

FAIRFIELD GLADE LADIES CLUB  
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES  
Minutes of June 7, 2023

President Carol Barnes called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m., welcomed everyone and reminded everyone to silence their phones.

**Pledge of Allegiance** – Ms. Barnes introduced, Will Parish, with SDP Financial & Associates, one of our sponsors, located in the Village Green Mall, who led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Minutes**

The minutes of the May 3, 2023, General Meeting had no additions or corrections and were approved as submitted.

**President's Comments**

- Ms. Barnes asked all Board Members and Committee Chairs and anyone involved with logistics of the Ladies Club to stand and be recognized as she introduced them.

**Recognition of Past Presidents**

- Past presidents were asked to stand and were presented roses to honor them.
- Past presidents were introduced as follows: Carol Adams, Carole Clark (unable to attend), Viva Bosland, Sandy Warner, Louise Goodman, and Becky Price.

**OFFICER AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**TREASURER, Sandy McAvoy**

- The Treasurer's Report for May 2023 is posted on the website.

**MEMBERSHIP, Sheila Thomas, Second Vice President-Membership**

- Our membership for 2022-2023 now stands at 323.
- We already have 124 ladies signed up for the 2023-2024 year.
- If you renew by the first meeting in September, your information will be included in the yearbook.
- Ms. Thomas introduced and welcomed the following new members: Nerissa Bright, Flory Dunigan, Janet Eppich, Sue Hansel, Becky Rubio, Frances Stone, Laurie Yeo, and Elizabeth Oliva.
- The following guests were also introduced and welcomed: Shirley Barton, Cheryl Bowman, Pamela Hahn, Shirley Sternig, and Debbie Westervelt.

**COMMUNITY RELATIONS – Marsha Mellert and Judy Lynn, Co-Chairs**

Ms. Mellert reports:

**Sponsors joining us today include**

Gold Sponsors: Ronnie Brock and Chris Klaver from Hiller, Plumbing, Heating, Cooling, and Electrical Company

Silver Sponsors:

- Jan Deibel and Jeff Selk from Selk Pressure Washing and Roof Cleaning. They were also one of our fashion show sponsors.
- Laurie Inda and Karen Dunivan representing Zurich Homes

Our Bronze Sponsors:

- Jan Deibel & Jeff Selk with Selk Painting and Coatings;
- Victoria Parsons, & Will Parrish from Slate, Disharoon, Parrish and Associates LLC. In the Village Green Mall. They are a Bronze sponsor and were event sponsors for our Mistletoe Market Place and one of our Fashion Show sponsors.
- Lindsay Becker from Pure Spin.
- Kim Pugh and Rachel Birdwell of Buckeye Home Medical Equipment
- Chris Thomas with Tennessee Farm Bureau
- Christine Gage and Janet Morningstar representing MAYS the Downsizers
- B.J. Brown of Crye-Leike/Brown Realty:
- Mark Witt, Witt Financial Group LLC. a Bronze sponsor and one of our Fashion show sponsors.

Our Event Sponsors:

- Louise Goodman with Caring Transitions sponsored our Spring Event:
- Zoe Groff from One Way Home Services was a Fashion Show Sponsor.
- Bri Atkinson with Matt Libby Insurance a Fashion Show sponsor.
- And Janet Morningstar and Christine Gage from Mays the Downsizers our Books, Bling & Baklava Event Sponsors

Our Gems Sponsors at the Diamond Level

- Carol Barnes
- Nancy Stephenson
- Sandra McAvoy

**Sponsors that are unable to attend today include:**

Gold Sponsor:

- Tennessee Plateau Oncology, PLLC

Silver Sponsor: Crossville Heating and Cooling a Silver Sponsor and Silent Auction sponsor

Our Bronze Sponsors not attending today Include:

- Budget Blinds,
- Cumberland Medical Center/Covenant Health,
- Fairfield Glade Homes
- Grace Givers Home Care LLC.

Event sponsors unable to attend today are:

- 127 SKIN Medical Aesthetics
- Crain Burns Associates, LLC
- Cronwell Insurance Group LLC/United Healthcare
- Weichert Realtors/The Webb Agency;
- Cobb Plumbing Services LLC a Spring Market Place

### **SERVICE – Lin Marten, Chair**

Ms. Marten reported:

- Our service project this month was Cumberland County Rescue Squad, who did a presentation for us last year about all the different types of rescues they take part in.
- Ms. Marten introduced, David Wallbaum, who was at our meeting representing the organization.
- We collected \$1,201 today.

### **SCHOLARSHIPS – Colleen Mall, Chair**

- The major thrust of the Ladies Club, since 1977 has been scholarships.
- There is a summary on the table of the 18 students who were awarded scholarships this year.
- The money is divided up between the Reconnect Adult Returning Students, the Middle College Students, who attend high school full-time and junior college full-time, and the final group we work with are the students who attend the Tennessee College of Applied Technology.
- Ms. Mall encouraged everyone to read about these students and their lifetime goals & how they plan to give back to the community.
- Ms. Mall reported and thanked everyone that we were able to give \$25,000. for this school year that just ended and again \$25,000. for next school year.

