

Ferndale Heritage Society
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General Membership Meeting Minutes of July 28, 2009

The meeting was called to order by President Linda Harkleroad. Introductions were made around the room and birthdays and anniversaries were acknowledged.

Serena Leibrant gave a profile that was guessed by Beth Buckland. The person profiled was Barbara Ingram.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved with a motion from Jeff Thomson and a second from Paul Nelson.

The Treasurers report was approved with a motion from Annette Bagley and a second from Louise Sager. The Heritage Society will be paying \$5100.00 toward the upgrade in electrical wiring at the park.

BOARD REVIEW

Bertella Hansen was given permission to sell the 100 foot vinyl fence that was supposed to go in front of the Bergsma House. She will be listing it on Craig's List. We learned from a Park Board member that the City has some discretionary funds in the park fund that may pay for the fence. The cost was \$1600.00 from Lowes.

Bertella Hansen made a request to the Board of Directors to hold the Old Fashioned Christmas one hour later on Friday of the event to have a larger crowd at the annual Tree Lighting. The Board geared the advertising of the Old Fashioned Christmas to encourage people to go to the Tree Lighting before they come to the Park for the Old Fashioned Christmas.

The Board received a thank you note from Matt Frye for the Performing Arts Scholarship of \$500.00, and an even longer letter of thanks came from Matt's parents.

Next month's meeting is a pot luck picnic that starts at 6 pm, everyone is encouraged to bring the recipe for their dish and other favorite recipes to include in the FHS cookbook that Annette Bagley is putting together.

The Senior Center is booked for the Mystery Dinner on September 26th.

Tours at the park are going very well, in fact we need to print more brochures.

NEW BUSINESS

Guests Terri Krantz and Todd Warger are working on a documentary film of the Mt. Baker Marathon the precursor of the Ski to Sea Race which took place from 1911-1913. The centennial of the event is coming up in two years and a book and film are being done to commemorate the event. On August 9th Terri and Todd would like to have people in costumes of the 1911-13 era to be at Village Books in Fairhaven at 6am to be in the film documentary. Coffee and refreshments will be served. Kids are welcome and if anyone has an old English bike with the big wheel in front they would be pleased to have that in the film. They are also looking for descendants of the people in the marathon. Bonnie Weiden suggested looking at the Deming log show grounds for photos. Terri's E-mail address is teravintage@hotmail.com, her phone number is (360)510-2961 if you have any questions.

The Ferndale Chamber of Commerce is looking for artwork for a contest. The artwork needs to be submitted by August 1st.

The Heritage Society float won the sweepstakes trophy in the Old Settlers Parade.

The Old Settlers Picnic was all good according to Don Imhof, President of the Old Settlers Association.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fred Sutcliffe was applauded for his work on the Larson Cabin.

Dolores Norris, our Sunshine Lady sent a card to Judyth Rainwater who broke her toe, to Beth Buckland who's dog was ill and to Linda Mooney who was ill.

An Old Fashioned Christmas meeting will be called soon.

Elinor King was applauded for all the watering and how well the flowers look at the park.

We lost some rental income from two groups that met at the Tillicum House on a regular basis . Both have moved to another meeting place because their groups got small.

An Hispanic parade and celebration will take place on September 19th. Volunteers are being sought to man the cabins on that day.

Thanks to Kay Sutcliffe for the nice shiny clean floor in the Tillicum House and for the delicious refreshments.

Meeting adjourned with a motion from Elinor King and a second from Jeff Thomson.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Ongoing every Saturday- Farmers Market at Riverwalk Park

August 9, 6 am at Village Books to be in Documentary of Mt Baker Marathon

August 11, FHS Board meeting at Bergsma House 7 pm

August 25th Monthly Membership meeting 6 pm Pot luck Picnic

August 29th 10am to 10pm Street Festival Downtown Ferndale

September 26th Mystery Dinner at Ferndale Senior Center

Respectfully submitted by Kathy Chasteen, Secretary