

FAIRFIELD GLADE LADIES CLUB
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
Minutes of December 6, 2017

Pledge of Allegiance – Introduced by Louise Goodman Lead by US Army First Seergeant (RWT) Bill Ward. In October 2012, the Cumberland County Commissioners appointed Bill Ward, US Army First Sergeant (Retired) as the County Veteran Service Officer. Mr. Ward is a 32 year veteran of the United States armed forces with most of those years in leadership, tactical and strategic operations and in administration and training. A holder of a Top Secret clearance due to his Military Intelligence activities he has been granted significant trust for all of those years. Being a former US Army First Sergeant he brought a wealth of knowledge to the position which is a natural extension of a military leader’s prime concern, caring for the troops.

The Operation Iraqi Freedom combat veteran served a year in Mosul, Iraq as the Senior Noncommissioned Officer of a Military Transition Team. The team’s mission was to train the Iraqi infantry Brigade staff in tactics, techniques and procedures to effectively manage the Brigade and defeat their enemy. With over 200 combat missions he has a unique perspective on the issues facing today’s veterans. His military awards include the Bronze Star medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, two Army Meritorious Service Medals, and six Army Commendations.

He holds a Bachelor’s Degree in Administration and Management from Regent’s College of New York and has continued his studies at Tennessee Technology University at Cookeville studying Agricultural Engineering.

As the County Veteran Services Officer he is responsible for the operation of the Veterans Service Office. Each year the office has seen over 2000 veterans and received at least 5000 phone calls. In accord with the state’s policy of “everything veteran” Mr. Ward has helped veterans and family members in many areas of need.

As a member of the County Veterans Council, a 10 member body representing all county veteran organizations, the Homeless Veterans Council and Veterans Treatment Court, Mr. Ward is able to help bring these groups together for many projects and ceremonies, all to the benefit of the veterans, veteran community and the county as a whole.

The minutes of the November General Meeting conducted November 1, 2017 were approved.

Ms Goodman recognized the following sponsors :

There are 12 sponsor representatives will attend our Fairfield Glade Ladies Club December 6, 2017 Luncheon. They are:

- B. J. Brown from Crye-Leike/Brown Realty
- Dr. Tammy Collins and Ellen Sells with Crossville Medical Group
- Janice Seymore representing Dr. Gallaher Plastic Surgery and Spa
- Andrea Hold from Good Samaritans Society Fairfield Glade
- Ronnie Brock and Robbie McCluskey from Hiller Plumbing, Heating, Cooling & Electric Company
- Janet Morningstar and Christine Gage with Mays The Downsizers

- Liz Bayer of ProMortgage
- Karen Dunivan representing Zurich Homes
- Nancy Burns from Crain Burns Associates LLC.

News Reporter/available/ purpose: The news reporter is sponsored by Nancy Burns, Crain Burns Associates LLC. There are copies on each table and additional copies are up on the stage platform.

COMMITTEE REORTS:

Membership: (Becky Price):

- Membership Total as of November 30 is 468, of those 52 are new.
- New Members: Marlene Hill, Joni Peters, Sue Adcock, Sharon Barbie, Julie Bockman, Diane Dolan, Arlene Kozemzak, Dolores Snyder, Kathryn Rydz, Valerie Mack, Carol Massion, Karen Reny, Jo Rhoden
- Guests: Irene Paul, Susan Borghi, Crystal Davis, Julie Fogel, Nancy Nowacki
- Becky Price and Nancy Martin have been cooking meals on the second Tuesday of every month for five years for the Bread of Life as representatives for the Fairfield Glade Ladies Club. They would like to have someone else take over this job. They are looking for volunteers. Please let Becky or Nancy know if you are interested in doing this.

Programs: (Karen Gainer subbing for Viva Bosland)

- December Program is Terri Utsey, Christmas Music accompanied by Rusty McClanahan
- January Program is Bryant Dunaway, District Attorney General of the 13th District/Therapy Dog Program

Treasurers Report: Located in the table book at each table. Contact Carol Pontius for questions.

Service: (, Phyllis Betz, Celeste Fohr)

- December Service Project is Cumberland County Veterans Assistance Council. Need cash donations to help with Utilities, Food and other types of needs on an emergency basis. Cash donations received totaled \$830.
- January Service Project is Avalon Center: Women’s Shelter needs new women’s and children’s underwear and sweats. Cash donations welcome.

Anyone who has donated to our service project table today is eligible for the drawing of a \$25. Restaurant gift card provided by BJ Brown of Crye-Leike Realty

Ways and Means: (Judy Lynn, Sharie Leonard)

- The 10th Annual Mistletoe Marketplace sponsored by Covenant – Dr. Tamara Collins, Exit Realty, Gallaher Plastic Surgery & Spa MD & Mayberry’s was held on Saturday, November 4. The Net Income for this event was \$4732.50. The Bake Sale raised \$1494.50 of this amount.

