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## Glen Elder Community Club Meeting Minutes

**Monday, 10-10-22 at 7:00 PM**

**Attendees:** Molly Jordan, Alice Thompson, Jerri Senger, Sarah Depew, Denise Jackson, Carrie Tritsch, Michelle Winkel

Meeting began at 7:08 PM. First item of discussion was Trunk-or-Treat. Alica Wildfong usually leads this event. Sarah Depew will reach out to see if she would like to lead it again this year and what volunteer help would be needed. Trunk-or-Treat is on Monday, October 31 from 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM with setup starting at 5:00 PM on Main Street on the North side of the City Square. Prizes of \$25.00 will be awarded to the top two best decorated trunks. Prize winners will be determined by two committee members. Jerri Senger will have the City Personnel set out a few cones to block off the area as needed.

Fundraisers were the next item of discussion. Little Ceasars Pizza was a previously discussed fundraiser; however, due to other organizations doing Little Caesar Pizza currently, this idea was tabled. Other fundraisers that are currently being held by organizations are Scentsy and Crispy Crème. To avoid impacting other organization's fundraising efforts, Sarah Depew recommended purchasing a \$200 gift card to Ray's Apple Market and selling raffle tickets.

Committee Members determined the \$200 gift card to Ray's Grocery Store would be a good fundraiser for the Club. It will be marketed as the Glen Elder Community Club Raffle for a **Basket of Blessings** valued at over \$250.00 and featuring a \$200.00 Gift Card to Ray's Apple Market and other items, just in time for Thanksgiving dinner. The winner will be drawn during the Club's next monthly meeting on Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup>.

Molly Jordan will create the tickets for the raffle which will be sold at \$10.00 per ticket or 3 for \$25.00. Denise Jackson will purchase the \$200.00 gift card for Ray's Apple Market before the November 14<sup>th</sup> meeting. Denise will also prepare the Ticket Buckets. Carrie Tritsch will put the basket together by Monday, October 17<sup>th</sup> and take a picture of the basket for display at the businesses when the actual basket is not on display (7 pictures in acrylic stands).

Next item for discussion was the Christmas Lighting on Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. Alice Thompson will confirm the Library Community Room's availability for Friday, November 25<sup>th</sup> for decorating and Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup> for the event. Denise Jackson or Alica Wildfong will reach out to Santa to see if he is available this date. Denise will ask Rhonda Gruwell if she would be willing to purchase the prizes again this year. The last two years, cookies that were individually wrapped were purchased. This year, we are able to provide homemade goods. Hot cocoa was discussed but decided water bottles were less messy.

Help will be needed for the Christmas Lighting:

- Assistance with Decorating the room Friday, November 25<sup>th</sup> (time TBD at 11/14/22 meeting)
- Donations of Cookies for refreshments on Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup>
- Refreshment Setup at 6:30 PM, Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup> (30-minutes)
- Handing out Refreshments at 7:00 PM, Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup> (approximately 1-hour)
- Cleanup after Event Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup> (approximately 8:00 PM)

To volunteer, contact Sarah Depew at 785-545-6382.

The next meeting will be held November 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the Glen Haven Community Room. Topics of discussion will be the **Basket of Blessings** raffle and drawing and the Christmas Lighting event on Saturday November 26<sup>th</sup>.

## Glen Elder Community Club Meeting Minutes

Monday, 11-14-22 at 7:00 PM

**Attendees:** Rhonda Gruwell, Michelle Winkel, Denise Jackson, Carrie Tritsch, Jerri Senger, Molly Jordan, Sarah Depew

Meeting began at 7:03 PM. Denise received a request for a donation toward Christmas Bucks for eligible families to be used for purchasing gifts for children in Glen Elder, Cawker City and Downs. Sarah proposed donating \$25.00. Molly seconded. Motion approved.

