### MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 13, 2012 ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY RETIREES ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING

**Board Members Present:** Barry Bruns, Barbara Bradford Eschbach, Elmer Gooding, Dick Jacob, Dick Kelly, Barry Leshowitz, Barry McNeill, Bill Moor, Jeannette Robson, Dave Scheatzle, Dave Schwalm, Joy Shearman, Bill Stasi, Gary Kleemann, Jo Madonna

**Absent:** Wilma Mathews

**Ex-Officio Members Present:** Abby Polito (Public Affairs)

Committee Chairs Present: Sue Blumer (Scholarship), Mary Stevens (Finance), Connie

McNeill (Web and Database), Art Ashton (ADOA)

**Committee Members/Guests:** Carol Moore (Office Coordinator), Carolyn Minner (Business Manager)

#### CALL TO ORDER

President Bill Moor called the meeting at 9:30 am.

I. INTRODUCTIONS AND WELCOME TO GUESTS President Moor welcomed Abby Polito (Public Affairs).

### II. ADOPTION OF TODAY'S AGENDA

President Moor requested that the agenda's discussion of the Financial Report be expanded to include a discussion of the purchase of the new database, Wild Apricot. The agenda was accepted as modified.

#### III. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

President Moor announced the "Recognition of Past Presidents" awards. Bill turned the floor over to Dave Schwalm who presented a plaque signifying the award to Connie McNeill, president of ASURA 2010-2011. Bill Moor then presented a similar plaque to Dave Schwalm, president of ASURA 2011-2012 In honor of the past presidents of the Association, Bill unveiled a plaque containing the names of all of the past presidents.

### IV. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF MAY 9/23, 2012

The minutes of the May 9/23, 2012 were approved as corrected. President Moor announced that the Board Secretary, Barry Leshowitz, had resigned from the Secretary position, effective at the end of today's meeting and would resume his duties as a member of the Board. Board Member, Jo Madonna, volunteered to replace Barry. Bill accepted Jo's offer and asked for and received agreement from the Board.

#### VI. FINANCIAL REPORT/TREASURER'S REPORT – BARRY BRUNS

Barry observed that The ASURA Financial Report 2012/2013, under "Other Operations Costs" in the Proposed Budget column, contained an entry of \$1200 for the Membership Database. After some discussion, Bill indicated that he wished to entertain a motion to accept this budget item. The motion was made, seconded, and passed by the Board. The Financial Report was approved (see attached Financial Report).

Bill announced that Connie McNeill had resigned her position as Database Manager, but that she would continue to work on implementing the Association's new database, Wild Apricot. Bill expressed a need to find someone who could step in for Connie.

### VII. Ex-Officio Reports

- Human Resources no report
- University Senate no report
- University Staff Council no report
- University Liaison
   Abby Polito, ASU Legislative Liaison in the Office of Public Affairs,
   thanked the Board for its support of last year's "ASU Day at the Capitol"
   event, which this year will take place on February 12, 2013. She also passed
   out several copies of her office's report, "50<sup>th</sup> Legislature (second regular
   session) Wrapup."

#### VIII. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Community Outreach Committee Subcommittee Reports
  - Adopt-A-Family Joan Leard: No report
  - Emeritus College Liaison Dick Jacob: Dick informed the Board that
    he had stepped down as Interim Dean and that Len Gordon had
    returned from his sabbatical and had assumed his duties as Dean of
    the College. He referred the Board to the College's website where the
    calendar of events listed various colloquia and the College's
    Symposium Day featuring talks by Vice President Barry Ritchie and
    former president Lattie Coor. Also, this winter the College was
    sponsoring the Sedona Art Fair on campus.
  - Scholarship Committee Sue Blumer, in response to a question, indicated the Committee would welcome new members.
  - University Club Liaison Jim Fordemwalt: no report
  - Video History Project Linda Van Scoy: see attached Committee report.
  - History Committee Val Peterson: see attached Committee report.

