

BOARD HIGHLIGHTS – October 2024

- Donna Habing, Marsha Fields and Nancy Catudal will attend the Reinhold Fall Nonprofit Leadership Breakfast October 15 at the Thrasher-Horne Conference Center.
- The Board unanimously voted to consider MPWC's charitable donations on an ad-hoc basis rather than every quarter. At the end of the fiscal year, when the Treasurer indicates how much money is left for donations, the Board will decide which charity(ies) to donate to, based on the Charities Survey the members completed earlier this year, and how much each charity would receive. This approach will give MPWC flexibility so that during the year any requests for emergency funds can be considered.
- The Board unanimously voted to reallocate Directory Ad profits from the restricted scholarship account to the general charitable fund. With Board approval, the Scholarship Director may access the funds in the general charitable account if needed.
- Treasurer Linda Werring reported that \$128.90 was donated to the Green Cove Springs Junior High School nurse for the purchase of supplies. MPWC purchased fifty \$5 Dunkin' Donuts gift cards for Bannerman Learning Center. The gift cards will be used for the Citizen of the Week Awards.
- Fundraising Director Joanne LaBeouf reports that:
 - The liability insurance for the Arts & Crafts Fair has been paid, along with the invoice for updating the banners which will be placed at locations in Green Cove Springs two weeks prior to the event.
 - The 50/50 drawing at the September General Meeting brought in \$45. There will be a second 50/50 drawing at the October General meeting. Proceeds of these drawings will be used for advertising in *Clay Today*.
 - A new on-line credit card option for MPWC has been set up with Zeffy (QR code option). Zeffy can be used at the Fair and for other fundraising purchases, including the upcoming luminaria event.
 - Most block captains are in place for Luminaria sales. Oglebay still needs several more block captains.
 - Directory Ads Chair Lorna Broughton is seeking an apprentice to shadow her beginning in January 2025. This person would be expected to take over the Directory Ads fundraising campaign in 2026. If interested, contact Lorna.
- Activities Director Cindy Triay reports that The Cornhole Social on September 24 was a success with 24 members in attendance.
 - Upcoming General meeting programs:
 - October: FBI photographer John Fletcher along with a Halloween costume contest for members who wish to participate. Spouses are invited to this presentation.
 - November: Patriotic musical presentation by the Clay High Show Choir. Spouses are invited along with approximately 25 local veterans.
 - December: The MPWC Holiday Luncheon has been scheduled for December 11, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. An Outreach collection will take place.
 - Upcoming social outings:
 - October 17: Dolphin Tour from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Space is still available.
 - November (date and time to be determined): Shopping on Walnut Street, followed by an informal gathering at Red's Wine Bar from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
 - Upcoming Outreach events:
 - October: A candy donation at the October 9 General meeting for the Green Cove Springs Police Department's Trunk or Treat event.
 - December 1 to 5: Bellringing with the Salvation Army at Winn-Dixie.
- The local Elks Lodge has given MPWC two \$1,000 donations. Donna Habing and/or Pam Young will attend the next Bingo evening at the Elks Lodge to receive these two donations.