

Sherman Garden Cooperative Apartments

A monthly publication for residents of Sherman Garden Apartments, 1856-66 Sherman Avenue, Evanston, IL

NOVEMBER 2021 NEWSLETTER



The Halloween gathering was a great success!

Photo by Diane Petersmarck



ASSOCIATION NEWS

Allen Feuerstein (1856), SGAA President

Hello Owners,

The SGA Annual Meeting was very productive. We had a nice turnout with about 42 people. The Independent auditor gave his report, I gave an overview of Association activities, and we ended with "Ask the Trustee" questions.

The completed minutes are included in this newsletter. Morris Phibbs, our SG Association secretary spent many hours preparing the minutes and the officers have reviewed it for accuracy. Please spend some time and read the report and if you see Morris, thank him because he has been doing a great job.

There will be three trustee vacancies next year. During the "Ask the Trustees" segment many issues were

brought up and I hope that there will be some motivated owners willing to run for trustee. The SGA is part of the recruiting process. As per by-laws, there is a specific timeline for various committees and procedures that need to be followed. This timeline will be presented in the association calendar.

NOVEMBER 17TH - SGA GENERAL ZOOM MEETING;

Two Parts: Sherman Gardens and the Real Estate Market- How does SG compare? A professional Realtor will present how our coop compares with other properties. What can be done to improve value and sales.

Part 2: Senior Tax Benefits and Exemptions. - County and City Administrators will Present important programs for seniors.

I will send out more information shortly. Watch for email and flyers.

STREET CLEANING- Street cleaning continues through December. Read the posted signs and sign up for text and email alerts. The city will alert you to emergency snow route closures. As always, watch for the street cleaning warning signs that the Association puts out. Joe Kramer, Tim Mahoney or I put out the signs all season long. So I have a special ask, if we saved you from getting a \$75 parking ticket, then please consider making a donation to the Sherman Garden Association. The association depends on donations to help fund the various community activities.

SG Directory- Please complete and return the directory forms and emergency information. Please buy a directory for \$5. This is a way the Association raises money for the association activities.

Halloween Social- The Halloween Social was a success. Over 20 people came down to the patio to socialize before the cold weather forced us indoors. I want to especially thank Walter Henebry for ordering the coffee and bagels, Jane Ricard for putting up decorations, and Morris Phibbs and Diane Petersmarck for setting up and breaking down tables and chairs. Unfortunately, due to prior business commitment, I could not make it. However, my wife, Luchi, said everyone was engaged in

conversation, laughing, and having a good time. Hopefully, if the Covid threat diminishes, we can plan an indoor Christmas Holiday gathering...Now that would be a real holiday treat.

The SG Officers have been meeting regularly to revise and improve a number of procedures and documents. 1. Building coordinator responsibilities
2. New Owner Welcome Checklist
3. New Owner Contact and emergency information
4. Various procedural issues that need to be refined and agreed to. The SG Officers hope to finish this effort by the November 22 Association board meeting and then review this with all the Building Coordinators.

Allen Feuerstein, SGA President
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FROM THE TRUSTEES

Because of the threat of precipitation of the frozen variety and dropping temperatures, the patio furniture will be returned to the

basement for the winter on Friday the 12th. We will also be turning off the outdoor water and bringing the hoses in.

In a response to the request for more communication from the Trustees we are opening up an ASK THE TRUSTEES section of this monthly report. Please submit your questions to Diane at diane456@gmail.com and she will assign the question to the trustees in rotation. We hope to be able to answer one or two a month depending on available space.

Also, on page -3- of this newsletter, please see a quick interview with trustee John Coughlin.

H&H has requested a quote for cameras in back stairwells.

The garage negotiations are moving carefully forward. We have decided to consult with a structural engineering firm to make sure that what we're contracting for from Focus is the best and most sound structure that can be provided. And it bears repeating that no contract will be signed without fully vetting all the facts and figures.

