

Astoria Area Chamber of Commerce

October 10, 2002

Vice President Kathleen Behymer called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. at the Astoria Public Library. There were eight members and three guests present.

The treasurer's report showed a current balance of \$2,855.24. Sally Bair made a motion to accept the treasurer's report with Marty Bair seconding.

In the absence of the secretary, minutes of the last meeting will be read at the November meeting.

The guest speaker for the evening was Arletha Dowacter of Country in the Attic, a new business in Astoria. Arletha and her husband moved to Astoria from Colorado but originally lived in the Plymouth area. She is an accomplished seamstress and has an interest in many crafts, including candles and painting. She plans to give quilting lessons at her shop after the first of the year. A discussion was held on how the Chamber could help to promote the specialty shops we have in Astoria.

Carriage Ride Night is set for Friday, Nov. 22, from 5-7 p.m. A total of \$1,000 Astoria Bucks will be given away as prize money to be used at participating merchants by Dec. 31. You must be present to win. Merchants must turn the Astoria Bucks in to the Chamber by Jan. 31, 2003.

Breakfast with Santa will be held on Saturday, Dec. 14, from 8:30-10:30 a.m. at the American Legion Hall.

The Chamber will donate \$150 toward the Community Halloween Party to be held in the Astoria City Park.

The annual Chamber Cruise Night will be held July 19, 2003, with Gene and The Push Rods as the entertainment.

Marty Bair made a motion to adjourn the meeting with Beth Price seconding. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m. The next meeting will be Nov. 14.