

Magnolia Point Women's Club (MPWC) Minutes

Date/Time/Location: January 11, 2023, 3:30 p.m.; Crystal Dining Room, Magnolia Point Golf and Country Club (MPGCC)

Attendees: 45 Attendees (list attached)

Greeter: Marlene Jacobs

Welcome/Call to Order: President Joanne LaBeouf called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance: Barbara Adams

Guest: Joann Vann (guest of Marlene Jacobs)

I. Quorum: Sarah McWhorter stated that a quorum was present. (The list of attendees is attached.)

II. Minutes: Susan Mitchell moved; Jola Greiner seconded the motion to approve the October 12, 2023 Minutes; all approved and the motion passed. Lorna Broughton moved; Marguerite Martin seconded the motion to approve the November 9, 2022 Minutes; all approved, and the motion passed.

III. Old Business

- **Donations:** MPWC is donating \$250 for the Friends of the Library, Green Cove Springs Library for the benefit of children and \$100.00 to the Clay County Historical Society as a thank you for housing our scrap books for a short period of time.
- **Cagle Gifts:** Susan Mitchell and Linda Werring collected the gifts: Pam Brame delivered donated gift items for the Charles E. Bennett Cagle Store Gifts in December 2022. Thank you to Susan, Linda, Pam, and MPWC members who donated items.
- **Holiday Luncheon:** Holiday luncheon photos are on the website. An article on the December luncheon is on the MPWC website under December Minutes.
- **Luminary Update:** Sarah McWhorter's detailed luminary report is documented under Committee Reports. Today, she provided a recap of what it took to make the event successful. She emphasized that the use of PayPal as a payment option was well received. Members extended their thanks and appreciation to Sarah for her work on this project. Sarah has agreed to lead this fundraising event again.
- **Raffle:** A raffle was held for Orange Park Community Theater tickets to *Little Women*, *A Little Musical* by Jay Richards, February 17 through March 5, 2023. Joanne Vann, our guest, won the tickets.
- **Happy Birthdays:** Lorna Broughton led members in singing Happy Birthday to three January birthday members: Mikie Porfidio, Dianne Dearth, Cindy Poucher.

- **Commercials:** Sarah McWhorter and Donna Habing each paid for a \$1 commercial.
- **Thank you:** Mary Kendall thanked all who volunteered for the judging the Clay High School Science Fair. She mentioned she could use another three volunteers.

IV. **New Business:**

- **Maggie's Meals (MM):** On behalf of the entire Club, Joanne LaBeouf recognized and thanked Pam Brame for all of her dedication and hard work in making MM work since she has been Director. Pam has been kind enough to continue MM since this past June, even after her time as Director was up.
 - Joanne LaBeouf introduced the new Co-Directors, Lorna Broughton and Suzanne Foster, who have agreed to co-direct Maggie's Meals until May 2023.
 - Both Lorna and Suzanne also thanked Pam Brame and her husband for all they have done with MM. Suzanne provided an update on the project's status. She also explained the process and asked for volunteers to help pack. Interested volunteers must fill out a form that Lorna made available. Volunteers are to bring the form with them on the day they volunteer. MPWC has enough to fund MM through May, 2023.
- **Fundraising/Arts & Crafts Fair:** Joanne LaBeouf reserved the main building at the Clay County Fairgrounds for November 10 (set-up day) and 11 (event day) for MPWC's Holiday Arts & Crafts Fair. Treasurer Linda Werring has applied to Clay County for a waiver on all fees; until a waiver is approved, the deposit required to secure the dates is due to the fairgrounds by January 21, 2023. MPWC is seeking two interested members to co-chair the fall fair. Check out the job description located on MPWC's website for more details. It's never too early to begin planning.
- **Fundraising/Directory Ad Proceeds:** Lorna Broughton mentioned that the letter usually sent to prospective ad buyers states that the proceeds go toward scholarships. Lorna will broaden the verbiage to state that proceeds go toward MPWC's charitable efforts to include scholarships. Joanie Braatz has agreed to stay on as ad designer.
- **Scholarship 2023 Funds:** Joanne LaBeouf reported that seventeen girls have asked for applications. Her inquiry about funds available for scholarships prompted the Treasurer to call for another meeting of the Finance Committee to address available funds because MPWC did not hold a fall fair in 2022. The Finance Committee will advise the Scholarship Committee about available funds by March. The Scholarship Committee will meet in February to begin the 2023 process.
- **Nominating Committee Problem:** Joanne LaBeouf again reminded the group that with no Vice President in place, the Club has an immediate need for a volunteer to head the nominating committee. A request for a VP has been in play since June 2022, and for someone to head the nominating committee since November 2022. The problem of having no VP and or volunteer to develop a slate of officers is evident. The consequences of having no slate available in the required time is a problem. The Bylaws does not inform members on what to do when there is no completed slate. Please consider volunteering.

