

Social Committee Minutes
June 5, 2017

Members in attendance: Peggy Schulz, Peggy Strauss, Sissy Riley, Mary Kay Owen, Lois Schaffer, Ann Redwine, Lorrie Washburn, Karen Wartick, Linda Ems

Members absent: Marie-France Ganansia, Roland Tanner, Judy Wakefield, Helen Dodds, Janice Overdorff, Helen Jones

The meeting was called to order. Karen Wartick and Linda Ems introduced themselves and were welcomed as new members of the Committee. Reading of the minutes was not done because all members received them via email. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes.

Old Business

Out-to-Lunch – Sissy reported that 17 people attended lunch at BJ's and enjoyed it very much. People living in the East Valley were pleased to have a restaurant in their neck of the woods.

Events – It was reported that 29 people went to the Scottsdale Museum of the West and everyone raved about the museum.

New Business

Future Out-to-Lunch – Since Roland will be out of town Peggy Strauss has taken charge of our brunch at The Broken Yolk at Gilbert and Southern at 9:30 AM on 6/9/17. A reminder was sent out last Friday and Peggy already has had 17 reservations. Midwestern Meats is booked for 7/14/17 (Peggy Schulz) and Old Chicago for 8/11/17 (Sissy). It was decided that the Oak Room would be too expensive for the early dinner event (5:00 PM) on 9/8/17 and we talked about going to a Mexican restaurant. Several suggestions were mentioned and Karen volunteered to check out places and book one and report on her choice at our August meeting. We will plan to go to the Oak Room on 10/13/17 (Peggy Schulz).

Future Events – Janice let Peggy Schulz know that the Arizona Heritage Center and Sandra Day O'Connor house at Papago Park will not be doing tours until October and so we will not schedule an activity for June as well as in July. Ann Redwine contacted the Musical Instruments Museum and has booked a tour for 8/29/17. The cost is \$20 per person (which includes a guide and headsets) and the money needs to be in by 8/14/17, with checks made out to Ann as she has to give one payment to the museum. There is a minimum of 10 people required. People need to be there by 10:15 AM. There is a nice café present in the museum for those who wish to have lunch there. After the tour people can enjoy the museum at their leisure. Lois will make up a flyer enumerating all of this. Since Roland is away we have no information about visiting a brewery in September and Peggy Schulz will contact him to find out what information he has gathered. We are awaiting Helen Dodds' report on going to the Olive Mill in October. Lorrie will contact the Eddie Basha Art Collection by 9/1/17 for possibly a tour on 11/15/17. We have many venues in mind for the future including the True Garden Urban Farm, the Red Mountain MCC campus, the EVIT campus, and a tour of the artwork at the MCC Mesa campus. Linda brought in a brochure from a senior center which also has many interesting venues listed.

Holiday Party – Peggy Schulz let us know that she was able to book Igor Glenn for the party. She and Lois met with staff at the Windemere and decided on the new menu: Tossed salad; a choice of Chicken Marsala, Pasta Primavera, Poached Lemon Salmon, or Prime Rib; twice baked potatoes; Black Forest Cake; and punch. The woman at the Windemere assured us these dishes would be served hot and the salmon would be moist. Decorations will be in red, white, and silver with a lovely-sounding centerpiece.

“Students Go Hungry” - Sissy found out more information about the food pantry at the MCC campuses. Students can get ten food items per week plus also some hygiene items. They will gladly pick up anything we donate and also will send a thank you letter to our organization. We have a list of what items they prefer and will get that information to our members before the Holiday Party. We voted that we will donate food to this cause, and donate money to the United Food Bank which would include any money from the quilt raffle. This will be explained to the membership prior to the party.

Event Calendar – Mary Kay will keep the calendar up to date.

Prospective New Members - At lunch at BJ's Sissy met three potential members and had invited them to our meeting, however they did not attend. Peggy Strauss will send them an invitation to the August meeting a week prior to the meeting and Peggy Schulz will send them an agenda for that meeting.

Open Discussion

Peggy Schulz reported that she had no further information about our idea of having just one risk form for all events and that this be signed at the time registration.

Peggy Schulz told us that the Nominating Committee needs names of people interested in becoming Board members as there are many vacancies coming up. Anyone interested or anyone who can suggest someone should get in touch with the Nominating Committee.

We talked about each of us keeping track of our time spent for various activities and meetings so that this can be handed in at the end of the July to June year showing our volunteer hours.

Our meeting was then adjourned.

Next Meeting – NO MEETING IN JULY. Our next meeting will be August 7, 2017, 9:30 AM, Mesa Public Library at 64 E 1st St in the Boardroom on the second floor.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Strauss (Secretary)