

Sewing Etc. Club
Meeting Minutes October 16, 2023
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1. Meeting called to order by President Marylu Belisle at 1:39pm
Officers present: Marylu Belisle, President; Barbara Ott, Vice President; Jeanie Nishime, Secretary, Kathy Moskovitz, Treasurer
Coordinators: Sharon Philippe; Terry Chamberlin; Chris Sanderson
Members present: 22
New members: None
2. Minutes for September 7, 2023 were distributed electronically to the membership and were accepted as corrected.

3. Treasurers report: Kathy Moskovitz

Beg balance: \$4860.11
Income: \$0
Disbursements: \$182.07 (Pendleton quilts)
End balance: \$4678.04

Insurance was paid in October and will be reflected in the October Treasurer's report. Fifty cents per member is paid to the Social Clubs for membership on Oct. 1 (126 members). Usually, the fee is collected in Feb. and Oct. but was charged only once this year.

4. President's Report: Marylu Belisle

Please take a pumpkin which were to be center pieces for the cancelled fall luncheon. Any leftover pumpkins may be given as gifts to the staff. Other ideas are the microwave bowl, zippered bag or mug rugs. The majority of attendees thought this was a good idea. Terry Chamberlin has more pumpkins at home. Terry is in charge of gifts for the staff. She will have a sign-up sheet for a day in November to sew up a project for staff gifts.

Marylu thanked all who came to make pumpkins during the workshop day. Tom Murphy from Woodchucks has requested help for the Nov. 18 toy drive. Set up starts at 8:00 with the toy drive from 9-12; clean-up 12-1. Our club displays stockings. We also want to collect funds for a food drive. More information will be given at the Nov. meeting.

5. Officers Reports:

- Vice President Barbara Ott : Debbie Head and Sharon Philippe were on the nomination committee. The current slate of officers and coordinators have agreed to stay on the job. The slate of officers was read out loud and approved by acclamation of those in attendance.

President: Marylu Belisle
Vice President: Barbara Ott

Secretary: Jeanie Nishime
Treasurer: Kathy Moskovitz
Program Coor.: Terry Chamberlin
Membership: Sharon Philippe
Past President/Website: Chris Sanderson

In addition to the officers and coordinators, Marcia Bruce and Karen Lohr are advisors/liaisons to Camp Pendleton.

We may do a mini brunch in Nov. or hold off for a spring luncheon. Sharon Philippe suggested we wait until spring because of all the holidays in Nov. and Dec. Barbara will plan for a catered luncheon in spring.

- Secretary Jeanie Nishime: no report

6. Coordinator's Reports:

- Membership, Sharon Philippe: 1-2 membership checks have come in. Many fabric donations - please take some home! Any leftover fabric is given to Chris Sanderson who donates it to a fashion design teacher who has an affiliation with a theatre group. Pam Bechill donates to Keep Sewing Alive which teaches immigrant women to sew. The groups needs sewing machines. There are a couple of machines in the closet which Pam was encouraged to take.
Carol Spence indicated that some clubs are doing a "pay your dues early" drive. Any new members who pay in October will remain members for 2024 without additional payment. Moved by Sharon Philippe and seconded by Pam Bechill to allow new members who pay now to maintain their membership through 2024. Approved by consensus of the members present.
- Programs, Terry Chamberlin: 10/19 kimono class with Pam Bechill. Two ornament classes on 10/21 - bring a thimble. Arts and Crafts Festival does conflict with the class because they moved their date. Garden club is selling hot dogs. Toy drive 11/18. Interest sheet for Intro to Felting is on the table. A date will be set by the Nov. meeting.
Classes for next year: Terry will be recruiting teachers for things to display at the Nov. meeting to determine the level of interest for various classes.

- ## 7. Philanthropy report:
- Marcia Bruce stated that Camp Pendleton is very happy with all of our donations. (Marylu indicated that everyone will have a chance to meet the handsome marines at the Toy drive!) Marcia saw the food pantry at CP. Hats and small quilts are also on display in the pantry. Mon. and Wed. are food pantry days. Marines can come in every two weeks. They have a specific list of food which are accepted by the food pantry. Marcia will get the list and send it out. There are recipes by the food in case the Marines need suggestions on how to use the food. Marcia indicated that the thrift store on base is only for active-duty personnel. It is separate from the Rotary which accepts furniture but not toys, just necessities. During the toy drive, toys are separated by age and gender.

Marylu reminded members that the pumpkins are not toys since parts may come off. Marylu would like to have our own food drive once we get the list.

8. Tool Time: None

9. Share Time: Marilyn Mulligan - pink and purple baby blankets

10. Adjournment: Moved by Chris Sanderson and seconded by Leslie Whitley to adjourn at 2:15pm.