



# Stephenville

## Senior Citizens Center

*Serving the Needs of the Elderly*

December 2015 – January 2016 Newsletter

164 E. College Street

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Come see the next gallery exhibited! **Peggy DeLaVergne** is displaying her **African Inspired Quilts** at the center. The exhibit will begin on December 11, 2015. I thought that it would be nice to know a little bit about our new exhibitor. Mrs. DeLaVergne was born in Stephenville, Texas. She is the co-owner and in-house accountant of DeLaVergne Plumbing & Remodeling, located in Dublin, Texas. She has four boys and is married to Ralph DeLaVergne. With the birth of her fourth son and the discovery of the second bough of cancer is when Mrs. DeLaVergne started quilting, thanks to the weekly persistent of her sister-in-law to join the quilt bee. When she attended her fourth Quilt Festival in 2002, she ran into an African man selling scraps of African fabric. The rich colors, textures and bold prints caught her eye so she bought two bundles for \$10. In her dossier, she attributes that purchase to her new granddaughter, who was half Caucasian and half African American, by stating “the whole time I was worked on my first African inspired quilt, I thought of my granddaughter and wanted to make something she could be proud of.” She also stated that “by putting the African culture into quilts and wall hanging allowed her to give back by letting our country know of the hardships and joys the African people endure.” Most of the screen prints and embroideries that she purchases are made by Africans so that the money goes back to them to purchase food, animals and schooling for their children. Come see these beautiful inspired African quilts by Peggy DeLavergne soon for the exhibit will only be up until January 2016.

The Cross Timbers Fine Arts Council needs your help to judge this year’s **Christmas Coloring Contest**. The pictures will be on display in the main room of the center on December 8 from 9 a.m. – 12p.m. Come cast your vote for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place in each of the divisions: Pre K –K, 1<sup>st</sup> - 2<sup>nd</sup> grades, and 3<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> grade. The winners will be announced at Holly Jolly Christmas on December 8. Holly Jolly Christmas will be on the Downtown Square and Plaza from 6p.m. – 9p.m.

The **Senior Christmas Potluck Party** is scheduled for December 16 from 11a.m. – 1p.m. The center is cooking a pork loin with dressing. Everyone else is

asked to bring the trimmings. There will be a variety of entertainers including the Red Hat Steppers, Tim Turnbeaugh, Bettye Key, Marlene & Ed Dupas and Dan Devivo. We will also do the traditional gift exchange (optional). A lady brings a lady’s gift and a man brings a man’s gift. Please keep the gifts under \$10.00. Come celebrate Christmas with your center family. Everyone who attends will receive a special gift from the center.

Don’t forget! If you got an angel off of the **Angel Tree**, we need those gifts back by Wednesday, December 16 before 5p.m. Please make sure that the number or angel is attached to the gifts. Limit the gifts to two per angel. The gifts must be wrapped or put inside a Christmas bag.

The center will be **closed** on December 23 at 1p.m, and all day on December 24 & December 25. The center will also be closed for New Year’s Day (January 1<sup>st</sup>) and for Martin Luther King’s Birthday (January 18<sup>th</sup>)

Sandy Morgan, Sr. Recreational Coordinator

### Christmas Caroling



I have contacted the schools to see if they would do Christmas caroling at the center. So far, the only school I have heard back is from:

\*Stephenville Christian School is performing on December 16<sup>th</sup> at 1:30p.m.

\* Central Elementary School choir is performing on December 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:30a.m and 1:30p.m.

*Note: (There is a possibility that more schools are coming but dates have not been finalized with those schools at the time the newsletter was printed. Check the newspaper and listen to the radio for these announcements).*

#### **Our sincere appreciation to the businesses, home health agencies and individuals who donate and/or provide services to our seniors:**

- To all those who helped or donated money for the candy for Safe Trick or Treat on the Square
- All those who donated bingo prizes in October and November.
- To all the sponsors and volunteers who helped with the Thanksgiving Potluck.
- Lifeline Screening did a Stroke Prevention Clinic in October



## Program and Activity News

\*\*Additional classes are available for **Line Dancing**. The center offers a class for beginners on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 8:30a.m. The Intermediate Line Dancing class is on Wednesdays from 2p.m. – 3p.m. These classes are open to the public. *Note: In observance of the upcoming holidays, the Line Dancing class will be cancelled for the Christmas Holiday on (December 23<sup>rd</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>); New Year's Day (January 1<sup>st</sup>); and for Martin Luther King's Birthday (January 18<sup>th</sup>).*

\*The **Red Hat Steppers**, the line dancers, schedule has also changed. The Red Hat Steppers will only perform at the center on December 16 for the Christmas Party. There will be no other performances until March 2016.

