



# *Mt. Rainier Cruisers*

January 2009

Meeting Minutes

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## **Welcome**

Introduction and welcome of new member, John Mann.

## **Treasurers Report**

Garry Alexander gave the Treasurers report, as Theresa was unable to attend the meeting. Anyone wishing to pay their dues tonight, which are due by the end of the month can give the money to Garry A tonight or you can send it to the PO Box.

## **Old Business**

Gary gave an overview of the last Board Meeting. Briefly discuss the turning over of the Treasurers responsibilities to Theresa. Nancy has started the transition to the new web host. One big benefit is that all members of the Club can have their own Mt Rainier Cruiser email account free of charge. Club events were discussed and will be posted on the website once it is up and running. If anyone has any ideas for events they would like to do, let one of the Board members know so we can check into it. The budget is ready to be voted on at the next General Membership meeting. It was again discussed at the Board meeting that it would be nice to have the chair of all committees present at the Board meetings, it would also alleviate some of the burden from those on the current committees if other people would step up to help. Jason is working on the new members packets. Gary has talked with some of the businesses interested in being an Associate Sponsor. If anyone has another business that may be interested please let the Board know. We need to start putting together a committee for special events so that we can start planning our next Meet N Greet.

## **Lady Cruisers**

The next Lady Cruisers meeting is still to be determined. Diana will email out more information when she gets it.

## **Charities**

Letters went out to our charities letting them know that we again have voted to sponsor them and giving them an invitation to attend one of our meetings. An email went out late today from Fisher House giving us their wish list. It was asked if we could get this at least a week in advance. There has been a communications break down recently, we will get with Roscoe and see what can be done. If anyone wants to bring any of the items on the wish list, please do so at the Holiday Party. It was suggested that maybe a cruise to Fisher House could be arranged, there may be problems with getting access, we can check into that. We are still looking for ways in which we can help out both of our charities in addition to giving cash. If anyone has any other ideas please let us know. There was a discussion of possibly looking into

other military related events.

**Events**

Tanita talked about the upcoming Holiday party this weekend and asked for volunteers to bring food and help set up and clean up. The Club is buying the turkey and Prime Rib. Please remember to also bring a "White Elephant" gift. The party starts at 1:00 on Saturday the 10<sup>th</sup>. Gary will email out the address again with a map quest link. The Yaki Vegas event is coming up the first weekend in May, more info to come.

**Clothing**

Butch brought in samples of a hat and jacket that the Club may be interested in purchasing from a company he has been working with. There is no minimum order and we would get a price break. If anyone has other items they may be interested in, please let him know and he can check on pricing for those items. This company has a catalog we can look at and a website address we can log onto, he has the information on that. Also, if anyone is interested in being on the clothing committee let him know. Keep in mind that we need Club approval before making a purchase of new items with the Club Logo. He also brought in some flyers from Kent Performance Auto Center regarding some PT's they have on their lot for sale. He also talked with them about becoming an Associate Sponsor; he will get back with us on that. Garry A talked with Deer Creek about our logo; apparently they were bought out by new owners and cannot locate our information. They offered to create another copy free of charge to us.

**Hospitality/Sunshine**

Birthdays and anniversaries were announced, gifts handed out. Goodie bag also handed out to last months Member of the Month Joanne Way. Butch Gumm was selected as Member of the Month for February.

We had one new member Bill Ball who recently passed away very unexpectedly. Condolences were sent to his family. Gary thanked all those in the Club who are so welcoming to all and thanked everyone for all the camaraderie we have.

**Raffle**

50/50 raffle held, \$37 dollars went to Stacy Evans. Thanks to all the members who brought in items for the raffle.

Meeting adjourned.