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Dinner & A Show Wednesday, September 10, 5:30 p.m.

The bus will depart from the Pioneer Center at 5:30 p.m. for dinner at (TBA). We will head to SWPH in Clinton to see "BRIGHT STAR A Bluegrass Musical". Inspired by a true story, Bright Star is a sweeping, heartfelt musical, set against the vibrant backdrop of the American South in the 1920s and 1940s. This deeply emotional tale explores love, loss, and the transformative power of redemption. SWPH theatre never disappoints with all the wonderful local talent. The bus ride is free, dinner is on your own, and the show is FREE! SWPH is very generous to let us in for their Media Night before opening night on Friday, September 12th. So cheer them on and clap. That is our payment! Please be sure and sign up by calling the Pioneer Center office at 580-772-1191 between 8-5, on or after September 2nd. Please remember to bring a sweater/ jacket, as it may be cool in the theatre, and Kleenex, as you may get emotional.

HOW MANY APPLES???

Let's see who is reading the newsletter with a little contest. Count all the apples in the whole newsletter, including the MENU and the CALENDAR pages. There will be slips of paper for you to write your guess on and a basket to drop them in. All correct answers will be put in for a drawing on Sept. 30th at lunch. Take a chance, you could win a prize.

RSVP BANQUET

We will be traveling to Watonga for the annual RSVP Banquet on Friday.

September 19th, at 4:00.

Pioneer Center will CLOSE at 4:00.

If you plan to ride with us to the banquet please sign up in the office September 2nd to reserve your seat. The last day to sign up is Monday, September 15th. Space is limited!

This year's theme is Mardi Gras, so put on your sparkles and join us for a wonderful evening out!



WELL WISHERS CARD CLUB

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3rd

This dedicated group will meet in the craft room on Wednesday, September 3rd, at 9:30 to write cards to our homebound participants. We all enjoy getting a card from a friend and this group loves to spread a little cheer to those in need of it. If you would like to stop in and help you are more than welcome, the coffee is always on.



Craft Class

This month we will have two different craft classes. Thursday, September 11th at 10:00 a.m., and on Thursdau. September 25th at 1:00 p.m. Sherry Cummings will be here to teach a class. Sherry will teach us how to make a fabric covered pumpkin. There will be a limit of ten (10) participants to the class on the 25th at 1:00. You can sign up for craft classes starting Tuesday, September 2nd., at 8:00 a.m. Call Pioneer Center at 580-772-1191 or stop by the office to be added to the list. All supplies are provided and there is no cost to you. Put on your creative hat and join the fun.

Volunteers for Homebound Deliveries

Thank you to all the volunteers from First Baptist Church for delivering meals to our homebound participants in August. Volunteers from Emanual Baptist Church and Susan Kirk will be delivering meals during the month of September. We appreciate all the volunteers who keep this program going. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Weatherford Nutrition Site Manager Rhonda Nelson at

580-772-1193



SEPTEMBER BINGO

Join us on Thursday, September 4th at 10:00 a.m. in the Craft Room for a few rounds of BINGO. We provide all the prizes, you provide the laughter!

AFTERNOON BINGO continues to be a success, we have determined that it is better than taking a nap! Everyone has a wonderful time, with lots of laughter, and interesting prizes! Bring a friend and join in the fun! We will gather in the dining room at 2:00 on Friday, September 26th to play. We provide all the prizes!



SEPTEMBER GUEST SPEAKERS TUESDAYS 10:30 a.m.

16th – Mayor Mike Brown 23rd – Julie Lenius - Stafford Air and Space Museum



30th-TOUR STAFFORD AIR and SPACE MUSEUM (Space is limited. You must make reservations in office)



OSU EXTENSION PROGRAM with Lesa Rauh

Tuesday, Sept. 9th, 10:00 a.m.

This month's topic is "The Power of Storytelling". The spoken word is powerful. Learn about how our stories evoke emotion and pass on culture and traditions. Learn the keys to telling engaging stories. Lesa always provides us with the most wonderful and helpful programs. Come join us in the Pioneer Center Craft Room.



OREA (Ok Retired Educators Association)

Calling all retired teachers! Join this months meeting on Tuesday, September 23rd at 10:00 a.m. You will gain information about your Oklahoma Teacher Retirement System. Everyone is encouraged to attend. The goal of OREA is to keep you informed during these monthly meetings.