We are finding that we will need to update the Rules & Regulations from time to time and will keep the website page current. Just this week we tightened up the wording on #19 concerning flooring. You may see and print the latest version on our website at: <https://shermangardenevanston.com/rules-regulations/>

UNIT FOR SALE

1864 - 6NE - \$79,000
2BR/1B/Balcony
Listing Agent: Allyn Rawling
@Properties
Telephone: 847/763-0200
MLS #: 11232506

COMING SOON:

1856 5SC will be going on the market soon. It is a 2 bedroom, 1.5 bath unit. If you would like to contact the current owners, Connor or Tess Feeney, you can reach out at connorfeeney5@gmail.com or tessfeeney5@gmail.com

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It was so nice to see and speak to neighbors and friends!
Photos by Walter Henebry

THE COOP EXPO

Tim Mahoney (1860)

On Thursday, October 7th, Trustees Diane Petersmarck and Tim Mahoney attended 'The Cooperator Expo' at Navy Pier. Our first stop, a seminar. Next, with over 100 vendors, I wanted to take the time to see everything there was to see. This event for me was find out what is out there in the field. To address the ol' phrase "You don't know what you don't know". Some of our vendor stops included, Fire Protection, Landscaping and Lawn Care, A Window company, and many more. There was just no leaving until the one Exterminator booth on the way out had a conversation with us about our 'chemical free' cats that keep us free from toxins and rats. Diane and I both brought back some information to explore.

For more information on the Co-Op EXPO:

<https://ilexpo.com> .

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A QUICK INTERVIEW WITH TRUSTEE JOHN COUGHLIN

Tim Mahoney (1860)

For new residents that moved in after you took office, "Who is John Coughlin?"

My work experience background: Retired from UPS after 38 years. I've also worked in construction on the side.

What brought you to Sherman Garden Apartments?

Location and affordability.

What makes you stay? Location and affordability.

Why did you run for Trustee?

I wanted to participate in our community. Being a Trustee is challenging work.

How much time do you spend each month on your duties as a Trustee?

Most recently, about 15+ hours.

What committee(s) are you involved with?

The Real Estate Committee.

You have approximately two years left in your term.

What are your goals?

To keep SGA running as efficient as possible.

If money wasn't an issue, what would you do with your time?

Travel

There are a couple Trustee positions coming up soon, any advice for a potential candidate?

Be open and be prepared to work.

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MEET OUR NEW REDBUD TREE

Phil Osborne (1856)

Late Winter Redbud Trees

Blossoming redbuds

With white fur coats send chills

Up and down my spine.

From a poem by Clifford Woodell

Thanks to resident Lynn Ostick, 1862 2SW, we have an addition to the west end of our Emerson Street landscaping—a young redbud.

The redbud has long been one of my favorites. It's the only tree I can think of which blooms from its bark. The pinkish blossoms jacket the bare skeleton of the tree, sometimes when there is still snow on the ground, before the foliage emerges. It's one of the earliest trees to bloom. Redbud blossoms attract bees and hummingbirds.

Redbuds are native to most of the US territory east of the Mississippi. In our Illinois woods, redbuds (along with the dogwoods, wild cherries, service berries and other small trees) are part of the *understory*—the bushes and small trees that grow below the forest canopy of the large trees and above the vegetation of the forest floor.

So, this tree will never get really large. We can expect it to grow 1-2 feet per year until it reaches its mature size of about 25 feet in height and the same size in breadth, similar in size to an apple tree. Redbuds commonly grow with two or three or four main trunks which separate near the ground. Ours, too, is like this.

The leaves of the redbud are easy to recognize because of their heart-shape. They turn from deep green in mid-summer to bright yellow in the fall. By late summer, the tree produces brown, dry seedpods.

Magical Forest

There are Elms, Maples, and Beech trees as far as the eye can see.

I'm chilling by a Redbud, as hearts surround me.

From a poem by [Cole Buttrey](#)

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THE ARTS ARE OPENING

Jane Woolley (1862)

The arts are opening up and mostly feel safe to me with respect to Covid. I have ushered in Chicago since the late 1970's and joined the Saints (Chicago's unique volunteer ushering organization) in about 2010.

