Plymouth-Canton Civitan Club Business/Dinner Meeting Minutes

October 15th, 2020

Present: Carol Swan, Gail Blucher, Rosemary Garbarino, Pat Bassett, Barb Mleczek, Happy Westmeier, Kris Krzyzanski, Bill McCarville, Maggie & Norm Hamada, Jacquie Norton, Sandy Drauss, Kathy & Gary Turnquist, Hal Hultman, Cheryl Van Vliet, Diana Mecklenburg and guest Russ Mecklenburg, Corrine Collins and Theresa Furget.

1. Cheryl called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM.
   1. Bill gave the dinner prayer.
   2. Happy led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance.
   3. Kris read the Civitan Creed.
2. Agenda additions, deletions, or corrections: None.
3. Correspondence: None.
4. Minutes: Gary made a motion, Maggie and Jacquie seconded the motion to accept the Sept 17th, 2020 minutes. Motion passed.
5. Treasurer’s Report-Kathy: Kathy went over the September financial report. Currently there’s $19,869.87 in the general account, $605.31 in the candy box account and $18,186.64 in the MP account. She previously sent out via e-mail the end of the year statement to all members. Gary made a motion and Kris seconded to accept the treasurer’s report. Motion passed.
6. VP Administration: Jacquie
   1. Dinner Meeting : Grand Traverse Pie Co. Nov 19th at 6:30 PM: Sandy passed out the coupons to be used on the 19th. They’re good for the entire day. Make sure you present the coupon prior to ordering your meal and before they ring it up. It was mentioned that the Pontiac Civitan Club sells gift certificates (as a fundraiser) and it might be something that the Club wants to investigate.
   2. Christmas Party: Sandy volunteered to host the party this year. It was decided to have it on the first Saturday in December, which is December 5th at 5:30 PM. This is tentative and will based upon the pandemic situation at that time.
   3. Meetings in 2021: Discussion was to where to hold the business meeting and whether to have a dinner meeting too. It was decided to combine the dinner and business meeting together and only meet once a month on the third Thursday of the month to be held at Richards. Jacquie will make the arrangements with Richards through the end of April 2021.
7. VP Funds: Sandy
   1. Candy Boxes-Kathy: Currently there’s only one active box as most of the boxes have been taken off the counters at the restaurants.
   2. Bottle Drive-Sandy: Have raised $138.50 so far.
   3. Fruitcake-Kathy: The order is to arrive by the end of this month and her son will help with picking up the order and transporting it to Sandy’s for storage.
   4. Dixboro: Sandy passed out the coupons to be used the weekend of Nov 20th-22nd.
   5. Charity Poker-Cheryl: There are new rules/restrictions to hosting an event with limited number of participants. Club will have to decide whether it’ll be profitable or not once it’s all been worked out. Will try for an event in the second quarter: April-June or sometime in the summer.
8. VP Service: Gary
   1. Donations: Civitan’s at the Helm & CI Light the Way-Kathy: Discovered that the Club had not made the annual donation to Civitans at the Helm, thus, $950 (Navigator level) was made and an additional $100 was made to CI Light the Way (this is a cash reserve for Civitan to ensure Civitan will be financially stable in the ever-changing economic environment). The Club will now be eligible for an Honor Club award.
   2. Scarecrow-Sandy: Cheryl and Hal provided the scarecrow’s frame and Kathy, Gary and Fred assembled the Club’s scarecrow and placed it in Kellogg Park.
   3. Miracle League Oct 17th 11 AM-3 PM: This will be a Halloween get together for individuals who participate in this baseball league. Members are just being asked to show up and cheer them on. If it rains on the 17th then it will be rescheduled for the next day the 18th at the same time. A signup sheet was passed around for those interested in participating.
   4. United Way yard clean-up & incapacitated citizens Nov 14th at 8:30 AM: This is a new event for the Club. Meet at the Plymouth First United Methodist Church located at 45201 N. Territorial Rd, Plymouth, 48170 at 8:30 AM. Bring your own rake and gloves. Just let Kathy or Cheryl know if you’re going to attend.
   5. Bell Ringing Nov 28th at Kroger at 5 Mile and Haggerty Rds.: This will be inside the store and Kathy passed around the signup sheet. Bell ringing starts at 10 AM-8 PM. Last group ringing does not have to wait for the kettle to be picked up by Salvation Army.
   6. Operation Good Cheer-Cheryl: She does not have the packets yet, will probably come within the next day or two. Once she has the packets, she’ll determine the date the wrapped gifts need to be returned to her based upon when they’re scheduled to be picked up by the truck.
   7. Christmas Families: Discussion was whether to get the family(s) from Cooke School or the Salvation Army. Currently the Salvation Army is only doing gift certificates. Cooke School is currently open and will have to be contacted to see about obtaining a family(s).
9. Adjournment: 7:20 PM.

Minutes taken and respectfully submitted by Theresa Furget October 16th, 2020.