Memorial Day Weekend

Memorial Day Weekend was a lot of fun. Many islanders and guests now own beautiful ceramic pots because they could not pass up a bargain. A special thank you to Peter Ruckstein for giving us the pots and the small ceramic decoration items. Peter, Al and Linda Moren, and Peter and Vicki Huff transported the pots to the island. Sam Argo let us use his trailer to haul pots. Linda and Al Moren, Linda Crowe, Vicki Huff, and Diane Tutterrow sold pots all weekend. Thank you all. We will sell the ceramic pots again on the 4^{th} of July weekend: Saturday afternoon, (July 1^{st}) and Sunday morning, (July 2^{nd}). If you can help for a few hours, please contact Anita Bray (253) 820–8030).

Judy Greinke again came up with a design for our new t-shirt. If you haven't seen the new design, check it out on the 4th of July weekend. Merry Kogut completed the phone books and got them printed in time to be available for the big weekend. Thank you Judy and Merry. The phone books will be available at the holiday weekends and the HMC office. At the office please have the exact amount (\$3.00) or write a check to the Boosters.

Thank you to all those who helped to make the weekend successful by manning the Booster functions: Dana Gruber and Sina Clauson – hot dogs, Dallas Amidon and Mike Shettlesworth – baseball, Nancy and Jack Wells – cinnamon rolls, Judy Greinke and Linda Shettlesworth – island clothing, Mary Turpin and Linda Crowe – books and ceramic items, the Surratt family – children's games, Nancy Broege – deer information/ Jeopardy game, Mike Shettlesworth and Al Moren – transported the tables, chairs, and grills etc., Gary Soriano – transported the cinnamon rolls to the island, Anita Bray and Kathy Deuster–Signs, Anita Bray and Merry Kogut – the water races. We are indebted to the Tighe family. Once again, Carol Tighe did all the shopping and Kevin and his friends did the preparation of the delicious Burgers and Brats. The weekend would not have happened without all the help

We also want to acknowledge the unexpected gift of \$120.00 from long-time islander Helen Castle. She is the author of <u>Polinas'</u> <u>Journey from Siberia to America</u>, the story of her mother's journey. Helen sold her book Sunday morning and gave all of proceeds to the Boosters.

After paying our bills, to include T-shirts, phone books, cinnamon rolls, hot dogs, and games, we made approximately \$3600.00 profit.

The winners of the water races are as follows:

Sailboat Race

- 1. Larry and Mike Carreiro 50 minutes
- 2. Greg and Helen Hackworth -1 hour
- 3. Joel Reader, Scott Reader and Wyatt Reader (age 4) 1 hour 10 minutes

Blindman Dinghy Race

- 1. Tim Jones and Heidi Ernest
- 2. Tom Tighe and Aaron Miller
- 3. Kevin Jones, Brittany and Brook Surratt

Kayak Race

- 1. 12'6" over Brad Burkhartzmeyer
- 2. 12'5" under Diane Rohrback and Sharon Stone (tie)

Anita Bray is the person-in-charge of the 4th of July weekend. If you can help for a few hours, please give Anita a call at 253.863.9438 or island cell phone 253.820.8030.

Remember, the July weekend is when we have the fun run/walk and the island parade. (There will be no children's games.) In addition to the Memorial Weekend activities the Boosters have been very involved in cleaning up and painting the Community Center. Progress has been slow but steady. Nancy and Jack Wells, Dana Gruber, Kathy Deuster, Linda Moren, Mike Shettlesworth, Marge Tavenner and Carole Crowley all helped paint. Kerry Denny, Mike Shettlesworth and Al Moren moved the heavy items out of the way for the painters. Dana Gruber donated the wood; she and Jack Wells built a much needed overhead storage shelf in the ladies bathroom. Vicki Huff and Linda Moren painted the window trim; Mike Shettlesworh and Don Greinke installed it. Looks great! Thank you all. During the next month plus, we expect o install new cabinets, countertop and a sink. By summer's end, we will have made significant improvements to the building.