



**MATLACHA HOOKERS**  
**GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**

**DATE: August 9, 2022**

**Nick B's Artisan Food Market @ 6:30 p.m.**

Call to Order by Madam DJ at 6:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Madam DJ

Invocation by Genie Andrews (Anita)

**BOARD REPORTS**

**Madam DJ Ruscik**

a) 50/50: Hope Hospice in Cape Coral: Bev made a motion to give 50/50 to Hope Hospice; motion carried

b) Hooker Business:

1. Yucatan Anniversary Party - August 2023!

Celebrated their 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary and raised funds for the Hookers; we volunteered to run the 50/50; we raised \$3000.00 for the general fund between the 50/50, raffle and silent auction; they want to do this again, they will do this every year in August. If you eat at the Yucatan, please thank them for supporting the Hookers.

2. Golfers!! Silent Auction for just us? \$300 GC for Hideaway Golf Club for 4; auctioned at this general meeting, sold for \$125.00 to Sandy Kerr

3. Storage Unit; they charged us \$85.00 for two months so it will equal to one month free; you need the app on your phone to enter the storage unit; we can give you access for a one time period which gives us more control on who is going into the storage unit. A lot of the bugs have been worked out.

4. Cooling Ties – Thanks, and we need more! We sold out at Mango Mania we are looking to make more. The monies will go into the Scholarship Fund.

5. Anita Jannotti's husband works for ABC 7 and he asked for a write up about the Hookers. We were featured yesterday morning. DJ will reach out to the station and ask for a copy of the clip and we can post it on our website.

6. We will be 24 years old in October.

7. Say Thank You to Island Visions for hosting the blood drive.

c) Fundraising: Travel Raffle – Natalie/DJ: 250 tickets will be sold; drawing will be on Feb. 15, 2023

d) Financial Requests – Eagle Scout Hunter asked for a \$250.00 financial request and it has been sent to him.

### Vice Madam Julia Simpson, Membership

#### a) Membership Report: 165- 52 new members

1. Membership Renewals – it was discussed that renewing and new members would be given a MH shirt from merchandise – these shirts have not been selling well and have already been written off. Julia will provide the 2023 membership list to the Merchandise committee so that they can check them off as ladies obtain their shirt. While supplies last. The designing of Membership shirts will be tabled until next year.

b) Meeting Attendance: 40 with 3 guest and one new member

c) New member swear-in: Amanda Webster and Christy Lyle

d) Call Girls Thank You and next month's volunteers: Sandy Reynolds; Patty Williams Call Girls for next meeting.

e) Birthday celebrations!

f) Calendars: will feature one of our fundraisers each month; top will have photos and the bottom portion will be the calendar; will bring a better example next month to present to the membership; the goal is to have them ready to sell in November;

g) Elections Committee - Natalie and Michele; one more member is needed; Madam, vice madam, Treasurer; Chaplain, these are one-year terms; 3 Director positions are open they are a 2-year term. Nominations must be in by October 1<sup>st</sup>. October membership meeting the nominees will accept their nomination and the election is at the November meeting.

### Secretary, Carolyn Ryzanych

a) Review and approval of general minutes; motion made by Julia Gaylor to accept the minutes; motion carried

c) Mail – read 4 letters

### Treasurer, Deb Syring

a) Review and approval of financial reports; no questions; motion made by Monica Kochel; motion carried.

### Chaplain, DJ (Anita Jannotti)

a. Chaplin Report – One Card Shower

b. Outreach Report – no financial requests this past month

## EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES:

### 1.Fundraisers

a) Merchandise Report: Linda - Request for additional monies \$1,500. \$1,257 sold in July; donated \$60. Of merchandise for the silent auction basket at the Yucatan. Receiving requests for items for children, want to purchase kid friendly items like sea creatures that can put on their shoulder, not too expensive. It was brought up at the Board meeting if we should sell them at the Derby the feedback was it wouldn't make an impact since the children will be receiving a lot of items. They will start selling them at the Farmers Market.

Motion made by Julia Gaylor to approve \$1,500 in additional funds; motion carried.  
Jill presented some women's fishing shirts that are for sale.

- b) PIE Derby: Julia, Deb and Monica – Next Meeting August 23<sup>rd</sup> at Bert's Bar @ 6:00 p.m.  
A mass mailing went out in July. Started collecting sponsor's monies; the Derby shirts will be sold at the St. James General Market, Hitching post and during our meetings prior to the event.  
Still looking for a couple of volunteers in a couple of areas; Site Management needs volunteers.  
We are asking everyone to help us. We are looking for someone to head up the Kid's Derby-coordinating the chum, coordinates the delivery of the bait, coordinate the Derby Deputies; Looking for someone to do the photography on the day of the event. One idea brought up at the last Derby meeting was to reach out to the local high schools and find out if they have a Photography Club or classes, possibly a student may be interested. Date of the event is Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>. Captain meeting is the night before; Darcy Conner has been contacting news and press media; WINK news will be doing a tv spot with us in October; Eagle will be running ads; kids will be taking a "save the date" magnet home with them; Registration payment is optional.  
If we have enough volunteers to help with site the duties can be broken up amongst multiple volunteers.  
PIE Kids shirts were donated by Bert's Gallery; we made a deal with the Eagle to have them embroidered with the Eagle, the school mascot. The Eagle newspaper will be sponsoring it "in kind". They are going to give us \$500.00 in free advertisement. this will cover 100 shirts; suggestion made to have the rest of the shirts embroidered.
- c) Island Luau: Joanne and Sandy – Next Meeting September 19<sup>th</sup> at 6pm SJC Civic Assoc., doors open at 5:00 you can bring food/snacks/drinks.
- a. Chris Buntin is accepting jewelry and accessories for the Chic Boutique. It was received very well this past year.

## 2. Community Support

- a) Adopt-A-Road: Next date will be in the Herald
- b) Blood Drive: Island Visions – 14 Donors! Next drive in November (the first Saturday), location TBD.
- c) Mini MangoMania: Good turnout and great location! (Last Mini) Well received by the Island. Last year it will be called "Mini".
- e) School supply drive - Karen Durand – Christy Rau and Joyce Boyer will be chairing it next year. We collected \$723.00
- f) F.I.S.H Clothes for Kids - Month of July – Anita and Lucinda
- g) Pine Island Food Pantry needs – Karen needs help with pick-ups!!! They receive donations from Publix and Winn Dixie. Pantry is open on Monday and Thursdays; they are open from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. so picking up at 8:00 and delivering. It's about a 3-hour commitment. If you can help out, let Karen know.

**OTHER:**

50/50 collected \$170.00 Tonight's winner: Kaye Hubache and Penny Long

Tonight's donation to Food Pantry \$82.00

Next Board Meeting: Monday, August 29, 2022 6:00 p.m. @ MPIFD #4

Next General Meeting: Tuesday, September 6, 2022 6:30 p.m. @ the Elks Lodge

Julia Gaylor made motion to adjourn; motion carried.

Meeting adjourned @ 7:44 p.m.