Southeast Spokane Historical Society & Museum Monthly Meeting January 19, 2016

Attendees: Barb Neal, Lisa La Bolle, Chris Olson, Geri Knott, Darlene Wernz, Sharon Janson, Charlie Keno, Kelly Crockett, Glenn Leitz

We discussed having our meetings in the evenings from now on and having the museum open to the public during our meetings. We will continue to keep it on the third Tuesday of the month but the time will change to 7:00 p.m. Sharon suggested we invite speakers on occasion.

Darlene received a phone call from the former editor of the newspaper in Palouse who is doing some research and requested our assistance. Darlene will invite her to visit the museum so she can see if there is anything here she can use. She will also ask if this lady can speak to our group at one of our meetings.

Old Business:

The Latah mammoth display needs to be updated and added to. We will move the Native American display to the current mammoth area and move the mammoth information to that spot where there is more room for information and photographs. Glenn has a contact at Washington State who has the original rib bone that was donated to pay for one of the Coplen boys to attend college there. He will try to acquire the rib for the museum and see if the contact at WSU would be willing to come speak to us.

At the February meeting we plan to show a DVD of Gordon Lederer's history of the area. We will advertise it in the area town newsletters (the ones that come out with the water bills) and flyers in post offices and other public places as well as on the website.

The Mullan Road map to be painted under the front porch of the museum is still an open topic. Charlie offered to give the group a tour of the route as he knows it. Part of the route is disputed: there are three different interpretations of where the trail was placed, so it was suggested that all three should be represented on the map.

New Business:

Sharon brought in a photo of the Latah Baseball team from the 1800's or early 1900's. She donated one copy to the museum. She is working to identify the players. Glenn brought in a photo of the army from Fort Wright marching to the dedication of Steptoe Memorial in Rosalia.

Meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa La Bolle Secretary