

2011 Archive - GE Community Club Minutes

December 19, 2011

The Glen Elder Community Club met December 19, 2011 at Glen Elder Haven meeting room @ 5:30. Present was Jessie Cunningham, Denise Jackson, Linda Riley, Cindy Clausen, Glenda Shoemaker, Sandy McBlair, Kent Anderson, Alice Thompson, Judy Swickard, Candi Kusler, Kevin Noller and Sheila Paxson. President Jessie Cunningham called the meeting to order. Minutes from the November meeting were read and approved as corrected. Denise Jackson gave the Treasurer's report. The checking account balance is \$3,279.10. Linda Riley presented \$22.00 in cash from coffee can at Wayne's for scholarship fund and presented a bill for \$31.05 for Welcome Packets and meat & cheese tray.

Kent Anderson gave a short presentation on Clarence Pickett, who was raised in the Glen Elder area. He was secretary of the American Friends Service Committee when the organization received the Noble Peace Prize in 1947. Kent would like to have a Peace Pole erected in the Square next to the miniature Friends Church in honor of Clarence Pickett. The pole would contain the message "May Peace Prevail on Earth" in eight different languages. He would like to have a dedication at the Glen Elder Fun Day if he receives permission from the City Council to place the pole in the park. More information will be coming in the future.

Discussion was held on the Christmas Lighting held Saturday November 26, 2011 at the Square. There were approximately 76 persons who attended. Since Santa was inside the library, hot chocolate was not in high demand. Left-over cookies were given to the local businesses that helped with Community Club projects during the year. The Christmas drawing prizes were purchased at Wayne's Sporting Goods with Wayne donating ½ of the cost for them. A suggestion for next year is to either ask the local businesses to donate prizes or purchase prizes from more than one local vendor. Another suggestion was to have hams or turkeys as prizes. Someone else suggested having a Tour of Homes next year as a fund raiser during the Holiday Season.

Under New Business, discussion was held on determining a date for Fun Day. Pros and cons were discussed for moving the Fun Day to earlier in the summer such as early June. One of the main reasons for moving the date was because of the heat but it was decided that early June could be just as hot as July as well as conflict with local farmers drilling milo and readying equipment for the wheat harvest. Keeping the date in July on the same weekend would develop consistency in when the event is held – if we switch weekends every year we could lose the crowd that comes now. Memorial Day and Labor Day was also mentioned but decided it would be hard to get people to help at those times. Another one suggested to try to come up with alternatives to "beat the heat" in July with maybe tents, misting system etc. A paper ballot was taken with the results being 10 - keep the same; 1 - June 9; and 1 - June 2 so the decision was made to keep it on the 3rd Saturday of July – July 21, 2012. Committees will be set up in January to come up with some alternative activities for the coming Fun Day.

Membership letter was discussed. Dues will be left at \$10 - individual; \$15 – Family; and Business - \$25. Jessie Cunningham will get the letter ready and the members will seal and get them ready to mail at the January meeting.

Elections of officers took place with all officers retaining their positions for one more year. Jessie Cunningham – President; Cal Swickard – Vice President; Denise Jackson – Treasurer; Sheila Paxson – Secretary.

Sheila Paxson suggested the Club give a donation to the "Helping Hands" fund as we have done in the past. Linda Riley moved and was seconded to give the same amount as last year. Denise will check in her records to see what that was.

Linda Riley will bring revisions for the Scholarship requirements to the next meeting.

The next meeting will be held January 17, 2012 @ 5:30.

Minutes by Sheila Paxson, Secretary

November 7, 2011

The Glen Elder Community Club met November 7, 2011 at Glen Elder Haven meeting room @ 5:30. Present was Jessie Cunningham, Denise Jackson, Linda Riley, Cindy Clausen, Kay Johnston and Sandy McBlair and Sheila Paxson. President Jessie Cunningham called the meeting to order. There were no minutes from the previous meeting (October). Denise Jackson gave the Treasurer's report. The checking account balance is \$2,958.56.

Chili Cook-Off report was given. Total revenues of \$3,518.16 and expenses to date \$3,404.51 leaving a net profit of \$113.14. A survey was sent out and comments were received and reviewed.

Haunted House was held October 29th at the Lumberyard. Jennifer Kresin was in charge of setting up the event. Tom Whoolery offered the Lumberyard building again next year if needed. Suggestions were to have tables & lights out front and more tables and lights for refreshments. Around 176 persons went through with total revenues of \$514.00 for admissions and total expenses of \$75.13 to date for a profit of \$442.47.

