



Utsalady Ladies Aid January 2023 Newsletter

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Happy Birthday, Ladies & Gentlemen!



Lucy Armstrong
 Grace Elizabeth Bailey
 Jeni Bottin
 Anita Bower
 Melissa Degginger
 Mary Margaret Haugen
 Ute Josephsen
 Maureen Milchem
 Donald Miller
 Jenni Nastiuik
 Ruth Rankin
 Tessa Rindal
 Susan Yerkes

Happy New Year!



The December Holiday Meeting was attended by 30 members who were greeted by wreaths on the doors, handmade centerpieces and a Christmas tree surrounded with gifts to exchange. A scrumptious lunch was served by the Board hostesses and Linda Younce played Christmas music on the piano.

The next **Board meeting** will be held on Monday, January 9th at 10am to Noon.

Our **Membership meeting** will be on Wednesday, January 11th, socializing at 11:30am, luncheon at 12:00pm and business meeting at 1:00pm. We will have a guest speaker from Camano Center.

The hostesses will be **Kati Boehm, Mary Rauch, Carol Roesch, Jeni Bottin, Edythe Keene, and Bonnie Brown**. Thank you Ladies!

Mary Margaret and **Laurie Dilday** placed 8 wreaths on Veterans graves at Camano Pioneer Cemetery on December 17th to show our appreciation for their service and to keep their memory alive.



The new officer installation ceremony will happen this month at the Member meeting on January 11th. The new officers are **Jeni Bottin ~President, Marsh Timmerman ~Vice President, Idonna Pieper-Nelson ~ Treasurer, Carol Roesch ~ Corresponding Secretary and Laurie Dilday ~ Recording Secretary**.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

It has been a privilege and pleasure to have been serving along side **Mary Margaret** for these last five years.

As I look to 2023 as serving the Utsalady Ladies Aid...the word that keeps floating in my mind is **"Celebrate"**. Why the word "celebrate"? There are times in life when just living is hard and challenging. Any yet...

We can "Celebrate" life with a loving and caring organization like the Utsalady Ladies Aid. **"Preserving the past for the Future"** has been our theme for the last 20+ years or so.

May the new year of 2023 bring you joy and peace as we "Celebrate" our every day, every moment experiences. Sometimes, some moments ... they are measured in the small things. A smile, a hug, a tender heart, a flower, a new baby, a song in the night, a cup of hot tea with friends all add to the beauty of the volunteers in our little group. We volunteer and yet we live in the real world.

Baskets of Blessings to all.

Love, *Jeni Mellum Bottin*



Our **UFA (unfinished articles) gathering** met on December 28th. We were a small group of 7 but managed to chat away the morning. Idonna trying a new painting technique with salt and Kristi baking homemade bread. It's nice to feel a part of a group that becomes your family.

Join us at our next gathering on **January 25th, doors open at 10:00am.**

It's time to renew your **membership for 2023**. Joining Ladies Aid satisfies a need to belong and to achieve goals that might elude us if we work alone. Thank you for all you that can get them sent in January!

A **\$25 check** should be mailed to:

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Happy and Safe New Year, Ladies