\* We have made some changes to the **Exercise Program**. We have recently changed the floor exercises to chair exercises. Please join us on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, from 9:30a.m. -10a.m. The class is free. *Note: Due to the upcoming holiday and the Sr. Christmas Party, the exercise class has been cancelled for December 16, December 23, December 25, January 1, and January 18.*

\*Tarleton State University is finishing up their fall semester. The **pool** will close down from December 2 – January 10. Water exercise and lap swimming classes will resume on January 11 at their regularly scheduled time. The pool will also be closed for Martin Luther King's Birthday (January 18).

\*The North Central Texas Area Agency on Aging is providing **congregate meals** to the center on Tuesdays and Thursdays, through Erath County Senior Inc. The meals are free, but voluntary donations are accepted. See the menu inside the newsletter. The only stipulations are: you must be 60 years of age or older and the meals must be eaten at the center. If you'd like to have a meal, please make your reservation by 11a.m. on Mondays and/or Wednesdays for the next day's meal. You have a choice of a regular or diet meal, plus a drink: 2% milk, skim milk, chocolate milk, buttermilk or juice. The meals arrive at the center between 11a.m-11:30a.m. **Note: Because of the holidays, the center will not order meals on December 24<sup>th</sup>. If you want a congregate meal on January 19<sup>th</sup>, please make your reservation for the meal on January 15 before 10a.m.**

\***Bingo** is on Thursdays from 10a.m – 11a.m. There is a fee of \$2 to play, except on the fourth Thursday. The bingo is free courtesy of Oakwood Assisted Living. Bingo is cancelled for December 24.

\*The Monday **Art Class** will meet on December 7<sup>th</sup> and December 14<sup>th</sup> at their regularly scheduled time. There will be no classes on December 21, December 28, and January 4. The classes will resume on January 11, 2016. *Note: If you participated in the art gallery at the*

center. Please pick up your paintings at the center on December 7.

\***Yoga classes** for the public are scheduled for Mondays and Fridays at 10a.m. There are some afternoon classes on Mondays and Wednesdays at 5:30p.m. There is a monthly fee of \$12 per month for each class offered. The instructor is Pat Jones. Don't forget about Chair Yoga on Mondays at 11:10 a.m. *Note: Due to the upcoming holiday, the Wednesday and Friday yoga classes are cancelled for December 23 and December 25. The Friday mornings classes will not meet on January 1<sup>st</sup>. All the yoga classes will meet on January 18.*

<b>Tuesday Night Country &amp; Western Dance</b>
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Don't forget the **country and western dance** on Tuesday nights at the center. Admission is still \$5 per person. The dance schedule is listed below:

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| <b>Dec 1</b>  | <i>Cowboy Country Production<br/>(Sponsored by; Andy's Tire Service)</i>                                        |
| <b>Dec 8</b>  | <i>Dance Cancelled for Holly Jolly Christmas on the Square</i>                                                  |
| <b>Dec 15</b> | <i>Outlaw Run<br/>(Sponsored by: Woods Furniture)</i>                                                           |
| <b>Dec 22</b> | <i>C.B. Sutton &amp; the Outcast<br/>(Refreshments provided by:<br/>Renew Home Health &amp; Mulberry Manor)</i> |
| <b>Dec 29</b> | <i>No Dance</i>                                                                                                 |
| <b>Jan 5</b>  | <i>Cowboy Country Production<br/>(Sponsored by: Andy's Tire Service)</i>                                        |
| <b>Jan 12</b> | <i>Kaye Tolson Band</i>                                                                                         |
| <b>Jan 19</b> | <i>Outlaw Run<br/>(Sponsored by: Woods Furniture)</i>                                                           |
| <b>Jan 26</b> | <i>C.B. Sutton &amp; the Outcast<br/>(Refreshments provided by:<br/>Renew Home Health &amp; Mulberry Manor)</i> |

*Note: A special thank you to our sponsors Andy's Tire Service and Wood Furniture for their continued support. As well as Renew Home Health and Mulberry Manor for the refreshments they provide for the dance.*

*A special acknowledgement to Sigma Alpha Pi, on the Tarleton State University Campus, for sponsored the fall dance on October 27<sup>th</sup>*



## **Transportation News**

**CARR** (City and Rural Rides) is established as the public transportation carrier in Stephenville. CARR runs Monday – Friday from 7:30a.m. – 5:30p.m.

