



MATLACHA HOOKERS
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
March 9, 2020

**PRINCIPAL HOOK AND NANCY BENJAMIN WERE PRESENT TO ACCEPT \$9,000. FOR
TEACHER GRANTS APPROVED FROM 2019 DERBY PROCEEDS.**

Nancy spoke of the 52 5th grade students who went to Busch Gardens and how much it meant to them. Also sponsored by the Hookers:

3rd grade trip to Mote Marine

Kindergarten classroom equipment

2nd grade trip to Imaginarium

PIE All-Star camp

Accelerated reading program

DJ Ruscik noted that the first PIE derby held 22 years ago was to sponsor their reading program.

**F.I.S.H REPRESENTATIVES JEANNIE GLENN AND VP RON VAUGHAN WERE PRESENT
TO ACCEPT \$5,121.70 FROM PROCEEDS OF 2019 CHRISTMAS CAROLING.**

Ron expressed his thanks to Matlacha Hookers for their support of F.I.S.H basket brigade.

Call to Order by Madam Deja Vu Deux at House of Omelets at 6:30 with thanks to House of Omelets and the staff for hosting our group once again.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Madam Deja Vu Deux

Invocation by Grateful Genie, Chaplain

BOARD REPORTS

Madam Deja Vu Deux, DJ Ruscik

a) 50/50 will support the Matlacha Hookers' scholarship fund. Motion by Jeannie Glenn to accept, all in favour.

b) Hooker Business: Remember to share all FaceBook fundraisers we do as they have been effective in the past ! Remember to check our website regularly and Facebook page for updates and info on upcoming events.

c) Fundraising: Cookbook is being researched by Sandy Kerr and Jeanelle Havlin. Madam introduced a discussion about allowing outside vendors at next year's Bag'n Tag event, discussion and details to come.

d) Financial Requests: \$175. to Samaritan Health and Wellness for their upcoming gala approved via online vote. The gala will be held March 28 @Westin Hotel 6:30-9 p.m Tickets \$75.00. Request for \$100. to PIE for their upcoming Spring Fest approved.
Request from Gulf Coast Kayak to sponsor campers to their summer kayak camp @ \$225/week. They will coordinate with PIE to select those students who would benefit most.
Motion by Natalie Gazda to sponsor 3 students (\$775.), all in favour.

Vice Madam Billie Young, Membership

a) Membership Report: 165 paid to date

b) Meeting Attendance: 44 plus 5 guests

c) New member swear-in Barbara Lewis, Shirley Noble and Joanne Lembo. Welcome !!

d) Call Girls Thank You and next month's volunteers: Barbara Lewis and Lucinda Good

e) March birthday celebration for Madam Julia.

f) Gal's Night Out "Country in Paradise" scheduled for March 26th, 5:30 @ Elks Lodge, sign up to volunteer tonight. Night will feature karaoke, saddle photos, line dancing, pulled pork sliders with all the trimmings. Apple crisp bakers requested.

Secretary, Cindy Walton

a) Review and Approval of February general minutes, motion to approve by Sandy Kerr, all in favour. Cindy reminded members to see her after the meeting or email if they are having difficulty accessing info on the website.

b) Online Votes: approval of \$175. to Samaritan Health and Wellness.

c) Mail: Thank you from PI Food Pantry for \$61/14lbs of toiletries, thank you from American Legion Auxiliary for \$100. sponsorship of "One Hole Over the Pond".

Treasurer, Theresa Kramer

a) Review and approval of January financial report. The only January activity was \$100.payment for our storage facility. January 31/20 final balances: General \$62,030.98, PIE \$24,670.15, Wine \$2630.16, Scholarship \$6,640.36. Motion by Natalie Gazda to approve, all in favour.

b) Internal audits will be scheduled 1-2 times/year. Audit committee to be formed by Karen Garside, Theresa Kramer and other volunteer(s)

c) Theresa will look into bonding of all signatories (Billie Young, Theresa Kramer, and Genie Andrews) and will be updating the computer and financial program used.

Chaplain, Grateful Genie Andrews

- a. Chaplin Report: 1 card shower
- b. Outreach Report: 1 back rent request for \$600.
- c) 2020 committee has 7 members

Our beautiful Miss Matty has western wear, ready for our March 26th party ! Thanks Genie !! and for another hilarious joke.

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES:

1.Fundraisers

- a) Scholarships: Applications have been distributed. Awards will be at our May 11th general meeting.
- b) Merchandise Report: \$228. sold at Bag'n Tag. Diana Willits, Jill Filgut, and Linda Bohacek have stepped up to co-chair merchandise. THANK YOU !! We have many shirts for sale. Diana is a food rep and will be able to access wholesale prices for many new items including new shirt designs, men's shirts, personalized coffee/wine mugs (members are asked to vote on possible sayings for mugs tonight) and delicious sauces with catchy Hooker names (taste them tonight)
- c) Wine Event: \$252. received for excess bottles and cans. Sandy Kerr and Julia Simpson reported that originally the event was iffy to even happen but with the efforts of many the event came together and was a great success with 160 bottles donated, 37 silent auction baskets and much more. Many thanks to all who volunteered !!! Final totals to come.
- d) Bag'n Tag: Totals around \$3,000. Exact amount to come. Thanks to all.

2. Community Support

- a) Adopt-A-Road: Wednesday, April 29th 9 a.m behind Olde Fish House.
- b) Pine Island Food Pantry needs all varieties of pasta and pasta sauce. Ellen Wolfe recently had surgery, Grateful Genie will send her a get well note from the Matlacha Hookers.
- c) Mullet Toss March 14th @ Philips Park will include a Kid's Corner run by Hookers and a merchandise table. Sign up tonight.
- d) PIE SpringFest and Principal's Party March 27th are both in need of volunteers. Sign up tonight.
- e) Karen Durand has offered to chair our Back to School drive .PI library has offered to assist.

OTHER:

50/50 collected \$188.00. Tonight's winner of \$94.00 was Principal Hook who donated back to our scholarship fund. THANK YOU !

Tonight's donation to the Food Pantry was \$57.00. We are no longer collecting empty medicine bottles but are still collecting can pull tabs for Ronald McDonald House.

PICC Easter dinner for the needy will be April 12th @ noon. They also have frozen meals available for the asking.

Cape Coral cardboard boat regatta will be Saturday April 18th. Julia Simpson will represent the Matlacha Hookers.

Marge from House of Omelets introduced the new salon next door "Blend". Matlacha Hookers will receive a 10% discount.

Next Board Meeting: Monday, April 6th @ Little Lilly's Deli

Next General Meeting: Monday, April 13th @ House of Omelets

Meeting adjourned @ 7:59 on a motion by Karen Durand, all in favour.