

Reunion Committee for EHS Class of 1967

Minutes of July 28, 2008

Once again the reunion committee for EHS class of 1967 came up with another feeble excuse to get together. The official purpose was the alleged need to plan the collective 60th birthday party for the class, which is to take place sometime in the summer of 2009 when the majority of our class will have reached Geezer status. Without much prompting, the meeting was hosted by Steve Juntila at his home on July 28, 2008. Presiding over the meeting was El Jeffe, aka the Head Dude, Steve Peterson. Steve's age and forgetfulness became apparent when he appointed Don Carter to serve as the loyal scribe once again (just like a third marriage, this was another example of hope triumphing over wisdom gained from experience). Had Steve been able to remember the slings and arrows of previous minutes, he would have never made such a rash appointment.

In attendance at the meeting was the effervescent host, Mr. Entertainment-Steve Juntila. Adding much needed charm and loveliness to the meeting were Cathy Stewart-Romstad, Susie Peterson-Schmidt, Annette Kerber and Sue Jensen-Aaby. Also making an ever so rare appearance was Pete Knehr (whose new nickname appears below).

After a few glasses of wine were tasted by the majority of the attendees and most of the appetizers were grazed over, the meeting was called to order by His Eminence, our long serving Head Dude. The two principle objectives of the meeting were to set a potential time frame for our collective birthday party and to begin the selection process for the potential locations, caterers and entertainment, (No, Juntila and Lloyd will not be reprising their "Bye Bye Birdie" roles).

As to the date it was concluded that we would have to work with whatever schedule the selected facility had open for reservations next summer. To that end, it was unanimously agreed that a time frame between Memorial Day and Labor Day would be chosen in order to hold the event. It is most likely event to occur after July 4 and before Labor Day to take advantage of the best chance for good weather. (Judging by this year, the chances may not be that good).

The potential number of attendees was next discussed in order to gauge the size of the facility needed. Based upon the good response to the 40th Reunion, the consensus was that we could anticipate probably 50-100 persons, including spouses. Based upon that calculation, the committee members were charged with trying to find the best venue to accommodate the anticipated Gomer Gathering (a politically insensitive term for our aging group). The assignments were then given out for the following persons to contact the identified locations and report back at the next meeting regarding costs, availability and capacity.

1. Don Carter - Legion Hall
2. Susie Schmidt - Tulalip Casino
3. Cathy Romstad - Buzz Inn
4. Annette Kerber - Senior Center Edmonds
5. Sue (I'm retired) Aaby - Comcast Center, Everett Station, Weyerhaeuser, Milltown Sailing Assoc.

6. Pete Knehr - Ivar's-Mukilteo, Arnie's-Mukilteo
7. Steve Juntala - Museum of Flight (Paine Field)
8. Steve Peterson - Floral Hall

In addition to gathering the information regarding the rental rates and the availability of the facilities, the committee members were also requested to investigate issues regarding potential caterers and their respective menus and costs.

The committee's next meeting is on September 10, 2008 at 6:00 pm on Peter (Mine is bigger than yours) Knehr's boat on dock 'O' at the Everett Yacht Basin. Pete bought this particular boat because for once in his life he wanted to hear someone say "Oh, that's a big one."

These minutes are being sent late as I just returned from the ancestral (as opposed to incestuous) home of the Carter Family, Danville, Virginia where the "War of Northern Aggression" continues to be fought.

With all my usual humility,
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