### B. Events Committee –Barry McNeill, Subcommittee Reports

Luncheons & Special Events – Barbara Bradford Eschbach: Barbara reported on the events already planned/scheduled for the Fall 2012:

□ 1)September 12, Meet & Greet Pizza Party to welcome back continuing ASURA members and new, or potential, ASURA

- members. Committee chairs will invite attendees to become involved in activities of their committee.
- 2) A luncheon on November 16th, to be held in Friendship Village
  Tempe. This luncheon will have outstanding musical entertainment by
  the Tetra String Quartet, which is associated with ASU's School of
  Music.
- 3) The annual Holiday Potluck on Thursday, December 13th, to be held at CSB 330. Attendees will be invited to bring cookies/candies/baked goods/etc. to the event for sale.

Retirees Day – Barry McNeill: Barry reported that the Committee had met briefly to discuss the program for the event.

Seminars – Gary Kleemann: Gary distributed a brochure describing the seminars for 2012-2013. The following topics will be addressed in the seminar series: Genealogy, Medicare, ASRS versus ADOA health plans, Financial Planning.

Travel – Bill Stasi: Bill reported that the Santa Fe trip's deadline was September 15 for signups and that the trip may not make its required quota. He distributed The Great Rivers Cruise brochure.

- C. **Finance Committee** Mary Stevens reported that the Committee continued to collect used books and that presently the ASURA office storeroom was filled with books awaiting pickup.
  - Golf Tournament—Dave Schwalm reported that due to the lack of sponsors, the ASURA Golf Tournament may not be held in November.

#### D. Government Liaison Council

- ASRS General Dick Jacob referred the Board to the Committee's report.
- Legislature Jerry Aronson: No report.
- **E. Health Insurance Liaison Council** Arthur Ashton, Robert Moroney (ADOA), Rose Minetti (ASRS). Art reported that there will be no new health insurance companies this year and that it was expected there would be no changes in the existing policies.
- F. Membership and Communications Committee Subcommittee Reports
  - Membership Update Elmer Gooding: The (attached) Committee Report shows current membership counts. It can be seen that present membership is down 21 members from last year. Elmer anticipated this discrepancy would disappear following the mailing to membership this week. Staff membership was down 27, indicating a possible effect of the increase in donation from \$20 to \$30.
  - Prime Times Wilma Mathews: no report.

• Web Site and Database – Connie McNeill: Connie discussed the new Wild Apricot database and her efforts to integrate it with the Association's website. Also, she is working on a way to accommodate payment of the annual donation online.

#### IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bill reported his intention to explore creating a recognized "cyber kiosk" for the ASURA Website. The form, format and control for allowing members to insert announcements of various events and activities need to be determined. Bill also asked that the Board look over the bylaws and communicate suggestions for changes to Mary Stevens, Chair of the Ad Hoc Bylaw Committee.

#### X. **NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday, October 10, 2012, 10 AM.

### XI. MEETING ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 p.m.

Account Categories	Proposed Budget	Actual YTD Amount	% Realized/Expended	COMMENTS
ASURA Operations - Income				
Balance Forward	30,734	30,734		
Current Year Revenue				
Events Registration Fees & Donations Collected	7,500	0	0%	
Membership Donations ("Dues")	19,000	4,225	22%	
General Operations Donations	2,000	390	20%	
Total ASURA Operations Income	28,500	4,615		
ASURA Operations - Expenses				
Printing and Mailing Costs				
Annual Report	150	0	0%	
Events - Advertising	300	210	70%	
Board Ballots	400	0	0%	
Membership Drive	900	725	81%	
Other Operations Costs				
Business Luncheons/Staff Appreciation	800	0	0%	
Events - All Costs Except Advertising	7,500	0	0%	
Seminars - All Costs	300	0	8%	
Membership Database	1,200	100	8%	
Office Equipment & Supplies	1,000	625	63%	
Retirees Day - Speaker & Guest Lunches	200	0	0%	
Retirees Day - Additional Support	750	0	0%	
Service Appreciation Gifts	500	393	79%	
Foundation Management Fees	900	106	12%	
Transfer to Special Projects for 2013/14 Scholarship	11,000	0	0%	
Total ASURA Operations Expenses	25,900	2,159		
ncrease (Decrease) in Fund Balance for Current Year	2,600	2,456		
Uncommitted ASURA Operations Funds	33,334	33,190		
Public Affairs Allocation				
Printing & Mailing Costs				
Membership Drive	1,575	0	0%	
Prime Times	3,600	0	0%	
Other Public Affairs Operations Costs	A FIRE WELL			
Annual Meeting Refreshments	450	0	0%	
Copier/FAX Equipment Annual Lease	1,375	0	0%	
Total Operation Expenses Covered by PA	7,000	0	0%	

