pl, CRR*  
Contact : Jack & Louise Baldwin 541.699.8043
- Sage Quilters**  
2nd & 4th Tues. 1:00 - 3:00 PM / *Heritage House* 541.504.8236
- Shooting Stars**  
1st Tues. (April - Oct.) 6:30 PM / *Heritage House*  
Contact : Victoria Tolbert 704.989.6909
- Terrebonne Grange**  
Contact : Myrna 541.788.0865

### Houses of WORSHIP

- Ranch Chapel**  
Sunday Services 10:30 AM  
Contact: 541.923.8081
- Twin Rivers Community Church / 6094 SW Tarpon**  
Sunday Services: 9 & 10:45 AM  
Contact : Frank Woods 541.647.0709
- Upper Room Christian Fellowship**  
Sunday Services: 10:00 AM  
Contact : Glenn or Dodie Sand 541.548.0622





If you are a member or want meeting times and contacts for GROUPS &/or ORGANIZATIONS around the ranch, *please check their listings on page 4.*

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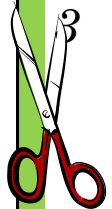
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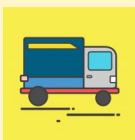


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3	4 10:00 AM CRR Board Mtg. Work Session Juniper Rm.  6:00 PM SRD Mtg Juniper Room	5  10 AM CRR Lions Board Mtg. - Juniper Rm. 5:00 PM Free Food Market 	6	7 9:00 AM -3PM Senior Center Food Pantry 	8	9
10 	11 3:00 PM ARC Mtg. Admin Bldg.	12  5:30 PM CRR Lions Business Mtg-Sandbagger Restaurant	13	14 9:00 AM 3PM Senior Center Food Pantry 	15	16 Lens on Learning <b>Meet the Authors of the FANs' Field Guide books</b> 3-5 PM :Juniper Rm. -Admin Bldg.
17 	18 6:00 PM CRR Board Mtg. -Juniper Rm. 	19	20 5:00 PM Free Food Market 	21 9:00 AM - 3PM Senior Center Food Pantry  6:30 PM Fire Station BOD (every 3rd Thursday)	22	23
24	25 3:00 PM ARC Mtg. Admin Bldg.	26  5:30 PM CRR Lions Social Sandbagger Restaurant	27	28	29	30

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FOR FUTURE PLANNING

## SAVE the DATES



**March 7** CRR Pop-UP **Free** Food Truck!  
1-2pm 8560 Panorama Rd.



**May 4** Crooked River Ranch Fire & Rescue annual  
10am-1pm Emergency Preparedness Open House

**Crooked River Ranch Social Media**  
We use.....

Website:

[www.crookedriverranch.com](http://www.crookedriverranch.com)







# Native Plants of the Month: What’s Blooming Now?

by Marilynne Keyser, FANs Native Plant Coordinator



Canby's Lomatium

This is an exciting time on the sagebrush steppe. After a long winter season, the earliest of our native wild-flowers are starting to bloom. How can I talk about “the” native plant of the month when these four spring beauties are each calling out for individual attention saying, “Look at me!”

The earliest bloomer is Canby’s Lomatium (*Lomatium canbyi*), a species in the parsley family. This tiny plant, which rarely exceeds six inches tall has fern-like lower leaves with an umbel (think umbrella) of tiny white flowers at the top of reddish stems. It grows in the rocky talus or gravelly slopes along the edges of the Deschutes and Crooked River canyons.

Then there is the tiny Gold Star (*Crocidium multicaule*), growing in lovely bunches in the sandy soil at the top of the Steelhead Falls trail. When in bloom all you really notice are the tiny bright yellow daisy-like blossoms which helps you understand why it is a member of the sunflower family. The small leaves at the bottom of the flower stalks turn red as the plant matures.



Gold Star



Smooth Fringecup

The flowering of Smooth Fringecup (*Lithophragma glabrum*) brings a new color to the spring palette. This erect plant with reddish stems features pale pink flowers with deeply divided petals. Reddish bulblets in the leaf axils on the upper stems produce new flowers. This plant is small, growing no taller than 12 inches in height. It is common along the Otter Bench trail system in the Crooked River Canyon.

Brighter pinks to purplish blues appear with the blooming of Woolly Phlox (*Phlox hoodii*). This low, compact, often roundish, plant has a woody base. The single five-petaled flowers grow close together at the ends of stiff, sharply-pointed green leaves. It is a member of the phlox family of plants. Both the flowers and the leaves are woolly at their base. It prefers dry, gravelly soils and is often found along the rim of the Deschutes River canyons.



Woolly Phlox

Want to learn more about our native plants? Join me at the FANs’ Lens on Learning program in the Juniper Room on March 16 at 3 p.m. Sign up on Eventbrite through our website:

[www.fansofdeschutes.org](http://www.fansofdeschutes.org).

## Wildlife of the Month: What’s That Smell?

### Striped Skunk: *Mephitis mephitis*

By Cindy Murray, Friends and Neighbors of the Deschutes Canyon Area

Who would guess that the Latin name for the skunk means “Bad Odour?” (At the end of this article is a shampoo recipe for those pets whose curiosity got them into quite a STINK!)

Now, to be fair, our striped skunks actually provide garden services for which we ought to be grateful, instead of using dangerous poisons. Skunks forage mostly for insects, especially those harmful to gardens and agriculture. They also hunt mice and rats. Skunks are solitary critters until early spring, when they are looking for mates. Females will give birth between April and May with two to ten kits appearing. The male disappears before the kits are born and does not participate in the rearing.