Christmas lighting will be held Saturday November 26, 2011 at 7:00 on the west side of the square. Rich Miller is the chairman for this. He will line up the Santa, door prizes and songs. Cookies and hot chocolate will be served @ library. Santa will be available inside the library to take pictures with children.

Other business included voting to give Jennifer Kresin a \$25.00 gift certificate from Lakeside Service for her work on the Halloween Haunted house. Sandy moved and Cindy seconded to get a meat and cheese tray for around \$25.00 for the City workers for all they do for the Community Club throughout the year.

Two welcome packets were passed out and received good comments from them.

The next meeting will be held December 19, 2011 @ 5:30.

Minutes by Sheila Paxson, Secretary

August 29, 2011 Special Meeting

The Glen Elder Community Club held a special meeting August 29, 2011@ 5:30 in the Glen Haven meeting room to determine if there was enough interest to sponsor the Glen Elder Annual Chili Cook-off as the organizers from prior years had other obligations this year. President Jessie Cunningham called the meeting to order. Also present were Denise Jackson, Linda Riley, Sandy McBlair, Cindy Clausen, Glenda Shoemaker, Dawn Porter, Cal Swickard, Candi Kusler, Thomas DePew, Marj Eberle, Dot Johnson, Mark Miller, Megan Duskie, Tom Whoolery, Larry Wheeler, and Sheila Paxson.

Denise Jackson opened the discussion on sponsoring the Chill Cook-off. She had gotten Greg Linton's Chill Cook-off manual and information from the prior years. Since there was enough interest in the Chili Cook-off continuing, the next step was to decide on a date. It had been originally planned for Sept 24th but due to the short notice, it was decided to have it on October 15th.

Those present volunteering to do things for the Chili Cook-off are:

Dawn Porter – Get Bales of Straw

Larry Wheeler – Get Open Mic Entertainment

Mark Miller – Get Band and talk to Brush Art about sponsoring it

Megan Duskie – Advertising in newspapers and local channel ads

Tom Whoolery – Donate use of RV, contact past entries, contact new prospective donors

Sandy McBlair – Contact Past Donors and ask City about donating

Jessica Cunningham – Get Judges, check on supplies at City building and get additional supplies

Cal Swickard – Set up Sound System, get announcer – possibly Darrel Stuart

Denise Jackson – Order T-Shirts (possibly with sponsors on back), go to City Council Meeting

Linda Riley – Get Trophies (1st, 2nd, 3rd, for 3 categories of chili; one trophy each for best burger, best decorated booth and best salsa. Ask Carla Carl to make foam board checks for 1st place winners.

Glenda Shoemaker – Talk to city for décor, lights, banner, stakes, ropes, port-a-potties for day

West Hampton – Will furnish place for dance (Lumberyard) and giving a \$200 donation

Food vendors are welcome and will have ad on local channel to encourage food vendors to set up booths for the day. Each booth will have a can set out for "People's Choice" and money from that will be donated to a charity or the GE Community Club scholarship fund.

Next planning meeting will be September 15 @ 5:30 @ Glen Haven Community Room

Minutes by Sheila Paxson, Secretary (from notes by Denise Jackson)

August 15, 2011

The Glen Elder Community Club monthly meeting was held August 15, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. at Glen Haven meeting room. President Jessie Cunningham called the meeting to order. Also present were Denise Jackson, Linda Riley, Sandy McBlair, Kevin Noller, Dawn Porter, Cindy Clausen, and Sheila Paxson.

Minutes were read from the June meeting. Linda Riley moved to accept the minutes and was seconded. Treasurer's report was given by Denise Jackson with a balance of \$2,938.51 in checking. She presented the income and expenses for Fun Day. Fun Day ended up in the black with a balance of \$378.97 (most of this was due to David Parker donating back \$237.00 of his Poker Run Winnings.

OLD BUSINESS:

Linda Riley gave an update on the Recycling center. The City of Glen Elder has donated a building and will get it ready by the end of September. The center would be able to take #1 & #2 plastics; tin, newspapers; and magazines. There will be a flyer in the September City bills explaining about the Recycling center. She will be seeking volunteers to help with various aspects of it.

Discussion was held on Fun Day. A few suggestions were to poll on when to have Fun Day when the membership letters are sent out; to have it at the same time each year; to have it either spring or fall as July is too hot a month; combine with Chili Cook-off. Raffle table should have two people manning it. Raffle items should be displayed and advance sales should be taken on

them a few weeks ahead of time. Events should be moved closer together – maybe do away with parade. Community Church service was good and should be continued. Glow Necklaces sold well but bracelets not so much.

