



Recently I visited my daughter in Wyoming, and this is a view showing the results of last summer's fires. It is hard to look at, but then you discover it also gives you a chance to see many rock formations that weren't visible when the trees were thick and green.



When driving a little further you see the forest that wasn't burnt. What a change? Fires are not always what we want, especially when it's a change like this, but natives of Wyoming say those fires aren't always bad, they create new growth even though it

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takes a long time for the trees to get to the size of those destroyed. (not even in our lifetime). Yet it will happen. So, it is with change in our lives, it's not always what we want or enjoy, but it happens, and we learn to adjust. As changes come along, we must remind ourselves that change is good, not always what we like but there is always good in it. Smile there may be a change down the road for you too!!!!!!

Wasn't that potluck meal on the 4th delicious? It's so fun to try food others make now and then. Thanks to all who brought food, enjoyed the fellowship, and helped clean up. You all make a difference.

Our August 7th meal will also be a potluck, but we will have a special treat for dessert, Betty and Steve K. will be providing homemade pies. Therefore, please DO NOT bring a dessert as your dish, we WILL have a sign-up sheet for a pie count, so don't

forget to sign up. It begins at 5 p.m. See ya there. Following the dinner we will have game night. There are games, puzzles, and cards available to play, but if you have a special one you'd like to share, bring it.

We will be hearing a lot of noise the next week or so but are so thankful for the repair of our roofs. We thank Fremont Housing for all the paperwork and time they went through to get this all done. Now that's a change for the good!!!! It may be wise to check your sidewalks, driveways, and streets around you ever so often for stray nails during this shingling time, to avoid a flat tire.

This spring's hailstorm caused a lot of change for us too, especially for those who have broken windows. Please remember it is the work of a lot of people to get all these repairs taken care of, so we need to practice our patience.

On August 20th, Dwayne from the housing office will be at the club house at 10 a.m. to update us on the progress with the repairs

going on here at Somers Point, that will be your opportunity to listen and ask questions.

Also, a lot of questions have been asked about other situations occurring here, many of which can actually be answered by checking out the guidelines in the handbooks we received when we moved here. Please check there first for your answers, it will save you a lot of calling time. Most of us have been homeowners at some time or another and had to answer our own questions, or figure out things ourselves, sometimes as a renter we can do that too.

It has been noticed that some outer storm doors are locked when newsletters are delivered. We all want to feel secure, but we do encourage you NOT to lock your storm door at night, if for any reason the rescue squad would need to come to you home, they would have to force that door open and that would be at your expense. Be safe but cautious.

THANK YOU to all who contributed to the collection of toilet paper and body wash for the Salvation Army's pantry. We

were able to take 140 rolls of toilet paper, 4 bottles each of hand and body soap, and 4 scrubbies to their pantry. There is always someone less fortunate than us, especially children. Thanks again.

For quite some time Virginia S. has been a faithful person by opening and closing our club house every day. It is her desire to pass on that responsibility to someone else. The club house is open from 9-4, Monday thru Friday, on weekends only by signing up. Two people sharing the responsibility is very helpful, unfortunately we only have one key, so it is a coordinated position. If you would be willing to accept this responsibility, please contact either Virginia or Rachel.

Note: On Wednesday September 3rd, at 10 a.m., the Keene Library will sponsor a craft day at the club house and show us how to make Rag Wreaths. Supplies will be furnished. Mark your calendars.

Recently Marcy K., a former resident at 948 passed away, we extend our sympathy to her family.

This month we welcome Bernie B. to 1028, and Mary D. to 3371. Welcome ladies!

My apologies to the following July birthdays that were omitted in the July newsletter.

Suzy O.—7th, Gary M.—7th,
Connie A.—15th Virginia S. —21st,
& Vicki O. —27th.

Our August Birthdays are:

Isabelle H.-----4th

Lanore P.-----9th

Mary R.-----11th

Several of our residents are planning individual Garage Sales on Saturday, September 20th from 8-4. Anyone can hold one, but you would be responsible for your own. Any questions contact Mae B.