

# SENIOR CUB ARCHIVE

FALL & WINTER ISSUE · OCTOBER 2023



Pictured above: (L to R) Carol Ballard and Joan Barnhardt, Donna Sullivan and Nita Hearne, Valorie Mahler, Edwana Fikes, Donna Hall, Connie Gipson, and Delores Ogden; Not pictured: Vinnie Haase, Candy Blair, and Jill Paschal.

### FUN IS OUR BUSINESS

BY ANGELA LOCKARD

Warm weather may be nearly behind us but the Cub Center Quality of Life Program is just getting hot! Participants showed off their creative skills in the last craft activity by painting and texturizing a beach scene.

The Quality of Life Program officially begins October 9th. Each month two free activities will be hosted at the Cub Center with Candy Blair heading up the activity. To join in on the fun, people may contact the Center to be put on a list 940-564-2782. Activities include arts & crafts, holiday themed craft competitions, low-impact exercise classes, dances, celebrations, and so much more.

Watch our page facebook.com/OlneySeniorCubCenter for upcoming activities and events.

So what are you waiting for?! Come join the fun!!

OLNEY SENIOR
CUB NEWSLETTER

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### **TESTIMONIALS**

Our fall & winter issue Senior Cub Archive features testimonials given by board, staff, volunteers, and clients.

Each
participant
was asked
why they love
the Cub
Center and
what it
means to

### Valorie Mahler, Board President - 12 year tenure

Serving on the OSCC board has been a privilege and is one way I give back to the community. I am passionate about the need being served at the Center: feeding those in need. The Center is blessed to have a dedicated board and staff who orchestrate daily duties beautifully along with reliable volunteers. With the support from donors, it makes it easy to give back to this awesome organization.

### Kimberly Watkins, Kitchen Manager - 1 year employed

The Senior Cub Center holds a special place in my heart because my grandma used to receive meals. She always looked forward to getting her meals, not just for the food but also for the conversations from the delivery driver. Now I have the great pleasure to prepare the meals for our seniors. I look forward to continuing to provide nutritious and healthy meals for our community.

### Mitch and Belinda Camp, Volunteer Deliverers - 3 years volunteering

Our parents and my wife's grandparents were clients- Belinda's mother still is a client. We have seen how much they appreciated the meals and a quick visit. So it has been our desire to volunteer. We enjoy delivering what could possibly be the only hot meal a person might have that day and also doing a wellness check. The smile it puts on their face is priceless!

### Edwana Fikes, Congregate Client and Volunteer - 20 year attendance

It is my prayer that everyone who is a senior would get up, get dressed, and get out to be with people. Better than any medicine you can take, lunch at the center will brighten your day and fill your belly. At the Olney Senior Cub Center you will be so welcomed and enjoy the comradery and friendship that is so freely given here.

### **MEMORIAL & HONORARIUM GIFTS**

A donation to Olney Senior Cub Center is a great tribute for a....

BIRTHDAY • ANNIVERSARY • HOLIDAY • SPECIAL EVENT •

MEMORY OF A LOVED ONE

Tributes are a great way to let your loved ones know you care. They are designed to accommodate any budget as the size of the gift is chosen by the donor. While flowers and plants will wither and fade, a monetary gift to the Cub Center continues to impact many lives. The recipient of the tribute receives a note in elegant font-style stating that a gift has been made to the Cub Center by said donor in honor or memory of the person.

TELL YOUR LOVED ONE YOU CARE TODAY. MAIL GIFTS TO: OLNEY SENIOR CUB CENTER PO BOX 216, OLNEY, TX 76374

Be sure to include with your payment the recipient's name, address, and your acknowledgement address

## MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS

APR. 1ST - SEP. 30TH

Bobby Dodd • Nancie Dodd
Don Dunagan • Wade & Edwana Fikes,
Kelly & Valorie Mahler, Kelly & Valorie
Copeland, Jan Myers, Francene Lisle
Shelly Dumis • Ryan Clayton
Johnie Goldsmith • Darrell Goldsmith

**Hubert Gray •** Kelly & Valorie Mahelr, Wade & Edwana Fikes, James Ford

JoAn Key • Edward Furr

Ben & Nita Lasater • Mary Jo Lasater "Tiny" Leach • Wade & Edwana Fikes, Kelly & Valorie Mahler

Nona Lowe • Wade & Edwana Fikes

**Bill Price •** Wade & Edwana Fikes, Kelly & Valorie Mahler, Edward & Sylvia Furr

Estilene Robertson • Elaine Reno

Darrell Schoonover • Wade & Edwana

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## THE LATEST PROJECTS

The Cub Center received 32 cases of trays needed for the Meals on Wheels program. The bulk order of trays will last approximately 15 to 16 months. The minimum order of trays allowed by the vendor is 8 cases. But bulk ordering 32 cases at a time, saves the Center \$1,553.92 annually.

