

MATLACHA HOOKERS
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 13, 2020.

Prior to the meeting Theresa Kramer and VFW N Ft. Myers President spoke about the good work they do and encouraged membership in the VFW (open to Vets and their families)

Call to Order by Madam Deja Vu Deux at 6:30 @ House of Omelets

Pledge of Allegiance led by Madam Deja Vu Deux

Invocation by Grateful Genie, Chaplain

BOARD REPORTS

Madam Deja Vu Deux began with Happy New Year and words of thanks and praise for the 2019 board, all previous board members, and all members in general for their dedication and service as the Hookers enter their 22nd year !

Madam Deja Vu Deux, DJ Ruscik

- a) 50/50: suggestions included PI Community pool, Honour Flight and Helping Paws, motion by Barbara Luck to support Helping Paws, all in favour.
- b) Hooker Business: Hooker information will be sent to members only, new website password for paid members will be reset each January (20HookersRule20 for 2020) Email is still being worked on and may be not possible to blast out to all members. Members are reminded that all documents, Hooker Heralds, and a calendar of events can be found on the website and Hooker Heralds are also posted to Facebook.
Julia Simpson is retiring from the board. Her 1 year remaining can be filled by a volunteer stepping forward, by board appointment, or by a special election. Interested members are asked to step forward. THANK YOU JULIA FOR YOUR WORK AND DEDICATION OVER THE YEARS!
- c) Fundraising: no report
- d) Financial Requests: Board voted unanimously to donate \$100.00 to American Legion Auxiliary for their One Hole Over the Pond event in February.
- e) Board voted to donate \$200.00 to Little Lilly's Deli in recognition of their support of our organization. A custom plaque will also be designed and presented to them with our thanks.
- f) A "thank you program" this year will also award plaques to other local businesses for their support.

Vice Madam Billie Young, Membership

- a) Membership Report: none
- b) Meeting Attendance: 46 (with 4 guests)
- c) New member swear-in of Carmen and Robin
- d) Call Girls Thank You and next month's volunteers: Genie and Carol
- e) January Birthday celebration !

Secretary, Cindy Walton

- a) Review and Approval of December General Minutes, motion by Julia Simpson to approve, all in favour.
- b) No Online Votes
- c) Mail: Calusa Land Trust newsletter, invitation to Chamber of Commerce annual dinner, Thank you note from scholarship recipient Jonathan.

Treasurer, Ginny Neff

- a) Review and approval of November financial reports, motion to approve by Julia Simpson, all in favour.
- b) 2020 prospective budget to be approved at the board meeting in February, then at the general meeting. General account will require funding again this year as it supports Outreach and all general community requests.

MANY THANKS TO GINNY NEFF for her tireless work over 3 years as treasurer (including all the work done while on vacation!!) Ginny is stepping down as treasurer and Theresa Kramer is assuming the role until a new treasurer steps up..anyone interested contact the board or email.

Chaplain, Grateful Genie Andrews

- a) Chaplin Report: no December requests
- b) Outreach Report: no December requests
2019 REVIEW: 15 card showers, 6 prayer showers, 34 hardship requests (18 approved..others were denied, withdrawn, referred, or did not meet our guidelines) \$7,005.06 paid (amount differs from financial report due to timing of payments)
- c) Thank you to the 2019 Outreach Committee, new members are requested including one who may be willing to assume the Chaplain position for 2021 as Genie will be stepping down. NO meetings are held and all work for this committee is done online.
- d) \$500.00 the Matlacha Hookers donated for wrapping the BoH van was used instead for general funding of the van which is now being used on an as needed basis only, the regular weekly runs they were doing have been suspended until further notice.
- e) Elks has received grant funding for a reading program for children and for a program to provide minor home repairs for seniors on the island. For info contact Judy Hopkins 239-283-4388
DIET AND NUTRITION NEWS! No Pain...Good! And Round is a shape !! haha thanks Genie !
Miss Matty has a beautiful new winter outfit ! and is anxious to attend all Hooker events ! Thanks Genie !!

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES:

1. Fundraisers

- 1) Scholarships: 2 members interested in the committee, members meet 2-3 times between February and May. In 2019 11x \$2,000. Scholarships were awarded named for local donors as well as "in memory of" scholarships. MORE COMMITTEE MEMBERS ARE NEEDED !!

2) Merchandise Report: new chair needed to organize sales of merchandise at meetings and events.

3) Wine Event: Sunday, March 1st 2-5p.m @ Alden Pines "Country in Paradise"

Featuring 6 wines and 3-4 craft beers to sample, the band "Last Resort", picnic food with treats from CW Fudge, silent auction, tickets \$30.00 in advance \$35.00 at the door, benefits the BoH senior programs

Volunteer sign ups tonight for solicitation, welcome, set-up, break down, and mystery wine

Donations of wine needed (minimum value \$5.00 please)

Planning meeting: Thursday, January 23rd, 6p.m @ Little Lilly's Deli

4) PIE Derby: Wrap up meeting Thursday, January 16th, 6p.m @ Little Lilly's, bring your notes, suggestions, and comments for next year's derby. Teacher grants will be awarded in February.

5) Bag'n Tag: February 22nd, 9-3 @ Moose Lodge (set up begins at 8) \$5. Per bag to fill with clothing (may include accessories this year), benefits our scholarship fund

Drop donations at Century 21, Traders Hitching Post, LoBean Lane location (please notify)

Bake sale drop off locations TBA cookies etc. 4 per bag @ \$2.00

Volunteers needed day of and vehicles to load the night before and drop off items morning of

Breakfast will start at 8:30, donations still needed of OJ, milk, coffee, and syrup

Sorting on LoBean Lane in Bokeelia: January 25th 9:30-12, February 6th 9:30-12, February 15th 10-2, February 21st 8:30-?

2. Community Support

1) Adopt-A-Road January 16th 8a.m for breakfast , 8:45a.m for work party behind Olde Fish House

2)Next Blood Drive will be February 8th @ Island Grill 10-3p.m

3) Pine Island Food Pantry needs non-food items-toiletries

4) F.I.S.H Caroling: earned \$5,100.00+

OTHER:

50/50 collected \$195. Tonight's winners of \$98.00 are Theresa Kramer and Melissa Downs !

CONGRATS!!

Tonight's donation to Food Pantry \$61.00

Next Board Meeting: Monday, February 3rd

Next General Meeting: Monday, February 10th @ House of Omelets

Meeting adjourned at 7:59p.m