NEW BUSINESS:

Halloween Haunted House – Jennifer Kresin will be in charge of it again and is looking for a new location to hold it this year. It will be on Saturday October 29th. Discussion was held on whether to hold Trunk & Treat the same evening.

Chili Cook-off: Date is September 24th. Could sell leftover glow sticks at this time.

Wayne's had \$100 in his "Wishing Well" jug that he will donate to the Scholarship fund.

A suggestion was to put together welcome packets from the Community for new residents of the area.

Sandy McBlair moved and Linda Riley seconded to adjourn meeting. Motion carried; Next meeting will be September 19th at Glen Haven Community room @ 5:30.

Minutes by Sheila Paxson, Secretary

June 20, 2011

The Glen Elder Community Club monthly meeting was held June 20, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. at Glen Haven meeting room. President Jessie Cunningham called the meeting to order. Also present were Glenda Shoemaker, Denise Jackson, Linda Riley, Cal Swickard, Alice Thompson, Sandy McBlair, and Sheila Paxson.

Minutes were read from the May meeting. Alice Thompson moved and to accept the minutes after corrections and was seconded. Treasurer's report was given by Denise Jackson with a balance of \$2,588.60 in checking. She has received two more memberships. Scholarship checking was \$763.58. Denise checked to see when the Scholarship cd was due and it was not until May 2012. Since we have enough to pay the scholarships for this year, it was decided to leave the funds as they are now until after Fun Day.

Linda Riley gave an update on the Recycling center. She checked prices for a 12' X 21' completely enclosed building with a side door and a front door for \$2500; 12' x 12' wood siding building from Menards for \$1600. Eldon Behymer will check after the new city building is up to see if there is room to put it next to it.

Linda Riley also had the new plaques for the Scholarship boards. Kevin Noller has easels for the plaques to sit on a table during Fun Day. Jessie Cunningham has received at least three prizes for Scholarship raffles. Suggested donation will be \$1 for one or 6 for \$5. Linda will be in charge of handling the raffle table. Individual buckets will be set up so a person can put their ticket into the bucket of the item they wish to win. Jessie will make up the raffle tickets.

Old Business was Fun Day:

- Auxiliary Breakfast starts at 6:00 – 9:30 am at Legion Building
- Fun Run starts @ 7:00 – Contact Norma Ahlvers for details
- Poker run – Registration at 9:00 Depart @ 9:30
- Friends Church Hamburger Stand – 11:00 am - ?? Was suggested they close during the BBQ
- Free Swimming 1:00 – 3:00 sponsored by Cunningham Telephone & Cable

- Games & Prizes 3:00 – 5:00 pm – Lions Jumping Game, Community Club Football Throw, Basketball Throw, and McPeak Game. Glenda Shoemaker in charge of games – bought Basketballs & Footballs for \$146.94. Clean stuff animals and small toys are also being accepted for prizes for games.
- Christian Church Cake Walk, UMC Ice Cream Stand
- Parade @ 5:30 Sign up at Grade School starting @ 4:30
- BBQ meal following parade. Mary Winkel is in charge of making beans. Dennis Shoemaker will talk to Ted Eberle about getting the meat. Meal will be \$6.00. Glenda Shoemaker will be in charge of setting up for meal.
- Entertainment starts at 6:30?
- Band 8:00-12 – “Wanted” still saving the date. Cost will be \$650.00
- Sunday – Community Church in the Wilson Neff Park @ 11:00 am, Scenic Roots – Erin & Amber Rodgers (bluegrass) will sing for donation of \$300. Free lunch of hot dogs; hamburgers, beans, chips, tea & water sponsored by the three churches and Community Club follows services. Salads and/or desserts can be brought if so desired.
- Discussion was held on Glow Necklaces. After looking at Oriental Trading magazine, it was decided to look at Salina the Dollar Store. Sheila Paxson will check on the prices.

A Thank you was received from Jordan Nicholson for the scholarship money.

Glenda moved to adjourn and was seconded by Sandy McBlair

Next meeting will be July 11, 2011 to finalize Fun Day plans

Respectfully submitted
Sheila Paxson, Secretary

May 16, 2011

The Glen Elder Community Club monthly meeting was held May 16, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. at Glen Haven meeting room. Vice-President Cal Swickard called the meeting to order. Also present were Cindy Clausen, Denise Jackson, Linda Riley, Sandy McBlair, Marge Eberle, Kevin Knoller, and Sheila Paxson. Jessie Cunningham arrived later.