CARR will not run on the following holidays: Christmas Eve (December 23), Christmas Day (December 24) plus New Year's Day (January 1)

City and Rural Rides (1-800-710-2277) Rides  
Erath County Senior Inc. (965-3510) Waivers



## Potluck Lunches

Come Eat! The center has potluck lunches on Wednesdays at noon. If you bring something, it's a \$1.00. If you are unable to bring something, it's \$2.50. Note: When the meals are furnished by another agency, the meals are free. See the potluck menu below:

Dec 2	Taco Soup & Cornbread
Dec 9	Fried Chicken/Mashed Potatoes & Gravy (Free meal-courtesy of Mulberry Manor)
Dec 16	Christmas Potluck-Pork Loin & Dressing
Dec 23	Pizza
Dec 30	Black-eye Pea Casserole
Jan 6	Potato Soup & Cornbread
Jan 13	Fried Chicken/ Mashed Potatoes & Gravy (Provided by Mulberry Manor)
Jan 20	TBA (Free meal courtesy of Senior Care Center)
Jan 27	TBA (Courtesy of Oakwood Assisted Living)

Note: A special thank you to Mulberry Manor, Senior Care Center and Oakwood Assisted Living for furnishing the potluck meals in October and/or November

## Sports News

If you're a basketball fan, let us take you to a game. Tarleton State University Athletic Department has donated free tickets to see any of the following games:

**Package 1** - is a doubleheader on December 14. The women are playing Oklahoma Baptist at 5:30p.m. The men are playing UTPB at 7:30p.m.

**Package 2** - is a single game on December 31. The men are playing Southeastern Oklahoma at 4p.m.

**Package 3** - is a doubleheader on January 2. The men and woman play against Cameron. The first game is at 5p.m. The second game is at 7p.m.

**Package 4** - is a doubleheader on January 6. The men and woman are playing against Angelo State. The first game is at 5:30p.m. The second game is at 7:30p.m.

*(In order for you to get in free, I will need to know which package you have chosen. Please give me two day notice to make the arrangements)*



## Veteran's News

The DAV shuttle takes veterans to scheduled VA doctor appointments in Temple or Waco medical centers, as well as Brownwood Community Based Outpatient Clinic. When making your VA appointments, let them know you are a Shuttle rider and that the appointment needs to be made on days the van is scheduled for that area. The rides are free. Call Robin Ritchie at 254-965-2689 to schedule your rides. Remember you meet in the parking lot next to the Erath County Fire Department. You must be there by 7:15a.m. Reserved parking for veterans is marked near the shuttle pavilion. The van leaves at 7:30 a.m.

\*Mondays, Wednesdays, & Fridays – Waco (9a.m. arrival; 2:30p.m. departure); Temple (10a.m. arrival; 2:30 departure or when the last veteran is finished with his/her appointment)

\*Tuesdays & Thursdays (9 – 9:15 a.m. arrival; 2:30 department or when the last veteran is finished with his/ her appointment)

Note: The DAV needs more volunteer drivers. Call Robin Richie for more details. Here are the requirements for Volunteer DAV Drivers:

1. Willing to commit to at least one day every week to drive
2. Valid Texas Driver's License and proof of current Liability Insurance
3. Apply at the VA Volunteer Service office in Temple
4. Pass an Employee Health Physical (offered by the VA at the VA)
5. Attend a Driver's Safety Course given by the VAVS office @ the VA

## Community Events!

Tarleton State University's Staff Council is hosting the **22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Holiday Arts & Crafts Showcase**. The showcase is scheduled for Friday, December 4<sup>th</sup> from 9a.m. – 6p.m. inside the Barry B Thompson Student Center, corner of Lillian and Vanderbilt.

The **Choral Masterwork Concert** is scheduled on Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:30p.m at the TSU Fine Art Theatre Auditorium. The concert includes the Cross Timber Civic Choral, Tarleton choirs and the Fort Worth Symphony for some glorious music, under the direction of Dr. Troy Robertson. The tickets are \$12. Reserve your seats, by calling the TSU Ticket office at 254-968-9634.

Don't miss out on these wonderful performances taking place at the Texas Opry Theater, 319 York Ave, Weatherford, Texas. Call 817-341-1000 or go to the web site at [www.texasoprytheater.com](http://www.texasoprytheater.com) to reserve your seat. The tickets are \$40 for VIP seating and \$35 for general seating. Here is the schedule for those performances:

\***Buck Trent Country Music Show** from Branson, MO is scheduled for December 12<sup>th</sup> at 3p.m.

\*A tribute to Elvis by **Donny Edwards** is scheduled for January 1 at 6p.m. Special guests performances also by Dion Pride (son of legendary Charley Pride) and Lain Crew (Junior ETA)

A live **Nativity Pageant** will take place at the Morgan Mill Community Center on December 19th at 5:30p.m. Come watch the pageant and enjoy free sandwiches and soup.

The Stephenville Historical Museum is hosting its **Third Annual 'Soup to Go' Supper** to benefit the Oxford House. The Soup to Go Supper is scheduled for Monday, January 25, 2015 from 4:30p.m. – 6:30p.m. The tickets are \$8 and can be purchased at the museum. The menu will consist of: potato soup, green salad, seasoned crackers, and dessert. You can pick up your meals at the school house. If there is bad weather, the date for the Soup to Go Program will be changed to February 1. For addition information, contact the museum at 254-965-5880.

