

# Oregon Chapter SLA Membership Team Report

**supplement to August 23, 2000 board meeting minutes**  
**Althea Pribyl**

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## **Online Northwest is coming up Jan. 26, 2001**

At the summer planning session we discussed saving a table there this year. I contacted Dale Vidmar at SOU, who's coordinating the exhibitors. He replied today saying that the charge for organizations like ours is \$250 for a table, which also includes two lunches.

Now I'd like to pass this along to you for your opinions, pro or con:

Do you think that this price is justified for a recruiting tool? I'd be curious to know if ASIS gained new members last year as a result of their table-- anyone here who's also an ASIS member who would know (or know who to ask)? Consider also the fact that this follows a little over a month after the membership reception, which will also cost us something. Dareth, you have the best idea of the state of our finances after budgeting for the potluck, the Salem meeting and the membership reception and any other expenses I'm not aware of. Maybe you could give us some insight if we can afford this?

## **Reception**

Planning is moving along well. Saturday Kim Dillon and I will go to PSU to personally invite the students. Also I want to check out our reserved space. Dareth, I'll check tomorrow with PSU about when the payment is due. If it's in advance, I'll be sending you a receipt for this before you leave for your conference. I have 8 rsvps from members already. The last week of Nov. they'll get another reminder.

## **Requests**

Does anyone know if we can find a promotional poster for SLA or if someone can create one? Kathy Hemphill has already alerted the Promotions Team, but just in case any of you not in that group can, or knows someone who can, design such a poster, please let us know.

How does one go about finding donations for door prizes? Is that your specialty, LaJean? In the interest of keeping costs down, but still providing an incentive to stay awhile and creating some goodwill, I'd like to spend about \$50 for gift certificates of some kind, but some "things" would be nice too.

## **Membership**

Membership is growing steadily, two or three a month. Thanks, Kathy for your reminder in the bulletin to renew memberships. I've got so many things on my mind, I'm glad for the memory jolt too. I'll also include this in my next posting to the list with the new members, just in case not everyone read it in the bulletin. And anyway, reminders are always good.

I'd like to get your thoughts on all this, since I doubt we'll have much time at the board meeting to have any thorough discussions.

[Althea Pribyl](#)

**Oregon Chapter SLA  
Membership Team Report**  
to the board at its January 11, 2001 meeting  
Althea Pribyl, Membership Director

## Online NW

Online NW is the one membership topic we'll need to discuss.

I spoke with Dale Vidmar yesterday about our plans to informally advertise our organization with buttons, etc. He offered instead to provide a table for us for \$100, since he now knows that there will be space available. This means that we will also be listed in the summaries booklet with contact addresses. Also this will include lunch. Having a table would make things much simpler, but we will need a lot of help from members. Needless to say, we need to decide this Thursday and if we agree, I'll fax the form the next day.

So here are some issues we need to consider:

Do we want to exhibit at Online? If so, do we want to go with a table or the previous idea of distributing some kind of ribbon or button?

If a wearable identification,

--who can produce something like this on short notice?

--how would they be distributed when people arrive?

If we use a table:

--staffing: We'll need 2 volunteers (people who haven't already paid) to be at the table during the conference, since they will probably miss the presentations.

They will get a free lunch though. (Post to the list?)

--We'll need something to put on the table. I still have a stack of brochures, and can bring some Information outlooks from my vast collection, but as far as I know, we don't have a sign.

\*who can produce a sign?

\*other suggestions for the table

Feel free to email me and the rest of the board with questions, other discussion points, etc.