**LAKE WENATCHEE FIRE AND RESCUE AUXILIARY**

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**Membership Meeting Minutes**

**October 5th, 2022 – 7:00 p.m. at Ponderosa**

**Board members present**: Jim MacMillan, Dorothy Baker, Barb Harris, Paula Robinson, Chris King, Scott Baker, and Elizabeth Pollock

**Welcome:** Jim MacMillan

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**LWFR District 9: Chief Walker**

Currently doing clean up on debris that is burning down to the line on the White River and Irving Creek fire. The fire is about 12,000 acres and next week we should get some wind to help get rid of some of this smoke. The Forest Service is downsizing the management team and the fire will likely keep smoldering until we get some rain or snow.

The Minnow Fire by Chikamin is about 3,000 acres and will likely grow to about 5,000 acres. The smoke we are getting today is from that fire.

Good news – we had a fire on Colter Creek and put it out. It’s outside of LWFR jurisdiction but our people went in, contained it, lined it, and put it out. This shows a community-based fire department.

LWFR received over $700,000 in grants this year: $340,000 to extend the fire mitigation chipper crew for 2 more years and a $400,000 vehicle grant for a new tender.

The Plain Valley Nordic Ski-a-thon is on October 15th.  LWFR has made a donation and two of our firefighters will ski in the event.

LWFR Trunk or Treat is coming up on October 31st at Plain Hardware and Plain Grocery. There will be lots of candy given out.

Station 95 on Hwy 2 is having a BBQ on November 8th at 3:00 p.m. for neighbors to come over and see the station.

Adopt a Highway cleanup will be on November 15th and we will meet at 3:00 p.m. at station 93. The cleanup will be along Hwy 207 and Hwy 2 to station 95.

New flag poles will be going up.

**LWFR FF Association President: Jeff Robinson**

Not in attendance.

**Call to Order:** Jim MacMillan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Attendance:**  48 members in attendance.

**New Member Introductions:**

Joanne Stanford is a new member and was introduced. Welcome Joanne!

**Approve August Minutes:**

Chris King moved to approve the August minutes, seconded by John Tobias, and the motion passed.

**Approve September Treasurer’s Report: Barb Harris**

Memorial Account $230.00

General Account

Beginning Balance $31,057.60

Yard Sale Income +$46,667.84

Amazon Smile Donation +$ 47.57

\*Donation +$ 5,842.03

Yard Sale Expenses -$ 948.76

Admin Supplies–Stamps -$ 48.00

Ending Balance $82,618.28

\*Benevity is a program through large corporations where matching funds are given out when an employee makes a donation. Others participants in the Benevity Program are Family Trusts etc. Jim MacMillan will call Benevity to find out who made the donation(s) so we can send thank you notes. Jim will find out more details on the program and send an email out to the membership.

A couple of bills were presented for payment.

Jimi Wilsonmoved to approve the September Treasurer’s Report, seconded by Stan Morgan, and the motion passed.

**Old Business:**

**Munchen Haus Benevolent Night:**

Final total was $1,082.00**.**

**Kahler Mountain Club Golf Tournament:**

Final Total was $21,553.34.

**Yard Sale:**

Jimi Wilson outlined that we have boxes and bags of leftover yard sale items in container one and it is unlocked. Any time someone goes to town, please take 2 – 3 boxes to Good Will etc. as we would like to empty the container before the snow flies so wildlife doesn’t move in.

If you have any suggestions on what could be done better at the yard sale next year or what worked well, please send an email to Jimi.

Neck coolers and vests – 8 vests are missing and over 50 of the neck coolers are missing. If you have any, please bring to the next meeting.

**Committee Reports:**

**Clothing: Chris King**

The GoUSA store will open tomorrow and we will be offering jackets as new items. There are 2 different styles and they are on display. Other new items are a non-trucker baseball hats and a fleece beanie. A link for the clothing store will be sent out and the store will remain open for 12 – 14 days.

Thanks to those who donated or lent neon shirts as we were able to supply everyone who needed a shirt for the Yard Sale.

**Upcoming Events:**

**Online Auction:**

The online auction is canceled this year as those items will go to the pancake breakfast instead.

**Pancake Breakfast: Dorothy Baker**

The pancake breakfast will be held at the Rec Center on Saturday, December 3rd from 8:00–11:30.

Dorothy Baker and Marilyn Mylius are leading this event.

We will have a Santa this year (John Tobias), Marci Scott will be Mrs. Claus, and Terri Weiss and Jenni Bunkelman will be Santa’s Elves. We hope to bring much joy and happiness to the kids with this part of the breakfast.

There will be Holiday Trivia during the Pancake Breakfast where questions will be asked and the first right answer will win a pumpkin pie.

We will only have 8 vendors this year (arts and crafts). Looking at moving cookies around a little to create space in the back. Ponderosa community will donate a basket and the candy canes for the Santa house. Scott Baker and Stan Morgan have already received some great donations for the Pancake Breakfast.

There is a list of themed baskets on your table to choose from. Once a themed basket is made, some additional donated items will be added. Example: “It’s Italian”– Visconti’s Gift Card is the donated item that will be added to the basket. We will have a basket wrapping day and there are signup sheets to help do that.

Dorothy will write up the event with dates and times and Elizabeth will send it out to the membership. Advertising will start in November along with raffle tickets being sold at Plain Grocery.

Signup sheets for the various posts at the Pancake Breakfast are on the table: Raffle baskets, Raffle ticket sales, Cashier, Dining room (and we are looking for a new lead for dining room), Santa House Decorating, Kitchen mentee, Raffle basket wrap/prep, Cookie baking, and Cookie plating/wrapping. The signup sheets will also be available at the November meeting.

If you want to put alcohol in your basket, please contact Dorothy as it will need to be either a gift certificate or an empty bottle.

We also have a variety of baskets available for those making a basket.

**KMC Golf Tournament: October 9th**

Kahler Mountain Club Memorial Ball Buster golf tournament will be held on October 9th and the proceeds will go to Lake Wenatchee Fire & Rescue. 14 holes will be played as it is a cross country tournament. Jimi Wilson outlined that they only have 4-hole sponsors so far and are looking for 10 more. If anyone is interested in sponsoring a hole, it is $100 but would accept more. The hole sponsorship money goes directly to LWFR.

A motion was made by Jim MacMillan for the Auxiliary to sponsor a hole for $500.00.

Tom Baranouskas moved to approve the motion, it was seconded by Kelly MacMillan, and the motion passed.

**New Business:**

**Sunshine: Sharyl Nelson**

Get well cards were sent to Bill Miller and Mark Judy as they were both in the hospital. Donnarae Holloway’s Mother passed away and a sympathy card was sent to her. Bob and Marilyn Barr just celebrated 65 years of marriage. Congratulations to Bob and Marilyn!

**Good of the Order:**

A big thank you to Becky Payne, Barb and Bruce Harris, and Jimi and George Wilson for making sandwiches for the firefighters last Wednesday as they were working the Colter Creek fire. Thanks for making the food and taking it out to the firefighters in the dark. It was much appreciated.

Paula Robinson advised that she is blocked out from posting on the Auxiliary face book page. If anyone has any suggestions on how to fix this, please let Paula know.

**Stickers Available:**

Are available for $1.00.

**Next meeting:**

The next meeting is November 2nd at **6:00** p.m. at Station 91.

Paula Robinson moved to adjourn the meeting, it was seconded by Scott Baker, and the motion passed.

The meeting concluded at 7:35 p.m.