



SNO-KING RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

BULLETIN

MAY 1985

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - Betty Odle

I have just discovered why we were able to finish our meeting on April 18 so quickly - we forgot the election of officers!!! Just goes to show you how much we rely on our efficient secretary Mary Lou Porter, who unfortunately was on her way to China. We were hoping not to have any business to conduct at our joint meeting with Sno-Isle in May, but we will have to proceed with the election of officers. As you may remember from the April Newsletter, the ~~nominees~~ are: President-Betty Odle, Vice President-Marion Bellows, Secretary-Mary Lou Porter, Treasurer-Gordon Roberts. The delegates and alternates to the State Convention were elected by the Board at their meeting on April 10 and they are: Betty Odle, Marion Bellows, Ken Angell, Gene Olmsted, John Hunter, Helen Beaver and Pat Svendsen as delegates and Betty Puckett, Mary Lou Porter, Fran Peters and Gordon Bowers as alternates.

Many of the members who were interested in taking the 55-Alive course were beginning to feel the pinch of too many things coming up so we decided to postpone our sponsorship of the course to the Fall. If you would like to take it this Spring you can contact the AARP Driver Improvement Program Coordinator, Harold Hubbard at 774-7507. He is planning a class late in May on the first part of July in the Edmonds area.

We hope that you will receive this Bulletin before the May 9 deadline for paid reservations to the joint luncheon with Sno-Isle on May 16. The choral group from Bothell High School will entertain us and WSRTA President, Harold Anderson will be our guest speaker. It should be a very enjoyable occasion and we hope that we will have a good turnout to welcome our friends from the north. See you there!!!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- May 8 Board Meeting at 1:30 p.m. at Kamilla Aarseth's and Marvel DeSordi's home
- May 16 Joint Meeting with Sno-Isle RTA, Landmark Inn, Noon Luncheon, \$8, reservations in by May 9.
- May 22 Material for June Newsletter to Marion Bellows, 9700 - 24th Ave. N.W., Seattle, WA 98117. (782-3046)
- May 29 Board Meeting to plan strategies for State Convention. 1:30 at Betty Odle's.
- June 3, 4, 5 WSRTA Convention in Olympia at the Tye Motor Inn, 500 Tye Dr., Tumwater, 98502. Additional information will be in the May WSRTA Journal. All members are welcome and we would like to have many of our members present so we will know what we have to do next year when we will be in charge of the Convention.

SENIOR SWIM - Phyllis Fiege

The Lynnwood City Pool has good opportunities for seniors for exercise and swimming. On Monday and Wednesday from 1:00 - 1:45, an instructor takes the group through exercises in the water. There is usually free swimming for 15 minutes. Cost is 50 cents each time--no need to sign up or register. On Friday from 10:30 - 11:30 is an Open Swim for Seniors at a cost of 75 cents.

Come and join the group. The pool is not crowded. Use of sauna is included in the swim fee. Emphasis is on providing a service to seniors. For those with Red Cross instruction background and a desire to assist, please call Greg, pool manager. Some of the non-swimming seniors would like some extra help in learning to swim, others would like help in improving skills in swimming or diving.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE - Bowers and Olmstead

A bill that was of special interest to AARP and the Senior Citizen Lobby was SSB 3458 - Motor Vehicle Insurance. This bill would have mandated lower insurance rates for persons age 55 and older had they completed approved defensive driving courses. It was probably reasonable to assume that the popular 55 Alive/Mature Driving Course sponsored by AARP and offered by our RTA Unit would qualify for this insurance reduction. However, this bill died in committee, but not until it had been watered down considerably. Latest plans call for resubmitting this bill next year in its original form.

The State Senate Budget still contains \$545,000 for continuing the three respite care projects (this is an experiment giving home nursing care to keep seniors from going to nursing homes).

There will be a reduction in chore services for low income seniors.

There is still hope that some provisions of the HEALTH CARE COST CONTAINMENT (ESHB 1077) will become law.

TRAVELERS

Earl Garrison and his wife spent three weeks in Mexico at Puerto Vallarta and Mazatlan. They felt safe, ate good food, drank the water--hope to return again in 1986. The people seem most friendly, but prices are up even though the \$ is 230 pesos.

Gordon and June Roberts - "Our travels are taking us in all directions this year--south in January and February to Arizona, California, with a few side trips into Mexico; west to Hawaii in March; and May, June, and early July will see us moving east to visit Spain, Portugal, and Tunisia."

Bill and Ev Anderson are taking a trip to Yugoslavia and Greece with a cruise of the Greek Islands on the STELLA SCLAVIS.

Eileen and Brad Gillespie celebrated their fortieth anniversary on a cruise to the Mexican Riviera in January. They just returned on April 14 after 12 days back east--Hackensack, NJ; Philadelphia; New York City; Boston; a bit of the Maine coast, and some of New Hampshire. Trip was mostly to visit a daughter who is doing her internship in dance/movement therapy in a center for emotionally disturbed children in Hackensack.

In May and June Alice Byrne is taking a tour to Czechoslovakia, Poland, Berlin, and Hungary. Then she strikes out on her own for a visit to France.

Ardell and Sam Swanson left Edmonds on January 28 for Modesto to meet friends. Then motor-homed to Bullhead, Arizona, and Laughlin, Nevada, across the Colorado. Then on south to Quartzite, the home of the largest flea market, on to Lake Havasu and at last to Yuma. Stayed in a beautiful R.V. Park and visited Mexico and Museums in the area. On to Apache Junction and Mesa for a week. Beautiful weather in the 70's. They got home on March 26.

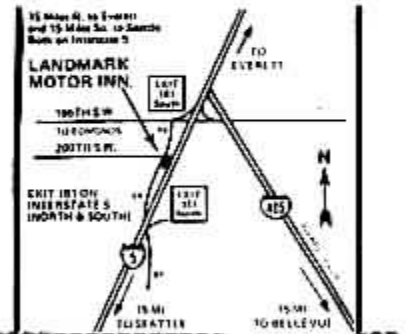
Phillis Fiege and Gen Kimm have just returned from a three-week trip to four of the islands in Hawaii. Had a wonderful time - went sight-seeing, enjoyed every minute of the time they were there.

MAY LUNCHEON

Please make your reservations for our May 16 luncheon with the SNO-ISLE unit. The reservations must reach us by May 9. The Arion Singers of Bothell High School under the direction of Jim Wilson will provide music for us. State President Harold Anderson will give us a report of his year.

Use the following coupon.

The Fred Meyer shopping center is located at 196 SW and 44 SW. Going south on 44 from 196 will bring a person to 200 SW with the Inn clearly visible on your left. Persons taking the 44 Street exit from I-5 at Lynnwood should go north on 44 to 200.



SNO-KING SNO-ISLE RTA LUNCHEON, MAY 16, 1985, LANDMARK INN, LYNNWOOD

Reservations close MAY 9, 1985.

Please reserve () places for the luncheon at \$8.00 each.

Enclosed is my check for \$ _____ . The time is 12 noon.

Payable to SNO-KING R.T.A.

Signed _____

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Any news items or articles for the June Bulletin must reach Marion Bellows, 9700 - 24 N.W., Seattle, WA 98117 (782-3046) by May 22.