

WPA SPOKANE CHAPTER

BOARD MEETING

FEBRUARY 7, 2008

Members Present: Jerry Baur, Al Gilson, Bill Jackman, Duane Lukan, Blake McKinley, Tom Morris, Gary and Carolyn White

Meeting came to order by Gary at 6:40 PM. January minutes were reviewed and unanimously approved by the board.

TREASURER'S REPORT: As of February 7, 2008 there is \$9,037.87 in the bank. However, this will change due to the annual auction coming up the first of March and other expenses. There have been 39 people who have renewed their membership with WPA so far. Compared with 2007 we had 66 which is about 58% having renewed for 2008. Blake has been sending out weekly reminders. Al Gilson suggested a note be sent out with an attached envelope to see what happens. Blake agreed it would be a good idea. He will draft a letter and send it out with envelopes. The board members agreed a master list should be made and cross reference it with the 2007 list.

OLD BUSINESS: Tickets are still being sold for the annual dinner/auction on Saturday, March 1, 2008. Cathy Wilson called Blake to say she will be in Fiji during the auction this year. Jerry Baur and Blake will get together with her to receive training on how the program she uses works. Bill Jackman offered the use of his lap top.

Al has been making 250 copies a month of the newsletter to distribute, but has found he is picking up too many extras. He will begin to reduce from 250 to 200 copies per month and see what happens. Bill Jackman asked about whether we could gift Pacific Petroleum for what they donated to the auction and it was decided to put a small article in the newsletter highlighting the business.

Procurements for the auction are beginning to come in. Some of the items are oil changes, a case of oil, an airplane wash, a night at the Mirabeau Hotel, several specialty gift baskets, flight

physicals, flight reviews, a screen door installation just to name a few things. To help increase the amount we are able to offer for the scholarships Blake suggested and we are going to pilot it by giving the opportunity to individuals, a group organization, or several people to sponsor or co-sponsor one of the \$500 scholarships. Regal Insurance will be providing the door prizes as well as some auction items. Tom Morris suggested for next year's event to see if we can acquire some bigger box items such as jewelry. The board members agreed.

Table decorations will be simple very much like last year with Carolyn White and Judy Cocking. Anyone buying tables should be seated together. Each table holds 8 people. Bill Jackman will be keeping a tally of dinner entrees and has more tickets for anyone to sell.

Assignments for board members at the auction/dinner are as follows: Bill Jackman and Duane Lukan will check in all attendees, Al Gilson will be emcee and announce each table closing, tear down will be done by everyone, Jerry Baur and Blake McKinley are in charge of checkout for each auction item sold. Gary will fill in where needed.

Next general meeting will be Wednesday, February 20 at Marie Callender's. The subject will be Survival Skills presented by SrA Bryan Smith, 66th Training Squadron, FAFB.

Gary has received a note from John Dobson, the president of the state WPA wanting to get feedback from local chapters on the problems still plaguing the new state renewal membership and share any suggestions that may help everyone.

NEW BUSINESS:

The next state board of directors meeting will be March 15 in Wenatchee. Gary will be attending. Our local chapter board of directors meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 28, 2008 at 6:30 PM. Last minute auction/dinner details will be discussed. Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM.