



Mt. Rainier Cruisers

March 2008

Meeting Minutes

Welcome

Introduction of new members. The minutes from the last General meeting, Board meeting and the Newsletter were handed out at this time. Members asked to verify the membership roster and make any changes necessary. Meeting minutes approved.

Treasurer's Report

Garry Alexander gave the Treasurers report and provided copies of the up to date financial report to the membership.

Old Business

It was suggested and approved not to include financial details in the monthly Membership minutes. This information will be on hand and available to anyone who requests it.

New laminated 2008 Membership cards were passed out to Members present. They could be used as advertising for the Club or could be cut down to fit in a wallet. Any changes or problems, please contact Gary.

Marsha reported on the Lady Cruiser's get together held at Diana Klein's house. Everyone had a good time, approx 8 ladies attended. The next get together will be on 3/17 at 6:30, everyone asked to bring something green to eat. Diana will send out an email invitation and the event will be held at her home again.

Committees

Gary consolidated the committee sign up sheets and reported on who has volunteered for each committee. He asked that everyone get together soon and let the Board know who the Chairs will be. He also asked that someone from each committee attend the Board meetings and give a report on the status of their committees.

Roger will be in touch with everyone who volunteered to help out at the Brewer Event and set up a time and date for the first meeting. He has already been in contact with some of the vendors who were asking about the event.

New Business

Carol will get a PO Box in Pacific for the Club, which the membership approved. Once she gets the address it can be posted on the website.

Roger and Carol agreed to work on the non-profit status to get the forms and other information needed so we can move forward. Would like to have at least one other member volunteer to help out. Let them know if you are interested. Once the paperwork is finished they will let the membership know where we stand.

Gary read off a list of proposed charities, which were suggested for consideration by the club, in part, based on the feedback forms turned in. He will email them out to the Club and it can be voted on at the April Meeting. He asked that any other

charities that were not listed be emailed to him for inclusion in the list. Motion made to take the top 2 or 3 for consideration. Roscoe reported on the Charity he proposed. Garry and Maxine gave a description of GDA, which they were proposing. Current motion on the floor withdrawn and it was decided that at the April meeting we have speakers from the various charities present to talk about their organization and hold off on a vote until the May meeting.

Nancy did a great job on the Newsletter! She asked if anyone has anything they would like included, i.e.- photos, things for sale, etc...please email it to her.

Also discussed setting up a place to take photos of the members cars so the website can be updated. Discussed the possibility of setting up a few dates at a Central location or take photos at some of the mini cruises. We currently have 52 members so the website has out dated information and is missing some of the current member's cars.

At the last Board meeting, they discussed alternate meeting places. A motion was made at the General Membership Meeting to hold our April 2nd meeting at the Black Bear Restaurant in Federal Way. They have a meeting room available and no restrictions on the ordering of food. The motion passed.

Events

Gary has a sign up sheet for those wishing to attend the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Beaverton. TVCC needs a head count to make arrangements for food. Marsha reported on last years parade for those who have not attended in the past.

Gary will put together a list of all events he is aware of and have it posted on the website.

There will be a mini cruise this weekend to the Echo Lake Golf Course. Those interested can meet at Bahama Breeze at 9:00 on Saturday. Please let Jeff know if you did not get the emailed invitation so he can update his list. We want to make sure everyone is invited to these events.

Merchandise

Roscoe gave a report on clothing. We still need 6 more orders for the T-shirts to be able to get them at the discounted price. He ordered more business cards and still has key chains available for purchase.

Hospitality/ Sunshine

Birthday's for the month were announced, handed out birthday cake and choice of gifts. D.J. Smith's name was drawn as the new Member of the month for April.

Open Forum

Sam asked Marsha to tell everyone about her garage sale, which will be held 3/29 from 9-3. She will send out an email. Jerry reported on the Trip to Paradise the Club is planning and some of the restaurants and hotels in the area, more details to come. He also met with a representative from LeMay and asked about the possibility of having our Meet and Greet there in the future. Basically they would need to be assured of getting at least \$500 to accommodate us. She suggested contacting the Puyallup Merchant's Association and see if they could help. Jerry left messages but has not heard back yet. She also mentioned that the membership cost would be going up from \$100 to \$250, we currently have budgeted \$200 for this. Aggie was sporting a new hair do, he relayed that he lost a bet with the Kent Police Department. A retired co-worker had cancer and the Department was trying to raise money so she could buy some wigs. The money wasn't coming in so he

sent out a challenge that if they raised \$1000 they could shave his head. They raised more than that and his head was shaved on Monday. Garry and Jan are having an Open House on 3/14 at 6:30 to promote a Norwex Product. Garry handed out invitation to anyone who wants to attend. Tanita brought coupons for the Best of Federal Way, which is a food tasting event held at the Commons in Federal Way on 3/25 from 5:30-7PM. Roscoe's Granddaughter is selling Entertainment 08 books, he had one which he was willing to sell at ½ price to anyone that wants it. Tanita and Gary's Granddaughter is selling Girl Scout cookies. She is trying to sell 1000 boxes so she can attend 7 days of camp and get an iPod. Anyone that wants to buy some can do so after the meeting. She also reported on the Cookies for the Troops project that the Girl Scouts sponsor. If you don't want to buy cookies you can make a donation instead and cookies will be sent to the troops in Iraq.

Raffle

The 50/50 raffle was drawn and there was \$44.50 given away... Congratulations to Caren Thibodeau. There were also several nice items donated by members of the club, which were raffled off.

Next Board Meeting 3/29 at 8:30, at Old Country Buffet Restaurant in Federal Way. Meeting open to all members of the Club. Next General Meeting April 2nd at Black Bear Diner, Federal Way.

Meeting adjourned.