Account Categories	Proposed Budget	Actual YTD Amount	% Realized/Expended	COMMENTS
Special Projects - Income				
Balance Forward	15,406	15,406		
Current Year Revenue				
Adopt-A-Family Donations	1,300	185	14%	
ASURA History Book	500	7,40,00	29%	
Video History Donations	1,000	185	19%	
Book Sale Net Income	900	0	0%	
Transfer from Operations for 2013/14 Scholarship	11,000		0%	
Total Special Projects Current Year Revenue	14,700	515		
Special Projects - Expenses				
2012/2013 Scholarship	10,000	10,000		
2013/2014 Scholarship	11,000	0		
Adopt-A-Family	1,700	0	0%	
Video History	1,800	0	0%	
Foundation Management Fees	200	8	4%	
Total Special Projects Expenses	24,700	10,008		
Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance for Current Year	-10,000	-9,493		
Uncommitted Special Projects Funds	5,406	5,913		
Scholarship Endowment Fund				
Scholarship Endowment - Principal				
Endowment Balance July 1	36,715	36,715		
Invested Funds Gain (-Loss)	-1,000	419		
Transfer to Scholarship Endowment - Spending	-900	0	0%	
Foundation Management Fees	-600	-531	89%	
Current-Year Contributions	2,000	290	15%	
Total Scholarship Endowment Principal	36,215	36,893		
Scholarship Endowment - Spending				
Balance July 1	1,778	1,778		
Payout from Endowment	900	0		
Reinvest in Endowment		0		
Scholarship Support from Endowment		0		
Total Scholarship Endowment Spending	2,678	1,778		
Total Scholarship Endowment	33,537	38,671		

### MEET & GREET LUNCHEON - 9/12/2012

- 0.00 Registration fees collected
- 0.00 Registration fees refunded
- 0.00 Event costs travel & related
- 0.00 Event costs food, entertainment & related
- 0.00 Event costs lodging & related
- 0.00 Event costs other
- 0.00 Net gain (loss), exclusive of advertisements
- 210.00 Advertisements (printing/mailing/overhead charges) covered by Operations
- -210.00 Overall net gain/loss

### SANTE FE, NEW MEXICO TRIP - 10/15 - 10/18/2012

- 0.00 Registration fees collected
- 0.00 Registration fees refunded
- 0.00 Event costs travel & related
- 0.00 Event costs food, entertainment & related
- 0.00 Event costs lodging & related
- 0.00 Event costs other
- 0.00 Net gain (loss), exclusive of advertisements
- 0.00 Advertisements (printing/mailing/overhead charges) covered by Operations
- 0.00 Overall net gain/loss

### VETERANS DAY GOLF TOURNAMENT - 11/12/2012

- 0.00 Registration fees collected
- 0.00 Registration fees refunded
- 0.00 Event costs travel & related
- 0.00 Event costs food, entertainment & related
- 0.00 Event costs lodging & related
- 0.00 Event costs other
- 0.00 Net gain (loss), exclusive of advertisements
- 0.00 Advertisements (printing/mailing/overhead charges) covered by Operations
- 0.00 Overall net gain/loss

