

October, 2014 Community Update

Community Hall Repairs In Progress

As noted in the Oct—Dec Cougar KITTEN, your board is undertaking a variety of improvement projects. One of those projects is updating handicapped access and repair/replacement of the front stairs. The existing handicapped ramp has been removed from the front of the building. It was unsafe, and the decking had rotted away and had holes, making it very unsafe and unusable.

Handicapped access is now located at the side door of the Hall. The handicapped parking sign has been moved to that location. A load of gravel was purchased and spread, and this now provides level access through that door. Other minor repairs to the door sill were made to ensure safety of



entrance and exit by either wheeled chairs or walkers. This entrance also provides a safe, smooth access to Hall visitors who need to enter the building without using stairs. A big thank you to Gregg Schmidt who graded the parking lot, positioned the gravel, and built the ramp over the door sill. Gregg also re-graded the portion of the parking lot that had been damaged by last winter and this spring rain/snow runoff. Our parking lot is now in tip-top shape for community gatherings and is ready for winter. The board is currently reviewing bids to repair or replace the stairs and front porch. Stay tuned for further updates as we move toward keeping our Hall in good condition for everyone to enjoy. Monetary donations to help us keep the Hall viable are always welcome!



Fall Ladies Lunch Bunch—Thursday, October 16th, noon

We look forward to seeing all women of the Gulch at the Fall Ladies Lunch Bunch event. This is a delicious opportunity to gather with friends and neighbors in your community to connect, converse and partake of great cuisine. This event is being held at the home of Carla Mariscal. Carla's lovely home is located at 7023 Meadowbrook Loop. You will know you are there when you see the mailbox sized FISH (yes, it really is a mailbox!) Attendees should bring a main dish, a salad or a dessert. Drinks will be provided. Don't miss out on this last Lunch Bunch of the year! Everyone—young and old is cordially invited. If you have never been, please make a point to join. If you always come, we can't wait to see you again!

The festivities begin at noon on Thursday, October 16th. Please RSVP to Carla by Tuesday, October 14th at 703-864-3301, or email her at Carla_wdi@yahoo.com.



Oktoberfest at the Hall—Saturday, October 25th, 6 pm



Your community board is hosting an Oktoberfest Dinner and BINGO extravaganza at the Hall on Saturday, October 25th. Dinner will be served at 6 pm and BINGO will begin at 7 pm. We look forward to seeing everyone there. Dinner is \$5 per person, children under 5 are free. The fare will include sauerkraut, brats, buns, and homemade potato salad—yum! This hearty assortment will be complimented with veggie trays, desserts, and juice and coffee.

BINGO cards are \$10 per person per card. Cards can be exchanged in-between games. Each game will have a cash prize winner. Come and join the fun, chat with your friends and neighbors, and enjoy the food and games.

Don't miss talking with Dawn Myers at the Hall too. Dawn will be on hand with information about our rejuvenated 4H program. Come early and stay late. We look forward to seeing every table filled with smiling faces!



Thank you for bringing correct cash amounts for dinner and BINGO. It will help us limit having cash on hand.