

Raindrop Chapter Business Meeting

Union Hall – February 04, 2012

Meeting called to order: 10:10 A.M

Introductions were given

PRESIDENT: Pam Murphy stated that National has invited each chapter to paint nametags for the National Convention in May. She made a design for the wood piece and asked for volunteers to sign up to paint them by the April meeting as she needs to send them to National ASAP. We need to send 50 of them. All tags were signed out by members.

Pam Murphy stated that the books have been taken to a non-profit auditor to have the taxes done and see if there is anything we could be doing to keep us current in the changing world. She stated that we have been following our by-laws but for the non-profit area and insurance items some things may need some updating.

Pam Murphy held the drawing for the door prizes that were painted by the board for the ones who had brought items to all our meetings last year. The winners were: Linda Bourland, Sally Jacklin, Linda Finicle, Malinda Fedoris, Natalie NuSrein, Judy Elam and Debbie Gill. Pam also had a special drawing for a gift certificate that was donated by the Artist Club and it was won by Sally Jacklin.

Pam Murphy announced that we all need to bring our own place setting to the potlucks.

VICE PRESIDENT: Rayma Stewart talked and showed Becky Albecke's painted piece that will be taught at the April meeting. \$4.00 for the class.

SECRETARY: Nancy Baur is off sick and Debbie Gill took the minutes for her. There was a motion from Joan Porter to except the Minutes from the December Meeting and Georgia Magarrell seconded it.

TREASURER: Doris Beck gave her financial report stating that we have \$48,476.29 in chapter and \$21,815.50 in convention.

ADVISOR: Debbie Gill stated that the Union Hall was at full capacity for our first meeting of the year. She thanked Maxine Thomas for being the teacher that helped that happen. She stated that the chapter members may want to sign up early for the paint ins this year as the chapter seems to be getting more active. She announced that she would be selling raffle tickets for the chapter to send Rayma Stewart back to the National Convention. The items will be raffled off at the April meeting.

GREETERS: Carrol Klett and Marleen Roth stated we had 52 in attendance.

MEMBERSHIP: BJ Schmader stated that we have 105 renewed members and out of that we have 8 new members. We had one new person visit us and she found us on line.

NOMINATING: Susan Maahs -Pam Murphy asked that the chapter make a motion for Susan Maahs to stay in her position for one more year. Joan Porter made the motion and Rosey Johnson seconded it.

CHARITIES:

TREASURIE BOXES: Georgia Magarrell stated we received many boxes to take in and the kids love the ones with the stickers.

WOMEN'S SHELTER: Cleo Chase was absent and Debbie Gill will be taking all donations to her. Cleo would like another person on her committee to help her.

MEMORY BOXES: Judy Elam brought boxes to give out to be painted and suggested that if you have extra time at retreat you could paint one.

EDUCATION: Georgia Magarrell announced that we are having Carla Stark in May, Bev Birdwell in July and Ronnie Bringle in August. The members voted on the pieces that will be taught at Carla Stark and Ronnie Bringle's.

Discussion was had on paying for seminars. Georgia Magarrell will put the teacher contract prices on the website under Members only.

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Lucy Gertcher would like to have more seminars and maybe a free one for us. Pam Murphy gave Lucy Gertcher and Kathy Andersen the task of coming up with a plan on this and presenting it at the Board Meeting next month. Doris Beck and Joan Porter shared with the chapter how much it takes to run our chapter each year.

HOSPITALITY: Katrina Peterson was not at the meeting as she is recovering nicely from her hip replacement.

Historian: Bobbie Baugher was taking pictures and requested smiles from all.

Sue Snethen brought several scrapbooks for our enjoyment and promises more next time.

NEWSLETTER: Lupe Vasquez-Lewis was absent but the newsletter deadline is February 15, 2012.

WEBSITE: Lupe Vasquez-Lewis and Judy Mecham—Pam Murphy announced that Judy Mecham will be retiring but will train Lupe Vasquez-Lewis and Nancy Baur how to do it. Lupe will walk us through Facebook at the next meeting for those who want to participate on the social media site.

RETREAT: Jeanine Maurer stated that March 1st is the deadline for signing up for Retreat. She stated that due to the fact that Collins Retreat Center feeds us so well no snacks are needed. You can bring your own if you want something for you to munch on. She brought patterns and sign ups. Jeanine announced that it will be a Spring Hat fling and so get those hats decorated.

SECRET PALS: Jeanine Maurer stated to please check on your gift and make sure if you know your going to see a friend that is not at the meeting please take hers to her.

SUNSHINE LADY: Joan Porter announce Helen Barrack's husband passed away and Cheri Rols' husband had bi-pass surgery. Char Petersons husband passed away in December.

WAYS AND MEANS: Betty Jean Kendal announced the she will be taking over Ways and Means. Stephanie Graiff offered to help.

NEW BUSINESS: We had items brought in by Joan Porter that were donated to the chapter. Some free paintable items and hardback books for \$10.00 each.

Pam Murphy announced that we are going to have a Ladies Tea on June 9, 2012 at the Union Hall and asked for volunteers to decorate tables. We had a great response to this: Pam Murphy, Debbie Gill and Jeanine Maurer, Terry Banton, Rayma Stewart, Linda Finicle, Sally Jacklin, Rosey Johnson and Dottie Hole, and Betty Jean Kendall all volunteered to do one. Each table sets 8 ladies. Please come and join this fun event.

BJ Schmader read a letter resigning her membership for personal reasons and she will be missed. She was currently volunteering for the chapter on 2 current positions.

SHOW AND TELL: Lucy Gertcher had one item.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 11:50

Respectfully submitted: Debbie Gill

2013 Portland Convention Update:

Date and Location: September 19-22, 2013, at the Holiday Inn Portland Airport Hotel.

Fees: \$375 for a single booth; \$750 for a double; \$937 for a triple; and \$1,124 for 4 booths. Registration fee is \$85.00, with extra banquet tickets at \$30.00.

New for 2013: Partial one day registration may be purchased for \$40 that day. Partial registrations will not include banquet tickets or admission to the special event classes.

Special Event Teachers: Jamie Mills-Price will teach the morning event and JoSonja Jansen will teach the afternoon class.