

SEDRO-WOOLLEY HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION 6:30 P.M.
April 25, 2012 Membership meeting Sedro-Woolley Senior Center

Attendance: Pat Hyatt '52, Darrell Jones '48, Judy Johnson '71, Mike Martin '67, Bob Wallin '46, Doreen Spencer '41, Marlene Mendoza '52, Jerry Jewett '52, Irene Johnson '46, Gene Johnson '42, Lola Ellestad '42, Reidar Ytgard '46, Mildred Ytgard, and Joanna Bruno '66.

President Pat Hyatt opened the meeting.

The March 28, 2012 minutes were read. Reidar Ytgard made the motion to accept the minutes as read and the motion was seconded by Darrell Jones. Carried.

Correspondence: (1) A note from Mark Venn, Superintendent of Sedro-Woolley Schools thanking us for inviting him to attend and speak at the Scholarship Awards gathering. He said he appreciated all that we do for our kids and the Sedro-Woolley community. (2) A Museum Membership Card showing that we had paid the \$45 dues for 2012.

Joanna Bruno, Scholarship Committee Chairman was requested to introduce Victoria Aguilar, the recent recipient of the second Ola Harang scholarship for this year. She and two friends that came with her were introduced and requested to stay for visiting and treats after this meeting.

Geranium, Tomato, and Bakes Goods Sale ... Saturday May 5, 2012 was discussed. Pat has been in touch with the Thompson Nursery. Will again contact them to verify delivery time. Shirley Arthur has requested she be allowed to bring the tomato plants on Friday. The sign up board for baked goods will be passed around for people to sign up for items they plan to bring. Pat Hyatt picked up the key for the Senior Center today and will do so again for the June evening meeting.

Bonna Beitler, Assistant Treasurer report: April 2012 report... Dues.... 18....\$180.00, One lifetime membership... \$100.00, Forty three picnic dinner orders... \$635.00, Four donations.... \$10,140.00, Two memorials.... \$125.00. Total receipts for April 2012... \$11,190.00.

Judy Johnson, Membership Committee report: Judy reported we have a total of 99 paid dinners, several have paid 2012 and 2013 memberships, now have 186 lifetime members. We are down compared to 2010 membership drive. We need more publicity and visibility. We usually get many memberships at the picnic. The dues payments top out in September.

Jerry Jewett mentioned one of his clubs sends out email information often during the year to keep up interest. Emails are sent in groups of 65. Joanna Bruno stated she could include the minutes on the website. Vertical Response is a free service. Joanna felt the people might feel harassed if they receive a lot of email. Pat felt people would be interested to read the news happenings of the Alumni. Joanna will try to send the minutes every other month. Jerry Jewett made a motion to send the minutes monthly. Gene Johnson seconded. Carried.

We continued discussion about the Plant and Bake Sale. The previous committee chairman, Doreen Brown, did a stellar job and has decided to retire for health reasons. Pat Hyatt has generously stepped in to make the sale a success. She has contacted Thompson's Nursery. Price for the plants to us will be \$1.75. Shirley Arthur will supply approximately 150 tomato plants. Mike Martin, Darrel Jones and Lyle McClure will bring wood for the fireplace in the sale building. We will need lots of boxes and plastic bags. Thompson's will deliver plants about 7:30 a.m. We welcome all baked goods donations. Lyle McClure and Pat Hyatt will cashier. Verna McClure will be in charge of the Baked Goods. Joanna has the plant sale signs and Gene Johnson will place them in the appropriate places.

Picnic Committee Meeting: A meeting was held at Barbara Thomspson's last week. We are on schedule with that organizing. The last picnic meeting will be June 20, 2012 1:00 p.m. at Barbara Thompson's.

We received a \$20.00 check and article from Hays McCormick paying for a "Lifetime membership" to the Sedro-Woolley High School Alumni. Pat Hyatt is one of his classmates... She will contact him... return the check and explain that the Sedro-Woolley High School Alumni he has referred to is in no way related to our Sedro-Woolley High School Alumni Association. The mentioned Alumni group sends information out to people so they can buy "t" shirts, pictures, etc. It is a nationwide business. Bill Stiles has check into the background with the State Attorney General's office and they are not operating illegally.

Lola explained the problem she has had with her computer. The real problem was with her back up machine and it needed to be replaced. Lola included one half of the cost of the scholarship awards cake,(\$18.00), the cost of the computer repair man (\$52.50) and the cost of the backup machine (\$327.41) The cost totaled \$397.91. She presented the charges and requested reimbursement. Gene Johnson made the motion for the reimbursement. It was seconded and carried. She will present the statement to Eric Stendal.

Lola stated that the backup machine stopped recording on April 7, 2012. She will go through all her changes since that date and get the records recorded up to date. Lola plans to write a letter to be included in the next newsletter telling everyone her recent problem and ask all to hang in there. All will be corrected. She would appreciate the effort by those in charge of all the class records if they would send an updated listing of their class showing the name, address, telephone and email address.

Pat spoke of her appreciation of Lola's work. This has been an interruption of Lola's work but no lives have been lost and everything will get done. All of us are volunteers and "stuff happens".

Pat thought that we should be thinking about purchasing a laptop for the Alumni. This is just something to be thinking about and after our busy season of the plant sale and the picnic we will have more time to get serious on this subject.

Pat announced that tomorrow evening Barbara Ward Thompson will be awarded the Hall of Fame Recognition Award for the Sedro-Woolley High School. Unfortunately, Barbara will be out of town and her brother, John Ward will accept the award in her honor. Judy Johnson plans to record the event for Barbara.

Doreen Spencer will pick up the mail while Bonna is gone. Pat Hyatt volunteered to help with the recording of the payments of dues and picnic lunch reservations.

We discussed door prizes for the picnic. Bonna will secure tickets to be used for the raffle.

Meeting adjourned.....

Lola Ellestad, Sec.