

Magnolia Point Women's Club

Minutes of the August 13, 2008 Meeting

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President, Lynn Kelly at 3:05 PM. Lynn welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Special Guests

MPWC member Barbara Syzmanski, representing Sacred Heart Outreach, thanked us for our support. Sacred Heart Outreach is a non-denominational organization with 20 volunteers who help those in our zip code. One hundred percent of their donations go to clients. From January to July, 434 families were helped.

Sharon Youngerman from Quigley House, an organization that provides help for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault, thanked us for our support. Our donation was used primarily for gas vouchers and prescriptions. During the last year, Quigley House helped over 150 families in the shelter and over 1000 in outreach counseling.

Challenge Enterprises Director, Nancy Keating introduced Bob Rowland who collects pop tops for Ronald McDonald House. Members were asked to collect pop tops, put them in a bag, and drop off in the container at the entrance to Harbor Road Industrial Park. There will also be a drop box at the pro shop to drop off pop tabs. Challenge Enterprises also has a business called Shred for Good that shreds paper for businesses and private individuals. Paper for shredding can be dropped off from 10:00 AM to 12:00 noon every Tuesday and Thursday.

Membership

Jeanne Gorman introduced a new member, Susan Hill, and a guest, Gloria Huckenberry. There are currently 202 members. Annette Hendrickson introduced her guest, Freda Blackmar, who plans to join MPWC.

Treasurer's Report

Susan Mitchell, Treasurer, reported a total income in the checking, savings, and money market accounts for last month of \$390.79. Expenses were \$117.80. The balance as of August 13 was \$8,658.53. The Charles E. Bennett account had expenses of \$631.32 for back to school clothes. The balance as of August 13 was \$1,159.10. A full report is attached in hard copy.

Acceptance of Minutes

Lynn asked for additions or corrections to the July minutes. Bev Jones moved to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Katherine Kossuth. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

By-laws Changes

Lynn Kelly asked for vote to accept the changes to our bylaws as required by the IRS and discussed at last month's meeting. The membership voted to accept the changes.

Committee Reports

1. **Luminaries:** Virgene Wildner reported that Luminary Night will be Saturday, December 6. Signups for block captains will be in September.
2. **Sunshine:** Bev Jones reported that Mela Abate is out of town. It has been a quiet July with only four get well cards sent.

3. **Charles E. Bennett:** Jo Ann Johnson reported that she and her committee will be delivering 44 outfits on August 14. Jo Ann, Joanie Braatz, and Marsha Elmore will be at the school when the children pick out their outfits.
4. **Box Tops for Education:** Geri Pearson reminded members that box tops and labels can be dropped off in the Pro Shop restroom and must include the bar code.
5. **Hospitality:** Katherine Kossuth reported that her committee greeted three new families in July and plan to call on four more in the next month.
6. **Ad Sales:** Judy Williamson reported that lots of ads are coming in. Judy and Cheryle Newman went all over Hwy 220 soliciting ads. Judy reminded members that she has materials to give businesses. She also suggested that members distribute ad requests to any workmen at their homes.
7. **Scholarships:** Thresa Oliverio reported that the scholarship committee is on hiatus until January.
8. **Day Trips:** Lynn Kelly asked for volunteers to plan one day trip each. She suggested Alhambra Dinner Theater, a trip to St. Augustine, or any new ideas. Susan Mitchell is planning a February trip to the Elvis impersonators performance at Thrasher-Horne. Tickets are \$24.00 each. Members and their husbands are invited. Susan will start taking reservations by email in September.

Reminders and Information

Hattie Reddinger reported that if you give blood at the Florida-Georgia Blood Alliance in Orange Park, you will receive a \$10.00 discount coupon at the Alhambra for everyone in your group.

Cindy Triay is selling note cards. The price is \$8 for one package or three for \$20.

One member requested that we compile information for the election. Susan Mitchell explained that because of our 501 (c)(3) status, we cannot get involved in politics.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:38 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Barclay
Secretary

After a brief break, Gwen Alter introduced Joyce Davidson, owner of a new bookshop in Green Cove Springs called Historic Grounds and author of *Olivia's Favorites*.