

## 2013 2-26 ELDERSTUDY MEMBERSHIP MINUTES

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The membership committee Elderstudy met at Wegmans on Tuesday, February 26, 2013.

Reports are as follows:

Millie Goodrich reported that she contacted Matt Shellenger from UMW Catering to deliver the refreshments for the General Membership meeting of March 19, 2013. Members of the committee were concerned that much of the food was left over, so wondered if we could order a smaller amount and it would cost less money. Suzanne will check with the Board of Directors, who makes this decision.

Eugenia Jones informed us on some of the events planned for the End of the Year Luncheon on May 16, 2013, most of which dealt with the "Celebrate 20" anniversary of ElderStudy, which has its own committee. So far, Larry Turner will read an original poem composed for the occasion. Founding members will be introduced and asked to share brief memories. Birthday cake will be served. Bill Wemmerus and maybe Dennis Van Derlaske will play as entertainment for the event. Dot Meyers is making special table runners with the names of the 101 ES members. All members are looking for pictures for the event. Rose Marie Schlemm will once again take the reservation. Newspaper editor, Dottie Meyers asked Eugenia to have the article on "Celebrate 20 and the reservation list for the End of Year Luncheon by the middle of April. Dottie will send a reminder via email when she needs the articles to be turned in for the newsletter. Rose Marie asked if the "Celebrate 20" committee could get an update of the names of the new members since the original membership list came out in October 2012. Suzanne said she would obtain one for her.

Sherril Bartholomew indicated that she has sent out about 8 new member packets for this new semester. Sherrill is also the person who calls the people that do not get email or do not have computer access for information about Elderstudy. At this point in time, she calls 18 people for all new announcements. Right now, she plans to call about the fact that the Sir James Galway lecture will be held in the Woodard Great Room and you can bring guests. Another announcement is that an hour before the regular book meeting on March 14, all members are invited to come and talk about the Downton Abby phenomenon. Sherrill mentioned that in her new packets, she needs a new map of the campus. Suzanne will speak to Phil Hall about this matter.

Miriam Gerard stated that she sent out 12 name tags to the new members.

Chuck Watkins was unable to attend but Suzanne reported for him from his email. His Web Team tweaked the Home Page by creating a new "Governance" tab with following sub tags – financial reports, minutes & agenda, and policies and procedures. Interest Groups were also created for the book group and the genealogy group.

Pat Parkinson was unable to attend but Suzanne reported for her from her email. Pat handles the "Requests for Information" calls. She received 3 calls in December that wanted newsletters. Pat asked to have a few news flyers as well, so

when she gets calls, she can send information to the people. Suzanne will obtain for her.

Suzanne mentioned that all brochures advertising Elderstudy in the various libraries and YMCAs are gone. We are assuming people have acquired all brochures. Right now, the feeling is we do not need more brochures out there until August of 2013. Suzanne will check status of these brochures.

Peggy Gratz, person in charge of remembrances, was unable to attend but asked Suzanne to report that she has not needed to send any cards since she sent those for Betty Blaisdell and Ann Rabson.

Dottie Meyers, editor of the newsletter asked if everyone had received it. (She mentioned that our President did not receive his and he is a neighbor of Dottie's, who did receive it.) She gave us details on how the newsletter is printed and sent out. The February newsletter that we just received had a blue insert, which was the ballot sheet listing the biographical information of the three candidates running for election to the Board of Directors. Said ballot can be brought the day of the General Membership meeting on March 19 or mailed in to the address given in the newsletter.

Dottie mentioned to Suzanne that she would like the language changed on when articles are due to the editor. Suzanne said she would ask the administration chair, John Thompson

The next membership meeting will be on Tuesday, April 30 at 1:30 at Wegmans.

As no additional announcements were mentioned, the chair adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted:

Suzanne Willis