Striped Skunk

Skunks are quite happy to live in human habitats and very adaptable to our presence. However, they do not appreciate dogs and cats getting too close. Look out because they have extremely well-developed scent glands at the base of their tails and can actually direct the aim of the spray. This talent is so sophisticated that skunks can spray a wide cloud of mist or a stream right in a pet’s face and accurately hit the target up to six feet away!

Skunks are nocturnal and the number one cause of their demise are vehicles. Please watch for skunks when driving after dark.

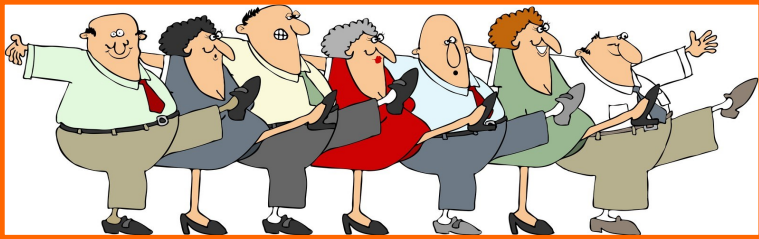
#### Has your pet ever been skunked?

A simple solution of one bottle of hydrogen peroxide, one-quarter cup of baking soda (NOT baking powder) and two teaspoons of liquid soap mixed together can rid your pet of skunk smell. Use as you would a shampoo and wash your pet with this solution. Allow the mix to stay on the fur for five minutes and then rinse with plain water. This really works instead of using a concoction of tomato juice (which masks the scent but doesn’t get rid of it). Be careful not to let the solution get in your pet’s eyes—it will sting.

For a demonstration, watch this short video by Sally B. Mitchell at:

<https://www.britannica.com/animal/skunk/images-videos>





## The Seniors have emerged from winter's icy grip.

By: Al Albin with photos by Earleen Arthur

**S**now and ice forced us to set some of our activities aside in favor of more agreeable times. But now we are back to our regularly scheduled activities including our Thursday luncheons at 11:30.

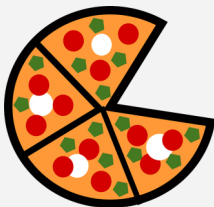
The Morning Star Group provided and served lunch the first Thursday of the month. We enjoyed a delicious lasagna lunch with homemade cookies for dessert. The Morning Stars went all out with table settings and center pieces with a Valentine's Day theme. Very well done.

Our February 8th luncheon was spaghetti and meatballs, garlic bread, tossed green salad followed by ice cream and cookies.



The Senior Group planned to hold their annual Thank You Luncheon at the Sandbagger on February 15th but it was cancelled for the *second time* due to inclement weather! Our volunteers make all of the activities associated with the Senior Center happen.

This luncheon was planned as our opportunity to formally recognize all those seniors for their time and effort as volunteers. Thank you to our volunteers. We couldn't do it without you.



Pizza and salad were on the menu for our luncheon on February 22nd. The Trading Post made our pizzas. We appreciate that they went out of their way to ensure that we had our pizzas when we needed them.

This adorable and well-loved stuffed animal was left in the Heritage House library. He is lonely and wants to come home.



We are in the final stretch of our membership drive. We thank all those that have joined the Senior Group and all those that have renewed their memberships. We encourage all those who have not yet renewed to take a few moments and do so. Membership forms are available on our website: <https://crrheritagehouse.weebly.com> and at the **Heritage House**. Dues are \$12 a year.



We, in the Senior Group, encourage groups and individuals to use our beautiful Heritage House. As the weather improves, our spacious, rustic, outdoor spaces become more inviting. The range of potential activities increase. If you think this may work for you, please contact us at:

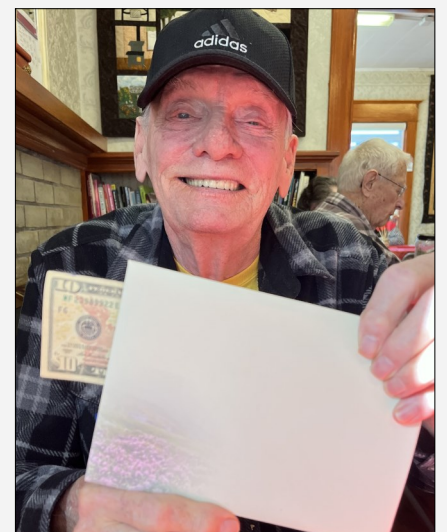
**crrheritagehouse@gmail.com**  
or call **541 504 8236**.

One of the services we provide our members is to offer cards, flowers, and gift baskets to those who have been ill or have suffered a medical or family crisis. Please contact us if you know someone who would appreciate or benefit from this service.

Go to More Senior Happenings...on page 8



Jim Shores won the door prize from the Morning Star's Group



Dennis Davis received a birthday card from the Senior Group

Photos by Jim Shores



**FEB 1st Sr. Luncheon!**

(L to R) Pat Milne, Evelyn Eads, Penny Sackhoff, Sharon Chacon, Susan Holt, Kathlene Albin, Al Albin, and Dan McRae



Continued from: *Emerging from Winter's Icy Grip* on page 7



## MORE Senior Happenings... Emerging from Winter's Icy Grip

We had a number of speakers and presentations at our luncheons. Christina Arredoneo will speak at our February 29th potluck luncheon on holistic medicine.



On Thursday March 14th Sally Reese from the League of Women Voters will present information on voter registration. This is a timely topic as Oregon's Primary is May 21st. This presentation may be especially important if you have moved recently or had other life changes that might affect your voter registration.

The Back Door Food Pantry is opened and staffed by volunteers on Thursdays from 9:00 to 3:00 PM. Bread and other food items are always available in the back porch. Drop in anytime.



Bingo was one of those activities that was canceled due to weather in January. Bingo players again gathered February 17th. The CRR Senior Group is hosting Bingo on Saturday, March 23 starting at 1:00. Snacks will be on hand. Bingo winners can choose among a number of great prizes with cash awarded to the winner of Blackout Bingo.

