



Matlacha Hookers
General Meeting Minutes
Date: January 14, 2025
The Eagle's Nest Restaurant
10880 Stringfellow Rd, Bokeelia FL

Please turn cell phones off or put on silence.

Please be respectful of those who are speaking and refrain from sidebar conversations. (These requests came from Members and they suggested a \$5 Penalty after one warning!)

Call to Order by Vice-Madam Carolyn Ryzanych @ 6:32pm

Pledge of Allegiance led by Vice Madam

Invocation by Anna Van Kirk

BOARD REPORTS

Madam Linda Bohacek (Vice Madam in her absence)

Presentation of check from Christmas Caroling fundraising to Jim Wentz President of F.I.S.H; presentation of check of \$5,151.00 marked for basket brigade funds for children. (In 2024 197 children were helped)

1. 50/50: Calusa Land Trust/ Pine Island Playhouse; Kelly LaMagna made a motion for Pine Island Playhouse, motion carried

2. Financial Requests: none

3. Upcoming Events and Volunteers Needed:

Fundraising:

a. Art Fest Ft Myers- Saturday February 1st; volunteers will be needed for beverage

tents, all hands on deck needed, website sign up assistance given after meeting Donna Trusik & Rachel Branch; hookers were advised to please sign up, 10 more spots in AM and 11 more spots for PM

b. Island Luau- March 2nd; Luau planning meeting January 20th @ Salty Girls 6pm- Sandy Kerr and Joanne Correia; proceeds going to SJCCC and Beacon of Hope; Wine needed for mystery wine only 22 bottles collected; Hookers need to make cookies for desserts; Feb.17th @ 9am Beth Nelson 3343 Manatee Drive for basket making; Jan 22nd @10am to 12pm coconut making; Luau ticket given out at meat raffle

c. Island Luau Soliciting- Linda Bohacek & Carolyn Ryzanych

South St. James- January 16th @ 10:30am @ Linda Bohacek's home

North St. James- January 21st @ 10:30am @ Bobbers Bait Parking

Matlacha- January 23rd @ 10:30am @ Bobbers Bait Parking Lot

Cape Coral- January 28th & 30th @ 10:30am @ Publix Parking Lot

d. Fishing Derby- next planning meeting January 21st @ 6pm @ Kickstands in SJC; event is on May 16, 17 & 18 of 2025 location TBD- Kelly LaMagna & DJ Ruscik

e. Meat Raffle January 25th @ 2pm-4pm @ Burnt Store Tavern; members are encouraged to attend- Elsie Olander

f. Fort Myers River District Alliance Art Walk February 7th @ 5pm-9pm Downtown Ft Myers; volunteers needed to sell beer and receive tips money raised goes toward scholarships- Lorie Tidwell

4. Past Events and Updates

a. Woodstock on Pine Island @ SJCCC merchandise booth -Patty Mohanack; about \$395.00 sold in merchandise

b. Members Mixers- Linda Bess

Hooker Business:

a. Social Media Planning Meeting/Updated Website reveal- January 15th 6pm @ Salty Girls Cafe

b. Member Mixer supporting local business- Tracy Chapple and Linda Bessette

1.Breakfast @ Salty Girls January 20th @ 8:30am

2. Fried Chicken and Karaoke @VFW January 28th 5pm to 8pm
- c. Social Media Coordinator position

Vice Madam, Carolyn Ryzanych

1. Membership Report: 124 members 17 new
2. Meeting Attendance: 57
3. Call Girls : Kimmy Rasmussen & Natalie Hetrick
Next month's volunteers:
4. Birthday celebrations!

Secretary, Rachel Branch

1. Review and approval of December general minutes; Tracy Chapple made motion to approve; Motion carried
2. Mail; Thank you note from Ella Bernaro who received the scholarship

Treasurer, Deb Syring

1. Financials - December; Lisa Perry made a motion to approve December financials; motion carried
2. Merchandise report: December \$4,224.00; 2024 total \$14,462

Chaplain, Anna Van Kirk

1. Outreach Report
Update on Beacon of Hope changes; Nancy Cote will soon attend a meeting
2. Card Showers; none
3. Joke

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES:

1. Community Support
 - a. Pine Island Food Pantry needs- Needs are posted in the HookerHerald
 - b. Stone Crab Festival January 26th @ 11am- 6pm @ Winn Dixie Plaza
Merchandise booth volunteers are full
 - c. Blood Drive February 8th @ 10am- 3pm location change to American Legion

- d. Classic Car Show at Culture Park February 15th @ 11am- 1:30pm @ Cape Coral Museum of History; *Volunteers needed for merchandise booth*
- e. Pine Island Garden Club Gala February 22nd @ 8am- 3pm @ SJCCC; *Volunteers needed for merchandise booth*
- f. Adopt the Road- Lorie Tidwell postponed until March
- g. Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner and Elections February 10th @ 5:30pm @ The American Legion; \$30 per person/ Cash Bar/ Catered by Bubba's Roadhouse
- h. March 15th Mullet Toss more details to come

OTHER:

50/50 collected \$180.00

Tonight's Attendance Winner: Heidi Lutz

Volunteer of the month winner: Joanne Coreria

Tonight's donation to Food Pantry \$106.00

Next Board Meeting: Monday February 3rd, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. @ Salty Girl Island Cafe

Next General Meeting: ***Note location change*** -Monday February 10, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. @ **Overtime Pizza & Sports Pub 1708 Cape Coral Pkwy W #1, Cape Coral FL**

Meeting Adjourn- 7:56pm