	UNCHEON - 11/15/2012
	0.00 Registration fees collected
	0.00 Registration fees refunded
	0.00 Event costs - travel & related
	0.00 Event costs - food, entertainment & related
	0.00 Event costs - lodging & related
	0.00 Event costs - other
	0.00 Net gain (loss), exclusive of advertisements
	0.00 Advertisements (printing/mailing/overhead charges) - covered by Operations
	0.00 Overall net gain/loss
NDF	RAISER HOLIDAY POTLUCK - 12/13/2012
	0.00 Registration fees collected
	0.00 Registration fees refunded
	0.00 Event costs - travel & related
	0.00 Event costs - food, entertainment & related
	0.00 Event costs - lodging & related
	0.00 Event costs - other
	0.00 Net gain (loss), exclusive of advertisements
	0.00 Advertisements (printing/mailing/overhead charges) - covered by Operations
	0.00 Overall net gain/loss
TIRI	EES DAY - 2/23/2013
	0.00 Registration fees collected
	0.00 Registration fees refunded
	0.00 Event costs - travel & related
	0.00 Event costs - food, entertainment & related

0.00 Advertisements (printing/mailing/overhead charges) - covered by Operations

0.00 Event costs - lodging & related

0.00 Net gain (loss), exclusive of advertisements

0.00 Event costs - other

0.00 Overall net gain/loss

#### ASURA Event Report - 8/31/2012

### SPRING FASHION SHOW & BRUNCH - 5/9/2013

- 0.00 Registration fees collected
- 0.00 Registration fees refunded
- 0.00 Event costs travel & related
- 0.00 Event costs food, entertainment & related
- 0.00 Event costs lodging & related
- 0.00 Event costs other
- 0.00 Net gain (loss), exclusive of advertisements
- 0.00 Advertisements (printing/mailing/overhead charges) covered by Public Affairs
- 0.00 Overall net gain/loss

### **GREAT RIVERS OF EUROPE - 8/6 - 8/21/2013**

- 0.00 Registration fees collected
- 0.00 Registration fees refunded
- 0.00 Event costs travel & related
- 0.00 Event costs food, entertainment & related
- 0.00 Event costs lodging & related
- 0.00 Event costs other
- 0.00 Net gain (loss), exclusive of advertisements
- 0.00 Advertisements (printing/mailing/overhead charges) covered by Operations
- 0.00 Overall net gain/loss
- 0.00 Net gain (loss) all completed non-fundraising events, exclusive of advertising
- 0.00 Net gain (loss) all non-fundraising events, exclusive of advertising
- 210.00 Total advertising cost non-fundraising events

Video History Report to the ASURA Board September, 2012

Over the summer two interviews were edited and distributed. (Kinsinger and Hardt). I am pleased to report that seventeen video clips have been added to the web site. These are short, 1-2 minute trailers from the full interviews. Go to the web site—Video History page—and scan the list of interviews. Those with "(video clip)" behind their name/department are ready to view, just click on "video clip." Thanks go to Connie McNeill for setting up the process and training us so we can add these interesting clips.

We will resume interviews in October as most of our crew returns from summer travels in late September. We are pleased to announce that several individuals have volunteered to help with editing and other tasks for the committee. More information on that in October.

Our two major goals for the year are to edit the remainder of those interviews done in-house and to have transcripts prepared for same. We have two companies who have expressed an interest in providing the transcripts and they are being evaluated.

We learned the Nursing Museum in our building (second floor interior) is moving so I have requested space there to set up a permanent interview studio so we don't have to move and set up equipment for each interview. We also requested the Nursing Museum office adjacent to the ASURA suite for space to grow and store books for the ongoing book drive. They have assigned a number to our request but no further information has been received.

Linda Van Scoy, Chair Video History Project

# Adjusting to Retirement: Things I Wished I Had Known

Panel Discussion: Adjusting to Retirement

When: Wednesday September 12, 2012, 10:45 - 11:30 a.m.

Where: Community Services Building Room 330

Cost: Free

Registration: Call the ASURA Office by 4:00 pm Monday, September 10th: 480-965-7668

to let us know that you'll attend

When you retire you move from:

a rather regimented schedule to one that is incredibly flexible,

an environment where you are constantly interacting with colleagues to one in which
you don't have to and may not interact with anyone for days at a time, and

monthly pay checks from ASU to monthly withdrawals from your retirement funds.

