

## MAGNOLIA POINT WOMEN'S CLUB

### October 9, 2013 meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Shirley Orvosh at 3:34 pm in the Magnolia Point Golf and Country Club main dining room.

Guests were welcomed and Lynn Kelly announced that there were 239 paid members at present. She introduced new members: Jackie Zee, Cheryl Townsend, Virginia Paretto and Kim Fortinberry. Lynn also announced that the name tags were available to take home. Members are responsible for wearing their name tags to each meeting or will be "fined" 25 cents beginning with the January meeting. Members not present to pick up their name tags will receive them along with their new directories.

**Acceptance of minutes:** Nancy Nettuno made a motion to accept the September 11, 2013 minutes. The motion was seconded by Kitty Cella.

**Quorum:** A quorum of over 30 members was present to conduct business.

**Charles E. Bennett:** Kathie Cardon reported that the Back to School drive was a success. She read some of the thank you notes written by the students. A sign-up sheet was passed around for members interested in signing up for the Charles E. Bennett Christmas shopping. Those signing up will receive an instruction letter. The Holiday Charity letters will be sent out October 21, 2013. Volunteers will be needed to stuff the envelopes.

**Helping Hands:** A thank you note from Kathryn Kossuth was read.

**Fund Raising/Boutique:** Coral Nettuno gave an informative report on our upcoming Holiday Boutique to be held November 15, 2013 from 10:00am to 4:00pm at the Elks Lodge on Hwy 17. Information will be given out at the Fall Festival in Orange Park on October 19/20<sup>th</sup>. Flyers were handed out at this meeting informing members of everything that will be available at the Boutique.

**Community Outreach:** Eloise Burman reminded the members of the Breast Walk on October 12, 2013. Interested members will meet at the Clubhouse at 7:30am for a group picture and carpool to the start point of the walk in Orange Park. Charles E. Bennett will be sponsoring the "Tickled Pink" team. The Crop Walk will be November 3, 2013. Drop off for peanut butter will be at the gate house.

**Grants:** Nancy Nettuno and Nancy Harrison presented a \$1,200 grant check from Comcast to BIB Chairmen Jean Cosby and Marilyn Cole. These funds are designated for BIB to feed 15 kids at the Green Cove Springs Junior High School. Nancy Harrison reported that Darden has declined our request for scholarship funds.

**Junior High:** Barbara Szymanski stated that Sharon Spratt will shop for needy families.

**Social:** Marsha Zupan stated that the outing to Annabelle's for Wednesday October 23<sup>rd</sup> is filled and there are four slots remaining open for Thursday, the 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Programs:** Cindy Triay reported that the Clay County Extension Agent, Amy Morie, will be the speaker for the November general meeting.

**Blessings in a Backpack:** No report.

**Luminaries:** Sandy Waldrup reminded the members that December 14, 2013 is Luminary night. Members may sign up with Barbara Barclay for block captain.

**Pull Tops:** Geri Isgan announced that Charles E. Bennett has partnered with the Women's Club in collecting pull tops and has presented 8 pounds of pull tabs to her.

**Charity Committee Report:** In the absence of Betty Alix, chairman of the Charity Committee, Susan Mitchell made the report for the committee. She stated that there were ten requests for funds with five being approved by the committee. With \$4000 being the initial budgeted amount, the committee requested an additional \$500.00 to be approved by the board.

The Board approved the additional funding at the October 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting. The recommendations were:

1. \$2000.00 approved for Sacred Heart Parish Outreach Program for emergency funding to families in need in Green Cove Springs and the surrounding area.
2. \$750.00 to the Friends of the Green Cove Springs Library for the Youth and Adult Literacy Programs.
3. \$750.00 to Naval Junior ROTC at Clay High School to support transportation and meal costs for cadets as they support their community and school service efforts and the cost for educational field trips.
4. \$500.00 to Mercy Support Services, Inc. to aid in the purchase of a minivan for transportation for their residents .
5. \$500.00 to Northeast Florida Camp Cadet to assist a Clay County Cadet to attend the camp.

Barbara Szymanski made a motion to accept the Charity Committee's recommendations as approved by the Board. The motion was seconded by Kathie Cardon, voted and approved by all.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Joanie Braatz to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Jeanne Murphy. The meeting was adjourned at 4:10pm

Following the meeting, Cindy Triay introduced Matthew Barrett who presented an educational and entertaining program on "Brain Training".

Respectfully Submitted,

Norma Chao, Acting Recording Secretary