

EDEN PRAIRIE WOMEN OF TODAY MINUTES
General Meeting – St. Andrew’s Church
Thursday January 17th, 2008

Attendees:

Marie Robinson	Katie Castro	Crystal Kokal
Lynn Pederson	Carol Baltzer	Beth Wojahn
Leanne Frolander	Ellen Evans – guest	Fay Clark
Cyndy Mertz	Pat Brandon	Mary Boerner
Sue Ellen Toppings		

A quorum was established

Call to Order at 7:00pm by President Katie Castro

Pledge of Allegiance led by Beth Wojahn
US Women of Today Creed led by Fay Clark

Ice Breaker provided by Kerry Anderson “What would you bring to a deserted island?”

January Birthdays
Beth Wojahn – 24th
Kelly Landeta – 26th
Therese Simmons – 26th

Programming Reports

Internal Programming

- 11%’ers will be meeting on February 5th at Western Petroleum (Fay Clark’s work). Members are asked to bring cookbooks or recipes for sharing in the topic of the night – Meal Planning. A guest speaker will be present to talk about the “Eating Well” Cookbooks and diet program.
- Share your Light Night will be held on February 12th at St. Andrews. The MWOT President and Membership VP will be preparing dinner for EPWT in honor of winning the membership contest. An evite will be forthcoming with more details.
- Public Relations – Karla Wennerstrom of EP Newspaper would like to do an article on the EPWT. Katie will send out request for any member interested in interviewing with Katie for the article.
- February 2nd – There will be a Scavenger hunt at MOA supported by District 9 & 11. Members can RSVP by January 30th if interested in participating.
- Newsletter articles are due to Stacy by January 24th for publication on February 3rd. Stacy is looking for Zoot Notes, upcoming projects, recipes, etc. to add to newsletter.

- Website renewal is due April 30th. Motion was made by Fay and second by Marie to Renew for 5 years at a cost of \$90.
- Sue Ellen is starting a contest to get members interested in contributing to the online forum. Those with the most posts on the forum from January 18th – February 20th will win a \$20 Target Gift card.
- Ways & Means – Link Share has now raised a total of \$481.13 since September. \$5 for Friendly Service raised \$60 tonight for 3 hours of babysitting provided by Lynn Pederson. Joanna Takes was the winner.
- Order form for Fudge and clothing items available from the State Store was passed around. Items ordered will be available to pick up at the State meeting. Members can also order items at the State meeting for later delivery.

External Programming

- March of Dimes Walk America will be held on April 27th. Fay & Kerry will be co-chairs. More information to follow.
- Cooking for Crisis Nursery – Mary Boerner will be planning a volunteer event in March. Crisis Nursery now has “Creative Snacks” program available where volunteers can involve the kids in preparing a snack. Mary proposed that we do both the snack and meal for our next event.
- Feed My Starving Children event will be held on January 30th from 8:00-9:30 in Chanhassen.
- Santa Letter Recap- \$545 was donated to Parents with Autistic Children and it was proposed that we rewrite the letter sometime this summer.
- The Chanhassen Rotary Tulip Gala will be held on April 26th. Katie passed around a sign up sheet.
- Project Linus blanket making will be taking place on Saturday January 26th in the Fellowship Hall at St. Andrews. Two representatives from Project Linus will be attending and helping.
- Fay requested more people to volunteer if possible for the EP Foundation ball.

Officer Reports

President – Katie passed around February sign up sheet.

Parliamentarian – Crystal passed around election sheets for the upcoming elections.

State Delegate

- District meeting will be held January 24th. Sign up sheet was passed around for those interested in attending.
- Winter State Convention will be held February 8-10th in St. Louis Park. Cost is \$7 for business meeting and \$27 to attend the luncheon. Board members can go to the business meeting for free. The meeting is from 9:30 -11:30 am.
- Katie discussed the dues increase and a motion was made by Fay and second by Pat Brandon that we vote in favor of the dues increase.
- Area meeting will be Friday April 4th at the Prince of Peace Church in Golden Valley. More information forthcoming at future meetings.

Treasurer – Sue Ellen recapped monthly Treasurers report.

Secretary – Lynn Pederson – December minutes were approved as written.

New Business/Announcements:

Stacy will be doing a presentation Friday night during the State Convention. Her topic will be on how to build a website.

An invitation to join was extended to our guest Ellen Evans.

Minnesota Women of Today creed was led by Cyndy.

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