

Magnolia Point Women's Club Minutes of the August 14, 2013 Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 3:35p by Vice President Norma Chao in the Magnolia Point Golf and Country Club main dining room.

This month the program was conducted first to accommodate our speaker. At 3:40p, Mary Kendall introduced Kathy Haworth, Recruiting Representative with the American Red Cross for the Jacksonville area. She presented an entertaining and informative meeting on emergency preparedness for events such as a hurricane. The program was concluded at 4:25p.

Business Meeting:

The business meeting started at 4:35p with acceptance of the July minutes. **Susan Mitchell moved to accept the minutes, Whitney Keyes seconded and all approved.**

New Members/Residents/Guests:

Lynn Kelly welcomed new members, Pamela Lewis (Not present) and Marilyn Forbes. We currently have 224 paid members.

Lynn Vernon, with Kans4K9's was introduced as a guest.

Quorum:

A quorum of 34+ members was present to conduct business.

Treasurer: Susan Mitchell reported that the Treasurer's report was emailed and asked if there were any questions. No questions were asked.

Directory Ads:

Susan Mitchell reported that ad sales were coming in slow. She encouraged everyone to recommend potential customers.

Orange Park Community Theater Project:

Susan Mitchell advised that MPWC has been selected to host the play "Breaking Legs" on April 10, 2014. We renewed our membership in the OPCT and will receive two tickets to each production this coming year. The first set will be raffled at the September meeting.

Holiday Boutique:

Coral Nettuno reported the Boutique is scheduled November 15th at the Elks Lodge in Green Cove Springs. She asked everyone to mark their calendars and invite a friend outside our organization. The theme is "Fundraiser" and she and Peggy Lewis are working hard on planning and organizing. Eloise Burman and Pat Jolly will be soliciting items for raffle from local businesses. Coral has been working on corporate donations.

CEB - Back to School Project

Kathie Cardon advised that a list was available at this meeting to solicit shoppers for “back-to-school shopping”. On August 23rd, we will receive a list of children with sizes from CEB and shopping will be handled at that time. The distribution will take place in September.

She reported that Rebecca Hancock, social worker for CEB, recently requested assistance for four children in great need of clothing and school supplies in advance of our regular distribution. She delivered four backpacks filled with clothing to the family. All contents and the backpacks were donated and no MPWC funds were used for this purpose.

Helping Hands

Kathie Cardon reported that Helping Hands had been extremely busy assisting the needs of our members and thanked all involved in this great effort.

Grants

Nancy Nettuno reported the grant from Comcast was on hold due to cancellation of the 3C’s program by GCS Jr. High. A request has been made to redirect the money to help fund additional BIB candidates at GCS Jr. High. We are awaiting their decision.

Nancy Harrison advised a grant request has been submitted to the Darden Foundation (Parent company to restaurants like Red Lobster) in the amount of \$4000 to augment scholarships. Currently, we have \$6000 allocated for 2014 and if the grant is approved, we could award \$10,000. Trustees meet in September and if approved, will be distributed in the Spring of 2014.

Social

Nancy Harrison reported that plans are in place for a visit to the Cummer Museum Wednesday August 21st. The cost is \$12 per person for the docent tour and reservations and payment is possible through Monday August 19th. An envelope is available at Susan Mitchell’s door to deposit payment. Members not interested in the docent tour can meet the group and pay for regular admission on their own.

Marsha Zupan reported on behalf of Jaci Shields, that a trip to Aprons Cooking School for “Luncheon on the Mediterranean” is planned for Wednesday September 18th. Arrival time is 11:30a and the event starts at noon. Sign up for the event is being handled by Phyllis Skarbrevik.

Outreach:

Eloise Burman reported the following Outreach events:

- 9/21 Heart of Magnolia Walk in Magnolia Point
- 10/12 Breast Cancer Walk in Orange Park
- 11/9 Tentative plans for a walk for Diabetes at Riverside

Members may donate directly to these charities by check or online.

Blessings in a Backpack

Marilyn reported that we are ready to distribute Blessings in a Backpack (BIB) on Friday August 16th. Volunteers are in place and the food is ready. This year we have nine new members who have volunteered to help with this project in addition to the regular teams already in place. Friday.

Box Tops and Kans4K9's:

Geri Isgan encouraged everyone to save box tops for CEB as they are valued at approximately 10 cents each. Lynn Vernon with the Kans4K9's Project was present to accept aluminum donations. Aluminum cans may be donated before each regular meeting or drop off boxes are located at the home of Geri Isgan and Norma Chao.

Program:

Mary Kendall announced that our speaker next month will be Mr. Charles Martin, a popular author.

Adjournment

As there was no further business, Lynn Kelly moved to adjourn the meeting. **The motion was seconded and passed at 4:53p.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Nettuno/Acting Recording Secretary