In the past couple of months, the ushering opportunities have gone from almost none to many. I am very careful. I have seen Anyone Can Whistle at the Skokie Theater (only selling 50 out of 150 seats at this time), three concerts at the CSO, a concert at Nichols (MIC), and As You Like It at CST. All of them required masks and proof of vaccination or a recent covid test for everyone coming into the space. They did check. The CSO currently has its bars closed and drinking fountains off and no intermissions. The concerts are about 90 minutes straight through. If you are interested in The Saints, the website is saintschicago.org

It is wonderful to be back and I felt safe. I did wear a KN95 mask to all of these events.

Bienen at NU has started their concerts and recitals again and requires masks, but no proof of vaccination or testing at this time. Their concerts are free through the end of the year (at least). I got tickets online for several concerts. I attended a musical about Clara Barton at Wirtz. Again, masks were required. The house manager said that they were on the honor system with vaccinations because the university was not providing support to check the documents.

The Art Institute has been open for quite a while, but check the hours before you go, as it is not open every day at this time and the hours are a little different.

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SHARING EXCELLENT SERVICE PROVIDERS

John Coughlin (1862) says that he has a very good cleaning team. Josefina Rodriguez – 773-977-6130

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Sherman Garden Trustees

Diane Petersmarck	Term ends May 2022
Keith Johnson	Term ends May 2022
Charles Fisher	Term ends May 2022
John Coughlin	Term ends May 2023
Tim Mahoney	Term ends May 2024

Sherman Garden Association

President, Allen Feuerstein, 1860

Vice-President, Mary Jo Huck, 1856

Secretary, Morris Phibbs, 1862

Treasurer, Julie Lamberti, 1864

Building Coordinators:1856 – Sherre Brutzkus, Lisa Noble

1860 – Norman Weston, Tim Mahoney

1862 – Jack Stern

1864 – Sarah Vanderwicken, Rosa Alanis

1866 –Pat Rolfs, Walter Henebry

Sherman Garden Apartments is managed by

Heil, Heil, Smart & Golee

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Property Manager: Gregg Rithmiller

Building Engineers

Rafael Del Rio, Oscar Huazano

Boiler Room Phone: 847.864.6887

SGA Newsletter is edited by Cindee Bath. It is written by Roving Reporters Cherie Fisher, Diane Keely, Walter Henebry, Mary Jo Huck, Phil Osborne, and Jack Stern along with various other residents. Produced by Diane Petersmarck.

SUBMISSIONS ARE WELCOME!

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Statements.” Allen stressed that Mr. Lotts is an independent auditor and has no connection with the Sherman Garden Apartments Trust or the property management firm of Heil, Heil, Smith & Golee.

Report of the Independent Auditor, Andrew Lotts

Mr. Lotts began his report by observing that this is his 27th year serving as SGA’s independent auditor. He then opened a shared screen so that the Zoom meeting attendees could follow the audit report during his presentation.

He explained that the report compares the current audit with that of last year, and thus provides a fuller picture of our financial situation. He verified that the financial statements are presented fairly and in accordance with accepted auditing principles.

The audit is required by law to include Major Repairs from the outside 2019 study adjusted for inflation. Owners may request a copy of the 2019 study from the Trustees.

Concerning real estate taxes, Mr. Lotts noted that the SGA’s lawyers do an exceptional job on our behalf and credits them for helping avoid some of the large Cook County property increases.

- Q: *What are Prepaid Expenses?* For SGA, these are insurance premiums that are prepaid but are not yet actually “expensed.”
- Q: *What are Retained Earnings?* Retained Earnings are the accumulated net income or losses since SGA was built in the 1940s.
- Q: *Why was there a large increase in Excess of Revenues?* Trustees directed \$550,000 into reserves.
- Q: *What is the percentage of reserves funded?* Even though this data is not required of cooperatives, it is in the neighborhood of 17-20%, which is analogous to condominiums.
- Q: *Why is there a large positive change in assets?* Mr. Lotts explained how this figure is derived from various income and expense items. He confirmed that the amounts indicated in the statements are correct.
- Q: *Does the auditor have any recommendations?* Mr. Lotts stated that the SGA’s finances are extremely well-run, and there is a good separation of duties at Heil & Heil so that accounting and reporting are kept separate from actual cash and check operations. At SGA, the work of the trustees and those at Heil & Heil are “quite phenomenal.” Everything is done properly and SGA finances are very healthy. Deferred maintenance is the lowest it has ever been, meaning that the Trustees are not postponing required repairs and building projects. The Trustees in the past 15-

ish years have exhibited the best vision of the SGA's future, and are obtaining competitive bids when appropriate. The current Trustees are to be congratulated.

