

SNO-KING RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I wish to thank all of the members who attended the Scholarship Luncheon. Over seventy were present, including our three scholarship winners and their mothers. The members of our unit who pitched in and did the actual work in setting up the tables and furnishing the delicious food deserve the highest commendation and heartfelt thanks.

A special award was presented to Elbert Honeycutt as our "Goodwill Ambassador". Elbert spends many hours visiting and carrying good cheer to our members.

Patricia Svendsen was also honored as she received an Outstanding Person award from AARP for her many hours preparing and presenting Retirement Planning Seminars.

Again the Scholarship Fund benefited from the gift of four more lovely paintings donated by Edith and Gordon Bowers and four more of our members were lucky winners in the drawing for those paintings.

Don't forget the joint luncheon with the Sno-Isle Unit on Tuesday, May 15. If you haven't made your reservations please call Ed Osborne at 364-3523, Betty Odle at 525-8276, or me at 486-6684 immediately and then mail in the slip below, with your check, to the address shown on the reservation form.

John Hunter, President



President John Hunter presents the AARP Outstanding Person Award to Pat Svendsen.



1990 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

From l. to r.: Diana Mar, Shorecrest H.S., Shoreline; Annamarie Jordan, Edmonds H.S.; Vanessa Fife, Bothell H.S., Northshore.



Gordon Bowers presents the Sno-King Goodwill Ambassador Award to Elbert Honeycutt.

COMING EVENTS

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| May 9 | Noon | Board Meeting (Potluck) Edie Kirkpatrick's, 1523 S. Carol, Camano Island, 387-0918 |
| May 15 (Tuesday) | Noon | Joint Luncheon Meeting with Sno-Isle at Henry's Lady Restaurant, in Tulalip Inn, West of I-5 at Marysville. Jack Hill, WSRTA President will be the speaker. (See reservation form below) |
| June 13 | 1:30p.m. | Board Meeting at Marion Bellows home, 9700 24th NW, 782-3046 |
| June 21 | 1:30 | General Meeting, Edmonds School District Boardroom. Installation of Officers. |



DON'T MISS THE MAY 15th LUNCHEON!



SNO-KING - SNO-ISLE RTA LUNCHEON MAY 15 AT HENRY'S LADY RESTAURANT, MARYSVILLE
(Reservations close May 8)

Please reserve () places at the luncheon at \$10.00 each.

Enclosed is my check for \$

Signed _____

(Include all names covered by this reservation)

Mail to: Sno-King RTA, P.O. Box 5253, Lynnwood, WA 98046 5253



LEGISLATIVE UPDATE - Gordon Bowers, Legislative Chairman

THE WSRTA BOARD has approved the employment of a part time "COORDINATOR OF GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS", responsible to the WSRTA Executive Director, Lois Sheppard. The salary will be \$25,000 annually, \$12,500 to be charged to the TRIP FUND, and \$12,500 to the WSRTA Budget. This person will work in the legislative arena.

WSRTA representatives met with the JOINT COMMITTEE ON PENSION POLICY April 16, and will continue meeting with same on a regular basis, presenting the problems of TRS I retirees whenever possible.

MEDIGAP insurance rates rose an average 20% this year, and some were as high as 50%! It is a \$16 billion business, and most states are already revising laws and procedures regulating same. Washington was the first to do so. Gail Shearer, Manager of Policy Analysis for Consumers Union said, "Medigap prices seem to go up whether Medicare Benefits expand or contract. Consumers are confused." Also, see NRTA Bulletin, April 1990, Pages 1 & 13 - STATES MOVE TO CUT ABUSE IN MEDIGAP.

Neal Hogler has resigned from chairmanship of the WSRTA Legislative Committee after serving one year. WSRTA will need a strong, experienced person to lead and devote thousands of hours to the legislative task. Neal will be missed - thanks for mighty efforts!

NEWS ABOUT OUR MEMBERS



Connie Hayden is recovering from a broken ankle. Is in a cast.

Helen Beaver is a "bouncer" at the undergraduate library at the UW. (Good right swing!)

Harry and Judy Liden drove to an Elderhostel in the apple country of California. This area is not too far from San Bernardino.

Frank and Lois Madden are going to Wenatchee for the Gen and Mineral show.

Jim and Martha Becker left on April 30 for a 2-week Elderhostel at Padara, Italy. When they return, pictures/highlights will be shown to any interested.

Edith Faste enjoyed an Elderhostel on the north shore of Oahu in February. Her flight in a glider was a special thrill.

Don and Ruthanne Warren are enjoying being volunteers at the Seattle Visitor Information Center. The center is in the process of moving and will be re-located at the Convention Center next month.

Gretchen Lay and her husband Lee, are going to visit friends in Troy, Montana. Hope to drive different routes so as to see new scenery.

Irma Bendock recently enjoyed a trip south to Sacramento to attend a nieces wedding. A pleasant five day break with stop over in Shakespearean Ashland, Oregon.

Alice Byrne is recuperating after surgery to mend a defective Achilles tendon

Edie Kirkpatrick as a new grandson named Tyler David born on April 14. He is her 9th grandchild.

Eileen Langford has returned from three months in Singapore attending a YWAM Crossroads school. She hopes to return in September to give a year in helping to set up a small elementary school on the YWAM base there to service the children of the permanent staff.



(DEADLINE FOR JUNE BULLETIN IS MAY 25 - send to Betty Odle, 2137 N 86, 98103, 525-8276)

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