

ABC-GL Dinner Meeting
Bella Donna's

October 27, 2022
Social hour 5:30-6:00

Call to order: Larry Stout at 6:03 pm
Invocation: Marge Blattner
Pledge of Allegiance: Jim Reynolds

Recess for dinner at 6:10 pm
Meeting reconvened at 7:00 pm

Determination of a Quorum: Secretary/Treasurer: Arlene Starkman

Approval of September dinner meeting minutes. Motion to approve made by Brenda Murphy , second by Sandy Hendrickson. Minutes approved.

OFFICER'S REPORTS

Cmdr. Larry Stout:

Pegy and Bill Miller attended the recent district conference in Branson. Cmdr. Stout attended virtually. A video of Chief Commander Fraiser's report was played. Highlights were issues facing districts. Areas of focus for districts will be recognition, education, and by-law simplification. More decisions will be made at the club level. Club simplification is in the works. The national annual meeting will be February 19 thru 26, 2023 in Orlando Florida.

Tracy Simpson encouraged our club to apply for the Civic Service Award. Marge Blattner prepared our application and did an outstanding job. Thank you, Marge.

Member concerns: Kathy Hunt and Mary Ann Stout

Treasurer: Arlene Starkman

The bank balance as of September 30, 2022, was \$8,267.48.

Education: Cmdr. Stout for Bob Hunt

No classes are scheduled but home study is available to all members and Bob will assist. Bob and David Sloan are working on some mini courses.

The current steering committee served as the nominating committee and the waiver is going away. There were no nominations from the floor, so the following slate was presented:

Commander – Pegy Miller
Education officer – Bob Hunt
Secretary/treasurer – Arlene Starkman
Executive Board/Committee:
Harvey Blattner
Sandy Hendrickson
Brenda Murphy
Larry Stout

Motion to approve the slate was made by Jim Reynolds and seconded by Julie Jones. Motion carried. New officers and board took the oath and were installed.

Cmdr. Pegy Miller addressed the group stating that going forward she would need lots of help. When the club was chartered in 2000, the focus was on the following:

- How to create interest in education
- How to create interest in community service
- How to create socials to have fun.

This has not changed. All ideas are welcome on how to achieve these goals. Discussed were where to meet in the future, dinner versus lunch meetings, holding meetings on the 3rd Thursday of the month.

A motion was made by Cindy Reynolds to continue dinner meetings and seconded by Jon Murphy. Motion carried. The next dinner meeting will be in January, and we will try to have Debbie Bottoroff, the city manager of Grove as a speaker.

Brenda Murphy explained the Christmas Party will be December 2, 2022, at St. Elizabeth's social hall and will be appetizers and desserts. Thank you to Cindy Reynolds in helping us to secure this venue. There will be no cost to members, with some members bringing appetizers and some desserts. There will also be a white elephant grab-bag.

The committee suggested the backpack program as our Christmas charity with the club matching donations up to \$1000. A motion was made by Jim Reynolds and seconded by Brenda Murphy to have the backpack program as our Christmas charity. Motion carried. A motion for the club to match donations up to \$1000 was made by Arlene Starkman and seconded by Brenda Murphy. Motion carried. Donations will be accepted at the Christmas party or may be mailed to the treasurer.

The club will ask the GRDA for a grant for life jackets and Cindy Reynolds has agreed to write the grant. Brenda Murphy made a motion to pursue every available source for grant money and the motion was seconded by Sandy Hendrickson. Motion carried.

Cmdr. Peggy Miller asked for immediate volunteers for the following:

- Bring the flag and screen to meetings
- Bring the PA system and projector to meetings
- Need additional help for reception committee at meetings
- Need individual/s to take charge of the raffle
- Calling committee
- Chairman for GLA visitor center

Everyone is invited to attend the next board meeting which will be November 8, at 10:00 am at the GLA visitor center.

Motion to adjourn by Cindy Reynolds and seconded by Brenda Murphy. Meeting adjourned at 8:17 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Arlene Starkman,
Secretary/Treasurer