- Thanks to all of the wonderful bakers and shoppers that made this event a success.
- The Silent Auction is being held at the February 7th meeting. Check to see if you have something that you would like to donate for the auction. If you have something to donate, call me please at 931-707-2854. Also, we need a chairperson to assist in the coordination of this event. If you know of someone who would be interested, please let me know.
- The Kitchen & Garden Tour will be held as our Spring Fundraiser on Saturday, June 2. Gardens and Kitchens to be viewed are being selected now. If you know of one that you would like to list or view, please let me know. If you would like to work on this committee please feel free to see me as soon as possible

Travel: (Barb Troxtel, Mary Ann Trent):

Good morning.

We are pleased to announce a couple of new trips for 2018:

- The “Widow of the South”. This is a one (1) day trip to Franklin, TN. This is the setting for Robert Hick’s novel, The Widow of the South, and the Carnton Planation. The house was used as a field hospital in the days and weeks after the Battle of Franklin during the Civil War. More importantly, Carnton was the home of the Legendary “Widow of the South”. Won’t you join us to see who this intriguing “widow” is? After we learn about the widow and Carnton Planation you’ll have the afternoon free to enjoy the town of Franklin.
- Our next trip is the Canadian Maritimes. This is a 12 day trip to New Brunswick Nova Scotia & Prince Edward Island. August 7 – 18, 2018. You’ll fly from Nashville to Portland, ME where we will meet Kevin with our motorcoach and be transported all through the Maritime Provinces. We will be visiting the best attractions in all three maritime Provinces. One particular highlight will be the Cabot Trail which follows the cliffs by the sea on Cape Breton Island. We’ll also be visiting the author of the famous Anne of Green Gable home. This is just a few of the beautiful sites you will see. Swing by the Travel Table and pick up a brochure.
- If anybody is interested in visiting Italy we have several spots open on our Italian Adventure or perhaps you’ll like to join us as we visit several distilleries and wineries on our TN Spirit trip. What about a fall foliage trip to the Shenandoah Valley & West Virginia. Our perhaps I could interest you in joining us at the 1850 Appalachian Wedding in Kingsport, TN. We’ve got all the brochures at our Travel table.
- I’d like to remind everyone that if your interesting in going on any of these trips. Please make sure you call Nancy Stephenson our Reservationist first - get your name on the reservation list, then send us a check for the payment. Please don’t just send us a check and expect to be added to the trip. This creates way too much confusion for us.
- One last item, if you’re going on the Christmas on the River trip to Louisville on Monday 12/11 please swing by the Travel table and see Nancy French for your travel packet. Thank you for your time.

Reservations: (Anita Lawrence, Sharon Adams):

- 306 Attendees
- 34 Tables
- To alleviate the long lines during registration we would (1) Ask that you pay by check and have checks ready before getting to registration table. (2) Starting January 2, 2018, (the day before the General meeting) we will offer a preregistration at the Community Center. You will receive your tickets and table number and will not have to stand in line for the Wednesday meeting.

Fashion Show:(Pam Oberle, Janice Cahill):

- Tickets for { Be YOU tiful } Fashion Show went on sale today. Ticket price is \$25.00 non refundable and most appreciated if you pay by check. At this time tickets are only available to Ladies Club members and will continue to be available at every meeting. After todays meeting tickets will be available at Collage, checks only will be accepted there and only to Ladies Club members. If there are any tickets left by March meeting they will then be available for purchase to general public.
- Baskets: Many thanks to all who have generously signed up for for theme basket donations. We are still in need of basket donations, at this time we have 18 and would really like to see this number grow. Remember baskets are assembled by our chair people, Chris Schneider and Donna Thompson. All we need are the donations. If you are interested in donating a basket, I have the forms at my table. Anyone that has empty baskets they want to donate, they are most appreciated, just bring to a meeting or give myself or Pam a call.

Old Business:

- No Report

New Business:

- No Report

Motion made by Karen Gainer and seconded by Holly Hanson to adjourn the business meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 11:30

Drawings:

- 50/50: \$741 collected 10 envelopes with \$37 in each envelope available for the drawings. Lucky winners were: Sharon Adams, Mary Hall King, Marilyn Seastrand, Barbara Davis, Marcella Dixon, Sharon Barbi, Carol Jannusch, Rosemaary Kessberger, Marge Lokey, Carol Skiles
- The following people won Tickets to the playhouse, a gift certificate to the General Store (donated by Nancy Buns of Crain Burns Associates, LLC) a Boc of peppermint Bark, donated by Liz Bayer of Pro Mortgage. Julie Fogel, Nita Hawes and Judy Anderson.

- A lucky person won a gift certificate to the Outback plus \$50.00, donated by B.J. Brown, Crye-Leike/Brown Realty.
- Julie Chase won the Wine Basket sponsored by Fairfield Glade Realty
- Baskets were assembled by Donna Thompson.

Phyllis Betz announced an increase in the monetary collection for our Decembet Service Project bringing the total to \$1,010.

Invocation: provided by Cathy Wheale

Lunch Served

Karen Gainer introduced Terri Utsey and Rusty McClanahan who sang Christmas Music