

LUCINDA WILLIAMS opened the meeting at 10:00 am. She asked for all phones to be silenced. She thanked the Greeters from Redd Thumb. Joyce Menta led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ELIZABETH SHERMAN 2nd VP, introduced the speaker, Theresa Armstrong, from Soroptimists International of Downtown Redding (SIDR). She spoke on their "Live Your Dream" – a fund for scholarships for women and their world-wide mentoring program of continuing education.

REPORTS: SECRETARY, ROMONA BOWLING reported the last General Meeting in Oct. had 82 attendees and all the happenings are in the minutes on our Website. Check it out.

KAREN COUPE-BONNETT for TREASURER, MICKEY MARTIN reported the current balances in the Checking Account \$14,886 & Savings Account \$6,289. Complete report is on our Website.

PEGGY NISWANDER, FINANCIAL SECRETARY reported the Club's Audit was completed with 3 minor recommendations, which have been done.

RUTH MARKS, MEMBERSHIP reported we now have 258 members.

RUTH PLATO, PARLIAMENTARIAN showed the Fall Scholarship Quilt to be raffled off today.

1st VP, SUSAN SECHRIST: The next New Member Coffee will be at Barb Schuller's on 12/6/23. At Gen Mtg. look for the "Leis" identifying new members – greet them warmly.

SUNSHINE, SHARON CHESTNUT, gave the Sunshine Report which will be in the Welcome Mat. She updated the members on Carol Skill's good results and emphasized the importance of early attention to our personal health issues.

YES WE CAN,(FOOD DRIVE), JOYCE MENTA/ JOANN ROSKOSKI, thanked the members for bags of food & other items plus \$290 in checks & \$342 cash (\$632 total) going to Eagles Soar. There will be no collections next month as it is our Christmas Charities Party day. Joyce is looking for a "shadow" for her to mentor for upcoming year. It is a fun & rewarding job.

COMMUNITY TABLE, LOUISE WILSON, shared the info on lots of local Crafts Bazaars, plays, & activities, including Turtle Bays' Garden of Lights. She has "SIGN-UP" LISTS if you are interested in going to these events and want to know who else might want to go together, add your contact info to the list – make a new friend to go with.

SHARON ROBERTS, WEB-SITE informed the members of a glitch in our Website program that is listing members ages and not always correctly. Our Web Designer will be correcting.

NEW BUSINESS: SHARON ROBERTS – CHRISTMAS CHARITIES - Sharon reported for Gerry Carroll & herself that Christmas Charities will be on Monday, 12/11/23, at the Elks. Doors open at 9:30. Bring an unwrapped gift with your name on it for the raffle. GREETERS at the door will receive gifts and take to the WRITERS at the tables. Volunteers will be called by your co-chair with your assignment. LUNCH TICKETS being sold today (\$18), the deadline is Dec 1 for purchase by mail to Sharon Roberts. RAFFLE TICKETS sold today and on 12/11/23.

ADDA GRIPP asked for **"HOMEMADE COOKIES"** (Feel the Love) – She will also have **COOKIE GREETERS** to be at the door to receive your cookies. All members will enjoy cookies before, during & after the raffle. Bake 2 dozen of your favorite family cookie recipe.

FALL QUILT for SCHOLARSHIP WINNER: MARIAN CHANDLER

B'DAY WINNER: November – Joyce Manson

SANDY GLASS & SHARON SPARKS-MYSTERY-PRIZES : This month's winners of Coffee Mugs with Kitchen Towels: Linda Walsh, Chris Bagley, Trish Sakata, Linda Catlin, Cheryl Zeh.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: PRESIDENT, LUCINDA WILLIAMS announced the new Editors Committee for the Welcome Mat: Andi Winters, Karen Coupe-Bonnett, Romona Bowling, Annie Ogden. We are working on a new email for all Chairs & Co-Chairs to send in their monthly info for the Welcome Mat.

CHAIRS REPORTING ON UPCOMING EVENTS:

Vickie Boroughs & Karen Coupe-Bonnett – "why cook tonight" at Rose' on Calif St on 11/16.

Freddie Martin – Outdoor Adventures – Mall Walk – Meet at Mall Front Door 12/17,

Sandy Cain – Redd Thumb- Their Xmas Party & Plant Exchange on 12/16.

Andi Winters – Pick of the Vine 11/15.

Lynn Smith - Quilt n' Friends on 11/10 at Lynn Smith's. Dec's TBA.

Joyce Nanson – Out to Lunch – 4th Fridays

Sherry Varga – Needle Nuts at her clubhouse 11/27

Cheryl Zeh – Hand n/ Foot – 2024 1/11/24 – Secret Pal Reveal Party 12/7 – Sign-Ups today

BOARD MTG at Lynn Smith's 12/5 – Xmas Charities at the Elks 12/11

CAROL WHITNEY – Story Teller – Funny story about "A timid man, Assertion, the Undertaker"

LUCINDA WILLIAMS ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 11:50 .

Submitted by Romona Bowling - Secretary