### **WAYS AND MEANS—Mary Ann Urban and Deni Donovan, Co-Chairs**

Mary Ann Urban reported:

#### **Fall Fundraiser – September 25 & 26**

- Used Books
- New/Gently used Jewelry, handbags & Scarves
- Bake Sale

- We are now accepting donations of jewelry, handbags & scarves.
- The Book donation box has been placed at Village Green Mall and will remain there until the event in September. No dictionaries, encyclopedia, text books, religious books or condensed books.
- Thank you to Glade Store-n-Lock, who have donated a storage unit to the Ladies Club to help us store all of the items we will receive for this sale.
- Janet Morningstar and Christine Gage from MAYS the Downsizers will once again be our event sponsors.

Deni Donovan reported:

### **Committee Members**

- We continue to look for members who are interested in learning leadership roles by shadowing us in the new club year.
- Please fill out the questionnaire located at your table.
- Committee members were thanked and asked to stand.
- We would like to thank everyone who made our fundraisers successful this year!

### **TRAVEL – Sandi Edwards, Chair**

Ms. Edwards reported:

- Our **RHODODENDRON FESTIVAL** trip June 16-17, 2023 is now full. However, we have gone through our entire wait list to fill cancellations, so if you want a chance to go, please sign up on the wait list today.
- We still need a minimum of 9 more people to sign up for **“THE CROOKED ROAD”** trip SEPTEMBER 8-13<sup>TH</sup> for it to go. This unique trip following Virginia’s Heritage Music Trail is a must for any history, music or theatre buff. The Ladies Club has never done a trip like this before and it will truly be special. The deadline for this minimum number of travelers is July 1<sup>st</sup>. I will have no choice but to cancel this trip if we don’t get more signed up.
- I have the minimum number of travelers on our **CREATION MUSEUM & THE ARK** trip on October 11-13<sup>th</sup> so it is a go, but I could definitely take more people – it is not full and there is no wait list.
- Our **GAYLORD CHRISTMAS** trip on December 13-14, 2023 is full but we only have 3 names on the wait list. If you want a chance to go, please sign up on the wait list today.
- As for the **MRS. DOUBTFIRE** trip on November 11<sup>th</sup>, TPAC advises me that they only have 46 orchestra seats left and are still selling this show to their season ticket holders. We are 1<sup>st</sup> on the list for group sales and should hear soon how many tickets will be available to us. If we can get 33 tickets for this show from TPAC, we will go. Keep watching the

FPG ladies club website for the announcement of this trip brochure and block the date on your calendars if you want to go.

- Today, I am announcing our annual **HOLIDAY POPS** concert trip to the Knoxville symphony's holiday concert on Saturday, December 16th. This holiday event is always a fun day, with brunch at Calhoun's on the river before we travel to the Knoxville Civic Auditorium to listen to great holiday music that usually includes singers, dancers and even Santa makes an appearance. This trip sells out every year, so if you want to go you should sign up today.
- If you have any questions about any of our trips please call or email me.
- Ms. Edwards asked her eight committee members to stand and thanked them.

**NOMINATIONS: Gin Genetempo, Chair**

- At our May meeting the nomination committee nominated, and the Board approved and the membership voted on accepting, Terri Brown as our nominee for the office of President-Elect to fill a vacancy we have on our Board, which is in accordance with our Bylaws.
- Our Bylaws also state that anyone who is a member of Ladies Club may nominate another person for this position.
- Since the May meeting there have not been any further nominations for this office, therefore, we would like to call for nominations from the floor, keeping in mind you need the approval from your candidate that they will serve.
- There are no further nominations from the floor for the office of President-Elect.
- Once again, since there are no further nominations, this person will be eligible for the election for President for the following two years.
- There are no additional nominations. The office of President-Elect will be elected by acclamation.

Motion for the nomination of the office of President-Elect to be approved, by Judy Lynn and seconded by Jennifer Sipe. A voice vote was taken. Motion approved.

- Congratulations and Installation of Terri Brown.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- No Old Business.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- No New Business.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

- The meeting was adjourned at 11:35 am. Motion by Lin Marten, seconded by Carole O'Brien.

## **INVOCATION**

- The invocation was provided by Janice Cahill.

## **LUNCH**

Thank you to the staff of Grade A Catering, from Cookeville, who served our lunch.

## **DRAWINGS**

- 2-\$50 gift cards, that can be used at multiple restaurant choices, donated by B.J. Brown of Crye-Leike/Brown Realty.
- 2-free Ladies Club lunches for next year, donated by Louise Goodman with Caring Transitions.
- Chocolate boxes on each table, donated Sandy D'Alessandro, Decorating Committee.

## **PROGRAM**

- Terri Brown introduced today's program presenter, Shalena Durkot, who gave a presentation of the UT Gardens in Crossville, part of the University of Tennessee Botanical Gardens.