

## HOMETOWN CIVITAN CLUB MEETING MINUTES

**September 3, 2024 10:30 a.m. Evans Prairie Restaurant**

OPENING: President Judi Higbee welcomed everyone then led us in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and Civitan Creed.

PROGRAM: The grant funds are paid from our newly established 501(c)(3) Hometown Charities, Inc. which is a repository for all of our Adopt-A-Precinct earnings since 2018.

Presentation of grants totaling \$5,300: Theresa Chambers of Shepherd's Lighthouse, Barbara McManus of Wildwood Soup Kitchen, Pastor Ken Scrubbs of Adamsville Baptist Church, Rich Killion of Beacon College.

Presentation of Member Awards: Sharlene Floam for 3 years as Membership chair. Arlene Kaplan for 8+ years on the Charitable Projects and Philanthropy committees. Kris Tygrett for several years as Steward, Mary Anderson for sponsoring her 1<sup>st</sup> new member and accepting a 2-year Director position on the Board of Directors. Laura McLaughlin for sponsoring 5 new members.

SOCIAL: The Happy Box collected \$17. Barbara Morris won the door prize. We sang Happy Birthday to Laura Wall. September Birthdays: 9-Diane Iacone, 15-Marilyn Ettman, 17-Maureen Anderson, 19-Laura Wall

MEETING: Judi gave highlights of the CI Annual Convention 8/4-7 in Albuquerque, NM.

1. August 20 was our big fundraising event when 17 members and volunteers worked the polls on Primary Election Day for Adopt-A-Precinct. The club paid for their lunches that Kay Dando arranged for and Lana Rosenberg delivered. Thank you, ladies!
2. The Board of Directors reviewed our member communications and decided that we would be better served by posting all communications, announcements and newsworthy items on the club website and/or sending via email. A quarterly newsletter will no longer be published. Our sincere thanks to Diane Seymour for her three-plus years dedicated to editing and publishing the club's newsletter.
3. A small group will go to the Hand in Hand "Purses of Purpose" fundraiser - 9/14.
4. Night to Shine Volunteer meeting, 5:30-6:30 at New Covenant UMC on Sept. 17. For more info, visit [ncumcfl.com/nts](http://ncumcfl.com/nts) An email reminder will be sent next week.
5. The next club meeting will be **October 1<sup>st</sup> at the Aviary Rec. Center** south of SR-44 on Morse Blvd. Beth Hicks from the League of Women Voters will have a PowerPoint presentation of all of the amendments to be voted on at the November General Election. Invite your friends and neighbors!
6. Next Board meeting: September 18 at the Fruitland Park Library.

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