Q: Concerning "Future Major Repairs and Replacements." Last year this figure was \$7M, compared to the current \$12M. This represents the projected amount that will be needed for replacement and repairs of "common property components" over their useful lives. Mr. Lotts confirmed that this does NOT mean that we need to find \$12M next year. *How does this amount affect the ongoing increases in monthly assessments? Will the increases necessarily continue at the rates we have experienced over the past few years?* SGA is as healthy as it's ever been, in part because it is steadily building reserves that will meet the projected needs without having to impose a large one-time assessment, which frequently happens in associations that are not well managed.

Q: *What was Heil &Heil paid for the year?* Property Management Fees in the amount of \$53,346, which represents a small increase over the previous year.

Q: *Is there a 5-yr capital plan for meeting the projected \$12M future needs?* Diane Petersmarck explained that the Trustees schedule recurring engineering studies, and prepare annual budgets that cover everything that comes up. Diane will try to update the current document for the coming several years, which she will then distribute to all owners. She can also fill requests for a digital copy of the most recent engineering plan (2019).

Q: *Regarding assessments, what is your current opinion of how assessments should be determined?* As an outside accountant, Mr. Lotts does not determine internal finances; he recommends that SGA assessments should be tied to the Consumer Price Index and that they should keep up with the annual rate of inflation. He also noted the unexpected and huge increases during the past year in the costs of construction materials and labor, natural gas (30%), and other essential goods. Serious increases in construction costs will probably continue for a while.

Allen thanked Andrew for the report and presentation. Mr. Lotts signed off at 8:15pm.

Association Business and Report

Allen reported on what SGAA officers and Building Coordinators have been doing and planning during the past several weeks.

- Studying and possibly recommending revisions and clarifications of the SGA Bylaws.
- Assess the SGA website and Facebook account to determine what can be added or tweaked, and how more owners can be involved.
- Updating the calendar of activities and meetings.

- Halloween Festivities: Jane Rickard, Tim Mahoney, and Allen are meeting about this, and will probably plan a social gathering for adults. Allen has asked for additional committee members; Walt Henebry volunteered to join.
- Building Coordinators: The SGAA is working to standardize the Building Coordinators' responsibilities and term limits, and is looking to foster increased participation. Norman Weston is assuming Allen's role as a Building Coordinator in 1860.
- Newsletter: We are looking to increase content and attract additional contributors. Jane Wooley is attending community meetings and submits reports for publication in the newsletter. Diane Petersmarck expressed her appreciation for those who submit information, articles, and pictures, etc., and asks that everyone consider making contributions. The newsletter plays an important role in creating a sense of community.
- SGA Directory and Emergency Contact Information: Julie Lamberti, SGAA Treasurer, reported that she has accelerated the schedule for updating each resident's contact information so that the new directory can be published in January. Building Coordinators have received the update forms, which also include the emergency contact data. The forms have been distributed to all apartments. The forms also provide an opportunity to order a copy of the updated directory for \$5.

Q: *Could the directory be put on line?* This would pose problems, but Julie invites people to request a digital copy, which she can email. The SGAA officers will work on this issue.

Comment: One resident commented that we should all have fire extinguishers in their units. October is Fire Safety Month, and extinguishers are on sale at Lemo Hardware for \$5 off.

Ask the Trustees

Comment. Concerning the resident survey that was taken for the proposed parking garage, one resident commented that despite some residents voting more than once, those who favor the project outnumber those who do not by a margin of approximately 6:1.

Q: *Why do we no longer have quarterly SGA meetings during the year?*

It was pointed out that these meetings are planned and hosted by the SGA Association, not the Trustees. Perhaps the SGAA could host more than two meetings per year, which has been the case the past few years? The SGAA also invites a Trustee to all of its meetings, which helps keep the Association updated.

