



THE NEWSLETTER OF THE BLUE RIDGE FIRE DEPARTMENT AUXILIARY

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From the Desk of the Chairperson:

Greetings to All!

It's hard to believe that we are few days away from August. The mountain has been blessed with some much needed rain!

I would like to thank everyone for a very successful 4th of July sale. The Red Hot Mamas outdid themselves with lots of crafts, many of them new. The Bake Sale was a huge hit and sold out early. Both the Breakfast Burritos and lunch Hot Dogs and Hamburgers sold out. We had over thirty vendors, some of them new to the sale. The patriotic quilt helped to boost Raffle Ticket sales. The Silent Auction did well. The Firemen were busy selling this year's T-shirts and sweatshirts. The kids, little and big, enjoyed Smokey the Bear and the Forest Service games.

This was truly a team effort,- the Auxiliary, Red Hot Mamas and Fire Department personnel. The community support was awesome. **THANK YOU TO ALL.**

Saturday, August 8th at 5:00PM we will be having our Annual Appreciation Dinner. I hope that many of you will be able to attend. Please remember to bring your table service and either a side dish or dessert to share.

The Labor Day sale will be on Saturday September 5th from 8:00AM to 2:00PM. Set up will be Friday the 4th at Noon. Please plan to help with one or both days.

The August Auxiliary meeting will be this Saturday, August 1st at 10:00AM at the shed. I hope to see many of you there.

Linda Hammer
Chairperson

From the Red-Hot Mamas:

Hello all,

The 4th of July boutique was great! We sold many patriotic and cabin decor crafts. Thank you to all who donated items or volunteered at the sale. We really could not do it without all of your help!

We are now busy getting ready for the Labor Day sale and would love for you to join us on Wednesday mornings from 9 - 11 a.m. in the craft shed behind the fire station. There are other things to do if you are not a crafter. We have completed crafts that just need some embellishment, such as hats and scarves for snowmen, adding winter greenery to Christmas items, gluing pom pom spiders for Halloween, etc. There are usually items to price as well. Come and see us at 9:00 to visit and catch up!

For the Labor Day sale we need more fall and Halloween crafts. We will need help setting up at noon on Friday, working 2 hour segments during the sale and packing up starting at 1:30 on Saturday. If you are able to help, please contact Cindy or Vicky so we can add your name to the sign up list.

Sincerely,

Cindy and Vicky

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From the Membership Desk:

Membership dues go from July 1-June 30. Membership form is included for your convenience. You can mail it in, drop it off at the BRFDA basket at the Fire Station or drop it off at the Auxiliary Shed on Wednesday mornings.

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Raffle ticket sales are underway. In addition to the awesome patriotic quilt, you can have a chance to win these prizes and more:

- 4 Diamondback tickets
- China Feast gift card
- 2 Verde Canyon tickets
- We-Ko-Pa Casino gift card
- Mazatzal Casino gift card
- Pie Bar gift card
- Heard Museum gift card
- Bearizona gift card
- Lowell Observatory gift card
- The Arboretum at Flagstaff gift card
- Grand Canyon deer farm
- Farberware double burner electric cooktop
- Warner's Nursery gift basket

The drawing will be at our Labor Day Sale on September 5th (need not to be present to win).

Tickets can be purchased at the Labor Day Sale. If you would like to have tickets mailed to you, I will be more than happy to do so. Please email me or call:

Karol Cannizzaro

Email: kcannizzaro@cox.net

Phone: 602-809-0173

Cook's Corner

Here is a recipe I just tried and thought I would share. This would be good for the Bake Sale at the Labor Day event.

Banana Bread

INGREDIENTS:

- 3 bananas (ripe and larger sized)
- ½ cup vegetable oil
- 2 eggs
- 1 cup sugar
- 2 cups flour
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- ½ teaspoon salt

INSTRUCTIONS:

Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Mash bananas with a fork. Lightly beat eggs. Mix bananas, vegetable oil, eggs and sugar in a large mixing bowl. Stir until completely mixed. Add in the remaining ingredients and stir until the batter is fully mixed. Pour batter into a nonstick bread pan and bake 65-70 minutes. (I would check it after 60 minutes.) Take it out of the oven and let it cool down in the bread pan for 10 minutes. After 10 minutes, remove it from the pan and put on a cooling rack to completely cool.

Blue Ridge Fire District Auxiliary Membership Form

Name: _____

Mailing

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip

Code: _____

Phone # _____ Phone

Local Address:

Subdivision Name:

(Example: Starlight Pines, Blue Ridge Estates, Pine Canyon, CCP 8/9, CCP 3&7)

Email

Address: _____

(Your email address will be used to send you copies of the Fire Flash Newsletter unless you specify that you would like to receive the Newsletter by another method.)

- Dues are **\$20.00 per year** and payable by **July 1st** of each year.
- Please make checks payable to **Blue Ridge Fire District Auxiliary or BRFDA.**
- **Mail to: BRFDA, 5023 Enchanted Lane, Happy Jack, AZ 86024** or place in BRFDA basket at the Station.