**Bingo cards are still "3 for \$5 for the starter pack" and \$1 for each additional card.  
Blackout Bingo cards are \$2.00 each**



Happy faces! Sharing the Blackout Bingo prize is Marie Carter on the left and Dandy Borges on the right.



We are offering an opportunity for any interested person to be trained in the use of the new defibrillator.

Please contact us for details  
**crrheritagehouse@gmail.com**  
**or call 541 504 8236**

## "All About Starter" Class



**S**uzie Downing, who has been baking bread for more than fifty years, will be teaching two sourdough starter classes at the Senior Center, one on Saturday, April 20, and the other on Wednesday, April 24, both at 1:00 pm. The cost is \$25 per person and pre-registration is required by April 3 to hold your spot.

Each class is about an hour long and you will go home with both fresh and dried starter, all the printed information needed to feed, maintain, and use it, and the confidence to work with your new starter to bake your own beautiful loaves (recipe included). Ongoing coaching with Suzie is also included in the cost so you have someone to answer your sourdough questions when they arise, via text or phone.

This fun, power-packed class will have you ready to start baking right away!

To pre-register or for more information, contact Suzie directly by text or phone to:  
**541-760-1844**



**Do you have vision or hearing problems?** There is a way to help those with sight and hearing problems.

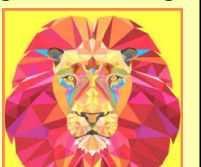
*CRR Lions Sight and Hearing*



Help is available to all those who qualify in the 97760 zip code. The CRR Lions Club can provide eye exams and eye glasses

Also, for those that suffer from hearing loss, we can provide a hearing test and hearing aids.

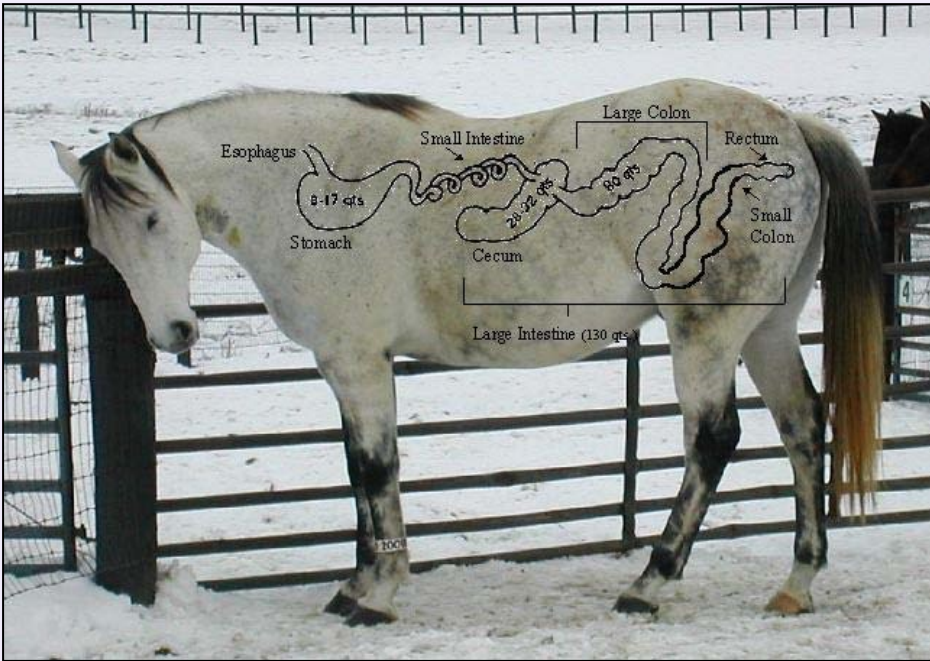
To see if you qualify and to receive an application for approval or for more information call: **Cinda Awbrey 559-936-5334**





# Am I feeding my horse properly?

By Heidi Olds



**T**his month I'm going to talk about equine nutrition. It can be a bit of a controversial subject among horse people. No one wants to think their horse is lacking or their nutritional needs are not being met.

Horses are grazers and can spend around sixteen hours a day grazing about twenty minutes at a time.

Horses are unique in that they do not have a gallbladder. This makes high fat diets hard to digest and utilize. Horses require six main classes of nutrients to survive, they are water, fats, carbohydrates, protein, vitamins, and minerals.

Their diet should consist of 3 - 4% fat and 1.5 to 2% of their body weight in good clean mold and dust free forage. Forages are classified as legumes or grasses. The nutrients vary greatly with the maturity of the grasses among other factors such as fertilization environmental conditions etc., It is recommended that your hay or forage be tested for nutrients, sugar, and moisture content. Most reputable growers will have their hay tested and happily provide you with the analysis sheet when asked.

Of course, water is the most important thing you should provide for your horse. They need fresh clean water. The average horse consumes about two quarts of water for every pound of hay they consume. In high temperatures, hard work, or lactating mares their water requirement may be three to four times the normal consumption.

Horses are also unique in the fact they cannot regurgitate food, so if they over eat or eat something poisonous, they cannot vomit. They are hind gut fermenters and have a relatively small stomach with a capacity of two to four 4 gallons for an average size 1000-pound horse.

If you think your horse is lacking in something or even if you are just curious, it's a good idea to have your vet do a baseline blood test. A blood test can reveal all kinds of interesting things, and it's good for your vet to give your horse a body score once in a while.



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volunteering for your fire district?

Are you interested in  
getting your property ready  
for fire season ?

Are you interested in  
being part of the  
fire districts's CERT team?