V. **Other Business:**

- **MPWC's Hand/Knee/Foot (HKF) Cards:** Pending an increase in the cost for lunch, Susan Mitchell made new arrangements with MPGCC for HKF held on the first Wednesday of the month. HKF members will now meet at 10 a.m. in the MPGCC Parlor. Cost for playing remains at \$2. Lunch is required but members can now order off the menu for dining in or take-out. Anyone interested in playing should consider responding right away when they receive the first HKF notice because the Parlor will hold only five tables. MPWC will schedule a second HKF game on the third Tuesday of each month with the same rules. If enough players do not sign up, the Tuesday game will be cancelled.
- **January Project:** Marlene Jacobs, 1510 Stonebriar Road, is leading a request to collect gently worn athletic shoes in coordination with The Island Theater "Sneaker Project". MPWC will be collecting these items during the week of January 14 to January 21. An email notice was sent to all members with the particulars and detailed information is available on the January committee report.
- **February 8:** Sandy Waldrup has arranged to have Milva Taylor speak on understanding the difference between Alzheimer's and dementia.
- **Presentation:** Personal Trainer Brian Wade will speak on Fitness and Wellness for Mature Women.

VI. Adjournment: Joanne LaBeouf adjourned the meeting at 4:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne LaBeouf, President

10 Minute Break

Presentation: January 11 Activity/Personal Training:

Brian Wade is a Certified Personal Trainer, and Rehabilitation and Weight Loss Specialist. He is the owner of Total Body Fitness Studio in the Magnolia Layne Shopping Center, and accompanied by his assistant, Rachel Abramowitz, also a personal trainer.

Brian is interested in nutrition, fitness and health education. He spoke to MPWC members on the topic of Fitness and Wellness for Mature Women.

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Magnolia Point Women’s Club (MPWC)
Executive Officer and Committee Reports
January 9, 2023

EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS:

President (Joanne LaBeouf)

- Under “Minutes” on the MPWC website you will find information on the luncheon, a list of attendees and the Executive Officer and Committee report for December.
- Be sure to check out the website as some pictures from the luncheon will be posted.
- Eight months into 2022-23 and still no one has stepped up to fill the Vice President (VP) position. The VP is the one who develops a slate of officers for the upcoming term. MPWC continues to seek a VP, or at least someone willing to volunteer to work on a slate of officers for the next term.

Corresponding Secretary (Lorna Broughton) Lorna received one thank you from Kim Belcher for our donation of \$50.00 to Community Hospice in Pete’s name, and one Christmas card from Quigley House. Lorna has written a letter to generous residents for their recent and generous donation of \$200.00 to MPWC Charities.

