

REPORT TO PARKS AND COMMONS COMMISSION

DATE: July 12, 2019
MEMO TO: Parks and Commons Commission Members
FROM: Mary Crook, Little Log Church Board Secretary, Volunteer Coordinator, Events Coordinator.

The Board of the Little Log Church and Museum met Thursday, July 11, 2019. You will receive minutes from that meeting after the Board approves them next monthly meeting. Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting, and a copy of those minutes is included with this report.

A bit of history: In 1968 the active congregation of the Little Log Church grew too large for the building, and church members built the new Church of the Agate Windows on Seventh Street. They sold the Log Church and property to Lincoln County Historical Society, *with the stipulation that the Log Church building be kept as a museum*. Later the Historical Society offered it to the City of Yachats. The stewards of the Log Church have endeavored to honor the intent of the Presbyterian congregation and maintain the historic meaning and spirit of the LLC.

Statistics: Volunteers: The newest member of our board, Mark Shepherd, has offered to serve as a substitute volunteer, and has been trained. With his assistance and the willingness of other volunteers to fill in when needed during this busy summer time, we are able to cover all shifts.

Hours worked by volunteers for the fiscal year July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019 total **993**. The total hours for each volunteer for the current fiscal year were sent to the city offices July 1st, as is required by the city for workers' compensation insurance purposes. A copy of that report is included in this packet.

Statistics: Income: YTD for fiscal year through June 13, 2019 was **\$2,638**. The Friends of the Little Log Church have a separate account. The Friends are pleased to say they have received a commitment of a \$1,000 donation from the Lions Club.

Statistics: Visitors: Visitors who signed our guest book for the fiscal July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019 totaled **2272** and represented 36 states and 13 countries and provinces. At the July board meeting the board opted to include the estimated number of attendees at weddings and events in future counts so as to better reflect the number of people who actually visit the building.

Events: The event on Saturday, July 6th was a big success. About 50 people came to hear Lama Phurbu Tashi Rinpoche, who gave a brief talk and offered a special evening blessing. He included Yachats as part of his national tour, and was headed for talks in Asia. His presence added a peaceful and spiritual ambience to our little building, and we feel fortunate to be part of his visit to the west coast.

Other remarks: On Saturday July 6th members of the Friends of the LLC&M met with Jo McDow, an experienced fundraiser who lives in Eugene and has had a house in Yachats since 1992. It was she who invited and hosted Lama Rinpoche. Jo has served on many boards and has focused on fundraising on most of them. She has many great ideas to share with us and the skill and energy to follow through. She has offered to serve as a Friends board member and we readily accepted.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Crook
For the Little Log Church and Museum