Preparing for retirement is fine but until you have actually retired you often do not appreciate the number of changes that take place in your life. A panel of recently retired ASU employees will discuss their experiences in adjusting to retirement and will address any questions you might have.

At the conclusion of the panel session you are invited to attend the <u>Fall Meet and Greet Pizza</u> event (also free) which is held in the same room from 11:30 to 12:45 pm. If you plan on attending both events, which we hope you will, when you call the office to register for this panel let them know you will also be attending the Pizza event.

### **Genealogy Seminar**

Join your fellow colleagues at the first ASURA Seminar for the fall. This seminar will cover Genealogy on how and where to find your ancestral linage.

When: Friday, September 21, 2012, 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Add to your electronic/Outlook calendar.

Where: Family History Center of LDS Training Center, 464 E. 1st Avenue, Mesa, Arizona 85204, on the corner of 1st Avenue and Lesueur. Park at the north end of the lot at the Family Center, on the east side of the Temple.

Cost: Free

**Registration**: Through the <u>ASURA Office</u>: call 480-965-7668 or print and mail/FAX the <u>registration form</u>. Mailing directions are on the form. Registration is limited. A wait list

will be created if needed. If you register and have to cancel later, please advise the ASURA office so we can make your space available to others.

Join your colleagues at the ASURA Genealogy Seminar. This seminar will provide the keys to start you on the road to researching your family history. Upon completion you will know where to find and how to use the repositories that hold facts and information you need to put your ancestral puzzle together. You might even discover that the person sitting next to you in this seminar is part of your extended family!

The event will be held at the <u>Mesa Family History Center of LDS</u>, one of the premier locations in the southwestern United States in ancestry research.

This seminar will have two parts: a lecture, and hands-on training at a computer. Cancel that afternoon nap for this day so you do not get left behind.

Bring paper and pen or pencil for taking notes. Lecturers and computer support will be provided by LDS elders and staff.

#### Details on the Lecture Session

The lecture session will first introduce the resources at the Family History Center, including on-line resources, the library, the staff, the classes, etc.

Then it will cover in a cursory manner topics like the following, to help provide an understanding of how to get started and steps to take to develop documentation and record-keeping:

- 1. Favorite sites (online digital resources for genealogy).
- 2. Research sites free or with subscription. Subscription sites that are available at Family History Center.
- 3. Benefits of new Google Tools for family research.
- 4. Census records: understanding terminology and what information can be sourced from census records.
- 5. How to use New.FamilySearch or Progenealogist.
- 6. How to research the United States, Europe, and specific countries. How to research an event in history like the Holocaust or the Revolutionary War.

There will be time for questions after this lecture. Handouts of material developed by the Family History Center will be provided to each person in attendance.

### Details on the Computer Segment of the Seminar

The computer segment will be hands-on. If you have something that you have researched that you could bring, in this session we might be able to show you how to add to or improve your records related to the person or topic. You will practice such things as:

- 1. First step: where do you start to look and what information is required.
- 2. How to find a research Web site and log on.
- 3. Try to find information on a specific individual.
- 4. What to look for and how to document it.
- 5. Practice something or find Web site from something you learned from the lecture. For example, look for someone entering through Ellis Island.
- 6. Find out how and where to post information to share with others who may be looking for information on the same person or people.

This information is also available on our web site <a href="http://asura.asu.edu">http://asura.asu.edu</a>.

### **How Medicare Works Seminar**

When: Thursday, October 4, 2012, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

**Where:** ASU Community Service Building, Room 330 (Free parking) 200 E. Curry Tempe Arizona

Cost: Free

**Registration**: Through the <u>ASURA Office</u>: call 480-965-7668 or print and mail/FAX the registration form. Mailing directions are on the form. Registration is limited. A wait list will be created if needed. If you register and have to cancel later, please advise the ASURA office so we can make your space available to others.

The objective of this seminar presented by David Parra, Director of Community Outreach for AARP Arizona is to present foundational information on how Medicare works This is strictly an educational effort, not an advocacy one. AARP Arizona does not discuss policy but simply presents the facts on how folks participate in these programs. They explain Original Medicare and Medicare Advantage (Part C), and how Parts A, B, and D work with each of the two options.