Treasurer’s Report (Linda Werring)

Vystar Statement Dec. 31, 2022	Actual Balance Jan. 2, 2023
Unrestricted Checking Acct \$1,211.92	Checking Acct \$1,233.89
Unrestricted Money Market \$9,022.32	Unrestricted Money Mkt \$9,022.32
Savings Acct (Reserves) \$8,078.28	Savings Acct (Reserves) \$8,078.28
Maggie’s Meals Acct \$6,085.92	Maggie’s Meals Acct \$6,085.92
GCS Schools Acct \$4,208.49	GCS Schools Acct \$4,208.49
Scholarship Account \$24,215.29	Scholarship Account \$24,215.29

TOTAL AMOUNT IN UNRESTRICTED ACCOUNTS: \$18,334.49

TOTAL AMOUNT IN RESTRICTED ACCOUNTS: \$34,509.70

After recouping our expenses for the luminary sales, \$9,204.70 was deposited into the scholarship fund.

Upcoming expenses will be: Renew our Quickbooks software
 Club’s insurance policy will be due soon
 Deposit due for Arts & Crafts Fair in November

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Activities: (Joanne LaBeouf)

- Holiday luncheon: The luncheon was held at Sacred Heart’s Activity Center on December 14, 2022; 60 attended. A great time was had by all. A detailed commentary is available under December Minutes on the Website and was sent via email to all members.
- January 11, 2023 informational activity: Brian Wade, Personal Fitness Trainer and Rehabilitation and Weight Loss Specialist is presenting a training and wellness program for mature women.

- February 8, 2023 informational activity: Milva Taylor, Program Manager for the Central/Northeast Florida chapter of the Alzheimer's Organization. Program concentrates on understanding the difference between ALZ and dementia.
- January Project (Marlene Jacobs): MPWC will be collecting adult (men and women) and children (boys and girls) athletic shoes in gently worn condition. This MPWC project is part of a fundraiser held by The Island Theater in Fleming Island whose goal is to donate 200 pair of athletic shoes overseas to developing nations in South American and Africa. The athletic shoes will be re-sold by micro-entrepreneurs, the efforts of which assists them in financial independence, all the while providing shoes for their community. Deliver clean, gently worn or new athletic shoes (tied in pairs/no boxes) to Marlene Jacobs at 1510 Stonebrier Road from January 16 to January 21, 2023.

Communications: (Sandy Waldrup)

- Publicity: No Report
- Historian: No Report
- Newsletter: Temporarily suspended.
- Webmaster: The MPWC website continues to evolve as the team continues to work on updating information and photos, and assuring that we utilize all capabilities offered by WordPress. A meeting is scheduled for January 17.
- Printshop: No report
- Directory Database: No Report

Fundraising:

- **Arts & Crafts Fair:** (Joanne LaBeouf) The Fair event will be held at the Clay County Fairgrounds on Saturday November 11, 2023 with set-up November 10. The main fairground building has been reserved for both days. The date and location had been approved in advance by the Board. A reservation application was sent in on December 22 and an invoice was received for deposit and forwarded to our Treasurer. The Treasurer will pursue a possible waiver for the reservation with Clay County. Co-Chairs for the fair are needed for 2023. Anyone interested in the co-chair positions, please contact Joanne (alabeouf@comcast.net). It's not too early to begin planning.
- **Directory Ads** (Lorna Broughton) The letters and forms to current and prospective advertisers for our Directory Ads fundraiser are updated and will be mailed in January.
- **Luminaries** (Sarah McWhorter) MPWCs luminary sales event to raise scholarship funds for Clay High School girls took place December 10. The weather cooperated and allowed for a great evening for residents who participated in the neighborhood events of luminaries and the golf cart parade. Approximately 59% of residences (excluding vacant lots) either purchased luminary kits or made donations to the scholarship fund. For the first time, MPWC utilized PayPal as an option for method of payment for the first time; fifty-five residents purchased 187 kits and made \$192 in donations through the service. A total of 1,417 kits were sold. After kit expenses, this fundraising event raised \$9,204.70 for MPWCs Scholarship Fund. This event was successful because of all those who volunteered as block captains and kit assemblers.