# Save the date!

for Crooked River Ranch Fire &  
Rescue's annual Emergency  
Preparedness Open House

**SATURDAY**  
**MAY 4TH,**  
**10:00 AM - 1:00 PM**



# RANCH BULLETIN BOARD

## A Message from the President

By Kari Vickery, President

**A**s the winter frost begins to thaw and the days grow longer, we stand on the brink of a new season filled with promise and opportunity. It's with great excitement that we celebrate the arrival of spring and explore ways to engage with our community through volunteering and participation in vital organizational processes.

*Volunteer Opportunities: Nominating Committee & Board of Directors:*

Are you passionate about making a difference in our community? Consider volunteering for the Nominating Committee. Serving on this committee provides a unique opportunity to shape the strategic direction and governance of our organization. Your time and expertise can make a meaningful impact and help steer us towards success. If you're interested in participating, please reach out to us. We aim to have three or more candidates to replace the outgoing Board of Directors in September of this year. Volunteering for the Nominating Committee is just one of the many short-term volunteer opportunities to help our community thrive.

Additionally, the Crooked River Ranch HOA Board of Directors will have three vacant positions available this September. We are looking for members who would like to volunteer to participate on the Board of Directors. Prior experience is optional, just the willingness to participate and fulfill the responsibility of caring for and maintaining the ranch, protecting property values, and providing for our dedicated staff. If you're interested, please stop by the Administration office to pick up a 2024 Candidate packet for completion and submission by May 31, 2024. For any questions, feel free to reach out to a member of the Board of Directors, or email me at:

**kari.vickery@crookedriverranch.com**

*Annual Budget Process:*

As we usher in a new fiscal year, it's time for our annual budget process, a critical undertaking that sets the financial roadmap for the year ahead. Volunteering to participate on the Budget Audit Committee allows individuals to contribute valuable insights and perspectives, ensuring that the resources effectively support our mission and objectives. Whether you're a finance expert or simply passionate about stewardship, your involvement is invaluable in shaping our financial health and sustainability. I want to extend my gratitude to all volunteers on this year's Budget Audit Committee for their efforts, continued perseverance, and dedication to this annual process. The time spent on this process will ensure that the Crooked River Ranch Club & Maintenance Association not only meets the financial goals set forth but also ensures that we can maintain and manage our future.

*Reminders:*

Be sure to keep an eye on the Crooked River Ranch communications that are available to you.

Our website has the latest Telegraph and Calendar of events happening on the ranch. You can find the website here: The URL is **<https://www.crookedriverranch.com>**

Also, feel free to follow us on one of the many social media accounts we have established over the last year. We are on:

**Facebook-** Crooked River Ranch HOA,  
**Instagram-** crookedriverranch, and  
**Nextdoor-** Crooked River Ranch HOA.

*Thank you for being part of our journey  
towards a better world.*

## 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

10:30 a.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

6:00 p.m. / 1st Monday / Juniper Room  
[specialroaddistrictcrr@gmail.com](mailto:specialroaddistrictcrr@gmail.com)

### CRR Fire Protection Board

6:30 p.m. / 3rd Thursday / Fire Hall  
Contact: Sean Hartley  
Phone: 541-923-6776

## ASSOCIATION TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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Crooked River Ranch RV Park  
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# RANCH BULLETIN BOARD



## CC&R Committee Notice



## Political Signs – Rules & Dates to Remember

“Federal, State and County election/political signs and/or flags may be displayed **60 days** before an election and must be removed within **3 days** after the completion of voting in Oregon” (IV,L)

The Primary election is May 21, 2024. Political signs or flags will be allowed from:  
**March 21, 2024, through May 24, 2024.**

The General election is November 5, 2024. Political signs or flags will be allowed from:  
**September 5, 2024, through November 8, 2024**

A political sign refers to a sign regarding a candidate running for political office or regarding a political issue to be considered in a current election. (IV, L)

A maximum combination of *four signs and flags may be displayed per property* at one time. (IV, A)

No flag shall exceed **24 feet** in size. No sign shall exceed **5 square feet** in size. (IV, B)

No sign or flag shall be placed on any road right-of- way. Signs must be set back from the physical road a minimum of **5 feet** and **cannot obstruct vision**. (Paraphrase from IV, C).

For full regulations please see Sign guidelines on our website at:

<https://www.crookedriverranch.com/association/page/association-documents>

### *The Crooked River Ranch "Telegraph"*

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# RANCH BULLETIN BOARD

## BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

February 19, 2024

- The meeting was called to order by President Vickery. All Directors were present.
- Ranch Manager LaPora noted that payments have slowed down for this semi-annual billing but continue to arrive daily. Two attorney accounts expected to be paid within the week and payment plan accounts increased by nine.
- Ranch Manager LaPora reported that the Corporate Transparency Act requires anyone that is a decision maker within a corporation to report specific information to the US Department of the Treasury which will include all BOD members and herself. Ranch Manager LaPora requested this information to be turned in to her by the end of February. Additionally, any changes, are to be reported within 30 days.
- Due to the reduction of income during the winter months, discussion surrounding the ways to offset expenses included the possibility of charging a flat fee for electricity during long term stays. Long term stays are restricted to Oct through March of each year. VP Beveridge and Supervisor Inman agreed to meet and discuss the amount and possibility of having this added to the Space Agreement.
- Maintenance Supervisor Dan McRae provided a bid for metal roofing that the Board had requested, and the amount is exponentially higher than the original bids for composition shingles. A motion to approve AFE #288 to accept the original bid from Elite Roofing for \$30,750 was made, seconded and approved unanimously with the condition that Supervisor McRae obtain the cost of installing an Ice and Water Shield to the entire roof rather than as specified in the original bid. A new AFE will be written to cover this additional amount.
- There were fourteen Volunteer Service Forms submitted for the Phase Rep Committee. President Vickery stated that she was very grateful for all the volunteers who give of their time for the benefit of the Ranch. A motion was made, seconded and approved unanimously to approve these volunteers.
- The BOD was provided the BAC approved FY 2025 Fee Schedule, Operating Budget and CRP Budget as a First Read. The BOD was directed to bring any questions to the March 4, 2024, BOD meeting at which there will be Budget Audit Committee members attending for a Q&A with the Board.
- It was decided to cancel the Lower Pasture Clear Up this Saturday the 24<sup>th</sup>. Will re-schedule.
- A motion to adjourn the Regular meeting to Executive Session was made and approved unanimously. The Regular meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm. Executive Session was opened at 8:05pm. Executive Session was adjourned, and Open Session re-opened at 8:15pm. Vice President Beveridge made a motion to approve the Land Use agreement with Verizon to install fiber optics to their present site. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously. Director Jones made a motion to adjourn the Regular BOD meeting, the motion was seconded by Vice President Beveridge and approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:16pm.

