

**Officer Students' Spouses' Club**  
**Executive Board**  
**Monday, 18 March, 2007**

**Members Present:**

Jeff Pizanti, Kary Mack, Daisy Pitel, Regina Dixon, Charlotte Rysavy, April Benham, Michelle Krakar, Karen Clemente, Tricia Distifeno, Hurley Thurston, Tina Cloud, Meredith Franck, Jean Smarsh

**Meeting called to order at 1906**

Minutes from the February 12 meeting are approved.

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Farewell to President Jeff Pizanti; thank you for a job well done. Thank you to Kary Mack for stepping into the President position. April Benham has volunteered to fill the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President position. Michelle Krakar is considering filling the position of President when Kary Mack transfers.

**Committee & Volunteer Updates**

- Bargain Fair [Karen Clemente/Tricia Distifeno] – This past Bargain Fair sported the largest turn out yet. The chairpersons are commended for the advertising. It is suggested that a sign be posted at the courthouse entrance to La Mesa for the next event. The Boy Scouts will be approached regarding constructing such a sign. A “No Pets” policy has been adopted and signs will be posted to reflect this. It is noted that the location of the Bargain Fair was moved because of construction in La Mesa.
  - ✓ Cleanup is discussed. Garbage cans are not provided because in the past, their availability actually created more garbage left around the site. Recycle bins manned by the Boy Scouts will be considered. Good Will and Salvation Army will be contacted regarding possibly having a truck on site to accept post-Bargain Fair donations. It is noted that previously these organizations would not come out on a Saturday.
  - ✓ Booth sale dates are discussed. Traditionally, booth sales have been on Tuesday and Thursdays but to accommodate more schedules, a Monday-Tuesday schedule for week one and a Wednesday-Thursday schedule for week two is being considered. Limiting who can buy booths on which week is also being considered. Finding a new location for booth sales rather than continuing to sit in front of the thrift shop is desirable. The La Mesa Community Center, possibly near the pool check-in area, is suggested. This would provide good traffic, good control, and an opportunity for booth-renters to see the spaces outside in person. Someone will check with Michelle at Pinnacle. Details will be passed on to Hurley for posting on the website.
  - ✓ For further fundraising, a two or five dollar fee for early (8:30 instead of 9:00) entrance for non-vendor/non-volunteer shoppers is discussed. A five dollar fee for non-vendors wishing to park on the dirt lot in front/back is also considered. Charging for preferred parking would require Pinnacle’s approval since they own the land; the back lot would require a “no exit ‘til noon” policy.
- Allocations [Jen Heatherington] – Jeff spoke to Shelley O’Hara who has the allocations binder. Kary will follow up and arrange to pick up the binder in order to pass it on to Jen.
- Scholarships [] – The scholarship folder moved to Belgium with the previous chairperson. Charlotte has retyped the application and transcript request form so the dates for 2007 can be adjusted. Because of the late start, the due dates are changed from 15 April to 01 May. The new documents will be posted on the website soon. Kary and April will see that the applications are delivered to local High Schools and appropriate advertising is done at NPS.
- Major Fund Raiser, Pasta Dinner/Silent Auction [Tina Cloud] – The Pasta Dinner is scheduled for 28 April in the La Mesa Community Center ballroom. With an estimate of 250 people attending, Tina has created a list of items necessary and an estimated cost to OSSC which follows. Discussion at the meeting requires a recalculation of cost; Tina will email the new numbers. If the 250 attendees are split half adults, half children, the ticket sales would total \$1875. As the date of the event nears, Tina will arrange with Pinnacle to set up a sales booth at the La Mesa Community Center.
  - ✓ One time costs include such items as chafing dishes (4), pitchers, salad bowls, and tongs totaling approximately \$660. It is noted that these items can probably be borrowed from the Stanley House.

The new Admiral will be present by 04 April. Tina and Jean will coordinate a visit with the Admiral to assess the inventory of the Stanley House and arrange to borrow the necessary pieces. It is noted that the official inventory is usually kept by the Admiral's wife and his aide but this admiral is a single civilian. OSSC already owns six plastic pitchers. If any additional items are needed, members may be willing to loan their personal serving pieces to the event. Paper placemats with a bucket of crayons as the table centerpieces is agreed upon. Tricia will donate six white twin sheets for use as table cloths on the serving tables.

- ✓ Consumable costs such as plates, forks, and napkins are estimated at \$125. OSSC has a lot of plastic utensils already.
- ✓ The cost of food is estimated at \$620 and will include salad, bread, regular and vegetable lasagnas (or baked ziti), naked pasta (long noodles or tube pasta), and a variety of sauces including marinara, meat sauce, and vegetable alfredo. Drinks will include tea, coffee, lemonade, and water. Meredith has a 30 cup percolator. Desserts will be made and donated by OSSC members and can be purchased by attendees of the event. The need for desserts will be announced at the next General Membership Meeting.
- Website [Hurley Thurston] – Emails sent to vacant positions will forward to the president until a chairperson is found. Hurley will create the newsletter for the April General Membership Meeting.

#### Treasurer's Report – Regina Dixon

- Current account standings are distributed. The approximately \$1470 raised by the Bargain Fair is not included in the totals.
- The NPS Foundation desires to make a donation to the scholarship fund. These funds will be presented as "NPSF Scholarship" funded by the Thrift Shop, not an OSSC scholarship.
- Budgets are discussed. Daisy believes she can do the New Spouses' Welcome for \$150.

#### Secretary's Report – Charlotte Rysavy

- At last meeting, 29 attendees.
- Karen will type up a fresh copy of the OSSC membership application if an electronic copy cannot be found.

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President's Report – Daisy Pitel

- The new student orientation is scheduled for 3/20. Kary will call public affairs to arrange a booth should the OSSC decide to have a presence at the event.
- The New Spouses' Welcome is scheduled for 4/16. Kary is handling reserving the La Mesa Community Center ballroom. The new dean (Admiral Oliver) or David Smarsh, Chaplain Wesley, and Debbie Monroe (Dean of Students) should be invited to speak at the event. Daisy will compose an email to be mailed out to the OSSC membership requesting food for the event. Daisy would like an LCD projector to do a power-point presentation about the OSSC.

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President's Report – April Benham

- April suggests events that incorporate military families as fund raising opportunities. A Sports Day for military kids perhaps at the soccer field with fees per child entrant (discounts for additional children). It is suggested that after giving out t-shirts and ribbons, the OSSC would be fortunate to break even. This would be an excellent community event, though. Money could be raised on the side through refreshments. April will draw up a plan for a July/August event.
- April: Bunko at the Hayes Community Center

#### Fundraising Ideas: An Update

- SCRAMP (Laguna Seca) requires a volunteer coordinator who would know the event dates and work to get volunteers. The contract would be for four hour shifts with a minimum of six volunteers. The October race will pay the most.

#### Meeting adjourned at 2050

Respectfully submitted by Charlotte Rysavy, OSSC Board Secretary