Grants: (Nancy Nettuno) Nothing new to report.

Maggie's Meals: (New Co-Directors Lorna Broughton and Suzanne Foster)

Lorna Broughton and Suzanne Foster have volunteered to be co-directors for Maggie's Meals until the end of the school year (May 26, 2023). At the moment, Maggie's Meals is providing weekend food for 87 children at CEB. Suzanne and Lorna will take charge of shopping for the food supplies and stocking the shelves in the room provided at CEB. MPWC volunteers to pack the bags and help deliver them to classrooms (usually on Friday mornings) will be solicited by sign-up sheet at the January 11 general meeting and by email.

Membership: (Marguerite Martin)

- **Hospitality:** (Sandy Magyar and Jaci Shields) Sandy has been in touch with Beth at May Management. She is working on getting us a new and updated list of residence. Once they have the list, they will visit these new residents.
- **Sunshine:** (Sharon Murphy) Sharon sent out one sympathy card and one bouquet of flowers this month.
- **Helping Hands:** (Lorna Broughton) No activity.

Green Cove Springs Schools: (New Director, Susan Mitchell)

- **Bannerman Alternative School:** Mary Austin was in contact with Ms. Walker, an 11th grade History teacher who requested items to use as incentives for a "Citizenship Student of the Week" project. Beginning in January, the incentives will include:
 - One student per week will win a \$5.00 Burger King gift card
 - One student per month will receive a \$10.00 Walmart gift card
 - In May, the "Citizenship Student of the Year" will receive a \$25.00 Walmart gift card
 - Total expenditure for the project is \$175.00.
- **Charles E. Bennett Elementary (CEB):** Items donated by MPWC members for the Cagle Store were delivered before the winter break.
- **GCS Junior High School:** Barbara Szymanski reported there was no activity.
- **Clay High School:** Mary Kendall reported the Science Department Chair has asked for help with their science fair. They need 9 to 12 judges for the fair to be held at 8:00 a.m. on January 12. Participating students are from the Clay High School honors science classes. Winners will participate in the county fair at a later date. Participating judges will interview the students using a checklist to score the projects; the process will take about 3 hours. A notice to members will go out in early January asking for member participation.

Scholarship: (Joanne LaBeouf) Seventeen Clay High senior girls have requested and received applications to date. For 2023 scholarships, MPWC will not be partnering with Clay Education Foundation (CEF). CEF works with Florida Prepaid and this year the scholarship amount restrictions required by Florida Prepaid do not coincide with what MPWC prefers for designations of scholarship amounts.

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Magnolia Point Women's Club

Attendance at 1 / 11 / 23 Meeting

Please Sign In

1. Joanne LaBeauf	26. Judy Sessions
2. Martene Jacobs	27. Circle Proffitt
3. Joann Vann (guest)	28. melanie morse
4. Shirley Orvoski	29. Glenda Harden
5. Mikie Porfideo	30. DIANE LOCHNER
6. Cheryl Kennedy	31. Kimberly LaPorte
7. DIANNE DEARTH	32. Lorna Broughton
8. Lorna Broughton	33. Helen DiPaolonia
9. Joan Braatz	34. JOA GREYER
10. Danna Nisley	35. Sarah McHorter
11. Susan Mitchell	36. Cindy Tucker
12. Nancy Nettuno	37. Linda Thill
13. Lois Miller	38. Sharon Sprett
14. Barbara Phelps	39. Anoula Humelet
15. Sandy Cochran	40. Anne Bustress
16. Diane Spradley	41. Kimberly Schlosser
17. Anita King	42. Pam Young
18. Betty Helmet	43. Mary Kendall
19. Sharon Murphy	44. Mary Tushir
20. Suzanne Foster	45. Judy
21. BARBARA ADAMS	46. Phyllis Skarke
22. Donna Habing	47.
23. Marguerite Martin	48.
24. Barbara Collier	49.
25. Sandy Wilkings	50.