

Final Survey Report August 18, 2013

Three WCPA members developed a survey questionnaire to find out what kinds of new activities would be likely to engage the participation of members and friends (potential members) of the Association. An initial notice of the survey and link to the survey site was announced in the June 2013 WCPA newsletter. Due to a very low response to this initial notice, it was decided to reopen the survey and reach out to the 370 individual on the WCPA email list. An email was sent to on June 28, 2013 providing the links and a brief description of the purpose of the survey and how to provide responses. The survey was reopened from July 1 thru July18. A total of 39 respondents completed the survey's 9 questions. Of this number, four respondents submitted additional comments and suggestions.

It is hoped that this report on findings, summarized below, may help guide the board in planning new WCPA activities.

- **New Activities respondents are most likely to participate in:**

The following rank order combines "Possibly Would Participate" and Definitely Would Participate" responses

- **Speaking at local schools and service clubs (N = 15; 39.47%)**
- **Mentoring RPCV's for career planning and leveraging their experience (N = 13; 34.21%)**
- **Attending regional RPCV events and meetings (N =12; 31.58%)**
- **Financial or technical support, in cooperation with Peace Corps, for current projects by Oregon volunteers (N = 10; 26.31%)**
- **Cooking Club (N = 9; 23.68%)**
- **Hosting local international high school/college students (e.g. holiday celebrations) (N = 6; 15.79%)**
- **Outdoor recreational activities such as cycling or golf (N = 6; 15.79%)**
- **Writers' Group (N =4; 10.81%)**
- **Leadership - Coordinate one of the new activities above (N = 3; 8.57%)**

- **Age of respondents:**

The majority of respondents (N = 21; 53.85%) are between the ages of 60 and 79, an age range when more individuals have time/opportunity for participating in volunteers activities.

- **Low interest in coordinating/leading new activities**

While the majority of respondents are in an age range typical for volunteer leadership, interest in coordinating new activities was rated lowest in probable/definite participation (N = 3; 8.57%). Obviously, activities will require individuals to step forward to coordinate them. It's not possible to know from the survey if there are specific activities that members would have an interest in coordinating. The board might request this information when it distributes the results of the survey to the membership.

For full survey results, please see the attached.

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