



The Senior Scene

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Welcome to The Senior Scene!

This publication is a quarterly publication that highlights activities and events in the Battle Ground area. So just don't read about it....get up, get out and get ACTIVE! There's something for everyone! ☺



The MAD HATTERS

CLUB is here! Have you heard of the Red Hat Society? Yeah? Well the *Mad Hatters Club* is Battle Grounds version of this club.

The *Mad Hatters Club* will meet on the 2nd Friday of each month at 1130am at the Senior Center, located at 116 NE 3rd Ave. (unless otherwise noted). There are no membership fees or red hats required. The only requirement is that you join us when you can and have some FUN! So put on any hat and join the club!

Mad Hatter Club Calendar of Events

Friday, March 13 @ 1130am

Lunch @ Rockys' Pizza

We'll meet at Rockys' Pizza for lunch on your own. Rockys' offers a great lunch buffet, or you can order off the menu. So bring your appetite!

Friday, April 10th @ 11am

Woodland Tulip Festival

We'll be attending the 6th Annual Woodland Tulip Festival. Includes visiting the Royal Dutch Flower Gardens and view tulip fields and custom designed display gardens and step inside their gift shop to see what treasures we can find. We'll have lunch at the Oak Tree Restaurant (dutch treat) We'll meet at the Sr. Center at 11am and car pool to Woodland.

Friday, May 8th, @ 1130am

Mad Hatter Tea Party

Let's celebrate Mother's Day by inviting your daughter and/or granddaughter to a *Mad Hatter Club* Tea Party at the Senior Center! This will be a potluck lunch with a variety of teas to sample.

Friday, June 12th @ 1130am

Wine Tasting @ Rusty Grape Vineyards

Swirl, Smell and Sip.....Raise your glass and make a toast to the good life because life doesn't get any better than sampling some local wines. The tasting room is located in a restored barn and offers a nice outdoor patio to relax on. Come and meet Jeremy & Heather Brown, owners of Rusty Grape, who were recently honored by the Battle Ground Chamber of Commerce. Fee is \$15 and includes a box lunch. We'll meet at Rusty Grape, located at 16712 NE 219th St., Battle Ground (a couple of miles east of the Battle Ground Community Center). *Reservations required. Call Debbi @ 342-5380 to reserve your spot!*

Turn your old greeting cards into placemats for local nursing home guests. On Monday, April 13, there will be a placemat making party at the Senior Center following potluck! No tools required, just your time and old greeting cards

Prelude to Spring

By Mel Mason



January's wint'ry face
Has turned away and in it's place,
February, which will bring
Brighter days and signs of spring.

Swelling buds, on trees now bare,
The song of birds that fill the air
Daffodils' bright yellow bloom
All blend to lighten winter's gloom.

Yes, February is the time
When Mother Nature starts her rhyme.
She pens an ode for all to sing
Of God and earth and pending spring.

Senior Center Activities

The Senior Advisory Board sponsors a variety of activities for Battle Ground area. These activities are open to any senior who wants to play! They are offered on an on-going basis at the Senior Center, located at 116 NE 3rd Ave.

Bunko!

Date: 3rd Friday of each month
Time: Noon – 3pm
Cost: \$5 per person, per day

Roll the dice and play BUNKO! This game is fun and fast-paced. Anyone can play...no previous game experience or partner required. It's easy and fun to learn and play. Potluck @ noon!

PINOCHLE

Date: Tuesdays & Thursdays (weekly)
Time: Noon – 4pm
Cost: Nominal fee per game

Are you a Pinochle card player? If yes, then come on down to the Sr. Center and join other Pinochle players. Having a partner is not a requirement to play...single individuals are welcome! The day includes a potluck lunch before the games begin, so bring a tasty dish to share with the group.

Sr. Potluck Day

Date: 2nd Monday of each month
Time: 1130am – 1pm
Location: Senior Center

Bring your best dish and join in the fun! Sr. Potluck Day is all about eating, drinking and being merry! A main entrée will be provided each month.

Monday, March 10th

Celebrate St. Paddy's Day and the luck of the Irish by wearing something Green! Main entrée will be **corn beef and cabbage**.

Monday, April 13th

Easter is a time of reflection and celebration. The main entrée of the day will be **baked ham!**

Monday, May 11th

Mother's Day is our May celebration, and we're feasting on **chicken!**

Monday, June 8th

June brings with it two celebrations...Fathers Day and Flag Day! Bring a hearty appetite because the main entrée will be **roasted pork loin**.

Scrap Booking w/ Celeste!

Scrap booking is easy and fun! Make your very own greeting cards and calendars that have a personal touch. Class dates and times vary. For details on future classes check out Celeste's website at www.celestereising.stampinup.net.

OUT & ABOUT TOWN!

VFW Bingo

Dates: Monday & Thursdays (weekly)
Time: 530pm (start time)
Cost: Fee for bingo cards or packages
Location: 619 SE 1st St (old Eagles building)

B-4, I-26, N-39, G-52, O-63....what's that make? BINGO! Bring your dobber, buy your cards and get ready to yell BINGO!

Loaves & Fishes Senior Lunch

Date: Daily, Monday – Friday
Time: Lunch served at Noon
Cost: \$2.75 suggested donation
Location: Battle Ground Community Center, located at 912 E. Main Street, Battle Ground

Loaves and Fishes provides a hot and nutritious noon meal every weekday for senior residents of Battle Ground and surrounding communities. Enjoy a nice meal while you visit with other local seniors. You're welcome to come and eat as many times a week as you want. A small donation is suggested, however if you can't afford to donate that's ok... No one will ever be turned away for lack of funds, give what you can, when you can. So come and visit us at the Battle Ground Community Center...coffee and snacks are available as early as 1030am, followed by lunch at noon.

March!

by Mel Mason

March is fickle, March is wild,
Precocious as a gifted child.
Tugging at a wint'ry rein,
A goal of springtime to attain.

March is blust'ry, March is bold,
Sunny, stormy, warm then cold.
Tempting blossoms through the snow
To watch them dance when cold winds blow.

March is promise, March is rife,
Abounding with emerging life.
Impetuous, pretentious, vain,
But timid, never, in her reign.