

Magnolia Point Women's Club

January 14, 2015 Minutes

Welcome: President Norma Chao called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm in the Magnolia Point Golf and Country Club main dining room, welcomed everyone, and introduced our speaker, Vishitra R. Garig, archive specialist for Clay County. Ms. Garig gave an informative presentation about the Magnolia Hotel that once stood on the property where the St. John's Landing apartment complex is now located. It was especially interesting to see the old photographs and documents from the period.

Following a short break, Norma reconvened the meeting at 4:37.

Quorum of members was present as documented by sign in sheet.

Acceptance of Minutes: Whitney Keyes moved to accept the November 12, 2014 minutes. Jo Ann Johnson seconded and the motion carried.

Blessings in a Backpack (BIB): Shelly Lester, principal of Charles E. Bennett (CEB), spoke about the positive impact that BIB has made in the attendance of the children served by the program, and encouraged us to continue to embrace it. She expressed her appreciation of the work that MPWC has done. We are in our third year with the project and will need new leadership for the coming year. Jean Cosby shared thank you letters from the children and spoke about how rewarding it is to be a part of this important project. Our BIB is the only one in Clay County and currently feeds 137 children who are on free or reduced lunch. In February there will be an information meeting for those interested in learning more about the operations of BIB and wishing to volunteer.

Social: Jan Morse announced that the monthly luncheon in the Clubhouse will be on January 21. The committee is exploring a Publix Aprons outing for February and a trip to the zoo for March.

Outreach: Katie Bean reported there will be a drive for pets on behalf of Catbugs Pet Rescue, Inc. in March.

Sunshine: Kathryn Kossuth informed the group of the recent death of Wyatt Hutchinson, six year old son of Nathan and Sara Hutchinson who live on Oglebay Drive. Susan Mitchell made a motion to purchase food for the family, Marlene Jacobs seconded, and the motion carried.

Nominations: Norma reminded everyone that nominations for officers must be in by the March meeting. She encouraged us to talk with others to determine willingness to lead as an officer or committee chair.

Scholarships: Thresa Oliverio announced she is sending applications to Clay High by February 1 and is seeking new committee members.

Membership: Pat Jolly introduced Lynn Hults who is joining MPWC and announced that Pam Ye is a new member.

With no further business, Jan Morse moved to adjourn and Joanie Braatz seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 4:54 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Alix
Recording Secretary