

THE ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED CONSERVATIONISTS

Meeting of November 6, 2013 held at Imperial Gardens, Madison

ARC President John Hagman called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm.

59 people were in attendance. The meal was a family style *Chinese Buffet including egg rolls, rice, tea and five dishes: veggie, beef, shrimp, chicken, and pork for \$14.00.*

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

John welcomed several members who had not been to the Wednesday meetings in awhile.

The minutes of the October meeting were read and approved.

Financial Report

The opening balance for Savings is \$222.95 and Checking is \$979.29.

Dividend on Savings account for November was \$.02.

Paid to Imperial Gardens (from money collected at door) for 59 meals was \$738.50.

Activity on Checking account:

DEPOSITS: Contribution to ARC treasury from November lunch – \$87.50

Payments for Holiday Party - \$1,756.00.

New member dues - \$2.00

EXPENDITURES: Sheree VandeBrink – reimbursement for Holiday party gift cards - \$50.00, Barbara Wolf – reimbursement for name tags \$1.99, Metcalfe's for Holiday party door prizes - \$16.84, John Hagman reimbursement for Holiday party door prizes - \$195.90.

Closing balance for Savings is \$222.97 and Checking is \$3218.06.

New Members

David Daniel attended his second meeting and was voted in as a new member.

Guests

Audrey Kunstman, active member of DNR Women Retirees group.

Tim Lawhern, recently retired Division Administrator, introduced by John Glennon.

Tom Blattner, retired from UW Babcock Dairy, guest of Gerald Dorscheid.

"Frank-n-Miller Report"

Bob Schaefer gave the report. He said that 3 major stock indices are all up. Bob discussed proposed or pending legislation – bill to allow purchase of years for military service, Governor's initiative for self-insurance undergoing analysis and Assembly bill to use 5 highest years of service (rather than 3) to determine pension.

Old Business

Members should let us know any change of address, phone, e-mail contact, so it's accurate in the 2014 ARC directory. A list will also go around at the Holiday party so changes can be made then.

New Business

Nominees are needed for position of vice-president. Barb Wolf will continue as secretary/treasurer. Sheree VandeBrink will become president in 2014.

Next meeting is the Holiday party at Rex's Innkeeper. Don't forget to sign up, and bring a donation for the raffle if you can. Volunteers are needed to sell raffle tickets at the party.

Deaths and Illnesses

Jerry Trumm passed away on November 1. Jerry was long time the superintendent of Mirror Lake State Park, and served as a deputy conservation warden, before his retirement in 2006.

Birthdays and anniversaries

Happy 90th to Joe Rubesch! Bruce Chevis turns 66. Lloyd and Shirley Lueschow celebrated their 50th anniversary.

Trips:

Roy Lembcke traveled to several destinations in the Southwest, visited Sedona and Albuquerque. He was at the Grand Canyon during the government shutdown, and he said getting around in the park was tough since no shuttles were running.

John and Brenda Hagman were in Breckenridge and Estes Park, Colorado, saw the devastation caused by flooding. On another recent trip they went to Prague, Vienna, and cruised the Danube River.

Meeting adjourned at 1:35 pm.