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Monthly Membership Meeting November 24, 2009

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

Serena Leibrant did a profile that was guessed by Barry Snook. The person profiled was Kay Sutcliffe. One of Kay's wishes as a child was to become an actress also her favorite word is mirth.

The minutes of the October membership meeting were approved with a motion from Gail Nelson and a second from Dolores Norris.

The Treasurer's report was approved with a motion from Kathy Chasteen and a second from Deanna Nielsen.

Board Review

Ruth Ashe who has been doing the coordinators job of rentals of the Tillicum House and Church will not be doing it after December. Mili Rauwolf has agreed to take Ruth's place as coordinator. Mili is one of our tour guides.

New Business

Linda Harkleroad announced that the Aamot family, due to the loss of their son in Afghanistan, are collecting gifts for the soldiers in Afghanistan. KGMI Radio will be at the People's Bank on the Guide for donations for the family.

Election of Board members and Officers for 2010: The floor was open for nominations. A nomination for President was being sought. Linda Mooney was nominated and stated that, "If Linda Harkleroad will be Vice President, I will be President". The 2010 slate of officers is: Linda Mooney, President, Vice President Linda Harkleroad, Treasurer Beth Buckland, Secretary Kathy Chasteen and Annette Bagley is our PR person. The Officers were accepted as slated with a motion from Annette Bagley and a second from Kathy Chasteen.

Olde Fashioned Christmas: The decorating of cabins for the Olde Fashioned Christmas began at 3 pm today. Gail Nelson, Louise Sager and Linda Harkleroad provided soup and chili for people to eat before the meeting. Flyers are available to pass around town and wherever you go to spread the word about our event. Barry Snook and Beth Buckland did some advertising for the Olde Fashioned Christmas on KVO5 Television Station. The ad will be shown on Saturday November 28th at 5 pm, Monday, November 30th at 7:30am and Wednesday, December 2nd at 7am. Donna Pollman has been busy lining up volunteers to man the cabins and needs two more for the Tillicum house on Saturday the 5th from 1 to 5 pm. Betty Eichenberger needs someone upstairs at the Jenni House on Saturday from 1 to 3 pm. Hopefully everyone who can is baking 3 dozen cookies for the event. Cookies can be delivered from noon till about 4:30 to the Tillicum House on Friday, December 4th. Mili Rauwolf will be doing the Granary in Julie Aamot's place. She needs mice for the Granary to follow the theme of "Twas the Night before Christmas". The Foster House is collecting stockings. A last minute decorating time will take place on Wednesday, December 2nd at 3 pm. Many businesses contributed to the Olde Fashioned Christmas, Apples for the Shields House came from Apple Creek Orchard, Cost Cutter donated the hot dogs, the Record Journal is printing our programs, Van Wingerden donated poinsettias, Kelly's O'Deli helps with the kitchen with cookies, Haggen's has given us a case of plastic bags for the kids ornaments and things and 10 dozen cookies.

There is no General meeting in December. Have a very Merry Christmas.

Dues are expected to be paid in January. The new membership book for 2010 will come out in February so paying your dues the first part of January will insure that you are listed in the book.

The January membership meeting will be mainly a social time, but there will be a short video done by Todd Rawls doing an interview about Pioneer Park with Julie Aamot.

Committee reports

Sunshine Lady, Dolores Norris sent cards to Pat Button who was ill, Chuck Chasteen, who had a mild heart attack, and the Aamot family who lost their son Aaron in Afghanistan.

Annette Bagley needs more recipes for the Heritage Society Cookbook.

Brent Goodrich is newly elected to the Ferndale City Council. There were three Council members at the meeting Brent, Connie Faria and Paul Ingram.

The annual CCA meeting will be combined with the 20 year comprehensive plan and will have three meetings. A consultant will be hired to moderate the meetings that will be in March, April and May. The result of the meetings will be an official vision for 20 years.

Kathy Chasteen reported that the Holiday Giving Store is located at the old Dimitri's Restaurant location near City Hall on Main Street. Tables are set out and we are collecting toys and donations for over 500 children to have a nice Christmas.

Laurie from the Glass Slipper on Second Ave. has asked to be a vendor at the Olde Fashioned Christmas. We do not want our event to be commercialized, so she will be having an Open House instead on December 4th. She has over 70 artists who sell their work from her shop.

The Spanish Chamber of Commerce is holding a fundraiser at Totem Terrace at Intalco.

The Ferndale Boys and Girls Club is selling tiles and other things to help with the costs of building the new club. They are seeking donations of all kinds such as printing paper, crayons anything kids use.

Jean Nelson has a new sign-up sheet in the back of the room to sign up for refreshments in 2010.

Deanna Nielsen has a sign-up sheet for letters from Santa to send to the kids who write letters at the Olde Fashioned Christmas.

Police Chief, Michael Knapp reported that the Veterans museum will honor Aaron Aamot this year. They will also have a tree and a fireplace.

Mayor Gary Jensen wrote a Proclamation about our Olde Fashioned Christmas.

Gail Nelsen made a motion to adjourn that was seconded by Kathy Chasteen and passed.

Dolores Norris provided refreshments for the meeting.

November 26, Thanksgiving Day

November 28, workday at the Park 9 to noon

December 3, last minute Decorating at 3 pm

December 4, Cookies due for OFC

December 4th 5 pm annual tree lighting at RiverWalk Park

December 4-to 6 Old Fashioned Christmas at Pioneer Park

Respectfully submitted by Kathy Chasteen, Secretary