



MATLACHA HOOKERS

2025 August Membership Meeting Minutes

DATE: August 11, 2025

The American Legion 4106

Stringfellow Rd, St James City FI 33956

Please turn cell phones off or put on vibrate. Phone that ring during meeting, member will be asked to donate \$5.00 to the Food Pantry

Call to Order by Madam Linda Bohacek at 6:31 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Madam

Invocation by Anna VanKirk

Presentation of check from Chamber of Commerce - Dave Connor- presented a check for \$1,000.

BOARD REPORTS

1. 50/50: Music Alive; Tammey Lynch made motion for Museum of the Islands; motion carried.
2. Financial Requests
3. Membership Dues- Membership renewals will begin to be accepted in October. Any new members who sign up in October their membership will be valid for the current year and following year.- Linda – Membership year will be January through December; Joining after October 1st of the year your membership will go through the end of the current year; Susan Bosworth made motion to approve change to the Bylaws; motion carried.
4. New website is live; big thank you to Julia; pay pal details still being worked on; She will need 72 hours for any changes/adds to the website. She will work on it on

Saturdays. Jeanelle and Tracy will be trained on the website and act as backups.

5. Fundraising and Brainstorming update; Casino bus trip- still looking into the logistic, Singo- Kickstands started Singo we will let them move forward with it., Lottery-Lucky Hook Up- print tickets and everyone sells 10. Sell by January 1st award \$100 on the 1st and 15th of each month. We need to sell 120 tickets to fund the monthly prize and cost of printing the tickets. They will be sold for \$20.00 each. We will order 1000 tickets and we will sell as many as we can by January 1, 2026. The tickets will be available at the September meeting. This is a fundraiser for the Scholarship Fund.

6. Next Social Media and Event Planning Meeting; August 20th 6pm @ Salty Girls

7. Pine Island Chamber of Commerce Adopt a Pelican Auction-Linda Any member who wants to paint/decorate the pelican please let Linda know. The Pelican is due on September 12th. Needs to be at the Chamber of Commerce by this date.

Upcoming Events and Volunteers Needed

a. Pine Island Elementary Fishing Derby November 2nd; Next Planning Meeting

September 11th 6pm @ Street Eat & Ale- Donna and Tammey

b. Mrs. Roper Romp September 13th @ The Moose 5:00-7:00 \$25.00 per person; fundraiser for the Hooked-on Education fund- Tracy

c. Santa Con November 29th; possibly a bar hop; price has not been determined; fundraiser for Hooked on Education fund- Tracy and Christy

d. Member mixers supporting businesses- Will be put on hold during "off season" e.

4th of July Parade planning meeting. September 12th @ 5:00 at the Moose Lodge

Past Events and Fundraisers

a. PIE 2025- 2026 School Supply Drive- Christy

b. Ft Myers River District Alliance Art Walk update- Lorie and Donna- raised a little over \$500 for Hooked on Education; we will be doing Music Walk starting in October 17th; more information in a Hooker Herald.

c. Adopt-a-Road update- Lorie – October 4th starting at 8:30 a.m.; we will need more volunteers we are covering a larger area; more information in the Hooker Herald

d. FISH Kids School Clothing Drive- Carolyn

g. Merchandise

Matlacha Art Walk August 8th- Linda
Vice Madam Carolyn Ryzanych, Membership

1. Membership Report: 167 members; 36 new
2. Meeting attendance: 26
3. Upcoming Officer and Board Elections
4. Membership Brochure update
5. Call Girls: Scottie; Thank you!
6. Next month's Call Girls: Analise and Natalie
7. Birthday Celebrations

Secretary, Rachel Branch

1. Review and approval of July general minutes. Tammey Lynch made motion to approve; motion carried.
2. Mail: read 3 letters; Thank you from Food Pantry and American Legion Post 136 and Scholarship recipient Megan Kunkel

Treasurer, Deb Syring

1. Approval of July financials - postponed for review and vote to 8/25 Board meeting
2. Merchandise report for July- \$1,753.00

Chaplain, Anna Van Kirk

1. Outreach requests – received 3 one was not approved; we were able to help 2 2. Pine Island Cares- Meeting update; Demographics study; need is a Youth Center; Emergency Task Force did a presentation

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES:

1. Community Support

- a. Pine Island Food Pantry needs to continue to be posted in the Hooker Herald as well as need for Volunteers. Personal care items in easy sizes to pass out are really needed.
- b. Peace Day Pine Island September 20th 2pm- 8pm @ SJCCC volunteer sign up
- c. PILOT program has ended

Other: Next Board Meeting: Aug 25th, 2025, 6:00 p.m. Location: Salty Girl Island Cafe

Next General Meeting: Monday September 8, 2025, at 6:30 p.m., American

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50/50: \$130.00 total; winner gets \$65.00- Scottie

Volunteer of the Month: Christy Rau
Food Pantry: \$65.00

Adjournment:

Tammey Lynch made motion to adjourn; motion carried;

Adjourned at 8:00 p.m.