

# Magnolia Point Women's Club

## Minutes of the September 14 2011 Meeting

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### Call to Order

President Mary Kendall called the meeting to order at 3:35 pm and welcomed everyone.

### Membership

New members Maggie Broadwater, Linda Braxton and Nancy Seago were welcomed. Our membership stands at 214. Kit's baby sister from Rhode Island was introduced as a guest.

### Acceptance of Minutes

Bev Jones moved to accept the August minutes. Jeanne Murphy seconded and the motion passed.

### Directories

Susan Mitchell thanked the members who helped organize the 214 new directories. Since they are filed by street names this year, Susan asked that we deliver directories to our neighbors and friends not attending the meeting.

### Boutique

Susie Snow asked for volunteers and donations for the MPWC/VIA Boutique to be held on November 16<sup>th</sup> (10 a.m. until 5p.m.) in the VIA building. There will be a sign up sheet at next month's meeting. The MPWC will take over pecan sales this year. Consider buying your pecans from us for your holiday baking needs.

### Information, Mary Kendall

1. MPWC members are invited to a tea at the VIA tomorrow at 11:30 a.m. for the purpose of increasing membership in the VIA. Mary is hoping for a good turnout.
2. Mary began the dollar (\$) commercials. **(1).** Judy Williamson invited everyone to attend the "Concert on the Lawn" Saturday, October 1, 5:30 p.m. The music begins at 7 p.m. featuring Tenor, Roger J. Geronimo, Magnolia Singers, Clay County Community Band and a surprise "he" playing an Accordion. **(2).** Coral Nettuno offered thanks for support given the Safe Animal shelter. Whenever there is a need the MPWC members are always there. **(3).** Jean Cosby handed out flyers and talked about our upcoming 11<sup>th</sup> annual "Food Drive" for the Food Pantry of GCS. She stressed the extreme need this year. Due to the poor economy the shelves are bare. Monetary donations are always needed and are tax deductible. **(4).** Penny Murphy asked for prayers for Erin, a 30 yr. old found unconscious today without a pulse. She is suffering with multiple clots throughout her body due to smoking while taking birth control pills. Warnings are posted on birth control pill labels about the possibility of blood clots.

### Committee Reports Synopses

1. **Sunshine, Kathryn Kossuth:** Get well cards were mailed to Don Medara and Geri Pearson.
2. **Community Outreach, Debbie Brown & Eloise Burman:** **(1).** Debbie thanked everyone for the 114 Hygiene bags donated to The Way Free Medical Clinic. A table was set up at today's meeting where members could sign up to participate in the upcoming walks or make a donation. Check-in for the "Heart Walk" will be held at the Clubhouse on Saturday 9/24 at 8:00 a.m. Donated pastries & drinks will be provided to the walkers. **(2).** Eloise modeled a knitted "Pink Bra" to be worn over our tops as we participate in the "Breast Cancer Walk" (5K) along the River in OP on October 15<sup>th</sup>. Additional volunteers

are needed to help knit/crochet the bras. (3). Hand outs making members aware of local volunteer opportunities were distributed. (4). If the plans can be finalized we will partner with J.P. Hall Charities by bringing a new toy to the November meeting. (5). Members will “ring the bells” at Winn Dixie for the Salvation Army. More information to follow.

3. **Directory Ads, Dotti Curry:** Susan reports positive ad sales this year with a total of \$3,410. We sold \$900 more than was budgeted.
4. **.Charles E. Bennett, Dottie Lunt & Dee Pratt:** Dee was proud to announce that CEB was upgraded from a C to “B” school with improvements in reading and math. The “Back to School” program purchased 93 outfits this year. A thank you letter was read from one of the families. Many good ideas came about from a meeting attended by Mary Kendall, Nancy Nettuno, Dorothy, Dee, CEB Principal, Evelyn Chastain and Social Worker, Rebecca Hancock.
5. **GCS Jr. High, Sharon Sprott & Barbara Szymanski:** A letter received from Karen Robinson, Instructional Media Services Specialist requesting sponsorship of a SDCC literacy event (9/21/11) at GCS Jr. High resulted in a \$250 donation from the MPWC. Forty-five students were selected to interact with the author of Fort Mose at “Tea Time with Glennette Tilley Turner.” Mrs. Turner will stress in her remarks that no matter what our background we can succeed. Our donation helped purchase the \$15 books allowing all participating students to receive a signed copy of Fort Mose.
6. **Hospitality, Nancy Hale & Jeanne Murphy:** Nancy asked to let her know if a new neighbor moves in so they can be welcomed.
7. **Box Tops & Labels, Geri Isgan:** Mary gave the report as Geri was in the lobby. CEB is participating in the “Coke Rewards Program” and would like us to save bottle caps & carton ends with the numbers inside. Geri assembled a display showing the different types of plastic bottle caps now being collected by the GCS Library. Please save and take to the library.
8. **Luminaries, Linda Easterwood & Pat Ezzell:** Luminary night will be held on Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup> this year. A fun night is being planned. Linda will contact block captains from the last two years and ask for their help again.

### **Adjournment:**

There being no further business, President Mary asked for a motion from the floor to close the meeting. Dotti Curry moved, Gwen Alter seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 4:10 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Penny Murphy  
Secretary

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After a short break, Dotti Curry introduced Dyal Randall. Dyal’s program “Chocolate is a Girl’s Best Friend” captured everyone’s attention as she shared her favorite chocolate recipes and passed around samples.