

ABC-GL Dinner Meeting Minutes
October 19, 2023
St. Andrew's Episcopal Church
5:30 PM Social Hour

CALL TO ORDER: Peggy Miller, Cmdr. 6:20 pm

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Attendees

PRAYER: Marge Blattner

MOTIONS:

- Motion to approve September 2023 minutes made by Bob Hunt; second by Harvey Blatner. Minutes approved.
- Motion to adjourn made by Jon Murphy; second by Earl Starkman. Approved.

QUORUM: Determined by Brenda Murphy

TREASURERS REPORT: for September 2023. Balance: \$6,423.55. Revenue: \$375.00 Expenses: \$678.85. Check for \$700 for yearly storage unit has not cleared yet.

MINUTES: Motion made to accept minute by Bob Hunt and 2nd by Harvey Blatner. Motion approved.

EDUCATION: No report

NEW MEMBERS SWORN IN: Bruce & Diana Undergust and David & Sheila Harder

GUESTS: Sean & Linda Rigsby and Ted & Cathie Schafer.

RECESS FOR DINNER: 6:23 pm

CALLED BACK TO ORDER: 6:40 pm

CHANGE OF WATCH (COW): Thursday, November 9, 2023 - 5:30 pm. St. Elizabeth's Church Hall. Cost is \$30 per person. RSVP by November 1, 2023 by emailing ABCGRANDLAKE@gmail.com. Dinner catered by Piguet's and there will be a silent auction. Proceeds from the silent auction will be used for our life jacket program. This year ABC Grand Lake purchased and distributed approximately 500 life jackets!

CHRISTMAS PARTY: Will be held on Thursday, December 7, 2023 at St. Elizabeth's Church Hall. Members are asked to bring an appetizer or dessert. Dirty Santa game will be played. Please bring a gift \$15 or under.....or better yet, something you want to regift!

50/50 RAFFLE: \$54 collected. Trudy Richardson won \$27 and club keeps \$27.

GUEST SPEAKER: Doug Anerson

- Target age group for scammers is between 70 – 79 (since they want your retirement money).
- People steal mail and “wash” checks in acetone. They cover your signature with tape and “wash the check” and then they can make the check out for whatever they want and your signature is on it! Only use a **UNIBALL 207 ink pen**. They cannot wash this ink.
- Don’t put checks out in your outgoing mail box or in the blue mail boxes at the post office. Hand carry them into the post office.
- 1 out of every 4 people in target age group will be scammed.
- Be on alert for rebound scammers.....caller states “hey I hear you have been scammed and I am here to help”if you send me money I will get your money back from the scammer.....however, they are a scammer as well.
- Scammers will ask you to send money and when you state you don’t have it they tell you to go out and buy gift cards.....don’t fall for this!
- Scammers can state they are from IRS and you will be arrested. The IRS will NOT call you. The scammer makes it sound urgent and may even yell at you for you to take action....DO NOT! Just hang up.
- Don’t fall for your grandson is in jail.....send me money to get him out.
- Don’t answer the phone if you don’t recognize the number.
- Gas stations where you pay at the pump have credit card readers installed over the regular gas pump....tug on the pump to see if the “scammers reader comes off easily”
- AI artificial intelligence.....they just need a small sampling of your voice to duplicate it.....have a unique password with your family to verify it is you versus a scammer.....especially if you think the call is odd.
- Don’t answer or click on “unsolicited” emails.
- Make sure you have an ANTI Virus and Firewall installed. Make sure you turn on your VPN. Doug suggested “malware bytes and VPN express” be installed to help block scammers.
- Use a credit card versus ATM cards. Using ATM cards a scammer could drain your bank account and the bank is not liable.
- You can block certain words on emails and they will send it directly to your spam/junk folder.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Made by Jon Murphy and 2nd by Earl Starkman, motion approved at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Brenda Murphy.