

ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED CONSERVATIONISTS

**Meeting of 7 Apr 2010
New Glarus Hotel, New Glarus, WI**

ARC President, Chuck Pils, called the meeting to order at 1:15 pm.

58 paid members and guests were present.

The meal was \$12.00

A raffle was not held.

A moment of silence was observed for friends and family who have passed and for our troops who are serving in harms way.

The minutes of the March Meeting were read by Acting Secretary Jim Miller and approved with one correction.

Financial Report

The opening balance was \$1750.11.

It will not be known how much we collected from the lunch proceeds until Dave Croft gives it to Treasurer Doris Rusch..

We collected \$4.00 from new members.

We still owe Linda Meyer \$75 for Wilbur Steitz memorial.

The preliminary closing balance is \$1,754.11, but the final will not be known until Dave Croft turns the money over to Treasurer Rusch..

Guests and New Members

There were no guests.

Attending their 2nd meeting was Gene Mitchell and Robert Straus, Jr. They were voted in, paid their \$2.00 fee and filled out their membership information forms.

Frank and Miller Report (Wisconsin Coalition of Annuitants)

Ed reported the March market was still a little flat, but doing somewhat better, but don't expect 32% this year!

Jim told about the problem Betty Dries, Spooner, had when the Social Security System declared her dead and she stopped receiving her SS and ETF checks. Even received a phone call from the insurance company asking for a copy of her death certificate! SS and ETF were notified and the checks started flowing again.

Old Business

None.

New Business

President Pils reported on the new edition of the Endangered Resources license plate that will be introduced later in the day. He will be attending the ceremony.

Ruth Hine will be inducted into the Conservation Hall of Fame at Stevens Point on Saturday, 24 Apr 2010. President Pils said before Ms. Hine passed away she had asked him to speak for her at the event.

Death and Illness

Gordon Landphier is still in the Waunakee Manor Nursing Home.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Chuck Rieck was 87 on April 1st, Jerry Dorscheid will be 65 on the 11th, Ruth Anderson will be 71 on the 12th, Kermit Traska 62 on the 19th, and Lee Liebenstein will celebrate his on the 25th.

Rudy Nigl and his wife celebrated their 51st anniversary on the 4th.

Guest Speaker

None.

Trips

Dave Gjetson reported on their trip to Mexico in March. This included a tour of Copper Canyon which is bigger than the Grand Canyon.

Ron Poff reported on their trip to Mazatlan, Mexico for three weeks. Said the tuna fish were averaging 45 pounds!

Eric Thompson took in several Milwaukee Brewer spring games in Phoenix, Arizona. He also had the opportunity to play some golf with Jack Hoisington.

Jokes

Dave Gjetson told about the man who thought his wife had a hearing problem. Was he (not Dave, but the hero) ever wrong.

Meeting adjourned at 1:52 pm

The next meeting is 5 May at the Hilltop in Cross Plains..

Minutes recorded by Jim Miller, Secretary Pro-Tem.