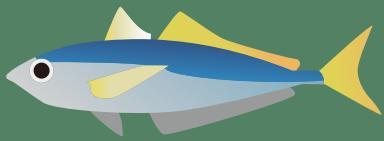


# SUBLETTE CENTER NEWSLETTER

What's Happening at The Center



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Residents enjoyed a picnic and a day of fishing at the CC ponds recently.

## Summer Fun Has Begun

By Lillian Palmer

Summer fun has begun at the Sublette Center. Whether we're at The Center hosting a Barbecue, watching the fireworks together, or on one of our summertime outings in the community, we try to fill our residents' summer with many outdoor activities.

"I try to get them out as much as I can in the summer, because our summers are so short," Activities Director April Rose said. "I think it's important to get them outside and doing things in the community."

Our favorite community outings in July will be the Green River Rendezvous and the Music at The Library series, Thursdays at 6:30, at the Pinedale library.

"Anything that I can get the residents outside and excited about is what I love to do," Rose said.

"I love the Rendezvous parade and seeing how happy the residents get. We're on site but still, they just light up."



# Sublette Center to Merge With Hospital District



By Lillian Palmer

Sublette County Hospital District recently received approval for the USDA Rural Development Community Facilities loan to fund the construction of a new Critical Access Hospital. This will be the first facility of its kind in the county. Approval of the \$32.2 million loan makes a merger between the Hospital District and the Sublette Center official.

County commissioners Joel Bousman and Tom Noble state in the Hospital District's press release that, "Sublette County approved the formation of a Hospital District with the understanding that the Sublette County Commission would provide up to \$20 million to fund a new nursing home upon completion of a merger of the Sublette Center with the Hospital District, which puts healthcare services in Sublette County under one umbrella. The goal of all of this is to improve healthcare services in our county and allow our senior citizens the option to remain in the county for care."

The press release states that a new (nursing home) facility will attach to the hospital with a number of improvements over the existing facility, including private rooms and a memory care unit. As stated in the press release, completion of the facility is predicted for year 2024.

Sublette Center administrator Dawn Walker provided some insight as to how the new facility and merger will improve care for residents.

"Because I'm a nurse as well as an administrator, my excitement is twofold. I'm excited for the prospect of improved services from a nursing standpoint. A combined electronic medical record, (future) physicians onsite, and shared hospital services all point to improved communication and continuity of care for our residents," Walker said. "In addition to everything mentioned, our residents will have a brand-new building. Private rooms and baths for residents as well as updated environment all improve their quality of life."

To residents and their families, Walker said "Above all, I want them to know that the Board, administration and staff of Sublette Center remain committed to providing excellent, individualized care for the residents who live here. We will represent their best interests throughout this process and do our best to keep everyone well informed on each step of this journey."

From an administer point-of-view, Walker adds, "I remember that one of Sublette Center's greatest strengths comes from its community relationships. By solidifying our relationships with the hospital district, we can access the opportunity of shared services, improved purchasing power, and combined labor force. Further, the Center will be offering a new product line, memory care, which not only provides increased services for the community but can also improve our financial standing. The future is bright for elder care in Sublette County."

## STAFF & RESIDENT

# July Birthdays

July 2 - Henrietta V.

July 2 - Jocelyn David

July 5 - Cassandra Sandoval

July 8 - Sheila Hilyard

July 12 - Polly R.

July 14 - April Rogers

July 15 - Addison Cummings

July 16 - Kenny H.

July 22 - Marty T.

July 22 - Anna Peter

July 26 - Sherry Nielson

# Aspen's Beauty Returns

BY RICH BOETCHER

The Aspen are leafing;

Hello summer shade

We'll lounge and relax

In the coolness they've made

The breezes will play

A lullaby song

We may relax and listen,

All the day long

The birds will join in

With tunes of their own

To let us all know

We're not here alone

Oh the beauty of the Aspen

And summer and such

Are some of the treasures

We love very much

But time moves along

As does the bird's touch

Into the autumn of Aspen,

With their golden array

They're a beauty and blessing,

Many would say

We can view and enjoy them

With each passing day



## SUBLETTE CENTER RETIREMENT COMMUNITY

# Word in the Center *Summertime Fun*

We can never have enough summer fun at the Sublette Center.  
*What's your favorite summertime activity?*



*"Go to the beach. I was born in Oregon and we'd go to the coast. We liked to do that. We had a boy and a girl. We'd rent an apartment on the coast and they could play on the beach. Mainly Cannon Beach. Seaside was more crowded, Cannon Beach you could be right on the beach."*

*Shirley*

*"I like to drive up into the mountains and watch the stars. I like going camping with my family, campfires."*

*Skye*



*"My favorite summer activity is boating. It was a great activity for all of our families who hung out together and we'd go out to the lake almost every weekend. It was definitely a great time for the kids growing up. Now all the kids are grown up, and they bring their kids."*

*Craig*

*"Definitely baseball, going to baseball games with my son. That encompasses our entire summer. So when I'm not here, I'm at baseball games. He travels all around this area. If I had to pick a team, it'd be the Cardinals."*

*Julie*



*"My favorite summertime activity is paddle boarding at Fremont Lake and every night I watch the sunset and I love watching the stars out my window."*

*Lexy*

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