Lisle Woman's Club General Meeting minutes September 1, 2021

The meeting was held at Lisle Police Station Training Room at 7:02pm.

Karen Burris began the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and Collect

There were 19 member in attendance in person and 2 via zoom

<u>Approve Minutes – Recording Secretary – Eileen Briggs</u>: Marie Hasse made a motion to accept the May 5, 2021 General meeting minutes. Joanne Ehrhardt seconded. Motion carried.

We received several awards at the Great Lakes 5th District dinner. Pat Briggs provided the details as follows: <u>Civic Engagement and Outreach: 2nd Place tie</u> for Honoring Military Men with Wreaths on their gravesite in Lisle Cemetery.

Best Continuing Project for Collection of Scarves for homeless vets.

<u>Education and Libraries: 1st Place</u> for donating 300 children's books to the Food Pantry; 3 book club meetings before the pandemic; donation of 3 scholarships, and donated Dr. Seuss Books for the GFWC Grand Initiative.

Environment: Honorable Mention for Collection of Styrofoam

Health & Wellness: 1st Place for Food Pantry Christmas collection; sewing of face masks; trying to keep the Christmas connection with our Very Zoom Christmas Party

<u>Communications & Public Relations: Overall Club Award</u> for all the ways we social media and email to try and keep in touch with our members.

Fundraising & Development: 1st Place for supporting a local restaurant/Angeli's and a specialty bakery/Poundcake Bakery, who in turn supported the club with a portion of the proceeds. Along with two Facebook fundraisers (Thirty Once Gifts & Pampered Chef).

Best New Project for fundraiser with Poundcake Bakery

Leadership: 1st Place for creation of emails for each executive board meeting; board meeting and general meeting; recognition of Lorna coming to 5th district meetings and bringing a kindness rock project and recognition of our new Barbara Roake Service Award and honoring Nancy Wilson with vase created by local artist and filled with a plant that was presented to the Lisle Library.

Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention: 2nd Place for presentation from Reclaim 13 and donation to help support their efforts.

<u>Membership: 3rd Place</u> for Membership Chairs going and inviting all members to our first meeting with a flower and personal visit.

<u>President's Report: Karen Burris</u> – Karen welcomed 2 new members Lorraine Krzywosz and Colleen Metzger. Karen spoke of what she found to be our purpose being a member of this club. It was something Barbara Roake had written. It was LWC mission statement and accomplishments. Karen also mentioned the GFWC conference that is going on. Nationwide (End of August), Illinois State in September, and Greatlakes Conference in October.

Karen advised Nancy Oij and Eileen Briggs are researching ways to accept electronic payments; either by Square, PayPal, Venmo or Eventbrite. Our current Bank account is set up as a small business and Zelle is for personal accounts not business accounts. Karen looked into "Amazon Smile" and signed up Lisle Woman's Club (LWC) as a charity. Karen indicated that the Naperville Woman's club asked for volunteers from LWC to help out during their Witches Night out on October 6th. Unfortunately we have a General Meeting the same night. Bea asked about a possible donation to the Morton Arboretum to help purchase trees lost by the recent tornado.

<u>Vice President/Programs: Nancy Oij</u> – Nancy handed out Birthday Flowers for July, August and September Birthdays. She also explained the meeting program which included beads and not saying no.

<u>Treasurer: Pat Briggs -</u> Pat presented the 2021/2022 Budget. Mary Kilroy made a motion to accept the Budget as presented. Sandy Seastrom seconded. Motion carried.

Corresponding Secretary: Liz Sullivan – Liz was not present. Karen reminder everyone that articles for the newsletter needs to be sent to Liz by the 20th of the month.

Committee Reports:

- <u>Environment: Dot Battle:</u> Lorraine who worked in the environment field, got a grant to place labels on storm drains that say "Don't Dump into Drain.
- <u>Arts & Culture: Lorna Turner:</u>. Pat advised that this committee has done a writing contest with Jr. High schoolers last year. They are looking to collaborating with the Library on an art project.
- <u>Education & Libraries: OPEN</u>: Karen is looking for a head of the committee. Last year they did a book club and did a children's book drive.
- <u>Health & Wellness: Mary Costello</u>: Mary will focus on articles each month such as September is Aging month.
- <u>Civic Engagement & Outreach: (Home Life) Mary Kilroy, Nancy Burke:</u> The committee in the past has done Operation Standdown (Scarf drive), Food drives at Christmas and Mother day bags.

Standing Committees:

- <u>Public relations Joanne Ehrhardt:</u> Joanne is looking for help (i.e. members need to share FB posts). She is still greeting new businesses in Lisle.
 - <u>Website: Eileen Briggs, Nancy Oij:</u> Eileen and Nancy are looking for someone to rewrite the Club history, possibly Cathy Cawiezel. They need the members to sign up for access to the Members Only page which will have the Calendar, Member Directory, Newsletters and Meeting Minutes.
- Fundraising & Development Eileen Briggs, Kelly Dixit, Joanne Ehrhardt: Garden Gait is June 12 2022
- Philanthropy: OPEN
- Federal Representation: Lorna Turner
- Hospitality OPEN
- <u>Membership: Kathy Palia</u> Kathy is accepting annual dues and member sheets. Luisa gave out LWC gift bags at a recent golf outing.

Special Committee:

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Old Business: none

New Business: Karen would like to hold a meet and greet. Several ideas were suggested such as holding it at Pound Cake Bakery on a Sunday, possible fundraiser. The Lisle Library is doing some renovations and looking for the public's input. Luisa Buehler spoke about Poise for Success (poseforsuccess.org) about possible donations.

Next Board meeting is October 6th at, 7PM @ Police Station Joanne Ehrhardt made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:50pm and Marie Hasse seconded.

Submitted by Eileen Briggs Recording Secretary