



Utsalady Ladies Aid

December 2022 Newsletter

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Happy Birthday, Ladies!



Judy Bingay
Carol Hall
Kristi Kaufman
Joyce Linn
Idonna Pieper Nelson
Tracy Rindal
Lynda Smith
Linda Warr-Johnson
Thelma Moore

The Spirit of Giving



The Ladies Aid is participating in National Wreaths Across America Day on Saturday, December 17th at 10:00am. We bought 7 wreaths and will place them at Camano Pioneer Cemetery to honor those veterans who sacrificed so much for our freedom.

Wreaths will also be placed at **Anderson Cemetery** by the American Legion Post #92 at the same time. Stanwood/Camano is one of the smallest communities in Washington to participate.

The December Board meeting was on Monday, November 28th, at 1pm.

The December Luncheon/ Meeting will be on Wednesday, December 14th, from 11:30—2pm and it will be a Holiday Party! The board members will be your hostesses. Bring a wrapped gift to exchange and join the fun.

More Ways We Give

Caring Place: Pat Bronson had been at the Caring Place delivering 2 of her husband's warm jackets. They gave her a notice that said:

Please go through your closets and consider donating your extra boots, coats, sweatshirts, mittens/gloves, blankets and other warm clothing to the Caring Place. We serve the whole family so all sizes are needed, and this year we will remain open throughout the winter.

Donation days are Monday and Wednesday, 1 - 5pm, and Service days are Tuesday and Thursday, 1 - 5pm. Please call 360-913 1551 for special arrangements or urgent needs.

Ladies, you can bring your donations to ULA we will take them for you.

Camano Elementary Schools Snack Drive: Ladies Aid members also decided at the last meeting to have a **snack drive** for our elementary schools. They need to be individually packaged. **So in the spirit of giving... load up!**

FROM THE PRESIDENT

I want to thank each of you who helped with our **Harvest Brunch**. We received many compliments about how delicious our menu was and the beautiful decorations. Jeni once again you did an outstanding job. While we didn't have the turnout we'd hoped for we did make a profit. I was delighted to see how so many of you enjoyed working together. I must say a special thank you to Gay and Edythe who ran the kitchen and the great crew working with them. The dining room servers made people feel welcome and did a stellar job. Bonnie did an outstanding job gathering a beautiful display of baked goods. Siegrid and Laurie D. the fruit cups were perfect. Thank you Valerie for helping with organizing, you are one tough lady showing up right after surgery. Thank you to our sunrise baker Linda Y., who was up at 5am baking fresh biscuits which were the perfect size. To all who brought casseroles and baked goods we couldn't have done it without you.

A special shout out to the husbands who were very helpful setting up and taking tables down and taking care of the trash. What a great group of guys!

This month's meeting will be my last meeting as president, it has been a privilege and honor to serve as your president. What an amazing group of women, with so many talents and willingness to work together. These past two years have been challenging, COVID had a major impact on us. But still we were able to continue to serve our community and come together as friends. I am always impressed on how much our group has been able to achieve and the friendships that developed among us. I love the Ladies Aid and I thank each of you for supporting me as your president.

Our Christmas meeting will be fun, we have a speaker from Elgar Bay School, a short business meeting — then a party with a gift exchange and music led by Linda Younce.

Have a Blessed Christmas and Happy New Year

Mary Margaret



UFA Anyone?! (UnFinishedArticles)

November 30th was the social gathering of UFA, doors opened at 10:00am.

We had a great time with many new members joining us. Each had a project to work on and we were spread out over all the tables with much laughing and sharing of stories.

The picture is of Sarah Curfman's needlepoint Christmas stocking.

Next UFA is Wednesday, December 28th. See you there!

"We all add a dimension of kindness and belonging to each other's lives and I am so blessed to be part of this wonderful group of women." Susan Baxter Brodin

Happy and Safe Holidays, Ladies