

## MINUTES – PHC COMMITTEE FOR DONATIONS/SERVICES

OCTOBER 21, 2011 AT LEGISLATIVE INFORMATION OFFICE

The meeting was called to order at 3:35.

Attendees: Marie Murray, Ginny Meyer, Marsha Howard, Carolyn McKee, Dorrie Farrell

Absent: Jill Johnson (working)

Printed Information handouts provided to all for markup, notetaking as topics on agenda covered

### Results of Web Search:

List of U.S. and international manufacturers of outdoor equipment and gear contacted during web search. Total of 12 U.S. and 2 international contacts made. Of all contacts made Farrell indicated that only a couple had items appropriate and affordable for PHC. Details and images of combo sleeping bag/backpack/shelter from Swags.org.au (Australian company) shared and discussed. Agreed item is excellent but cost still unknown and shipping costs have to be determined. (Cost just in @ \$69.each Australian dollar + S&H. Single polar fleece blanket \$13.99 also Australian dollar.) Decision to be made within 2 weeks to receive by January!

Discussion: Marsha suggested contacting Columbia Sportswear, North Face, Patagonia and Helly Hansen and Norcross (XTuffs) and Bogs for footwear. She added that seeking vouchers from local merchants for footwear would be more practical than purchasing or requesting donations to buy. Dorrie will contact Silver Bay and Sitka Sound and Halibut Producers for availability of white rubber boots used in processing plants. Marsha also said a Seattle company, Outwear Research, does gear for U.S. military and makes item called Busy Sack which may be comparable to Swags. Dorrie will do web search and report back on costs, availability, range of products from Outwear Research.

Carolyn suggested Army Navy stores but conclusion was it is not appropriate source for PHC.

Cover letter edited for use with any company found on web that indicates possible source for followup.

### Request for Individuals to choose tangible items and services for comparison shopping:

Marsha will complete pricing for all items found at Work & Rugged Gear and Mtn. Miss. Marie volunteered John Murray to shop all items at Murray Pacific and True Value. Dorrie to do Orion, Russells, Spenards, Rain Country and Sea Mart. Carolyn will do ACS/LS for gloves, socks, hats and Dorrie will check those items at SeaMart. Marie will handle completion of drivers' license and PFD forms, Dorrie will contact Donna Alio for ID, Yellow Jersey for bike repair, UAS for personnel to supply info for filing tax return forms, Center for Community and STA for bus passes, several

professionals to offer massages on Jan. 25 and someone to work with Gail Roderick at foot care station.

Still need someone to contact several barbers/hair dressers. Dorrie will ask Jill to take over that task. Will also ask Jill to solicit donations for personal care items from local merchants and beauty salons, hotels, dentists offices, etc. Marie suggested going to community with announcements requesting miniatures from travels.

Suggestion just made today (Sun. 23<sup>rd</sup>) that Public Health be contacted regarding possibility of offering flu shots day of event. Dorrie to follow up on possibility.

#### **Cash Donations:**

Carolyn will seek donations from Tlingit-Haida, ANB, ANS and vouchers from the White E. Dorrie to request donations from CHAR, SeaAlaska, Shee-Attika, and USCG as well as churches, banks and businesses. **Someone needs to approach service clubs: Elks, Moose, VFW, American Legion, Women's Club, Women's Club and/or any group they are part of.**

#### **Etcetera:**

Marie and Dorrie to follow through on Carolyn's request for poster design/printing to be ready for Community Thanksgiving Dinner and for posting at grocery stores, Laundromats, PO, churches publicizing PHC and featuring tear-off tabs with contact numbers. Will meet Monday, Oct. 24 to complete.

Dorrie to contact Spenards re donations materials for organizing storage unit. Have already contacted Ted Laufenberg about storage area at SJC and will contact commercial storage units.

Meeting ended at 5:20 PM. Next meeting of committee will be Friday, Oct. 28 at 4 PM at the Highliner. Ted Laufenberg and Evadne Wright (of Salvation Army) to be invited.

#### **ASSIGNMENTS**

**Marsha – shop all items on tangible goods list at WRG and Mountain Miss**

**Jill – Contact barbers, hairdressers for event. Shop all personal care items and request supplies for event.**

**Marie – Responsible for setting up personnel to assist w/driver license app and PFD forms**

**Design & print poster/info sheet to publicize event.**

**John Murray – Shop all items on tangible goods list at Murray Pacific and True Value**

**Carolyn – Arrange for vouchers at White E**

**Shop for hats, gloves, socks, miscellaneous items at White E and ACS/LS**

**Request cash donations from Tlingit-Haida, ANB, ANS**

**Dorrie – Continue web searches and shopping for tangible goods, either donations or purchase. Still need to do Columbia, North Face, Patagonia, Norcross and Bogs.**

**Shop Orion, Russells, Spenards, Rain Country and Sea Mart for items on tangible goods list for price comparison and/or donation**

**Contact Silver Bay, HPC and Sitka Sound Seafoods for price and/or donation white rubber boots.**

**Contact Center for Community and STA for bus passes**

**Locate volunteers for handling ID forms (Donna Alio), bike repair (Yellow Jersey), advice on completing IRS forms (UAS), massages, flu shots, (Penny at Public Health)**

**Contact CHAR, SeaAlaska Corp., Shee-Attika, USCG (Rose McIntyre), churches, banks, local businesses for cash donations.**

**EVERYONE NEEDS TO KEEP EYE/EAR OUT FOR POSSIBILITIES OF CASH DONATIONS. PLEASE CONTACT ANY SOCIAL CLUBS OR SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS YOU BELONG TO ie, ROTARY, ELKS, MOOSE, WOMENS' CLUB, ETC.**