

Meeting Minutes

December 3, 2015

McGinnis Sisters, Mars, PA

24 present

We each had a salad to start the evening. Then, the program began at 5:15 with Susan of McGinnis Sisters making flatbread for us. (Remember to start the griddle early so it gets hot.) We had samples of three dips to use with our warm flatbreads and the recipes for each. We also had three desert choices and a cold beverage. Susan answered questions and discussed various products that she likes to use from the store. We each received two coupons to use for a discount at the store this evening and for the week ahead.

Melody opened the business meeting at 6:30. Karen Ulrich read the inspiration about finding your way in this increasingly complex world. Guests introduced were Jade Leung, Kathy Barkovich, Brenda Barner, and Sally Fisher.

Minutes from the October meeting were approved as printed in the November newsletter. Peg Maser reported that she had thanked Katherine Ayres by e-mail and Bob Stakeley by snail mail for their contributions to the programs of our September and October meetings.

Faith Jack (Membership) asked us to keep thinking of prospective members. Voting will be at the February meeting. Forms have been attached to the newsletters and are also available online.

Marg Foster read the Treasurer's Report. The balance on hand is \$2911.08. 49 members have paid dues. That is a decrease of four from last year.

Paulette Hemmings (Programs) reported that the next meeting is February 18 at the Shaler North Hills Library. Faith Jack will present a program on her Genealogy search to earn her membership in the Daughters of the American Revolution (D.A.R.).

Sandy Werderitch and Shari McGill (Projects) thanked members for bringing clothes for Dress for Success. They may be brought to the February meeting, too. At the February meeting, we will have a silent auction for literacy projects in the area. (Avoid bringing Christmas items). Peg Maser spoke about the Jared Box project. She will have information in February, and the filled boxes will be due at the last meeting of the year. After some discussion, we will buy boxes and distribute those to be filled. Several members donated money to buy the boxes.

Barbara MacDonald (Nominations) announced a slate of officers for the next biennium. Members who would like to seek an office should notify Barb so they can be added to the ballot. Barb also sent updated directories with corrections she has received.

Terry Klein (Grant-in-Aid) is seeking members to nominate college juniors or seniors majoring in education for our award. Nominations are due to Terry by February 2. If you need a form, let Terry know. Don't linger—there are several parts of the form that may take time to complete fully.

Melody asked us to contact members who have not been to several meetings to say "We miss you and hope we will see you soon."

Joys and Concerns: Dede Rittman has launched her “Grady” line. She has copies if anyone would like to purchase a signed one from her. Marg Foster finally has a great great granddaughter after 5 generations of boys.

Darlene Farrell won the raffle basket. We ended the meeting with singing “Dona Nobis Pacem” at 7:10 p.m. and then had time to shop in the store.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Ulrich