

Notes from Mt. Spokane Prime Timers Team Meeting
September 14, 2016

Attended by: Gail Harris, Don Harris, Galen Chamberlain, Tom Tauscher, Carol Schiefelbein, Ron Andrews, and Anne Irmer

Tom has been trying to reach Brad McQuarrie to learn if we can join them in their booth at the Ski Swap the end of October. So far he has not been successful.

We agreed that dues for the coming season will be \$15 per person, with no "discount" for couples. This is, however, a reduction in the dues for singles (from \$20 to \$15.).

Since Becky was not in attendance we do not know if she has done anything about banners.

Gail agreed to develop a handout/flyer for use at the Swap presuming we will be able to join the mountain's staff in their booth. She will also have this available at the table in the Garage during the season.

Anne is going to contact Stan Holm, our webmaster, regarding some possible hyperlinks to give our members another option for lunch reservations.

The checking account balance is \$4,942.26.

We agreed to have a pre-season meal for members at Bear Creek. They can only accommodate 150 people so it will be the first 150 who will get to attend. After some discussion we agreed that no shows should have to pay for the missed meal. Anne will work with Sam to get this finalized and she will promote it in the upcoming newsletter.

The ski trip to Whitefish is coming along. So far we have reserved 25 rooms and The Lodge has blocked an additional 10 rooms. Galen is pleased with the response ... he had to sign a contract for \$11,000! That was 20 rooms for 4 nights each so he is now "covered". The Lodge will have a wine, beer, and cheese event at 5:30 on Monday evening. This is included in our room costs.

We established the lunch dates for the coming season: Jan. 11, Feb. 1, Feb. 15, and March 15. This allowed us to schedule around the ski trip and avoid Ash Wednesday.

Carol reported that Debbie Allen has agreed to coordinate the Social Hour. Nancy Jo Tauscher and Colleen Sparkes have agreed to help her and Carol indicated she will also be available some weeks.

It was suggested that on Wednesdays we recognize those celebrating a birthday that week. Since many of our members have birthdays at other times of the year, we decided that these celebrations should be done by friends, not the organization.

Because we need to move forward with the signs Tom agreed to contact Becky and Coach (who are out of state right now) and determine if the work has been started. If not, he will contact Anne who will get his project going.

Tom will also continue to contact Brad - about the Ski Swap as well as ski lessons and other benefits for our members, such as discounts for ski tune ups and ski waxing.

As she has done in the past, Gail will contact Brad and meet with him and the Food Manager in November or early December. This will allow us to acquaint the new Food Manager with our organization and get the lunch price and beer prices established. She will email Tom Tauscher and Doug Dial (Coach) so they are aware of the meeting.

We decided to keep the Social Hour at 3 p.m. with early start times when the weather is bad. We need to be aware that when the mountain quits having night skiing we need to start the Social Hour earlier since all staff is supposed to be off at 4.

Since Anne will be doing the lunch reservations and the newsletter, Gail will be getting her some information.

Notes prepared by Gail.