

SEDRO-WOOLLEY HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION 1:00 P.M.

May 23, 2012 Membership meeting Sedro-Woolley Senior Center

President Pat Hyatt welcomed all to the gathering.

This was a working meeting. We began at 12:00 to wrap silverware into napkins for the July All Class Picnic.

During the wrapping... Pat carried on with things that needed to be discussed. She felt she would like to have a flyer made to be passed out regarding people volunteering to help with the picnic and also to become active at the meetings. We need the help from all the 4,000 to 5,000 members in some way to partake in the fund raising plans for our scholarships. She stated that in the past she has admired how the few active people have put together their ideas and raised the total sum that we have in the bank.

This core of people desperately need help, and many younger people need to step up to the plate. Pat wants a few minutes at the picnic plus the flyer to encourage people to take an active part. She wants ideas what to put on the flyer and also to put in the article on the web site. We need to let them know that this is not a huge job. We meet once a month and have two fund raisers a year. Will need to print about 600 copies to pass out to the crowd.

Barbara Thompson was asked to give a current report on the Picnic Committee activities. The large tents have been reserved, arrangements have been made for the large signs to be put in place at the entrance to town, the caterer is on board and the reason we are wrapping all this silverware is that it is saving us some bucks and is letting us have the food at the picnic for the same price as last year. The City has now given Barbara permission for us to use the tables and chairs from the Senior Center and she will be able to have the key to the buildings on Friday prior to our picnic. We are still looking for a golf cart to help the handicapped at the picnic. There are two golf cart agencies near Mount Vernon. Do we want the expense of renting a golf cart? Is there a golf cart owner that could help us out? The City will charge us for the use of the park to meet compliance with the state law. This is another expense to consider. The Picnic Committee will have their last meeting on June 20th at Barbara's house at 1:00 p.m.

We talked about the raffle gifts... bring your ideas to the picnic meeting.

Lola brought the old signs that were in storage at the Ellestad basement. We will change the wording and use them if possible.

We discussed future ideas to be used for fund raisers. Mike Martin suggested a Christmas tree ornament sale. Someone suggested selling poinsettias. Margo had talked to a few people that missed having our Bake and Gift at the Senior Center fall sale. We have given that up due to the poor profit realized. Will need to have an idea that strikes the public.

We discussed having the evening meetings. We felt it should be continued since we have a few new attendees. Shirley Arthur volunteered to pick up the key for the evening meeting. Will need to open the meeting room by 6:20 p.m.

Newsletter Report: Joanna Bruno said the Newsletter is out. She has had a few responses. She is working on pay pal payment through the internet. She has given information to the webmaster. There are some things that the webmaster needs to finish. Lola asked if the webmaster will have completed her work under the current contract soon and begin charging by the hour. Joanna said there were things that were not covered under the original agreement. The payment information on the bottom of the form needs to be completed. There are some things that Joanna can do herself. Lola asked that Pamela give us a plan so that the information can be presented to the Board. Joanna felt she should have access at the bank so she would be able to check if the Pay Pal is working.

Lola will email the minutes to Joanna to be put on the web site. Pamela, Judy Johnson and Joanna Bruno are the administrators of the Facebook website.

Joanna requested that any reunion information to be given to her. She has other things now that will be included in the next web site publication.

Joanna will be working on our descriptive brochure that we need to prepare for the public.

Joanna announced the High School Awards ceremony will be June 6th.

Pat thanked Joanna for all of her work on these projects.

Lola will check to see if the Chairman of the Awards event has our list of names.

Pat Hyatt congratulated Barbara Thompson for being selected for the Hall of Fame honor this year at the High School.

Next meeting: June 27, 2012... 6:30 p.m. We can use a car pool for those that do not drive at night. The welcoming of new attendees will help our meeting attendance. We want the people to become used to having the evening meetings every other month and will continue this if we have good results.

Lola Ellestad, Secretary