

Social Committee Minutes
June 3, 2019

Members in attendance: Peggy Schulz, Peggy Strauss, Helen Dodds, Joan Hancock, Margaret Beikman, Linda Ems, Sissy Riley, Sandie Ward, Roland Tanner, Judy Wakefield

Members absent: Lois Shaffer, Marie-France Ganansia, Penny Searing, Mary Kay Owen

The meeting was called to order by Peggy Schulz. Reading of the minutes was not done because members received them via email. Peggy Strauss mentioned some corrections which were needed, namely the address of the Penske Racecar Museum should be 7125 E. Chauncey Lane in Phoenix, and a spelling correction should be the Soleri Bell Foundry. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes as corrected. Peggy Schulz let us know that Suzanne DeRosa would not be a member due to time restrictions. Linda was kind enough to bring in a bag of supplies to be used for the Picnic next year.

Old Business

Out-to-Lunch – Mary Kay had told Peggy that 26 people attended Stats Sportsgrill last month and everyone really enjoyed themselves, with a lot of positive reactions from attendees.

Events – Peggy Strauss reported that 26 people were at the tour of Mesa Arts Center and the comments back were very positive. One of our members is now taking a class there.

New Business

Future Out-to-Lunch – On 6/14/19 we are scheduled to have our yearly brunch at Crackers and Company (on Country Club behind Home Depot) at 9:30 AM, with their private room reserved (reminder going out 6/7/19). Peggy Schulz will be out of town and Linda volunteered to be in charge. Lucille's Smokehouse Barb-B-Que at Tempe Marketplace is booked for 7/12/19 (reminder going out 7/5/19), with Peggy Strauss in charge. On 8/9/19 we will be going to Organ Stop Pizza for our yearly early evening dinner at 5:00 PM (reminder going out 8/2/19). Margaret let us know that if we have 20 people they will reserve a table or tables for us. Sissy brought up a number of restaurant suggestions for this fall, especially several that are in more east Mesa. Roland will check on a Japanese restaurant named Osaka or a Chinese restaurant he knows of for 9/13/19. Sissy will contact Carrabba's Italian restaurant on Power for 10/11/19 (they do give an AARP discount). The Board and Batten in northeast Mesa was also mentioned for the future.

Future Events – Joan and Margaret are in charge of the tour of the Penske Racecar Museum scheduled for 6/26/19. They are keeping a list of those who will be carpooling from MCC Dobson parking lot. The tour will be scheduled for 10:30 AM and we will ask people to meet at 9:45 AM at MCC. A flyer went out on 5/26/19 and a reminder will go out on 6/12/19. The cut-off date is 6/25/19. We do not have any events scheduled for July or August. Linda has set up the tour of the Chandler Arts Center for 9/26/19 at 10:30 AM. In October we plan to schedule a boat ride on Canyon Lake (Mary Kay and Marie) with a charge of \$23. The tour of the Soleri Bell Foundry is scheduled for 11/21/19 (Helen), meeting there at 11:00 AM. There is a charge of \$15 and this money needs to be sent in advance to Helen, with a cut-off date of 11/14/19. A flyer will go out on 11/7/19. Margaret is checking on the new exhibit regarding Indian boarding schools at the Heard Museum for some time next year. The charge is \$15 (for seniors) each and there is a \$20 fee for a tour guide for the group. We need to find out if there is a cheaper price for students. Peggy Schulz informed us that Turf Paradise may not be in business next year. We need to come up with some new venues for 2020.

Holiday Party –Peggy Schulz told us she is getting two additional bids, from the Hilton and the Sheraton. Mesa Country Club informed her that the price for lunch has gone up to \$35 so we will set our price for members at \$22 (up \$2 from last year) and \$35 for nonmembers (up \$5 from last year). We are still hoping to obtain the date of 12/12/19. Regarding entertainment, Sandi has volunteered to check on the Mesa School System harpists and also on a guitarist about whom Peggy Schulz had a brochure. Our budget for entertainment is \$175.

Our meeting was then adjourned.

Next Meeting – Monday August 5, 2019, 9:30 AM, at the Mesa Public Library, 64 E. 1st St., in the Boardroom on the second floor. **NO MEETING IN JULY.**

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Strauss (Secretary)