

South Interior Power Pioneers

News Update

January 2023

January Luncheon



Thirty-four members attended our luncheon. By the sound of it, a boisterous bunch had plenty to reminisce.

We were served a broiled chicken plate with mash potato, steamed carrots, broccoli florets and a square of jelly salad. It was tastefully prepared and more than sufficient for senior's lunch. A self-serve dessert table featured a choice of squares and coffee.



And the winners are...

The door prize was a Power Pioneer History Book of Stave Falls won by Jerry Reinhardt
Mal Grant and Darleen Reinhardt each won \$20.00 in the 50/50 draw.





President's Report – by Fred Wernicke

Highlights of Power Pioneer President's conference call on December 22:
Ros LeBlanc is the new Provincial President.
Lois Earle is the new vice-president.
Planning has begun for 2024 Alaska Cruise Jamboree to take place September 15, 2024 on the Celebrity Solstice.
Community Service Award application period is now open.



Vice President's Report – by Stew Wallach

Community Service Award program is now under way to solicit applicants from local high schools. In event more than one application is received we need a panel of three volunteer judges to review each application and select a winner. This is a simple one-time task not at all onerous. If you can help, please contact Stew at stewimac@telus.net or Donna at wallach@telus.net or call 250-542-2097



Membership Report – by Donna Wallach

Welcome New Members:

Colin Frost
Marc Nadeau

Deaths:

Tanis Stephenson 15 November 2022
Eileen Morphet 24 December 2022

Membership Count:

Moved Away:

Tim & Carol Read
Helen Neufeld
Peter Brand
John & Nancy Hudgin

146	Regular members
2	Gold/Lifetime members
2	Branch Honorary members
1	Donor member
151	Total members

Who you gonna call?

Contact information for executives, volunteers, phoners, etc is now available on a wallet card. Ask Donna for yours.

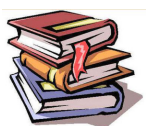


Treasurer's Report – by Forbes Niemi

December 31 marks the end of our fiscal year when accounting records are closed and reset for a new reporting period. It is time to review our state of wealth, where we've been and where we are heading. A separate year-end financial report is available for this purpose. In general, our cash flow is up 50% from previous year due to increased activities following relaxation of COVID restrictions plus increased grants and subsidies from Provincial HQ.



Unfortunately membership dues decreased 14% year-over-year, which confirms the drop in membership reported above. This trend is not sustainable and indicates a recruitment campaign might be necessary to save us from extinction.



Literacy Program – by Debbie Raymer

The book donation jar at the Christmas Party amounted to \$205.20, which afforded a shopping spree and a great donation of books: - Vernon Secondary School received 33, and Lavington Elementary School received 81. Lavington was super-appreciative of the donation. Thanks to everyone for making book donations possible. I look forward to do even more this year!



Volunteer Points – by Steve Harrison

Out of a possible 149 members able to participate, 96 are already confirmed to have filled out the on-line volunteer survey. This assures we will receive at least \$1,920.00 from the Provincial H.O., which we can then donate to local charities. I am hopeful a few more will complete the survey before the deadline of Jan 18th to top the \$2000.00 mark.



Care Cards – by Flo Ryan

Reporting period from Oct 30, 2022 to Jan 5, 2023

Condolences sent to the families of:

Lorraine Jakubec
Tanis Stephenson
Eileen Morphet

Get Well cards sent to:

Drew Eyre
Jayne LaPointe
Flo Ryan
Tanis Stephenson
Steve Harrison
Susan Anderson
Peter Laschuk

If you know of someone deserving a Get Well, Condolence or Congratulations Card please contact Flo Ryan at 250-542-6919 or email fvryan@shaw.ca

Beef or Bouquet? – by Donna Wallach

Here are some responses to our recent *Beef or Bouquet* survey as well as general comments received. ...apparently nothing but bouquets to report.

Thanks for all the hard work

The Christmas Luncheon was Fabulous, a great gathering.

Great job of the newsletters - always informative.

Thanks to all who had a hand in putting on this luncheon.

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