

Lake Arrowhead Auxiliary Meeting

Wednesday, October 10, 2001

Officers Present: L. Nauta, B. Simpson, M. Stanton, E. Scardena, and E. Baresh

Reps at Large Present: L. Rand

Members Present: S. Lacey, F. Lesniewski, J. Blinder, A. Todd, K. Williams, R. Bachman

Co President Bruce Simpson called the meeting to order at 8:03 PM.

Secretary's Report: Secretary Elizabeth Baresh read the May 17, 2001 meeting minutes and asked for corrections. Minutes were approved as read by a motion made by Sylvia Lacey, second by Ellen Scardena. Minutes accepted.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Ellen Scardena provided the report. We had eight events since the last report. Net P&L from March 21, 2001 to October 9, 2001 was \$62.38 credit. Total general expense was \$555.44 with the majority of the expenses going toward deferred New Year's Eve bills. Total Treasury for the period was \$1,873.51. Ellen noted that plant sale profits of \$449.25 were down from last year. Loretta Nauta commented that the profits should have been more like \$600 and said she would look into it. It was noted that we made a considerable amount of money on the 4th of July barbeque (\$199.78). This is because we had a surplus of food left over from the Beach Bash that we in turn sold on the 4th. Motion by Elizabeth Baresh, second by Sylvia Lacey to accept the Treasurer's Report. Report accepted.

Old Business:

- **Beach Bash:** We didn't anticipate this event being a big money maker, but we didn't think we would suffer a \$991.20 loss either. It was felt that we under priced the event, although that was the original purpose because we wanted to make it affordable to all of the young families. The group talked about charging a little more for the parents and keeping the child price the same. It was felt that the DJ really completed the event and that we should definitely have him back next year. There was too much food left over, some of which was used for the 4th of July as previously discussed. Next year we need to buy less food, which will also help cut our losses.
- **Tastefully Simple Party:** The Tastefully Simple Party was held at the clubhouse on September 28th. The Auxiliary made \$81.35 off of the fundraiser.
- **Ice Cream Social:** This event wasn't held this year because we didn't have the funds after hosting the Beach Bash.
- **Basketweaving:** Elizabeth Baresh will contact the basketweaving teacher to come in January/February when the winter doldrums have hit.
- **Awning:** We discussed replacing the awning outside, but it didn't happen this year because the quotes were a lot higher than expected and the Board didn't budget for it and the Auxiliary didn't have the money. It was felt that the Auxiliary should commit to doing something financially to help with the purchase of the awning.

New Business:

- Octoberfest: There was some discussion regarding making the Octoberfest potluck, but the group decided against it. We finally decided on a date for the event: November 11th at 3PM till ???.
The hosts for the event are: Scott & Alexandra Todd (121 Lakewood). Because it is now to be held in November, we will call it an Autumnfest instead. Loretta Nauta agreed to do the flyers. Elizabeth Baresh and Bruce Simpson will work on organizing the event. An e-mail asking anyone to transport his or her chimenea to the event will be sent out.
- Halloween Party: Will be held on October 27th hosted by Barb Robinson and Wendy Brindle. Some discussion regarding the haunted hayride took place. Linford Hackman, who usually sets up the hayride, contacted Karen Scornavacca (Board's Membership Chair) via e-mail to voice his concern about hosting such an event giving the recent terrorist attacks. The Auxiliary felt that the party at the clubhouse should still be held and depending on availability, the hayride may or may not take place. It was suggested the Barb Robinson contact Linford Hackman to see if he could consult on the project, thereby passing the tradition down to a new generation of volunteers. It was also noted that Tracy Franchi mentioned she wanted to help Barb and Wendy with the event.
- Holiday Party: It was decided to forgo the Holiday Party this year since the turnout last year was rather poor and the 'Autumnfest' is being held later in the fall than normal.
- New Year's Eve: A meeting will be held on November 7th at 7:30PM to specifically discuss the New Year's Eve event. It was decided that we would not do a Progressive Dinner this year. Some discussion ensued about catering the event. Janice Blinder offered to call the DJ we had at the Beach Bash, who is booked for this New Year's, to find out if he could recommend anyone else. We would like to hire an entertaining DJ who will help keep the crowd captivated. It doesn't necessarily have to be a professional, but someone who is entertaining nevertheless. Everyone was asked to look around for potential DJ's. Bruce Simpson said he would call the Heritage Grill to inquire about catering the event. The group felt the event should start around 8PM.
- Meeting Minutes?: Shelly Cattin, via e-mail, suggested we e-mail pertinent Auxiliary updates to the general membership. Elizabeth Baresh also suggested we put our meeting minutes on our website that is due to launch shortly, so everyone can access the information easily.
- Card Tables: Two card tables need to be replaced at the Clubhouse. Some discussion ensued about why we should pay for it when the Board seems to have so much money. Our Constitution states we are responsible for furnishings, but some argued that furnishings don't include furniture per se. It was decided that Bruce Simpson would buy two card tables from Costco and see if they were sturdy enough to support the round tops we have.
- First Aid Kit: Elizabeth Baresh asked if we have a First Aid Kit in the clubhouse and where it was. Apparently there are two empty boxes upstairs that could be filled. Sylvia Lacey will purchase the necessary supplies, while Elizabeth Baresh will get the Neosporin ointments. Elizabeth also asked Sylvia to make sure the kit includes a CPR mask. Other suggestions for the kit were rubber gloves and smelling salts. These kits should be mentioned in our rental agreements too.
- Coffee Urns: Elizabeth Baresh, an admitted coffee idiot, asked about the workability of the Clubhouse's coffee urns. It came to her attention that either some of them are missing parts or simply don't work. It was decided that Barb Robinson, as our Clubhouse Representative At Large, should check the urns and report what needs to be done. Perhaps we can have them serviced or purchase new ones.

- The Jukebox: Elizabeth Baresh was approached about the Jukebox. It is felt that this piece of equipment isn't meeting expectations and perhaps we should consider selling it and purchasing a 5 CD changer instead. A motion made by Elizabeth Baresh, second by Loretta Nauta to sell the jukebox and get a CD changer instead was made. Motion passed; 12 yes, 0 no. The group discussed selling the jukebox back to the vendor. Ellen Scardena said the unit cost the Auxiliary \$1,108.94 back in 1998. She will talk to the vendor about buying it back and inquire about its current value, while Elizabeth Baresh investigates the possibility of selling it on e-bay. It was also suggested we sell the tape changer at the garage sale to make room for the CD changer.
- Dining Group: Janice Blinder suggested organizing a quarterly dining group, where members would meet at any given restaurant on a regular basis. She will try and organize this event in the early part of next year.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 9:57PM made by Elizabeth Baresh, second by Ellen Scardena. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Baresh