Q: *Do any Trustees receive any emoluments, pay, gratuities, gifts, or in-kind services or other benefits from outside organizations, such as FOCUS?* No.

Q: *Do the Trustees have a fiduciary responsibility to the certificate holders, specifically concerning FOCUS and the proposed land swap and parking garage?* On behalf of

the Trustees, Diane Petersmarck responded that the Trustees absolutely have a responsibility to the owners. She also pointed out that the Trustees are meeting with lawyers and representatives to obtain warrants, and meeting with architects and structural engineers to insure that FOCUS delivers an excellent structure that meets all expectations. The Trustees are practicing due diligence to protect the interests of the shareholders. NOTE: prior to the meeting, the Trustees distributed an email that provides information about the current status of the project; the email also provides three attachments of technical drawings of the proposed parking structure.

- Q. *How have the property valuations of our current parking lot/structure and the property which is under consideration for exchange been done?* The Trustees determined that the initial valuation was inadequate, so they have undertaken a second appraisal that is being done to yield highest and best-purpose results. It was also pointed out an even trade of the properties would avoid capital gains taxes for both entities.
- Q: *Who initiated the property valuations from Mundy & Company, Inc.?* They were recommended by our property management firm, Heil & Heil.
- Q. *Can security cameras be mounted in the external stairwells? Since the opening of the Link building and the 7-Eleven store, there has been an increase in the presence of street people and of undesirable nighttime activity. One homeless person followed a resident down the 1864 exterior stairs and belligerently demanded money. It was also noted that there has been drag racing on Emerson Street, which is a nuisance and a public safety issue.* In addition to considering the security cameras, SGA should contact our alderperson and request increased police patrols of the area.
- Q. *Is there enough transparency in SGA operations and governance, and is there a communication flaw in how the Trustees communicate with certificate holders? In particular, the questioner indicated that SGA maintenance and Heil & Heil homeowner services had not provided adequate responses to his questions.* Diane Petersmarck thought that the specific concerns expressed had been explained by the fact that routine maintenance and planned special projects have been stalled due to COVID.
- Q. *Can COVID restrictions be eased enough to permit the resumption of postponed maintenance projects, such as painting and carpet replacement in common areas?* Diane Petersmarck reported that there are several residents in each building who continue to express concern about the presence in our buildings of workers and other non-residents as long as the pandemic persists. A suggestion was made that each building could be surveyed about their level of comfort for having external workers in their building.
- Q. *Should Trustee meetings, agendas, and minutes be governed by the Illinois State Open Meetings Act?* The Illinois State Open Meetings Act pertains only to state

government and its ancillary offices and units. It does not pertain to private organizations such the SGA. It was also pointed out that because of the sensitive nature of their discussions, Trustees would need to go into closed session as soon as the meeting began.

- Q. *A recent attempt to purchase a unit with a 30-year mortgage was stymied by the fact that the current Trust Agreement expires in less than 30 years. Is there a solution to this problem?* Not without rewriting the Trust Agreement.
- Q. *Why were residents not surveyed or notified about the security camera installations? Who can view the recordings, how are viewings initiated, where are the recordings kept and for how long? What are individual residents' rights to privacy?* Trustee Diane Petersmarck apologized for not contacting owners before installation of the cameras began. She explained that no one will look at the recordings unless there is a specific need or complaint. Only Trustees have access to the recordings, which are kept in a secure and undisclosed location. *The questioner requested increased and more transparent communications between the Trustees and residents. Another attendee commented that details of the incident that initiated installation of the internal cameras should have been shared with all residents, which would have cut down on misunderstandings and confusion.*

Comment: In general, our volunteers work well, but there are problems with communications (probably not intentional). Generally speaking, there needs to be an increase in the level of communication from the Trustees; the community needs to have some level of awareness of situations as they occur. There is a level of paranoia.

Allen reported that there will be three trustee positions to fill in spring 2022, and asked that everyone please consider volunteering to get involved. He also expressed his thanks to and admiration of Diane Petersmarck, who for several years has been diligent and hard-working on behalf of the SGA community.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:10pm, but informal conversations continued for several minutes.