The **11<sup>th</sup> Annual Stephenville Christmas Festival** is scheduled for Sunday, December 6 at the First Baptist Church Worship Center. The times are 10:45a.m and 3:30p.m.



# December Birthdays

1	Eddie Mote	9	Maria Sanchez	17	Delores Goodman	27	Correne White
2	Joy Taylor	9	Virginia Fincannon	18	Mary Howard	28	JoAnn Phillips
4	Jerry Weatherby	10	Delorse Otis	18	Mary Stasey	28	Carl Bittenbinder
4	William Hinter	10	Gene Williams	18	Doris Threadgill	28	Sherry Duncan
4	Judy Lewis	11	Vickie Majors	18	Dean Howell	28	Merril McClain
4	Clyde Stahnke	12	Lucille Johnson	19	Jo Butler	28	Myra Zimmermann
5	Gabe Davis	12	Opal Grimland	21	James Storms	28	Doris Roberson
5	Lillie Mae Taylor	12	Wilma Eicher	21	John Feltner	29	Jim Cox
5	Uvon Schluter	12	Charlotte Brown	22	George Verburg	29	Fred Wilson
6	Billy Branch	13	Mary Lantz	23	Joan Lamb	30	Michael Wade
6	Ray Flory	13	Loyd Patrick	23	JoAnn Thompson	30	Pat Gilley
6	Kenneth Stokes	14	Grace Stewart	24	George Elliott	30	Jacob Dunbar
6	Linda Campbell	14	Gaylon Fleming	24	Alexander Tanter	30	Peggy Ballard
6	Frances White	14	Mike McNeill	24	Bethel Baker	30	Bobbie Nichols
7	Annie Cook	14	Richard Skinner	24	Fred J Cross	30	Gene Henslee
8	Tita Feltner	15	Emma Toquinto	25	John Henderson	30	Diana Gilbert
8	Rosa Storms	16	Maudie Moll	25	James Bray	31	Jean Edwards
9	Patsy Clark	17	Stacie Border	26	Quinn York	31	Marion Sue Tolleson
9	Betsy Cooper	17	Bob Andrews	26	Tracie Barry	31	Ann Weaver
9	Evelyn Davis						



# January Birthdays

1	Joe McCoy Sr	8	Geneva Nabors	14	Jon White	25	Juanita Good
1	Carson Loving	9	Darleene Hufstutler	15	Dorothy Hensley	25	Yvonne Lindenmeier
1	Rita Freels	9	Chuck Rives	15	Patricia Zelman	25	Roy Johnson
1	Trish Brazzell	9	Donald Marine	16	Glenda Carter	25	Cheryl Longley
2	Jack White	9	Mary Turner	16	Glenda Noland	26	Jo Walker
2	Janice Simpson.	10	Ellen Magee	16	Tammy Henry	26	Benjamin Hollander
3	Allen Klotz	10	Clara Doege	16	Claudia Wilson	26	Louise Demetruk
3	Brenda Hansen	10	Nina Ruth Dupree	16	Jan Patrick	26	Glenda Jones
3	Johnny Faries	10	Margaret Clary	18	Devie Blair	27	Freyda Sherrill
3	Dorothy McKinnerney	10	Liz Cozart	19	Donna Harris	28	Robert Sohm
4	Irene Russell	10	Joyann Gilbreath	19	Gary Pack	28	Helen Gregory
4	Kenneth Word	10	Jay Gilbreath	19	Anne Hansen	28	Joann Masuda
5	Don Smart	11	A.C. Martin	20	Glenda Coffman	29	Mildred Pat Mata
5	Wanda Weible	11	Linda Bowden	21	Betty Simons	29	Robert Doege
6	LeRae Zachau	11	Virginia Stephens	21	Sherr Knight	29	C.T. Carter
6	Roy Thompson	11	Bobby Lewis	22	Ken Standifer	30	Sheri Nichols
7	Shirley Hinter	12	Jan Wylie	22	Jan Sims	30	Norman Carter
7	Norman Deisher	12	Clifford Bullard	22	Bette Meador	30	Roger Hurteau
7	Andy Gilbreath	12	Cynthia Rives	23	Lydia Carvalho	30	Diane Lee
8	Anita Klotz	12	Renois Rasberry	23	Verna Cook	31	Ingrid Lindsey
8	Janet Lilley	13	Diane Brown	23	Beth Wells	31	LaJoyce Davis
8	Carol Henderson	14	Linda Gee	25	Larry Fletcher		



Reminder: During icy conditions, listen to KSTV (93.1) or KWBY (98.5) first before driving to the center. We might be closed that day.

