



December 2, 2009
Meeting Minutes

Welcome: Introduction of our Guest.

Speaker: Bianca with the Fort Lewis Fisher House was our guest speaker. She spoke about the charity and gave an overview of the work they do, areas they need help with, volunteer opportunities and their on-going wish list. She left some brochures for anyone interested.

Garry Alexander spoke on behalf of Guide Dogs of America. He told the Club about his personal experience with Guide Dogs of America and gave an overview of what they do. He handed out brochures and a breakdown of their operating expenses. There was also a short video playing for anyone interested.

Election of Officers: Leslie Hagen had previously been nominated for the position of Club Secretary. She was voted in unanimously by the Club. Esteban Aguilar had been previously nominated as Club Vice President. He was voted in unanimously by the Club. Congratulations to both.

Treasurer Report: Given by Gary M. Only up-coming expenditures will be for the Club Holiday Party.

New Member's Packets: Packets are complete, once we have a list of all paid members, everyone will get an updated packet.

Lady Cruisers: The next meeting will be on 12/14, 6:30 at Diana's. Everyone bring an ornament for an exchange. Diana will provide dinner.

Website: It is now updated and running. There is a photo gallery where all members can upload photos. You do need to register with the website; Nancy will approve registration for all Paid Members. She will also be putting together information on how to access the website. Talk with Nancy if you have problems with photos. It will be up to all of us to "Police" the site to make sure no inappropriate photos are posted. Although anyone can view the website, only registered members of the Club will have access to post photos. We will not have a member's only section. We were going to post Board Meeting minutes, Club Meeting minutes and the Club Roster in that section, but since this could be hacked into, the Board chose not to take that risk with sensitive Club Information. Currently if you go to the Club website, you will see a member's only link but it will be removed. The Club General Meeting minutes will be able to be viewed by all.

Dues: We currently have 12 paid Households. If you wish to pay tonight, please see Theresa. We want to get this done as soon as possible so we can place the order for our 2010 Membership Cards soon.

Charities: A vote was conducted by ballot of which charities the club wishes to sponsor for the next two years. The results are: The Burn Foundation and Fisher House. The Board talked about finding a way to recognize those that came to speak to us about their charities and were not selected, will need to discuss this further.

Events: The Christmas Parade in Puyallup is this coming weekend, Roger has information. We currently have 7 cars signed up for the parade. It was decided to meet at Performance Grill at 1:30 and caravan to the set up site. The Leavenworth bus trip itinerary was passed out, details have also been emailed. Anyone wanting to meet earlier is welcome to join others for breakfast, 6:30AM at the Supermall I-Hop. Flyers are also being passed out for the Holiday Party on January 9th. A signup sheet is also going around. There are still tickets available for the T-Birds Hockey game, see Leslie before you leave tonight if you want to purchase tickets. Gary M. has talked with Applebee's and they have a program where they will donate 15% back to our Club if we eat there as a Club event. Jeff will check into setting something up. The 2010 events calendar needs to be done so we can get our events posted on the website. Jeff has a sheet going around, please put any ideas you have for events, cruises on that paper. The possibility of doing some sort of Holiday Light tour was discussed; there is one in Spanaway and one in Bellevue. Jeff asked about interest in going, it was decided to check into the Fantasy Lights tour in Spanaway and combining that with dinner at Applebee's, Jeff will get that organized for December 19th and email out information. He will talk with them about a group discount for the Holiday Light event.

Hospitality: There was one birthday and two anniversaries announced this month. The Member of the Month for January is Stan.

Sunshine Committee: Roscoe has been in the hospital and is now home and has some more medical issues coming up. Gary will check with Jean about arranging a short visit from the Club. He would also most likely appreciate phone calls and cards from Club members.

Clothing/Merchandise: Garry A. asked for a volunteer to take over the club store. Scott's name was submitted. Garry A. will talk with him about what it entails and see if he would be interested in doing this.

Open Forum: Chris is having a New Year's Eve party at her house. All members of the Club are invited. You can check the roster for her contact info.

The tragedy with the police officer's of the Lakewood Police Department was mentioned. There are a lot of people affected by this in the community to include the families of the murdered officer's. It was asked that we keep them in our thoughts and prayers. You can also make a donation to LPIG, which is the Police Officer's Guild that is organizing a memorial fund.

Gary M. thanked the out-going Vice President and Secretary for their assistance with the Club over the past few years.

Raffle: Thanks to those who brought in raffle items. The 50/50 drawing was won by Nancy for a total of \$59.50.

Next General Membership Meeting Wed. Jan. 6th, 2010 at Black Bear Diner – Fed. Way.

Meeting adjourned

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