

4/14-15/18 ELDERS RETREAT MINUTES

PRESENT: Alan Cohn, Kay Kintzley, Roger Lesiak,, Patricia Van Ezzo, Michael James Long, Jain Elliott, Eric Nicholson, Robert Jacobs, Robert “Mouseman” McCarthy, Heather Kent, Ann Rogers (Board Liaison), Katie Cousins Diane Albino, Peggy Day, Jerry Joffe, Mark & Amber Bacigalupi, Annemarie Hirsch, Patty Marx, Kehn “Mambo” Gibson, Jan Royalty, Chris Harrison, Auntie Em, Steve Barnes, Percy Hilo, Jorjan Plimmer, Anna Brown, Paxton Hoag, Roberta Austin, Clif Cox, Terry Baxter, Jon Pincus, Mark Johnson, Jon Silvermoon, Judy, Michelle and Licia Shultz (facilitator) and Dee Wirak (also scribe)

PASS REQUEST FORMS will be mailed or emailed to all elders on Monday, April 16. Registration questions or problems contact elderwristbands@gmail.com. Note: vehicle parking passes will be \$15.

Annemarie created a mini newsletter-what’s happening, job openings to be included or attached to the pass request mailing. Interested volunteers contact Annemarie at elderberry55@yahoo.com

ANNOUNCEMENTS-The fair does not use plastic forks. Volunteers are needed for fork washing fun on April 22, 28 and 29 at the Northwest Youth Corps, 2621 Augusta from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Sustainability workshop is May 5 from 2-5 p.m. at the WOW Hall.

Spring Fling, May 5 starting at 6 p.m. at Whirled Pies

Coordinator’s meeting, May 27 at Alice’s

No more pets on site as of 6/1

August 19 Teddy Bear Picnic

WOW Hall annual membership meeting, 4/25, doors open at 6:30, meeting at 7 p.m.

Book release party will be held at Café Mundo in Newport on 4/20 for Country Fair: Oregon Alternative Celebration by Scott and Sandy Blackman’s (fair photographers)

Ann Rogers has been appointed by Path Planning to be the convener for a fair-wide MEMORIA PROJECT. Email or call her with ideas. A walkabout is planned for tomorrow.

Main Camp Security is in need of coverage for the midnight-6 a.m. positions. This job opening includes a camping pass, food vouchers and t-shirt. Contact Tina Edwards at 541-543-3906 or Don Doolin at 541-870-6203

LATE NIGHT BUS TRIPS-Thursday rides have been added, look for the upcoming article in Fair Family News. Contact ocflatetrips@gmail.com Cost will be \$25 for all 4 days; kids 11-17 are \$10, younger free, all children must be accompanied by the adult who signed their registration form.

ARCHIVES- Terry Baxter, OCF Archivist reports that grants are being requested for \$15000 from the Cultural Trust for archival storage materials, shelving, support for exhibits and digital storage. Another grant is being sought from the National Endowment for Humanities. There has been good collaboration with the Lane County Historical Museum and an exhibit of our fair history is in the works for 2019-20. Photos from the fair will be included in the Oregon Blue Book, Oregon festival section. Descriptive materials are being put together, volunteer help may be requested after the fair, contact Terry66@hotmail.com or 971-218-0606

50th TIMELINE PROJECT-Jerry is seeking ideas that exemplify how the fair has changed over the past 50 years for a visual exhibit for the 50th. The fair was in the forefront of a number of movements that are now become part of greater society: recycling, sustainability, organic foods, alternate energy, midwifery, accessibility, community involvement and support to other nonprofits. The first fair, as part of a network of organizations, was organized as a fundraiser for a free school. Emphasis has changed from political/cultural event to a more managed festival as it has grown in rules and attendance. It has become more women and child friendly.

It was suggested that tracking down Bob Nesbith's list of fair events/accomplishments may be helpful. Ideas for a talk or video of "first fairs" may be more appropriate for the Still Living Room.

STILL LIVING ROOM-More black 8X10 frames for photo displays are needed. Bonnie is passing around a sign up sheet for the Still Living Room shifts, she will no longer be co-coordinating after this year. Volunteers are needed to work 4 hours shifts, contact Marcia Bauer Masters at 512-284-2360. Contact Sandra Bauer if available to provide decorating assistance 206-498-9002. Set up and take down assistance is needed, contact Eric Nicholson at 541-743-3760 or Annemarie at elderberry55@yahoo.com or call/text 541-285-1537.

Once per day shower clean up assistant is needed, contact Steve Barnes at stvbnarnes72@gmail.com or 541 255 5332. Also look for supplies to provide self service cleaning-leave no trace showering.

Flowers will be handled by Linda Robertson, an elder, thanks for stepping up and making us more beautiful.

CAMP CLEAN UP DATES-The following Saturdays are set for 10- a.m.-2 p.m.-April 21, May 19 and June 16. Returning campers may start reclaiming their sites on 4/21. New campers may claim on 6/16. Contact Peggy at eldercamphost@gmail.com for any camping related concerns.

GEEZER-Chris has been talking with our BUM Jessica, she will also be in contact with Jacob regarding Geezer rental arrangements. She prefers to use Action Rental and have them arrange for the delivery and pick up of a pre-selected and inspected vehicle. Permit to be obtained. Electricity will be arranged by Paxton. Chris is arranging drivers. Contact chowe@peak.org.

STILL LIVING ROOM SITE LOCATION-A tour of a possible site was taken and discussed at length. Mouseman will request "dibs" or clarify our need and intention at tomorrow's Path Planning meeting, elders are encouraged to attend. It would be great to have this new site for the 50th. Committee members are encouraged to investigate the proposed area during this years fair to further assess activity level, noise, sun factors ,etc . We expect to talk to Xavanadu crew leaders as well. The plan is to study both the potential new site and an expanded version of the current site during the upcoming season.

ELDER ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS- Discussed.

CRAFT BOOTH INEQUITY-Food booth reps have a "Legacy" or ability to appoint secondary representatives that allow for smooth transition and management of the booth. There is nothing like this for crafters and in fact they must endure long hours at their booth. Many would like to semi-retire. We have also heard from a number of families that the jury process as is does not

work for passing on your craft to family. To share our concerns/ideas Peggy, Bonnie C, and Auntie Em will form a letter to be presented to the Elders Committee for forwarding to the Craft Committee.

Thanks to Heather and Mouseman for use of their home. Our meetings wouldn't be nearly as effective without Licia. Also thanks to all who put in their time and efforts for all the elder endeavors.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS- 7-9 p.m. Thursday, April 26 at the Grower's Market. Same time and place on May24. June Elders meeting-Potluck pre-meeting at Kay's. June 28, come 5-6 p.m. for set up and camping space is available. Call her at 541 726-7343 for directions.