If you plan to eat lunch here at the Pioneer Center, please be sure to call no later than 2:00 p.m. the day before you plan to join us. Call 580 772-1193 for reservations.

Page Turners Book Club Thursday, Sept. 25th, 10:00

Meet in the Pioneer Center Library with Jason Dibler, Weatherford Public Library Director. He has provided us with many interesting books to read, sometimes out of our usual books that we would normally read. We have been introduced to new authors and even different styles of books. It is a fun group, so come check it out. If you missed our last book club, swing by the library and let them know you are with the Page Turners at the Pioneer Center and they will check out our current book for you.



WRITING GROUP

Friday, September 5th & 19th

Join our popular Writing Group. We have several regular participants and have room for new writers, share their writings; but feel free to come and enjoy and listen to what others have written. Join the writing class this month on the 1st and 3rd Friday, at 10 a.m. in the Craft Room. The coffee pot is always on, so come join this wonderful group of writing enthusiast.

MONTHLY RSVP TIME SHEETS

Please turn in your RSVP time sheets before the 7th of each month. If you would like to be a part of the RSVP program, stop by the Pioneer Center office to sign up.



Line Dance for Exercise

Need a little boost to your exercise routine? Join Jan and the girls for this dance class. They will teach you the basic steps and you will be dancing / exercising in no time! Meet in the stage area at 2:00 every Tuesday. Thank you Jan for teaching this free class!

Stafford Air and Space Museum Tuesday, Sept. 30th, 9:00 a.m.

We have secured a tour of the museum, as many of you have requested this trip. The bus will depart Pioneer Center at 8:50 a.m. and we will make our way to the museum. Please sign up in the office, starting Tuesday, Sept. 2nd at 8:00 a.m., space is limited! There will be a lot of walking as this place has grown.

Don't miss out on this local gem!

YMCA WORKOUT

EVERY MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, AND FRIDAY

10:00 A.M.—PIONEER CENTER STAGE ROOM

Come join us for a fun workout that can be done from your chair and is providing maximum benefits



for those who come on a regular basis. Every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday we gather in the stage area, turn up the music and WORKOUT! Come join the group and get your workout on.

BLOOD SUGAR & BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS

Wednesday, Sept. 17th, 10:30 a.m.

Meet in the Dining Room of the Pioneer Center. This service is so graciously provided by Angels Care Home Health. They are so faithful, to come every month and provide this service at no charge.

PATHWAYS WPLS

Sara Whiteshield, from Western Plains Library System, will be set up in the dining room on Monday, Sept. 15th and Monday, Sept. 29th. If you are needing any help with your cell phone or computer. She will be here to help you from 11:00 a.m.— 1:00 p.m.

I encourage you to use this free service if you are in need of help with any digital skill, Sara is here to help. We have a resource computer in the Library/Parlor.

HABASKETRY CLASS

Friday, Sept. 12th, 9:00 a.m.

Pauline Asbury will be here at the Pioneer Center on Friday, September 12th at 9:00 a.m. for her monthly Habasketry Class. She offers a variety of projects to choose from, both big and small. She always has something exciting and new to try. To reserve

and new to try. To reserve your spot and for more information concerning cost or details, call Pauline Asbury at 405-833-8243. Come try something new and take home a wonderful art piece or gift. Either way, this group always has a good time.





Friday, September 5th, 12:15 p.m.

"The Starling"

PG-13 1 Hour & 44 min.— Dark Comedy

Lily and Jack were happy. But a year after tragedy, they are lost. Until a pesky bird and an unconventional veterinarian nudge them toward a new path.











Our movies are free to all participants and we provide popcorn and soft drinks/water for anyone who would like a snack. We ask that you please turn your cell phone off during the movie so everyone can enjoy the movie. Thank you for understanding and we hope to see you at the next movie!



Under parental pressure to find spouses, Asha and Ravi pretend to date during a summer of weddings—but their ruse goes awry when feelings turn real.







THINGS TO DO AT PIONEER CENTER

If you are looking for something to do, join us for:

GAMES on Mondays and Thursdays at 12:15

BRIDGE on Wednesdays at 12:15

TRIVIA find it on the calendar

BINGO find it on the calendar

LINE DANCE every Tuesday at 2:00

All of our programs are free and we love to see you here!