Prepared and Submitted by
Morris Phibbs
SGAA Secretary

Upcoming Sherman Garden Apartments Association Events

November 17, 2021 (Wednesday), 7:30 p.m., ZOOM.

Special Community Event

- Joe Tyler Gerber of Engel & Volkers Realtors, Winnetka: A realtor's comments on purchasing and selling a unit at Sherman Garden Apartments.
- Mitzi Gibbs, Property Tax Assessment Reviewer, Evanston City Manager's Office: Cook County Senior Citizen Property Tax Exemption and Senior Freeze exemption.
- Tentative: Representative from the City of Evanston Ombudsman Office, or Evanston's Senior Services Office—financial discounts and benefits for senior residents.

December 12, 2021 (Sunday), time and location TBD.

Holiday Party.

November Giving Thanks to those who help make Sherman Garden Apartments our home

** * * Match the person on the left with the correct fun fact on the right * * **

Garden Club Committee

Allen Feuerstein	I am 52% Finnish.
Brian Smith	Killed a cobra at my front door.
Diane Petersmarck	My favorite Thanksgiving dessert is homemade pumpkin cheesecake.
Diane Keely	Took sailing lessons at Northwestern University.
Joyce O'Callahan	I once lived with Siberian Yupik people of St Lawrence Island over 13 years.
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Martha Parsons	For 20 years owned an antique store in Chicago.
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Cat Feeders (Stinky & Sweety)

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Martha Parsons	Homemade pumpkin cheesecake - favorite Thanksgiving dessert.
Rosemary Powers	I detest cooking and enjoy quilting.
Morris Phibbs	Came to America in 1978 as a refugee. Fluent in 2 languages. My daughter is fluent in four.
Olga Ryskin	Was kicked out of a bar in Madrid, Spain, for rowdiness.

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Gregg Rithmiller	I collect Lalique crystal.
Rafael Del Rio	I swam across a series of islands in Croatia, including a cave where Nazis hid their submarines.
Allen Feuerstein	At age 22, managed a movie theater, I popped more popcorn than you could eat in a lifetime.
Cindee Bath	As a child, I could ride a horse bare-back.
Joe Kremer	Hiked down and up the Grand Canyon three times, on 3 trails – Bright Angel, Kaibab and Hermit.
Jack Stern	I am a classically trained chef.
Tim Mahoney	Makes beautiful paintings in 30 minutes or less
Cherie Fisher	Owns a bearded dragon reptile named 'Suzie'.
Mary Jo Huck	Owned a monkey for a couple years until it gave me salmonella and the Animal Warden took it.
Walter Henebry	Met Elvis Presley in-person at the Seattle World's Fair in 1962
Oscar Huazano	Play the violin in a couple orchestra groups in the area.
Julie Lamberti	Invited to the 1996 Olympic Sailing Trials. Could not attend due to knee surgery.

November - Answer Key

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Morris Phibbs	Was kicked out of a bar in Madrid, Spain, for rowdiness.

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Jack Stern	I collect Lalique crystal.
Walter Henebry	I swam across a series of islands in Croatia, including a cave where Nazis hid their submarines.
Cherie Fisher	At age 22, managed a movie theater, I popped more popcorn than you could eat in a lifetime.
Mary Jo Huck	As a child, I could ride a horse bare-back.
Julie Lamberti	Hiked down and up the Grand Canyon three times, on 3 trails – Bright Angel, Kaibab and Hermit.
Cindee Bath	I am a classically trained chef.
Rafael del Rio	Makes beautiful paintings in 30 minutes or less
Oscar Huazano	Owns a bearded dragon reptile named 'Suzie'.
Tim Mahoney	Owned a monkey for a couple years until it gave me salmonella and the Animal Warden took it.
Joe Kremer	Met Elvis Presley in-person at the Seattle Worlds Fair in 1962
Allen Feuerstein	Play the violin in a couple orchestra groups in the area.
Gregg Rithmiller	Invited to the 1996 Olympic Sailing Trials. Could not attend due to knee surgery.