

ELDERS RETREAT MINUTES

March 30, 2019

ATTENDEES: Alan Cohn, Patricia Van Esso, Kay Kintzley, Michael James Long, Katie Cousins, Peggy Fitzgerald, Jain Elliott, Heather Kent, Mouseman, Robert Jacobs, Eric Nicholson, Ani Sinclair, Annemarie Hirsch, Roger Lesiak, Diane Albino, Jon Silvermoon, Jon Pincus, mambo, Jan Royalty, Patty, Chris Harrison, Roberta Austin, Rick Valley, Carolyn Gsell, Jon Beer, Suzanne Philips, Steve Barnes, Ann Rogers, Mark & Amber Bacigalopi, Jean Bryant, Jorjan Plimmer, Bonita Clarke, Paxton Hoag, Percy Hilo, Etienne Smith, Peggy Isaacs, malka, Lois Inmann, Gary Van Horn (Tug), Judy Doffino, Steve Berkson, Sandra Bauer & Andy, Reggie DeSoto, Isa Haverlan, Licia Shultz (facilitator) and Dee (also scribe)

Agenda items have been posted, meeting protocol discussed, introductions and welcome new elders. Much thanks to Heather and Mouseman for allowing us use of their home for this meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS-Licia will not be able to facilitate the April or May elders committee meetings.

There will be a barn dance either 9/7 or 9/14 at Heather and Mouseman's, this will be a fun/fundraiser for Cascadia Wildlands with a bluegrass band, caller, overnight camping...more info will be posted on wonderfulelders.

There will be a Death Cafe or opportunity to normalize talking about death, April 25, 7-8:30pm at the Unity of the Valley on south Hilyard.

Radar Angels are playing tonight at Maude Kerns.

Jain will need to leave the retreat earlier as she is speaking this evening at Sam Bonds, addressing the history of the Whitaker neighborhood in the 70's.

W.O.W. Hall's CCPA Annual General Membership Meeting is next Wednesday, April 3. Six of the 9 Board of Directors positions are open. The Annual Talk and Tour as well as the Squaredance at the WOW Hall on May 17 are in celebration of Historic Preservation Month as is the showing of the 1929 film "Eds Coed", filmed here in Eugene, to be shown at the Hall on May 19.

Lois Inmann expresses gratitude for assistance following the storm catastrophuck.

Karen Stingle has recently gotten out of the hospital after a triple bypass, toast her later!

June elders committee meeting will be held at Kay's, June 27-5 pm set up, potluck

Annemarie has been gathering a list of volunteer opportunities to go out with the pass requests.

FALL RETREAT-possible dates in October were set, Jain will see if Alice's will be available Oct 26-27 first choice or October 12-13. **Post meeting note: fall retreat will be at Alice's Oct 26-27**

SHOWERS-After much discussion it was decided that a letter to Shane and Jessica Cotterpin (elder BUM) may clarify the situation...Peggy and Paxton will draft a letter for elders committee review.

In the meantime, Steve is creating a schedule of workers to maintain these showers during Fair.

ELDERS Meet-n-Greet-Thursday, 6-9pm, July 11 at Alice's firepit. Theme: 50 years of Magic. Gold colors. **Bring a 1969 photo of yourself.** Volunteers are needed for set up (4:30) and clean up (bring flashlights). Eric confirms that Steelwool will be playing, Radar Angels will also do a song for the 50th. Licia will get the sound permit. Hat passed for wine purchases.

GEEZER PLEEZER-Jon Beer is looking for volunteer drivers for the electric cart that will be onsite Tues pre-fair til Monday. Current license, prior first aid training preferred and must be able to attend a brief training to do the 2 hour shifts. Get in touch cell or text to 360 317 5224 or write jonbeer77@gmail.com There will be a 2 way radio. Paxton to reserve charging outlet behind the yurt.

CAMPING-Annemarie is our camp host, Peggy her assistant. A map of the camp area is sent around for review prior to printing. You may claim your former spots now. South woods area has been under utilized (it is also undeveloped). To get on the list for in-vehicle camping at SCOFF lot contact Annemarie with your vehicle size and number of campers. Contact eldercamphost@gmail.com

Camp clean up dates: 4/20, 5/18 and 6/16 from 10-2. Bring your own lunch and tools. Wood chippers will be coming in. Please do not leave chips or branches where elder central tent will be put up. July 6 the structure will be setup, come help. Peggy will stay onsite til the 15th. Jon P will notify site crew of a big fallen tree in the area.

Vote results-rather than becoming an additional small tent site, Chris Brown's former tent site will remain as a memorial area (with a possible chip chair?) and left to go back to nature for this fair.

MEMORIAL KIOSK-in the Still Living Room was damaged and needs repair. Maybe it can become a 2 sided bulletin board or repaired on site. Path Planning has been actively discussing and cataloging current memorial sites throughout the fair property.

POSSIBLE FUTURE PROJECT-A bench, commemorative plaque and bricked accessible pathway across the street from the first fair site in Hawkins Heights City Park has been proposed as a possible project. It has not received funding from the special funds for the 50th but if there is interest in pursuing this project contact Cindy Wooten, norma or Jon Pincus.

Coordinator Resource Group-Steve B was invited to provide update & info for a CRG discussion.

ED Search-Jon provided an update of the process and proposed schedule for hiring of an Executive Director. We are consulting with Solid Ground for recruitment and advertising. There will be an opportunity to meet finalists and give the search committee feedback, possibly 2nd or 3rd weekend in May- if on schedule- with a recommendation to the Bod at the June meeting. Job description is posted.

STILL LIVING ROOM-This is the elder's gift to the fair. Our booth will remain on Strawberry Lane, where we have been given more space. Sandra has spoken with Jay, the entrance to the mirrors next door will be re-located, pending storm damage results. The 50th exhibit will be displayed here, more benches are being built. We need volunteers, especially elders to greet visitors to the booth. Marcia is coordinator this year, Bonita has a sign up list but please spread the word, the more the merrier. Peggy will talk to Anna Scott about the possibility of the SLR being on the passport scavenger hunt. For the 50th, there will be a pot of gold to smudge the third eye of visitors to the booth.

Set up- Eric and Robert need helpers for set up, meet at Eldercentral 11 on Monday, July 8. Mouseman's trailer and Larry's truck are available. Take down will be Monday, July 15.

RE: storm damage-Peggy has photographed the storage contents. SLR items have been re-located temporarily to the Cow Palace. They will need to be moved to storage pods, Peggy will keep us in the loop. Eldercentral items are at Annemarie's and are still in need of a storage area after the fair.

HISTORICAL FILMS-Reggie was kind enough to bring his video of Vortex 1 & 2. This event took place against a backdrop of Vietnam War protests in which our government had attempted to suppress by actually shooting and killing student protesters, the most notable occurrence at Kent State, but there were others.

Portland Oregon was scheduled to hold the American Legion's annual convention beginning on Sunday, August 30, 1970, with President Nixon scheduled to speak (he was a no show). In order to avoid a confrontation, Oregon Governor Tom McCall selected Clackamas County Milo Melver State

Park to hold the first (and last) state-sponsored national rock-music festival. The festival was strategically planned to attract young anti-Vietnam war protestors and the state and law enforcement agencies did everything to facilitate the event and be non-confrontational.

At the close of the concert's second day, there were 35,000 young people attending, smoking marijuana and many completely naked and frolicking in the Clackamas River to keep cool.

Reggie gave a short introductory speech about the film and during the showing pointed out some people caught on film whom some elders in the audience recognized. It was a great film and experience. Many thanks Reggie!