

August Newsletter

We are going into the second half of the year. The first half of the year has been an experience to say the least. When I started this year I didn't think that changes could take affect as fast as they have come to pass.

There have been a few changes to the board and we have made a lot of progress moving the organization forward. The dinners in the first half have had good attendance and I think that everyone attending has enjoyed the company and the food.

We are still looking to better the retirement experience by adding to the list of experiences available to the membership.

We sponsor a breakfast every month at the Looking Good Restaurant at W 1st Ave. and Sheridan Blvd. There is no fee involved for this activity. Just show up and pay for what you eat. You do need to let Patt Bluimer know if you plan to attend so the restaurant can plan for your arrival. I know there are already several retired officers that meet for breakfast and this is an another opportunity to get together.

The museum has asked for volunteers and I believe that this is a worthwhile activity for any of us that are interested in our past. It offers another time to get together as well as helping to preserve our history. They have several ongoing projects that you can involve yourself with and I encourage you to check it out.

The picnic is just around the corner. We will, again, be at Prospect Park in Wheatridge. This year we are asking members, who have classic cars to bring them along for the enjoyment of the membership. You can pay for the picnic at the Web Site and we are looking forward to seeing you at the picnic.

I would be remiss if I did not mention the Web Site. It has been amazing to see the response the Web Site has enjoyed. I believe that the Web Site has been instrumental to our success this year. Being able to keep track of our activities and being able to pay for the dinners and your dues on line had certainly made things easier for the membership. A large THANKS has to go to Glen and Bard Miller for this Web Site and I hope the members that use the Site will continue to communicate their ideas to us.

We have incorporated the What's Your Game Book into the Web Site. I know there have been problems in the past with a perceived bias toward what was believed to be advertisements for businesses. We believe that by charging a modest fee for this service everyone is operating on the same footing. It gives members, who want to do business with other members a way to find them and at the same time it gives members, who have a service to offer, a way to offer it.

Looking at the rest of the year ahead we are trying to offer some additional events for the membership. There will be the usual dinners and we are looking at trying to get some buses for trips to Black Hawk. We have contacted the Mardi Gras Casino and are looking for a date and times. We invite your input so let us know if you think it is a worthwhile event.

In closing I would like for you to think about 2015. There will be elections in November and it would be nice to have members seek election to the Board. This is not an all time consuming job and there needs to be new ideas and new members to keep the organization moving forward. Just something to think about.

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