The cost of trays is a significant expense as it is half of annual Meals on Wheels supply costs.

We are <u>so grateful to the House of Mercy residents</u> for helping unload and arrange the 4 pallets of heavy trays! Good job guys!!!

Pictured to the right (group photo L to R): H.O.M.E. residents– James Guerin, Taylor West, Russell Oliver, and Devery Mitchell





## THE DIRECTOR'S CUT

### BY ANGELA LOCKARD

The Cub Center ended its fiscal 2023 year on September 30th with a bang. We served 5,917 congregate meals and our average daily attendance for the year was 24 - up 7 people from the previous year! We served 18,239 Meals on Wheels and our daily average was 73 - a foreseen decrease of 2 per day.

# THE CENTER HAS EXPANDED ITS PROGRAMS TO INCLUDE A RICHER QUALITY OF LIFE PROGRAM...

Stop by to hear about all the changes for this year and how you can help or get involved.

For those who don't know, the Cub Center offers a square meal (which includes an entrée, 2 sides, bread, dessert, and a drink) on weekdays for a price that can't be beat: for seniors (60 years and over) the suggested meal contribution is \$4, and for those under 60 years of age, a meal costs just \$6!

If it sounds too good to be true, that's because it's truly great! With soaring inflation prices, you can't afford to miss lunch! Join us weekdays at noon 302 S Avenue B.

Visit the Cub Center website for more information, to donate, or to download a monthly menu: <a href="https://www.olneyscc.org">www.olneyscc.org</a>

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **BIRTHDAYS**

Birthdays are celebrated on the 4th Thursday of the month.

Join us at lunch to celebrate and wish them a happy healthy birthday!

### October

Johnny Robertson Wade Fikes Linda Phillips Gerald Butler

HAPPY

November
Nancy Bowden
JR Smith

December
Wendell Flanders
Gib Wright
Linda Gray
Antonia Salas
Nedra Belew
Angela Lockard

January Candy Blair <u>February</u> George Plumlee Denna Chandler

<u>March</u> James Walton



### **FUNDRAISERS**

Pancake Breakfast | November 11th

7-10am | Tickets: \$8, 10yr or younger \$5

Jr. Altruistic Club Luncheon | January

Specifics TBD | watch Facebook for updates

Souper Bowl Fundraiser | February 11th

11am-1pm | Tickets: \$8, 10yr or younger \$5

# HONORABLE MENTIONS & PARTNERSHIPS

Recognized for dedication, support, and volunteerism at Olney Senior Cub

### **Center**

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**Amity Club Angels Care Bevond Faith Homecare** Center Well Home Health City of Olney **Downtown Men's Bible Study First United Methodist Church Olnev** Freezin' For a Reason **Healing Hands** Here's Your Sign 76374 **House of Mercy Enterprises Hubbard Welding** Junior Altruistic Club Lion's Club **Olney Enterprise Olney Police Department Perry's Foundation Spirit of Texas Ranch** Stewart's Food Store **Travis Edwards Foundation** Walmart #353

Wichita Falls Area Food Bank

Young Co. Juvenile Probation Dept.



Valorie Mahlor, **President**David Ickert, **Vice President**Sheila Pulliam, **Secretary** 

#### -BOARD MEMBERS-

Kent Wright Nita Hearne Debbie Key

#### **STAFF**

Executive Director • Angela Lockard
Activity Director • Candy Blair
Receptionist • Leslie Gary
Kitchen Manager • Kimberly Watkins
Kitchen Assistant • Sydney Woolard
Kitchen Aide • Denna Chandler
Deliverer & Transporter • James Wiley
Custodian • Nicholas Watkins

### **VOLUNTEERS**

Mitch & Belinda Camp
Rex Chandler
Pat Curtis
Edwana Fikes
Larry & Judy Gandy
James Walton



Visit our website www.olneyscc.org and make an online donation to the Cub Center to be entered into a drawing for your chance to win a 3TMeats gift card. The name of the online donor will be entered into the drawing once for each donation made. First drawing will be held at noon on Monday, Dec 18th. Check our facebook page (Young County Olney Senior Cub Center) to hear the winner of the gift card.

Also call 844-511-7568 to donate your car, boat, farm equipment, or heavy equipment. The donation is a charitable contribution and will be hauled off at no expense & no hassle for you. Visit www.olneyscc.org to learn more about the center.

### **Olney Senior Cub Center**

302 S Avenue B P.O. Box 216 Olney, TX 76374

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Phone: 940-564-2782 directorcolneycc.org

Enhancing the lives of seniors, the disabled, and the underprivileged by providing a nutritious meal, safe environment, warm fellowship, and activities or services which promote healthy mind, body, and spirit.





More than a meal:
combating hunger and
senior isolation one quality-of-life
experience at a time.