

THE ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED CONSERVATIONISTS

Meeting of February 6, 2013 held at Fitzgerald's, Middleton WI

ARC President John Hagman called the meeting to order at 1:10 pm.

The meal at Fitzgerald's was \$12.00, attendees had their choice of 1) soup and salad bar, 2) fish sandwich, 3) burger, 4) chicken sandwich. 64 paid members and guests were present.

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

The minutes of the January meeting were read, and approved.

Financial Report:

The opening balance for Savings \$1,222.69 and for Checking is \$156.21.

Dividend on Savings account for January was \$.03.

Paid \$85.97 to Office Depot for printing of 100 updated ARC member directories and a file box for supplies.

Paid \$500.00 to "rswproductions, LLC." for 2013 webmaster services.

Cost of meals and gratuities at Fitzgerald's was \$641.75. \$768.00 was collected leaving a surplus of \$126.25. \$4.00 in dues was collected from new members (total \$130.25.) There was a transfer of funds from savings account to checking, so the closing balance for Savings is \$222.83 and Checking \$700.49.

Guests:

Greg Delwiche, Jeff Barkley and Gary Steffen were guests who attended their first meeting.

New Members:

Bob Hansis and Cheryl Krull attended their second meeting and were voted in as members.

"Frank-n-Miller Report":

Ed Frank encourages everyone to read the last WRS newsletter for details of adjustments that may affect you. There is some increase to variable. Ed reports that SWIB said no to a request for a loan of \$200 million to fund WEDC. Some discussion was held about sending a letter to SWIB indicating ARC support for their action.

Wisconsin Coalition of Annuity Holders (wicoa.org) is holding its annual meeting on May 13 at American Family.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

Approved payment to "rswproductions" for web services (see Financial report.)

Deaths and Illnesses:

Dottie Krueger had a heart attack.
Clare Enerson of Mesa, Arizona has recovered.

Birthdays and anniversaries:

Harley Lichtenwalner is celebrating his 80th birthday *today*.
Brenda and John Hagman celebrate their 38th anniversary on Valentine's Day.

Trips:

John Hagman talked about his trip last month to India. He related that it is a land of contrasts; as an example, 60% of the population doesn't have indoor plumbing and others live nearby in relative luxury. Amazing place to visit!

Jokes:

Ed Frank, Jim Kurtz related jokes.

Meeting adjourned: 1:40 pm.