

Rainier Ramblers RV Club



A Washington State Chapter of Winnebago Itasca Travelers

~ December Newsletter ~

~ Happy New Year ~



We began the holiday season at the Indian Summer Golf & County Club in Olympia, Sunday, December 5, 2010 for our annual holiday party. Our hosts for the evening were Joe & Donna Coorough with Joyce Norquist, JD & Kathy Allen, and Rod & Sandra Wilson managing the auction. Along with our hosts, enjoying the pre-holiday activities were John & Florence Cook, Greg & Lynn Dickey, Ken & Jeanne Foster, Jerry & Robyn Gleim, Jeff & Carole Grindstaff, Harlan & Mary Jo Stientjes, Rochelle Vansickle, and Margo Wall. Special guest was Beth Rivard, Executive Director of the Prison Pet Partnership Program. Beth brought along a four-legged guest currently in the program.

The Fireside Room was decorated for the holidays with festive decorations in celebration of the holiday season. As everyone gathered for happy hour, a table filled high with dog donations kept growing and growing.

Following dinner, the club presented Beth Rivard with a \$400 check from the Rainier Ramblers, as well as the 'doggy' donations. Beth gave us background on this special program that rescues dogs from animal shelters, provides vocational training for female inmates, and ultimately assist persons with disabilities. This was the fourth year Beth brought along one of dogs in training. No one can forget the two-year-old Lab named

Joey; Issy, a female yellow Lab; a beautiful Lab/Poodle mix named Hannah, and this year a black Lab named Elvis. Elvis demonstrated his numerous skills and, once again stole the hearts of everyone there.

Installation of 2011 officers preceded dinner: President, Ken Foster, Vice-President, Joe Coorough, Secretary, Donna Coorough, and Treasurer, Joyce Norquist.

Next on the evening's agenda was the auction, with Joe Coorough as the auctioneer. There were some beautiful one-of-a-kind gifts that were made or donated by club members. We collected \$469 which will go to the Prison Pet Partnership Program next year. Thank you to all who donated items for the auction and those who bid on the items as well, for your generous support.

Updates

Welcome to new members Ted & Sally Giffin of Renton, Washington. We look forward to having you join us at one of our upcoming outings.

General Information

Membership Dues: If you have not done so already, please send your check for \$15 to treasurer, Joyce Norquist, 8324 Leona Way SW, Lakewood, WA 98499. Dues are payable by January 1, 2011.

2011 Outing Schedule - We will have new parks to visit in 2011, which should make for an exciting outing season. The schedule will be finalized the first of the year and sent to all members.

WIT Club News Magazine – The 2011 magazine will be published six times per year; February, April, May, July, September, and November. All state club and local chapter news available online at www.witclub.com each month.

Membership Information - Please send any changes (address, phone number, e-mail address, etc.) to Secretary, Donna Coorough. A membership roster is available on the web site and is updated as needed.

Outings: As a courtesy to the wagon masters, please give them ample notification if you plan to attend. Often outings and events are planned which require knowing the number of people attending. Each newsletter has information regarding requirements for reservations, along with the name and telephone number for that month's wagon masters and the RV park. As reminder, please give both the park and wagon masters as much lead-time as possible.



Best wishes to those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries

December Birthdays

5th Paula Huls
7th Ken Foster
13th Sevie Isbell
30^h Carol Robel

December Anniversaries

4th Jeff & Carole Grindstaff
27th David & Kathie Ritter

January Birthdays

12th Nancy Flanagan
13th Dick Brown
17th Dorothy Baker
21st Paul Culbertson
23rd Joe Robel

January Anniversaries

None

~ Thought for the Day ~

Having somewhere to go is home
Having someone to love is family
Having both... is a blessing

Another camping season has ended.
Happy and safe travels to all.

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