

HOMETOWN CIVITAN CLUB

The Villages, Florida

Meeting Minutes of January 3, 2023

OPENING: A regular meeting at Evans Prairie CC Restaurant was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by President Laura McLaughlin who welcomed everyone, led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and then the Civitan Creed.

Karen Goodman introduced her friend Marilyn Ettman who completed a membership application form and paid dues to immediately join the club. Welcome Marilyn!

January birthdays were acknowledged. The Happy Box was passed with \$15 collected.

Moment of Inspiration: Dana Buss shared a selection.

PROGRAM State of the Health System in The Villages – Debbie Smith, representing UF Health and Cheryl Chestnut, Chief Clinical Officer, gave an excellent presentation on their recent health system expansions and spoke of issues they are going to be dealing with in 2023.

BUSINESS MEETING

President's Remarks: Laura threw a 'pop quiz' – everyone was given a piece of paper to write their responses to two questions about the content of the December 2022 newsletter. Several had read it but only Chickie Holtzman was able to correctly answer and win the prize.

Reminder to those who have yet to pay their membership dues. Current roster is 32.

Center Hill Children's Mission Christmas Party was Saturday, December 17. The children were delighted with their gifts and Santa. A great article is in the December newsletter that can be found on our website www.hometowncivitanclub.com under In The News.

Member Recognition: Laura presented Kay Dando with a Civitan pin for her great work on organizing the children's gifts and program for the Center Hill Children's Mission party.

Bunco: The fundraising event will be at the Eisenhower Regional Center on Friday, January 27, 2023. The doors will open at 5:30, games will be played from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m., finishing by 9 p.m. Karen Schwering reported that all 112 tickets have been sold.

T-Shirt Sales: Dana Buss sold a couple of T-shirts and said she was running low on the popular sizes – Medium and Large.

Next Club Meeting: February 7, 2023. Program will be about Special Olympics and we are anticipating the leader will bring a couple of athletes who will share their stories. The Board of

Directors voted to put an ad in The Daily Sun to promote the meeting and bring in some visitors to learn what we are all about. The ad will run on January 31 and February 6.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m. followed by socializing over lunch.

Attendees: Mary Anderson, Maureen Anderson, Penny Badolato, Dana Buss, Karen Chlebek, Kay Dando, Doris Field, Sharlene Floam, Karen Goodman, Chickie Holtzman, Ilene Hyams, Arlene Kaplan, Laura McLaughlin, Betty Rohan, Karen Schwering, Diane Seymour, Angela Vickers, and new member Marilyn Ettman.

Respectfully submitted,

Judi Higbee, Secretary

Our Website www.HometownCivitanClub.com is the source for our Calendar of Events, Latest News, Photos & Videos, Club Minutes, Who We Are, How We Serve, our newsletter 'Hometown Happenings' and other publications.