Minutes were read from the March meeting. Linda Riley moved to accept the minutes as corrected and was seconded by Sandy McBlair. Treasurer’s report was given by Denise Jackson with a balance of \$2,563.38 in checking. She has received 60 memberships for 2011. Denise made a printout detailing the cash in’s and out’s since the first of the year. Sandy McBlair moved and was seconded by Linda Riley to accept Treasurer’s report.

Discussion was held on how to encourage more people to pay dues to join Glen Elder Community Club. It was suggested to put an ad on the local channel, leave addressed envelopes/membership letters at City Hall and Cunningham’s. 8-1/2” by 11” signs will be sent to those businesses showing their membership for 2011.

Discussion was held on the scholarship checking account as the money is getting low. The cd that was thought to be coming due shortly is not due for a while. Denise will check on seeing what type of penalty will be to redeem early and then transfer some funds over to the Scholarship fund and put the rest back into a cd. Other discussion on the Scholarship monies included on how to solicit more funds for it so bigger scholarships could be given. Brochures could be made up and left at Funeral Homes for Memorials to Scholarship Fund, notation on the Glen Elder website, Donation Bucket at Glen Elder Fun Day to help sponsor scholarships etc. It was decided to try to have a Raffle during Fun Day for the purpose of raising the scholarship

fund. Jessie Cunningham will get prizes for the Raffle. Donation buckets may be put in at Wayne's and at the bank for the scholarship fund. Denise also brought the donor plaques as they have not been updated for several years. After some discussion it was decided to place the donor plaques in the poster display in the Square Park. Linda Riley will get the engraving done for those donors in the last several years. Scholarships will be given during the program at Fun Day.

Old Business: Easter Egg Hunt – Turnout was good for the Easter Egg Hunt and everyone got lots of eggs. Cal reported he had a comment that this was the best Easter Egg Hunt in the past five years. Discussion was held on how to improve the hunt. Have announcer on the west side of the square; stagger the start so parents can help with each age group if they have children in different age groups. Cindy Clausen said egg halves could be taken to the school and the school kids would help put the right colors together.

Recycling: Linda Riley went to the City Council for a possible location and will get quotes from Perry Copeland for building.

New Business: Fun Day - Jessie Cunningham reported she still had not received a contract from the band but assumed they were keeping the date. The Parade will start at 5:30 with the meal immediately following. Possibly try to find a different route for the parade instead of going into the sun. Games & Prizes – Lions Club is sponsoring the Jumper and will get the Football & Basketball Throw for the Community Club to man. Some prizes will be ordered and will also take donations clean stuff animal and other small toys in good condition. Advertising – will ask Megan Duskie to help make the flyer as she has in the past. Denise will talk to chairman of WaKonda Celebration about sharing advertising in the newspapers. Possibly put a large sign by Lakeside Convenience during the day for Fun Day. Lions will make flyers for the Fun Run and Breakfast. Jessie will talk to pool managers about sponsoring a free swim from 1-3 that afternoon. A community church service will be held at 11:00 in the Park. Scenic Roots (Bluegrass) Erin & Amber Rodgers will put on a short program. A free will offering will be held to help defray the expenses. Meal will be served immediately following service. Hot Dogs, hamburgers, baked beans, chips, tea, and water will be provided. Salad or dessert dish may be brought to go with meal.

Sandy McBlair moved to adjourn meeting. Linda Riley seconded.

Next meeting will be June 18, 2011 at 5:30 pm at the Glen Haven Community room.

Respectfully submitted
Sheila Paxson

April 18, 2011

The Glen Elder Community Club monthly meeting was held April 18, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. at Glen Haven meeting room. President Jessie Cunningham called the meeting to order. Also present were Glenda Shoemaker, Cindy Clausen, Denise Jackson, Linda Riley, Cal Swickard, Alice Thompson, Sandy McBlair, Dawn Tietjens, Dot Johnson, Marge Eberle and Sheila Paxson.

Minutes were read from the March meeting. Minutes were corrected and accepted. Treasurer's report was given by Denise Jackson with a balance of \$2,303.31 in checking. She has received \$915 in 2011 memberships. Scholarship checking was \$764.28. Linda Riley moved to transfer the CD coming due to the scholarship checking. Bill was presented for \$81.55 for the Easter Egg Hunt.