### ASRS and ADOA Open Enrollment Seminar

When: Thursday, October 25, 2012, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Where: ASU Community Service Building, Room 330 (Free parking)

Cost: Free

**Registration**: Through the <u>ASURA Office</u>: call 480-965-7668 or print and mail/FAX the registration form. Mailing directions are on the form. Registration is limited. A wait list will be created if needed. If you register and have to cancel later, please advise the ASURA office so we can make your space available to others.

The objective of this seminar presented by a representative from ADOA Benefits Office (Marcia Jarvis, ASRS Benefits Director) and ASRS Benefits Office (Ed Rappaport, ASRS Benefits Director) is to explain what is being offered to ASU Retirees for the coming year and to answer questions about the differences in coverage of the plans offered in the ASRS and ADOA Open Enrollment Guides, and to possibly discuss their value compared to alternative street plans.

### **Behavioral Finance for Retirees Seminar**

When: Thursday, March 21, 2013, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Where: ASU Community Service Building, Room 330 (Free parking)

Cost: Free

**Registration**: Through the <u>ASURA Office</u>: call 480-965-7668 or print and mail/FAX the registration form. Mailing directions are on the form. Registration is limited. A wait list will be created if needed. If you register and have to cancel later, please advise the ASURA office so we can make your space available to others.

John O'Shea from TIAA-CREF will be giving a seminar on Behavioral Finance for Retirees. John ... list credentials... This is not a promotion for TIAA-CREF but rather an informative presentation about....

### New Retirees Financial Seminar or Things I Wished I Had Known When I First Retired

When: TBD

Where: ASU Community Service Building, Room 330 (Free parking)

Cost: Free

**Registration**: Through the <u>ASURA Office</u>: call 480-965-7668 or print and mail/FAX the registration form. Mailing directions are on the form. Registration is limited. A wait list will be created if needed. If you register and have to cancel later, please advise the ASURA office so we can make your space available to others.

Details of this are in the process of being decided.

## ASU Retirees Online Sales Report

MarketName	City	State	Country	Title	Price
Ebay	Grand Forks	ND	UNITED STATE	Simulation Modeling and Analysis with Expertfit Software	\$79.64
AmazonMarketplaceUS	HUDSON	NH	UNITED STATE	Basics of Engineering Economy	\$74.41
AmazonMarketplaceUS	STATE COLLEG	PA	UNITED STATE	Fundamentals of Engineering Economics (2nd Edition)	\$33.48
AmazonMarketplaceUS	HUDSON	NH	UNITED STATE	Engineering Economy and the Decision-Making Process	\$32.90
Ebay	Newton	MA	UNITED STATE	Engineering Economy	\$32.85
AmazonMarketplaceUS	HUDSON	NH	UNITED STATE	Applied Simulation Modeling (with CD-ROM) (Duxbury Applied Serie	\$32.43
AmazonMarketplaceUS	DANBURY	CT	UNITED STATE	Stuff You Don't Learn in Engineering School: Skills for Success in the	\$24.00
AmazonMarketplaceUS	LONG BEACH	CA	UNITED STATE	Engineering Economy (McGraw-Hill Series in Industrial Engineering a	\$18.15
AmazonMarketplaceUS	Littleton	CO	UNITED STATE	Scooters: Red Eyes, Whitewalls and Blue Smoke	\$14.95
AmazonMarketplaceUK	Forres	Moray	UNITED KINGD	30 Days to Find Your Perfect Mate: Step-by-step Guide to Happiness a	\$14.39
AmazonMarketplaceUS	Chelsea	MI	UNITED STATE	Francis Crick: Hunter of Life's Secrets	\$12.59
AmazonMarketplaceUS	SALEM	OR	UNITED STATE	Native American Designs for Quilting	\$12.00
AmazonMarketplaceUS	IRVINE	CA	UNITED STATE	Never Pure: Historical Studies of Science as if It Was Produced by Peo	\$11.20
Ebay	Naguabo	PR	UNITED STATE	Engineering Statistics	\$10.13
Alibris	Palo Alto	CA	UNITED STATE	Not Man Apart: Photographs of the Big Sur Coast	\$10.00
AmazonMarketplaceUS	ANNAPOLIS	MD	UNITED STATE	The Norman Maclean Reader	\$9.89
HalfDotCom	Morgantown	WV	UNITED STATE	Operations Research: An Introduction (8th Edition)	\$9.00
AmazonMarketplaceUS	LYNDHURST	OHIO	UNITED STATE	Clarence H. White (The Aperture history of photography series; 11)	\$7.98
AmazonMarketplaceUS	SanFrancisco	CA	UNITED STATE	Navajo Places	\$7.95

