

MATLACHA HOOKERS  
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES  
DECEMBER 9, 2019

Call to Order by Madam Philosophy at 6:30  
Pledge of Allegiance led by Madam Philosophy  
Invocation by Grateful Genie, Chaplain. A Christmas prayer by young poet Matty S.  
A delicious pot-luck spread was enjoyed by all !

BOARD REPORTS

Madam Philosophy Helen Andrews

- a) 50/50 will benefit Cases for Smiles, making fun pillow cases for hospitalized children.
- b) Hooker Business: Kevin Kyle, our attorney has created a draft release and liability form for the lending of Hooker property, board members are reviewing for January's meeting.
- c) Fundraising: no new report
- d) Financial Requests: none
- e) Motion by DJ Ruscik to donate \$200.00 to American Legion for use of the facility, all in favour.

Vice Madam Billie Young, Membership

- a) Membership Report: 200+ members
- b) New member swear-in: Kathy Thompson and Myra Watson
- c) Call Girls Thank You and next month's volunteers: Anna Van Kirk and Lynne Phillips
- d) December Birthday celebration
- e) Tonight's attendance: 34
- f) New general purpose note cards are coming in January.

Secretary, Cindy Walton

- a) Review and Approval of November general Minutes, motion to approve by Julia Simpson, all in favour.
- b) Online Votes: unanimous vote to provide up to \$500. to Olde Fish House for repair/replacement of their refrigeration unit used by us for the derby, actual total was \$200.00
- c) Mail: email and written thank you from Valerie's House for our 50/50 donation, thank you from Pine Island Food Pantry for donation of 48lbs of food and \$87.50, donation form and gift option from Habitat for Humanity

Treasurer, Ginny Neff

- a) Review and approval of October financial reports, motion to approve by Anna Van Kirk, all in favour.
- b) Board voted to a month delay in the approval of financials in future to allow our treasurer time to compile the reports and allow the members more time for review. (ie. October reports will be approved in December, November reports approved in January etc.) Motion to adopt this change by Elida Byard, all in favour.

Chaplain, Grateful Genie Andrews

- a. Chaplin Report: no card showers, prayer request for Glenda Busscher, December has had 1 prayer request so far.
- b. Outreach Report: 1 back rent paid for \$600.00  
The Glass Eye story gave us all a good chuckle !  
MISS MATTY IS READY FOR CAROLING!

## EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES:

### 1.Fundraisers

- 1) Scholarships: 2020 committee being formed now. Any member interested in being on the committee should email their interest to [MatlachaHookers@MatlachaHookers.org](mailto:MatlachaHookers@MatlachaHookers.org). This committee works from February through April to review applications and reward scholarships based on the balance of the scholarship account. 11 scholarships were awarded in 2019. No set number of committee members required although there must be an even number of members including the member who organizes and redacts, copies and distributes the applications for voting members.
- 2) Merchandise Report: new chair needed
- 3) Wine Event: Sunday, March 1st @ Alden Pines, next planning meeting will be December 12, location TBA, the theme is country and Western, beer and wine will be served with the music of Last Resort.
- 4) PIE Derby: wrap up meeting January 9th @ Little Lilly's (food and drinks will be served) all attendees are asked to update their procedures for the meeting.
- 5) Bag'n Tag: Our annual rummage sale/pancake breakfast February 22nd benefits our scholarship fund. Donations can be taken to Trader's Hitching Post or Century 21 office, sorting and storage will be on LOBean Lane in Bokeelia. Next planning meeting December 12th, 1:30 at PICC. Bake sale of cookies, brownies, bars and mini breads (packs of 4) will be sold for \$2.00 (frosting is discouraged as it does not sell well)
- 6) ArtFest: January 31, February 1 and 2, sign up has been forwarded to members, link is on our website  
Members are encouraged to sign up with friends or family. Sign ups available tonight. We keep all tips to benefit our scholarship fund. Last years earning were approx. \$4,400.00

### 2. Community Support

- 1) Adopt-A-Road: 6 Hookers and 1 Hooker husband participated on November 14th, next January 16th , 8:15 for coffee at Perfect Cup, 9a.m start
- 2) Blood Drive: November 2nd had 30 donors, next drive will be in February
- 3) Pine Island Food Pantry needs hamburger helper, canned tomatoes, fruit drinks, chicken & tomato soups
- 4) F.I.S.H Caroling: December 13th, (meet at the Elks 5p.m), 14th (meet at the Elks 4p.m), 15th (meet at the Elks 11:30a.m), and 20th (meet at the Yucatan 5p.m) December 6th earned \$1,035.00
- 5) Beacon Holiday House: 4 Hookers met at the Chamber to create ornaments for our tree donation. \$50.00 donations were received from Sweeny Soaps and massage therapist Pam McCarty. Thanks to Julia Simpson for assembling a beautiful tree!!
- 6) Beacon Bites (island version of Meals on Wheels) is in need of Hookers to deliver 2nd Tuesday of each month. The time requirement is 3 hours or less. Contact Billie Young to volunteer.
- 7) Beacon of Hope and the fire department will again be delivering meals on December 24th, to donate or volunteer call 239-283-5123.

## OTHER:

50/50 collected \$ 203.00 Tonight's winner of \$101.50 is Beth Nelson.

Tonight's donation to Food Pantry \$64.00

Next Board Meeting: Monday, January 6/20 @ Little Lilly's 6p.m

Next General Meeting: Monday, January 13/20, Location TBA

MOtion to adjourn @ 7:57p.m by DJ Ruscik, all in favour.