Jessie gave the report on the Easter Egg Hunt. She has about 2300+ eggs with 2 Golden Eggs for each age group. Groups will be split into four groups – 0-3 area north of Wayne's; 4 thru

kindergarten & first to third grade at Square Park; and 4th to 6th grade at Zoo Park. Workers should show up around 1:00 and hunt will begin at 2:00.

Linda Riley has been doing some more checking into a building or trailer and place to set up a recycling center. Recycling items would include newspapers, glass, plastic, cardboard etc. Business may be asked for donations to get the project started.

Linda Riley reported on the Scholarship committee. The two winners were Shana Winkel & Jordan Nicholson who will receive their money at Fun Day.

Jessie Cunningham reported that the band "Wanted" had saved the date of July 16th so Fun Day will go on as planned and will try to work with the Wakonda Celebration at the lake. The ministers from Glen Elder would like to do a Sunday Community Church service followed by hamburgers & hotdogs. Sheila moved to supply chips for the meal from the Community Club. Tea & water will also be served. Tyson Seiler of Fish & Game may be contacted about a pheasant trailer(?). Lions Club will sponsor the jumping game along with two others.

Next meeting will be May 16, 2011 at 5:30 pm at the Glen Haven Community room.

Respectfully submitted
Sheila Paxson

March 21, 2011

The Glen Elder Community Club monthly meeting was held March 21, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. at Glen Haven meeting room. President Jessie Cunningham called the meeting to order. Also present were Glenda Shoemaker, Cindy Clausen, Denise Jackson, Linda Riley, Cal Swickard, Alice Thompson, Sandy McBlair, Dawn Tietjens, and Sheila Paxson.

Minutes were read from the February meeting. After corrections were made, Cal Swickard moved to accept the minutes and it was seconded. Treasurer's report was given by Denise Jackson with a balance of \$2,308.17 in checking. She has received \$605 in 2011 memberships for the year so far with another \$75 in memberships at the meeting.

Linda Riley presented a bill for \$13.54 – supplies for meeting sign reminders to put around town and \$1.76 for postage for scholarship letter sent to Lakeside, St. Johns; Beloit High, and Tipton schools. Seniors with a Glen Elder address are eligible for one of two \$250 scholarships. Linda will contact those persons who served on the Scholarship Committee in the past to see if they would like to help again this year.

Discussion was held on the Easter Egg Hunt to be held April 23, 2011 at the Square Park. Drew Cunningham will be the Easter Bunny this year and club will pay him \$20.00. It was decided the younger groups could use more eggs this year so local business will be asked to fill/donate 50 eggs instead of the two dozen as in the past. The older age group will move to the Zoo Park, the youngest set to the lots between Wayne's & the Senior Center, and the rest in the Square Park. The Community Club has purchased 132 prefilled eggs, received a donation of 500 prefilled eggs, another 100 eggs from Jessie's mother's group in Lyons, Mom's in Touch, and 25 eggs from the Senior Center. The goal is to have around 1900 eggs for the hunt. Additional eggs will be filled at the April meeting.

Fun Day – Changing the date was discussed as the weekend of July 16th is at the same weekend as the 1st Annual Wakonda Springs Indian Festival at Waconda Lake. It is tentatively left as the same weekend pending on what the band "Wanted" has booked for the weekends in July. Jessie was going to ask Jennifer Kresin to check on this. Discussion was held on when to start activities with Fun Run in the morning; Poker Run @ 9:00 am; free swimming from 1-4, games for children from 4-5:30; parade at 5:30 with the BBQ following. Entertainment would be during the meal with the dance at 8:30/9:00. Denise Jackson and Jessie Cunningham will talk to Sharon

Sahlfeld about the Festival at the lake to see what the schedule for activities are for the day. Cal Swickard asked about doing a Community Church Service on Sunday morning with a possible potluck dinner following. Committee heads for the day – Lions Club – Fun Run and Entertainment; Poker Run – Denise Jackson; BBQ – Jessie Cunningham/ Megan Duskie; Games – Glenda Shoemaker; Parade – Sheila Paxson; Band – Jennifer Kresin. More discussion on the Fun Day will be held at the next meeting.

Linda Riley brought up the idea of having a "Recycling Trailer" in town. She is looking at grants to help with the cost of recycling and asked if the Community Club may be interested in sponsoring such a project. Denise Jackson had someone ask whether the Community Club would sponsor a City-Wide Cleanup. The club will look into what it takes to do such a project. Next meeting will be April 18, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. at the Glen Haven Community room

Respectfully submitted

Sheila Paxson, Secretary