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MarketName	City	State	Country	Title	Price
Alibris	Pittsburgh	PA	UNITED STATE	The Tangled Field: Barbara McClintock's Search for the Patterns of Ge	\$7.47
AmazonMarketplaceUS	Ormond Beach	Florida	UNITED STATE	Rememberance of Things Past Volumes I & II ( Set )	\$6.72
Ebay	Holbrook	AZ	UNITED STATE	Navajo Places	\$6.17
Ebay	Pymble	New So	AUSTRALIA	Engineering Economy (13th Edition)	\$5.19
Ebay	Harwood Heights	IL	UNITED STATE	Touch and Go: A Memoir	\$4.99
Ebay	Winters	TX	UNITED STATE	Restoration and Eighteenth-Century Comedy (Norton Critical Editions)	\$4.99
Ebay	Hayward	CA	UNITED STATE	Collected Novellas	\$4.99
Ebay	MIAMI	FL	UNITED STATE	Simulation Modeling and Simnet (Prentice-Hall International Series in I	\$4.99
Ebay	Florence	MS	UNITED STATE	Drawing on the Artist Within: An Inspirational and Practical Guide to I	\$4.99
Ebay	Pikeville	TN	UNITED STATE	House of Cards: A Tale of Hubris and Wretched Excess on Wall Street	\$4.99
Ebay	Porter	OK	UNITED STATE	Ghost Country	\$4.99
Ebay	SEATTLE	WA	UNITED STATE	Deadline Man	\$4.99
AmazonMarketplaceUS	NASHVILLE	TN	UNITED STATE	Wpa Guide to the Monterey Peninsula	\$4.57
Alibris	Midlothian	VA	UNITED STATE	The Artist & the American Landscape	\$4.54
AmazonMarketplaceUS	LOUISVILLE	KY	UNITED STATE	Operations Research: Deterministic Optimization Models	\$4.49
AmazonMarketplaceUS	Boston	MA	UNITED STATE	The Generation of Diversity: Clonal Selection Theory and the Rise of	\$4.16

Gross Total: \$531.17

**Subtract Market Commissions (15%):** 

\$451.48

**Subtract Friends Portion (50%):** 

**NET TOTAL TO YOU** 

\$225.74

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### **Board Report and Discussion Item – ASURA History Committee**

By Val Peterson, Committee Chairman

8 September 2012

The ASURA History Committee did not meet during the summer months. Most of the drafts for the book's chapters were already in hand, but the editing process for those materials did continue. Early in our summer break Wilma Mathews withdrew full participation from the committee to concentrate on an important personal book project. This was communicated to committee members to see if her absence meant that we must delay or at least re-think our completion deadline for Spring of 2013. However, Judith Smith volunteered to pick up the slack in editing and she felt we would still be able to meet our target date. Hopefully, Wilma will be back serving on the committee by year end.

The first meeting of the committee following the break is scheduled for 26 September 2012. At that meeting we will assess editing issues to determine if we can actually maintain our target completion date as well as other ongoing issues.



