

OEA UPDATER

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April 14, 2008

Next Meeting:
April 16, 2008

Speaker:

Sara Youngbar / City Flowers & Interiors

Chair:

Anita Morrison / City Gardeners

Greeter:

*Debra Utberg / Debra Diane—
Fine Dressmaking & Bridal*

Tickets:

Mike McMillen

Sheriff:

*Mary Ann Gray / Westside Sec-
retarial*

Business Reports:

*Sam Kress / Associated Busi-
ness Systems*

Pledge:

*Roberta Nopson / Re/Max Eq-
uity Group*

A warm welcome to today's guests:

Lauren Bishop/Your Vocal Advantage and Leomarie Lind/Comfort Keepers.

Today's speaker: Steve Lowary / Foundation Mortgage Co. Inc.

Today's chair: Ken Daswani / Daswani Tailors.com

Ken reminded us that in his business, the tape never lies! His company sets itself apart from his competitors by having his workmanship done in duty-free Hong Kong—that way he's able to provide excellent clothing at reasonable prices.

Ken has known Steve for four years—Steve's boss has been a long-time friend of Ken's. Steve grew up on a ranch. He's been married for 21 fruitful years and has a little baby granddaughter. He's an avid motorcyclist and loves to fish.

Steve's been with Foundation Mortgage since 1995. They have offices in Bend, Eugene and Portland. Steve talked a little about reverse mortgages (and gave everyone a pamphlet with lots of good information about why "Life Begins At 62" — if you haven't already, read it!) and a lot about the crazy real estate situation the US is experiencing. In Steve's professional opinion, the reason behind the situation can be summed up in one word: Greed. On the part of buyers, sellers, lenders, everyone. The 10-year treasury note is currently at 3.75... If the Feds can't control with fee, they control with rate.

Upcoming Speakers:

April 23rd—Southwick Specialty/Jim Southwick

Chair: Virginia Bruce

April 30th—NZ Interior Design/Nancy Zieg

Chair: Roberta Nopson

May 7th— (open)

May 14th—N&C Service/Phil Erickson

Next Visitation:

Date: Friday, May 23rd

Businesses: Virginia Bruce / Web Design

Greg Chase / Printing

Ted Miller III / Training/Business Growth

PRIZES/TICKETS:

Mr. Rooter, Clean Factor and Integra / Landline bought tickets which went to **Earle Wicklund, Mike McKelligon and Steve Ferree.**

Door Prizes: **Steve** brought in two bottles of wine; one went to **Joe Hecht** and the other to **Jaime Estrada.** **Ken** brought in a Chef's Bounty which went home with **Virginia Bruce.**

Raffle: **Mike McKelligon** pulled a white chip and went home \$5 richer.

TESTIMONIALS:

Ted Miller thanked **Signarama** for recent sign help.

Ted also thanked **Ken Daswani** for the sweet threads he was wearing.

Angela Hall thanked **Travel Matters** for the memorable family trip that **Christine** planned for her, incorporating San Diego and Disneyland.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Bob Wolcott: The Rosarians knighted OEA members **Chris Casteel** and **Ken Daswani!**

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

The **Special Events** committee is working on the Annual Auction and will continue to call each member in the next few weeks to procure creative and cool donations. Be generous! The date has been set for the last Saturday in June — June 28th. Save the date...

Ted from the **Membership** committee reminded us that our first visitation is on Friday, May 23rd. Come and learn about Virginia, Ted's and Greg Leineweber's businesses. Bring a friend or two. This is a great opportunity to grow the OEA's strong membership.