2022/2023

## Crooked River Ranch Board of Directors

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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 Hang Your Hat."

## Outreach for Veterans at CRR

David Chambers  
541-475-6575

[davidc@bestcaretreatment.org](mailto:davidc@bestcaretreatment.org)



CRR FY 2023-24 Budget Calendar

Date	Time	Type	Agenda
Wednesday, Oct. 25, 2023	10:00 am	BAC	Elect officers; establish budget calendar
Wednesday, Dec. 13, 2023	10:00 am	BAC	Review draft of FY 2025 30-Year CRP
Wednesday, Jan. 17, 2024	10:00 am	BAC	Work Session: FY 2025 30-Year CRP Review FY 2023-24 budget-to-actual operations (6 mo)
Wednesday, Jan 24, 2024	10:00am-3:00pm	Joint BAC/BOD	Staff presentation of Proposed FY 2025 Operating Budget and Fee Schedule Q & A
Wednesday, Jan 31, 2024	10:30 am	BAC	Approve FY 2025 30-Year CRP; Work session--FY 2025 Operating Budget & HOA Dues
Monday, Feb. 19, 2024	6:00 pm	BOD	First read of proposed FY 2025 Fee Schedule
Wednesday, Feb. 21, 2024	10:00 am	BAC	Approve FY 2025 Operating Budget & HOA dues
Wednesday, Feb. 28, 2024	10:00 am	BAC	Work session – if needed
Monday, Mar. 4, 2024	10:00 am	BOD	First read of proposed FY 2025 30-Year CRP
Monday, Mar. 18, 2024	6:00 pm	BOD Public Meeting	First read of FY 2025 Operating Budget Second read & adoption of FY 2025 30-Year CRP Second read & adoption of FY 2025 Fee Schedule BAC Chair presentation
Monday, April 1, 2024	10:00 am	BOD	Work session: FY 2025 Operating Budget
Monday, April 15, 2024	6:00 pm	BOD	Second read & adoption of FY 2025 Operating Budget
Monday, August 19, 2024	6:00 pm	BOD/BAC	CRR Auditors' Report on FY 2023-24 Financial Statements (noted as a DRAFT)
Saturday, August 24, 2024	9:00 am	Annual Meeting	Treasurer's Report at MacPherson Park

BAC- Budget/Audit Committee  
BOD – Board of Directors

CRP- Capital Reserve Plan  
FY- Fiscal Year Ending on 4/30 of each year



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# CRR Lions Foundation offers annual scholarship awards

By Shirley Fox, CRR Lions Scholarship Committee

Attention college bound high school seniors, current college students and also adult CRR residents wishing for additional schooling or training.

The CRR Lions Foundation is excited to be able to support deserving residents pursue their academic dreams. With continued gratitude to our scholarship benefactors, Denni and Lucky Mattson, the CRR Lions Foundation will again be accepting applications for the 2024-2025 academic year with awards up to \$2,000. Since 2014, Forty-five scholarships have been awarded to Ranch residents.

The application forms are available now. Residents can pick up an application at the Crooked River Ranch Administration Office or have one emailed to you by contacting Doug Reinhart at: [dougrehnhart@gmail](mailto:dougrehnhart@gmail)

Applications are also now posted on the ranch website under news and announcements.

Applications are available to graduating seniors through your school guidance counselors at Redmond, Ridgeview, Culver, Central Christian and the Redmond Proficiency Acad-



Scholarship benefactors Lucky and Denni Mattson.

emy in February. High School seniors please fill out the Crooked River Ranch Lions Foundation Scholarship Application. College students and adults reentering or continuing their education, please fill out the Crooked River Ranch Lions Foundation Continuing Education Scholarship Application. Applications must be postmarked by April 15, 2024.


Please check out our scholarship opportunity, another of the many great reasons to enjoy residency at Crooked River Ranch. For more information, contact Doug Reinhart at 541-660-9093.

# Highlights of just a few note-worthy days in March.



- March 1: Employee Appreciation Day, National Peanut Butter Lover’s Day, National Pig Day
- March 2: International Rescue Cat Day
- March 3: National Anthem Day
- March 6: National Oreo Cookie Day
- March 8: International Women’s Day
- March 9: ...wait for it... National “Barbie” Day!
- March 10: Daylight Savings
- March 11: National Napping Day
- March 13: National Good Samaritan Day
- March 14: National Organize Your Home Office Day
- March 16: National Corn Dog Day
- March 17: St. Patrick’s Day
- March 18: -Be nice to your bus driver it’s: Transit Driver Appreciation Day
- March 20: International Day of Happiness
- March 21: National Single Parent Day, World Poetry Day, National Crunchy Taco Day
- March 23: Cuddly Kitten Day, National Puppy Day
- March 26: Make Up Your Own Holiday Day
- March 29: National Vietnam War Veterans Day
- March 30: Take a Walk in the Park Day
- March 31: Easter

There are over twenty “Monthly observances in March 2024”. One in particular is American Red Cross Month.



