HOMETOWN CIVITAN CLUB MEETING Minutes

March 5, 2024 Evans Prairie Restaurant

OPENING:

The meeting was called to order at 10:35. Judi led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance and Civitan Creed. Fourteen members 2 guests and 2 speakers were in attendance. Guests were Barbara Morris guest of Margie Brower and Maureen Carr guest of Mary Anderson.

PROGRAM:

Betty Rohan introduced Courtney Hatch and Pat Walsh, representatives from the Girl Scout Camp – Wildwood who shared information about the camp.

Courtney is the Camp Ranger. She is the property manager: buildings, farming, etc.

Camp Wildwood was created in 1960 and is part of the Tampa Girl Scouts of America. It is 589 Acres of old growth forest with camp facilities. They have 274 beds and can serve up to 500 girls at a time. Girls ages 5 - 18 participate. The camp owns their own horses that are used year-round in their programs.

The focus is on teaching the girls to be leaders and other skills. Girl Scout cookie sales generates about 80% of their funding. Donations for Scholarships they call "Camperships" can be made to their fund development.

MEETING:

Judi welcomed everyone and introduced two guests Maureen Carr and Barbara Morris.

March Birthdays: Julie Stein on the 6th, Kris Tygrett on the 10th. Happy Box collected \$21.

Starting this month we will have a drawing at each monthly meeting for a door prize, Doris Field won a scented candle.

- 1. Recap of PACE Valentine's Day party and dedication of their message board and calming room funded by our grant of \$2,000. The party was a big success several pictures are available on our website.
- 2. Recap of the Sunrise Civitan Club Pizza Party at 11:00 a.m. on 2/28 Doris reported that the party was well attended and a success. She was impressed with the facility.

- 3. Recap of Hands of Mercy Everywhere Mary Anderson and Sharlene will coordinate collection of donations and date(s).
- 4. BUNCO March 8, 2024 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Eisenhower Regional Center. Bring a village ID, a covered mug. Light refreshments will be provided.
- 5. March 19 Our big fundraiser, Adopt-A-Precinct, working the polls for the Presidential Preference Primary. The club will provide a box lunch to all workers at the Phone Bank in Bushnell and Everglades Regional Center. All club members are to wear their HCC logo t-shirts, all nonmembers will be provided a t-shirt. Phone Bank workers will be given a logo mug. We expect to earn \$4,000 for the days work.
- 6. March 20 History Tour of Royal at 11:00 a.m. \$10/person, registration required through Lana Rosenberg.
- April 2 Club Meeting Civitan Awareness month, bring a friend to the meeting and get a free lunch. Speaker from Kids Central.
- 8. April 27 Best Buddies Walk around Lake Eola in Orlando.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting Adjourned at 11:40 Lunch followed

Respectfully submitted by Kay Dando, Secretary

<u>www.HometownCivitanClub.org</u> – In the Photo Gallery, view the PACE Valentine's Day party pics showing the special dedication of their digital messaging board and the Calming Center room – How the girls used our grant money.

Next Board meeting is March 20, 9:00 a.m. at Fruitland Park Library.