### **ASURA MEMBERSHIP TOTALS**

2013 Membership Year

Counts	As Of 9/6/2012	As Of 9/7/2011	This Yr - Last Yr ·	More Counts	
Current-year Members	513	534	-21	Current Members w/ Arizona Address	462
Renewals from Prior Years (any prior year)	485	510	-25		
New This Year	28	24	4	<b>Current Members' Level of Activity</b>	
Paid for the Current Year, Now Deceased	0	0	0	Checked at least one volunteer area	51
				Attended at least one event this year	0
Last Year's Members Who Have Not Renewed	177	179	-2	Attended an event ever	180
Last Year's members Who Are Now Deceased	9	16	-7	Logged in to Members-only Site (ever)	3
				Made an additional donation this year	12
Current Members by (Approx.) Time Since First Joining				(this is only since about 15 Aug)	
Members for 0-2 Years	71	64	7		
Members for 3-5 Years	145	183	-38	Non-members in Database	
Members for 6-10 Years	104	86	18	Was a member at some time	372
Members for more than 10 Years	193	201	-8	Never a member	760
				Deceased (may include some members)	74
Members by Communications They Want to Receive <sup>1</sup>					
Upcoming Event Announcements (e-mail)	333	329	4		
Obituary Notices (e-mail)	277	273	4		
Prime Times (US Post)	508	530	-22		
Other ASURA Communications (e-mail)	333	329	4		
None of The Above	5	4	1		
Current Members by Former Employment Category					
Faculty	241	242	-1		
Faculty with Admin Appointment	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Academic Professional	35	31	4		
Staff	161	188	-27		
Service Professional	52	46	6		
Administratiove	24	27	-3		
Unspecified	0	0	0		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>All members receive the annual Board of Directors ballot, and membership renewal notices. Those with e-mail addresses also receive confirmation notices (by e-mail) about renewal, event registrations, and donations.

Note: Since membership enrollment forms are mailed in May, we begin processing them, with associated dues and donations, before the start of the membership/fiscal year. Therefore it is not possible to use these counts to determine the correct dollar value of membership donations in the current fiscal year.

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### **Report from Web Site and Database Committee**

10 September 2012

Over the summer, the Web Site and Database Committee (Connie McNeill, Barry McNeill, and Carolyn Minner) evaluated services that ASURA could use to manage its membership records and its events. We presented initial findings to the Executive Committee on August 8, and received authorization to continue work using a particular service, which is called Wild Apricot.

The committee recommends that ASURA implement Wild Apricot as soon as possible to replace the existing home-grown Microsoft Access membership database and to replace portions of the existing Web site that pertain to membership enrollment and to events.

The service has an annual cost of \$1,080 per year. If paid monthly instead of annually, the cost is \$1,200 per year.

The cost assumes that there will be fewer than 2,000 membership records in the database. We currently have about 1,650. If we seem to be getting close to the 2,000, we can archive or delete records for some of our inactive people. This would simply reduce the number of people to whom we send letters at the time of our membership enrollment drive. If we exceed 2,000 membership records, the cost is \$2,160 per year.

With the work that has already been done, we believe we could "go live" beginning almost immediately, with some phasing in of functions through October, 2012.

We believe it will be a very good move forward for the organization, both from the standpoint of improved member services and from the standpoint of broadening the base of people who can support our membership and event functions. Major features:

- A directory of our membership available on-line to all current members who log in. Log-in is by e-mail address.
- Option for members to update their own information on-line (the things that are on the enrollment form).
- Automated membership renewal reminders for those with e-mail addresses. We will be able to reduce paper mailing costs by not sending paper mail to this population for renewals, if we wish.
- On-line events registration. It is not even necessary to log in to do this.
- Much better event management easier for the organizer to publicize the event, see who has registered, automate a reminder for those who have registered, etc. It will also be easier, at least a little, to publish stories on past events.
- Nicer ability to record donations, and e-mail acknowledgment of them from ASURA (in addition to the regular Foundation acknowledgment).
- Much nicer e-mail ability to replace our listservs. We can maintain lists of various kinds to e-mail to easily, select a sub-group for one-time e-mails, and also continue to mail to our existing lists directly from the database no need to maintain separate lists, as we have been doing.
- If things go well, we will be able to offer on-line payment for registration, events, and donations as well. That is something that we are working on with the Foundation.