

ADDA GRIPP substituting for traveling President Lucinda Williams opened the meeting at 10:00 am by welcoming all members & guests. She asked for all phones to be silenced. She thanked the Greeters from the Writers Group. Adda led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ELIZABETH SHERMAN 2nd VP, introduced the speakers, Kathy Hill and Francesca Huntsman from Whiskeytown Environmental School (WES) Community Capital Campaign.

REPORTS: SECRETARY, ROMONA BOWLING thanked CAROL SKILL for doing the minutes for the January Meeting with 95 attendees. All the happenings are on our Website. Check it out.

MICKEY MARTIN, TREASURER, reported the current balances in the Checking Account \$12,802 & Savings Account \$6,289. Complete report is on our Website.

PEGGY NISWANDER, FINANCIAL SECRETARY absent.

RUTH PLATO, MEMBERSHIP reported we now have 274 members. Ruth is now accepting Membership dues of \$30 for the upcoming year.

RUTH PLATO, PARLIAMENTARIAN previewed the Summer Celebration on June 27 at Win River. Tickets will go on sale in May.

1st VP, SUSAN SECHRIST: Introduced 2 new members and gave them “Lei’s of welcome.” Next Coffee for prospective new members 3/13/24 at Trudy Ribiero’s home.

SUNSHINE, SHARON CHESTNUT & AME DODGE, gave the Sunshine Report which will be in the Welcome Mat. She also updated us on Pam Albo’s husband, Ron, who had double heart by-pass after a massive heart attack, he is still in the hospital in Sacramento.

YES WE CAN, (FOOD DRIVE), JOYCE MENTA/ JOANN ROSKOSKI, thanked the members for all the wonderful craft supplies today for The Pathway to Hope Teen Center and \$332 in cash donations. Next Month’s donations will go to Exodos Farms.

COMMUNITY TABLE, LOUISE WILSON, shared the info on Turtle Bay’s new events, and the Riverfront Playhouse and Axiom and Cascade’s upcoming plays. Louise has info on a prospective new event: Aqua Arthritis at the YMCA. 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 & CAROL SKILL, WEB-SITE: No updates.

SHARON ROBERTS gave info on playing Bridge: See her or Carol Skill for more details

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: CONNIE LAUGHLIN, TRUDY RIBIERO, SHARON SALPAS, MARY HANRAHAN, HEIDI NIETSCHMANN – Asked for volunteers and suggestions from the members (forms on each table). Adda Gripp talked about the importance of being active in your Club, to keep the Club going it takes leaders. Be one of them.

GERRI SMITH, SCHOLARSHIP – She has the Scholarship Applications for Newcomers' family (daughters, granddaughters, sisters, nieces) and they are also in the March Welcome Mat. See Gerri for any additional info on the Newcomers Scholarship. Due Date: April 1, 2024

NEW BUSINESS - MARY FORBES, "Connie Bond's JEWELRY SALES" today. All money from the sales to be donated to our Club's Scholarship Fund. Money raised from sales: over \$400. All unsold items (bags of beads, etc) to be donated to Pathway's Teen Center.

FREDDIE MARTIN, FASHION SHOW, updated the Fashion Show info: It will be April 25 at Win River's upstairs event room. The theme is "Paris in the Springtime". Tickets are \$25 with 160 available to be on sale in March at the General Meeting or mail your check to Ruth Plato. Members only. No reserved seating, first come, first served. Fashions are from Dandy Lion. There will be 3 Lunch choices. Going to be a fun time.

SHARON SPARKS & CAROL WHITNEY (Substituting for Sandy Glass) - MYSTERY PRIZES : This month's winners of Gift Bags of Cosmetics and a \$15 MACY'S Gift Card: Susan Sechrist, Mary Aquiniga, Sharon Roberts, Susan Murray, Miley Alfaro.

B'DAY WINNER: February – Pat Deem

CAROL WHITNEY, STORY TELLER: Entertained us with the Doctor's story regarding harmful foods we eat – audience's response: Wedding Cake.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Since we have no "Book Lady" today, if you brought any books and they are still here at the end of the meeting, take them back with you.

BOARD MTG- March 19, 2024 at Barb Schuller's home.

GENERAL MEETING – March 28, 2024 at the Elk's Lodge.

NEW MEMBER'S COFFEE: March 13 at Trudy Ribiero's home.

Adda Gripp adjourned the meeting at 11:45 am.

Submitted by Romona Bowling - Secretary