# CROOKED RIVER RANCH CRIME WATCH January 2024

There were 1025 county wide calls made to Jefferson County Sheriff Department in the month of January. CRR actions and calls for service: 125.

Of a total of 100 incidents in the Jefferson County Sheriff’s Department Press Log for the period January 1, 2024, through February 4, 2024, ten (10) involved Crooked River Ranch.

- Jan 2 - A Detective with the Jefferson County Sheriff’s Office received and reviewed a DHS cross report regarding a child living in Crooked River Ranch. No crimes were identified, and DHS closed their case at screening.
- Jan 10 - A Detective with the Jefferson County Sheriff’s Office received and reviewed a DHS Cross Report regarding a residence in Crooked River Ranch.
- Jan 10 – A Deputy with the Jefferson County Sheriff’s Office took a report of a vehicle that was broken into and had property stolen from inside at a residence on SW Rim Rd.
- Jan 13 – A Jefferson County Sheriff’s Deputy investigated the theft of gasoline from a vehicle at the Sandbagger Saloon on SW Clubhouse Rd.
- Jan 13 – A Deputy with the Jefferson County Sheriff’s Office was dispatched to a potential forgery on SW Chinook. A report was taken.

- Jan 15 – A Deputy with the Jefferson County Sheriff’s Office was dispatched to a reported burglary on SW Pony Trail Rd.
- Jan 23 – A Deputy with the Jefferson County Sheriff’s Office was dispatched to a report theft on SW Peninsula.
- Jan 23 – A Jefferson County Sheriff’s Office Deputy was dispatched to a reported hit and run on SW Chinook.
- Jan 25 – Deputies with the Jefferson County Sheriff’s Office conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle on SW Commercial Loop. After an investigation, a resident was arrested for Driving Under the Influence. They were lodged at the Jefferson County Jail.
- Jan 31 – A Deputy with the Jefferson County Sheriff’s Office took a report of a burglary on SW Peninsula





**REMEMBER!**

**CRR Ham Radio**

**On-Air Radio Communication  
Demonstration and Q&A**

The Crooked River Ranch Amateur Radio Group  
is hosting a community event at the CRR Firehall

**SATURDAY March 9<sup>th</sup>**

**Prize Drawing! 2pm - 4pm**  
**Open House style**



- ~ See photos of our member's *Ham shacks*
- ~ Observe live radio calls
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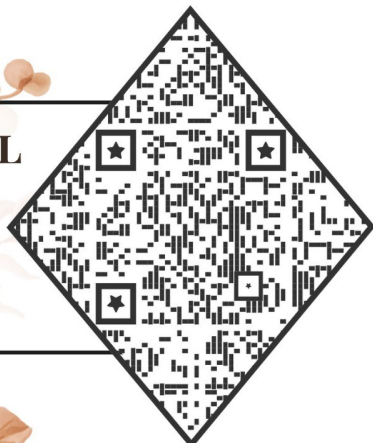
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## Tax Season !

### Free options for e-filing Oregon Income tax returns

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All Oregon resident taxpayers preparing their own returns in 2024 can file electronically at no cost using one of Oregon's [free file options](#).

Oregon Free Fillable Forms performs basic calculations and is ideal for taxpayers who don't need help preparing their returns and want the convenience of filing electronically. The IRS offers a [similar option](#) for filing federal taxes electronically.

New this year, the department is also offering [Direct File Oregon](#), which allows taxpayers to file their Form OR-40 through Reve-nue Online. Direct File Oregon is not currently linked with the IRS Direct File. Taxpayers will need to file a separate federal re-turn with the IRS before filing an Oregon return with Direct File Oregon through Revenue Online.

### **Federal Earned Income Tax Credit and Oregon Earned Income Credit**

Oregon and the Internal Revenue Service offer many tax credits for low- to moderate- income families. These credits are fully or partially refundable, so the portion of the credit, more than what is owed, can be refunded to a person. The Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) is a federal credit for people making up to \$63,398 in 2023 and a person who qualifies may use the credit to reduce taxes owed and maybe increase their refund.

If a person qualifies for EITC, they can also claim the Oregon Earned Income Credit (EIC) which is up to 12 percent of the federal EITC. Individuals may qualify for the EITC, Oregon EIC, and other credits, even if they are not required to file. To receive the refunda-ble credits, however, they must file a federal and state tax return.

More information about the federal EITC, the Oregon EIC, the Ore-gon Kids Credit and other similar credits, go to the [Tax Benefits for Families](#) page.

### **Oregon Kids Credit**

New for tax year 2023, [Oregon Kids Credit](#) is a refundable credit for low-income people with young dependent children. For those with a modified adjusted gross income of \$25,000 or less, the full credit is \$1,000, per child for up to five dependent children under the age of six at the end of the tax year. A partial credit is available for individuals and families with MAGI up to \$30,000.

### **Senior and Disabled Citizen Property Tax Deferral Program**

*Reminder* – A disabled or senior homeowner may qualify for a program to borrow from the State of Oregon to pay county property taxes. If a taxpayer qualifies for the program, the Oregon Department of Revenue will pay county property taxes on November 15 of each year.

To participate, a taxpayer must file an application with the county assessor by April 15, or pay a fee and file late from April 16 to December 1. A lien will be placed on the qualified taxpayer property, and the Department of Revenue will become a security interest holder.

For additional information, and to apply for the program see the deferral application [booklet here](#).

