

**CCHA Orleans Branch
General Meeting Minutes
November 5, 2024**

The meeting was called to order by Peg Jemison at the Federated Church of Orleans with approximately 43 members in attendance. The Auxiliary prayer was read by Dianne Greaney.

Thoughts and Prayers: Please keep Sue Silver's family, Judy Zimmerman (new member undergoing surgery), Barbara Austin (health issues) and Kathy Sullivan's husband in your thoughts and prayers

Minutes: A motion to accept the October minutes was made by Jeanne Morcone and was seconded by Marcy Ericson.

Announcements from the Chair:

Peg stated we currently have 20 members who have not paid their dues. If you haven't sent them in, please send them as soon as possible as they provide our working funds for the meeting room, hospitality and miscellaneous expenses. If you aren't sure, please contact the membership committee. You can also sign up online at ccha-orleans.org under membership.

The annual luncheon at the Seaview was very nice. The Auxiliaries presented a check for \$200,000 toward our \$1,000,000 pledge. This leaves a balance of \$200,000 for this 24-25 year. Let's get busy!

We have our Holiday luncheon at Encore Bistro on December 3rd. Please get your RSVP's in by November 23rd. Cost is \$40 with 3 choices for meals. See CCHA website.

We will be having a mini bazaar at the Mugar lobby at CCH on Thursday, December 5th. Cathy Cardamone and Nancy Johnson will be giving us more information on that after the Holly Berry Bazaar.

Treasurer's report: Rose Gadbois and Linda Wander – Rose presented the most recent information for year end. (see email 11/2)

HOLLY BERRY BAZAAR -November 9th, 2024 - Debbie Setterlund and Pam Santas –

THIS IS IT! WE ARE READY TO GO. We will see you on Friday. Please make sure you do not arrive early on Friday, November 8th as the tables need to be set up and they need room.

Attic Treasures set up: 4:15 ONLY BY THE SIDE ENTRANCE!

Booths set up: 4:45 at the Front entrance.

Silent auction: Nancy Askins announced that we made \$3,500 from the Silent Auction and any items that did not sell, will be sold at Attic Treasures on Saturday.

Committee Reports:

Publicity: Robin Berlanti and Ann Caplicki – Robin stated they have put up flyers throughout the towns. The Banner & signs on Eldredge Park Way look great. There will be announcements on 4 radio stations and there will be continued advertising in The Chronicle.

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Puppets: Dianne Greaney -Dianne stated they have 265 puppets ready for the Bazaars and the rest will go to the hospital.

Hospitality: Lynn Brennan, Sandra Parry & Teri Babetski –We need volunteers for our January meeting.

Corresponding Secretary: Marcy Ericson- sending out cards to Sue Silver, Judy Zimmerman and Barbara Austin

Dollars for Scholars: Sue Mangan – Peg stated the Foundation is reviewing how we will proceed now that the state of Massachusetts is offering free education for many.

Programs: Nancy Ciccio, Benva Grogan, Sissy Olsen-January 7th, Dr. Molly Perdue from the Family Support Group Center.

Ways & Means – Arlene Thompson, Paula Brady, Cathy Cardamone – working on the mini bazaar, Pickleball and possible card party.

Old Business: none

New Business: Nancy Johnson is missing a donation jar from the Hydrangea Festival. If you have it, please contact her.

Jeanne Morcone won the Lanyard raffle flower arrangement.

Motion to Adjourn –Joan Matson, seconded – Teri Babetski

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Mandel, Recording Secretary