

December 2024 Board Update Summary

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Event Support

- Trail Events 2025 *NEW* process for 2025! Trail Events listing on ODT website. Trail using partners will submit their events to us rather than us doing the legwork. Form can be viewed here. Email sent on 10/22/2024, resent on 12/1/2024.
- Traveler's Journal Events January in Port Angeles at the senior center and in February at Dungeness River Nature Center (DRNC). <u>Volunteer for the event here</u>. 8 events total.
- **Tour de Lavender** Saturday, August 2, 2025. Working on getting sponsors!
- Volunteers Needed Events, Meet + Greets If you would like to have volunteers at an event, please complete the *NEW* Volunteer Request Form! It's easy to complete and designed to capture Board Member requests. Note that requests need to be submitted at least 60 days prior to the event for proper entering into the Volunteer Management System (VMS), recruiting, and publicizing.

Partnership Development

Sponsors - Sent emails to previous website sponsors with stats and requests for 2025 sponsorship. Meeting with potential sponsors and submitted requests. Updated stats for sponsorship information can be found here. Removed lowest level of sponsorship to begin at \$1,000.

Member + Volunteer Engagement

• Monthly newsletters - to our 8,827 general recipients on the 1st of the month and 1,053 volunteer recipients on 15th of the month. Volunteer newsletter stats: 63% open rate. *Did* vou see this month's newsletter? Archives are here!

Donor Development

- End of Year Direct Mail Campaign EOY DM
 - 1. Targeted letters to higher level, known donors (AB list level donors) mailed Tuesday, 11/19/2024
 - 2. Envelope personalization of C list level previous donors, mailing on Friday, 11/22/2024
 - 3. Saturation letter to postal customers on Monday, 12/2/2024
- Digital EOY email, social media campaign
 - 1. 5 each emails via MailChimp with social media support
 - 2. These emails include our regular published general and volunteer newsletters with an emphasis on EOY giving
- Digital Giving Tuesday email, social media campaign
 - 1. 6 each emails via MailChimp with social media support, the first having gone out Tuesday, 11/19 and last will be Thursday, 12/3
 - 2. 3 out of 6 emails have published and we have 28 donations that total \$3,200
 - 3. Analysis thus far sent via email
- Giving Tuesday Ad
 - 1. Wednesday, 11/27 in Sequim Gazette
 - 2. Thursday, 11/28 (Thanksgiving Day) in Forks Forum

- 3. Saturday, 11/30 in weekend Peninsula Daily News
- At the completion of these campaigns, I will provide an analysis based on net results.
- An additional benefit of the personalized mailing, we have been able to identify changes that need updating in our LGL database. As an example:
 - Green = 53 contacts that you have corrected and we need to correct in our database
 - Blue = 559 contacts and these have moved, new address is listed and **needs** updating in our database
 - Red = 370 contacts deleted for various reasons and **these need deleting from** our database
 - White (no color) = 3,973 contacts and these are correct and **no action is needed** in our database
- Met with Michele Canale and Jeff Cain/LBA to create content, strategize, and schedule emails in MailChimp for the EOY Digital Campaign and Giving Tuesday
- Met with Courtney via Google Meet to collaborate, strategize, and review digital campaign

Trail Ambassador Survey Results

- The **Trail Survey** ended on 11/30/2024 and I am compiling results for presentation
- Added 73 new contacts (email addresses) to our database for the time period 11/1/2024-11/30/2024. All emails from 2024 have been added to our system.