And don't forget to check the [What's my Kicker? calculator](#)

**Senator Lynn Findley**

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# Heating Your Home Safely



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- ✓ Never use an oven to heat your home.
- ✓ Turn space heaters off when leaving the room or going to bed.
- ✓ Maintain heating equipment and chimneys by having them cleaned and inspected each year by a professional.

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What this means is attending a once-a-month meeting at the Admin Office to contribute your ideas with planning and structure of the event and assist encouraging others to volunteer. Committee members also work to facilitate our events by helping with set up, oversight, and take down.

Currently, we have four scheduled events. We need committee volunteers who are dedicated, positive and fun, as well as, organizers and team players. The goal is to have a solid team to ensure these events, and possibly more in the future, can take place with success.

Please contact Brenda Cooper:

[office@crookedriverranch.com](mailto:office@crookedriverranch.com) or call 541/548-8939

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1. **Ranch Clean Up Day: June 8th**
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# Redmond Chamber of Commerce And How It Benefits The Community of Crooked River Ranch

By Brenda Cooper

**I**n the world of commerce, what is one of the most effective ways to promote your business quickly at an affordable cost? Almost every business owner will answer 'Join the local Chamber of Commerce'. And that's just what Crooked River Ranch did. The Ranch has been a member of the Redmond Chamber of Commerce since approximately 2011 and Ranch Manager Judy LaPora is currently seated on the Chamber Board. With her presence on the board, this is useful in keeping the Ranch relevant in the Central Oregon area. Meaning her input, opinions, professional knowledge, business contacts and much more keeps the Chamber members aware of the benefits and needs of the Crooked River Ranch community. What is a huge benefit is the opportunity for visitors traveling through the area and those who would like to purchase a home or property on the Ranch to learn about the great things the Ranch has to offer.

Members are linked to the Chamber Directory, which is available online, printed or both. By networking, we get to know others in the Redmond area, develop partnerships and gain support for these other businesses. Chambers have many marketing venues, including their website, social media, community events and print advertising. The Redmond Chamber has a larger following than Crooked River Ranch, so any exposure the Chamber gives to the Ranch community can be beneficial. Crooked River Ranch can benefit from the Chamber's stellar reputation. In a study done statistics show that if a person knows you belong to the Chamber, they are 63 percent more likely to purchase goods or services from them.

Specifically, to the Ranch community and commerce, this means free advertising that helps keep the Crooked River Ranch RV Park full year-round with returning customers, a busy Crooked River Ranch Golf Course, hiking, biking, horse trails, disc golf and much more that brings additional business to restaurants, hotels, cabins, churches, real estate, CRR Water Dept, CRR Sanitary Dept, Farmers & Artisans Market.

The Ranch will be hosting the Redmond Chamber Coffee Clatter this summer which will bring upwards of 100 Chamber members out here to the Ranch. They come to the Administration Building where they can sit on the deck to enjoy the beautiful golf course view and will be served a delicious home-made breakfast cooked by Ranch Manager Judy LaPora herself. The Chamber members will hear about Crooked River Ranch and all the amenities available and may even be treated to a tour of the golf course. It exemplifies why our community is growing. We are working on a potential second event later in the summer which should be a fun filled day with the opportunity to showcase our beautiful landscape to those who can spread the word to Central Oregon and beyond about what a true jewel we have snuggled down here in the Crooked River Gorge area.

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# Women’s Golf Club February 2024

By: Judy Parker

**T**oday is February 13 and as I look out the window, I can't believe that one month ago the temperatures were dangerously low and a significant amount of snow was on the ground. No one was even thinking about playing golf and the course was definitely closed. That is not the case now.

We have had some frost in the early mornings but otherwise great weather for golfing. Those of us that live here at the ranch are not the only ones to think that. We are seeing some players from other courses in the area as some of their courses are

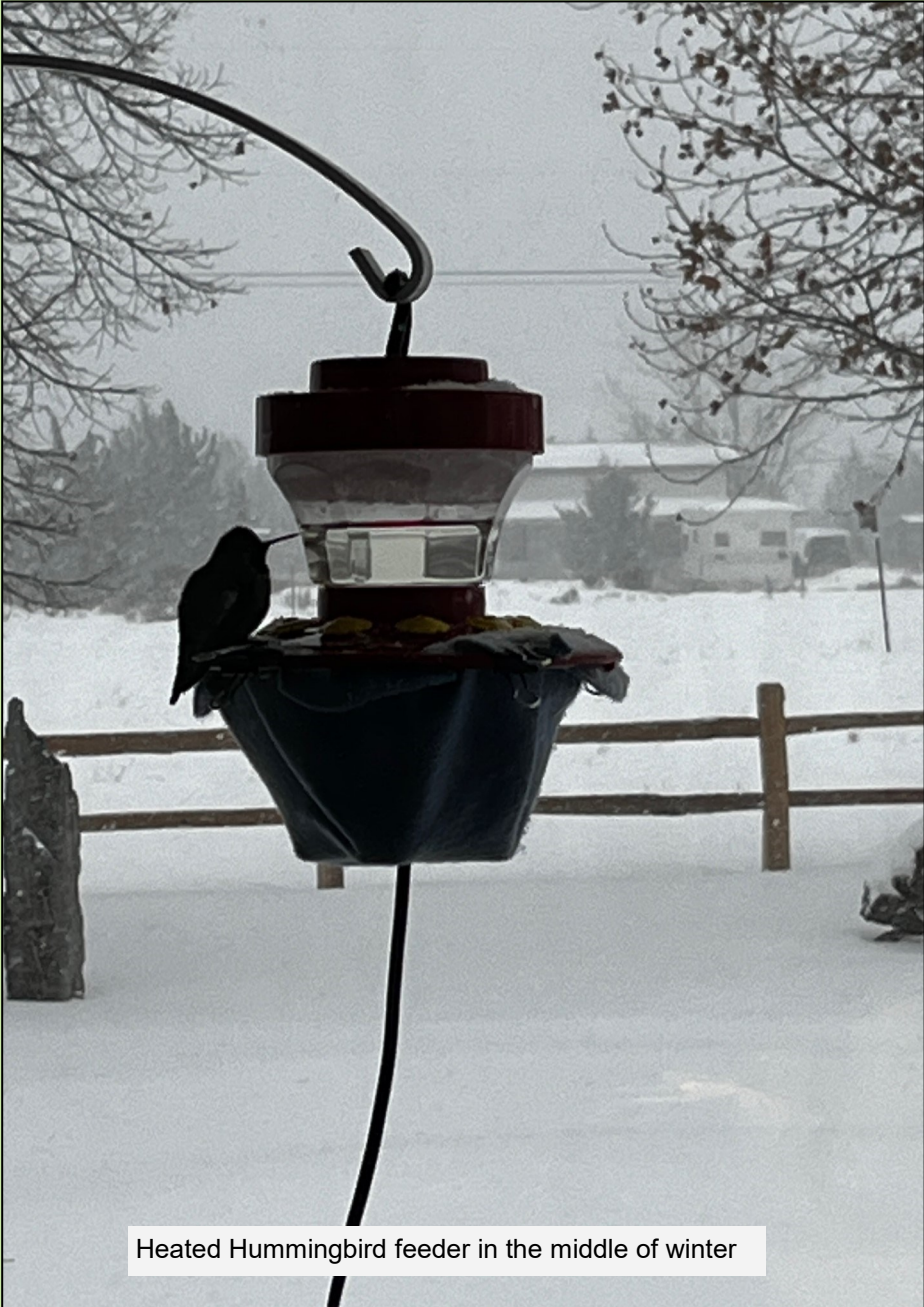
closed for the winter while ours is actually showing some new green and we are all looking forward to spring.

Some work by board members have been going on in the background. Membership forms have been turned in and registered with the OGA. An event calendar and playday schedule have been completed and placed on the website. Our organized playdays start on March 6th but we don't have a board meeting until March 19th and our first all member meeting is on April 3. From there, events and functions will pick up rapidly. We are all looking forward to that happening.

Thinking my article was finished and as I prepared to send it to the Telegraph, I had to cancel my Wednesday golf round and by 11:00 am, it was snowing again. I guess that's central Oregon in the Spring.



New green on the course in February!



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**Notice of Board Workshop**

The Crooked River Ranch Rural Fire Protection District Board of Directors will hold a Board Workshop on Thursday, February 29, 2024. The Board Workshop will start at 2:00 pm and will be held at the fire station, which is located at 6971 SW Shad Road, Terrebonne, Oregon. Virtual access to this meeting can be found through the Zoom platform, by accessing our website, @ [www.crrfire.org/meetings](http://www.crrfire.org/meetings). The Workshop is accessible to people with disabilities and will be recorded. Requests for other accommodations should be made to Crooked River Ranch Fire & Rescue at 541-923-6776 at least 48 hours before the meeting.

**Board of Directors**

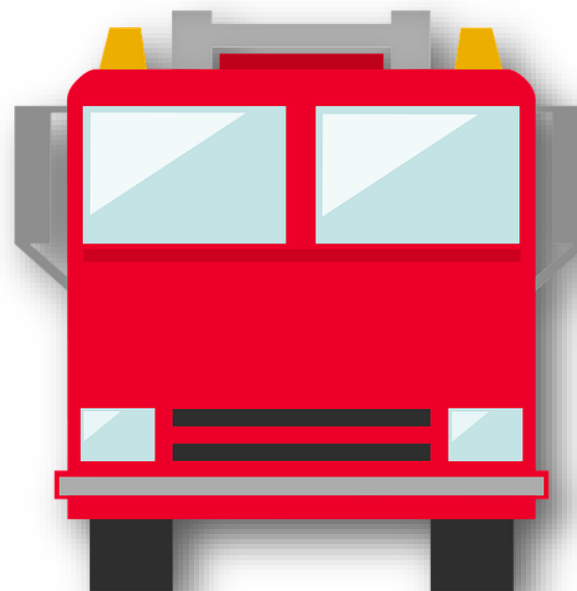
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Fire Chief, Sean Hartley  
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**Board Workshop Agenda**

1. Call to Order – Director Norberg
  - 1.1 Flag Salute – Director Palmer
  - 1.2 Roll Call – Director Costigan
2. Discussion on comparison to neighboring fire districts – Director Costigan
3. Discussion on Fire Med memberships/rate – Director Pahl & Fire Chief Sean Hartley
4. Discussion on revising the District's Vision Statement – Director Costigan
5. Discussion on acquiring a new Fire Apparatus for the District / Financing / Used vs. New – Fire Chief Sean Hartley & Director Costigan
6. Discussion on revising the District's ambulance rates – Fire Chief Sean Hartley / Captain Alysha Delorto
7. Questions/Comments/Concerns from the Board – Director Norberg
8. Adjournment – Director Norberg







March 2024





### Coming Attractions in our April Issue:

Easter has just passed—check out pictures of Easter, egg hunting and kiddie fun!

Spring is happening around the ranch. Sun is shining, green grass peeking out, these and more ways to mark and celebrate the change of seasons!




Photo of the Month

The soft whisper of fog and the glow of the moon peeking through clouds makes for a magical view!

By: Diane Nunley





### Calling all photographers.....

For all you photo enthusiasts, the Telegraph is loving all the photos that have been sent in. Our new feature called “**Photo of the Month.**” has been a huge success thanks to our readers who have taken print-worthy photos of life on the ranch. Send them to:

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

If you have taken a picture you believe is “print worthy, 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.