Rhonda provided an update on the Christmas Lighting gifts that have been purchased. There still is a need for a Man's gift. There are leftover candy canes, peppermints, napkins and tablecloths from last year and juice boxes from the Trunk-or-Treat. Two (2) cases of water will be donated by Guaranty State Bank and two (2) cases by Cunningham Telephone & Cable. Per feedback from the previous year, Rhonda did purchase Dum-Dum Suckers and updates will be made to the local channel advertisement to include the statement "Must be present for the drawing". There are volunteers committed to donate 238 cookies this year. Those that have volunteered to donate cookies can drop them off at Guaranty State Bank on Friday, 11/25/22. Last year there were 137 people that signed up and 200 cookies with leftovers so we're in a good position with the cookies.

There will be a need for cones to be placed in front of the library to allow plenty of room for the firetruck to park. Jerri will follow up on the cones.

Current volunteers are:

- Santa
- The Grinch
- Song Leader – Alice Thompson
- Firetruck – Sarah to confirm with Cody
- Prize Table Workers – Rhonda Gruwell, Mazie Gruwell
- PA System Testing – Denise Jackson
- Cookie & Water/Juice Table – 6:30 PM setup – Molly Jordan and Jerri Senger
- Raffle Table – Michelle Winkel

Volunteers are still needed for:

- Setup & Decorating – Friday, 11/25/22, 2:00 PM at the Library Community Room
  - Setting up tables, chairs, Santa's Chair, Grinch Station for pictures, prize table, cookie table, raffle table, Christmas Tree and decorating the tree. Any help, even if it's for a little while, will be appreciated!
- Cleanup – Help after the event to clean up and put chairs and tables away

The four Raffle Baskets will be on display at the Christmas Lighting, giving community members the final opportunity to purchase raffle tickets. Again, tickets are \$10.00 each or three (3) for \$25.00 and there are four Raffle Baskets ranking in value between \$175 - \$275. The Raffle Basket drawings will be held during the Christmas Lighting. Winners do not need to be present to win. Denise will get cash to have on hand for the Raffle Ticket Sales.

Sarah asked for thank you cards to be sent to everyone that donated for the Raffle Baskets. Carrie will drop off Thank You Cards to Sarah.

Last year, the Glen Elder Community Club made a \$100 donation to the Soloman Valley Foundation. Carrie made a motion to donate \$100 again this year. Molly seconded. Motion passed.

Next meeting is December 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the Glen Haven Community Room. Topics will be will be:

- Handoff of the Scholarship Program to the next leader
- Membership Drive which usually is sent in January

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

## Glen Elder Community Club Meeting Minutes

**Monday, 12-12-22 at 7:00 PM**

**Attendees:** Rhonda Gruwell, Denise Jackson, Sarah Depew, Alice Thompson, Jerri Senger, Shayna Deverman, Carrie Tritsch

Meeting began at 7:04 PM. Rhonda provided a review of the Christmas lighting. There were 151 people signed up this year and the expenses were \$197.29. Feedback or suggestions were:

- 4 cases of water were too much
- The kids enjoyed the suckers
- The microphone needed to be closer to the drawing table
- Santa needs a helper Elf or an adult to help move people through the line and hand out candy canes
- Bring hot chocolate back
- More help was needed for the room setup on Friday before the event as setting up tables, chairs, picking up the cookies and baskets, finishing decorating, etc. was too much for 3 people to handle. It was suggested to go back to doing the setup on Saturday.
- Cleanup was a bit excessive for the Library personnel due to some unfortunate messes.

Motion was made by Sarah to provide a donation of \$100 to the Glen Elder Library for use of the event room and to help pay for the cleanup that was required. Motion approved.

Rhonda shared that Shayna wants to lead the Scholarship Program. Rhonda provided Shayna with a general overview of the Program and shared the scholarship account is depleted and has been for a couple of years resulting in the two (2) \$300 scholarships being paid out of the General Fund. The Program initially started with proceeds from the sales of the Glen Elder History Book and memorial donations. Discussion was held around adding to the membership drive letter the history of the Scholarship Program and the option to add a donation to the Scholarship Program with their membership dues.

The Membership Letter was briefly reviewed to discuss any needed updates. To ensure communication with all volunteers, there was a recommendation to add a preferred communication method option: Phone Call, Text, Email, Facebook to ensure we're able to successfully reach all volunteers. The Membership Letter will be further discussed and finalized during the January meeting.

The **Basket of Blessings** raffle brought in \$980 making \$830.50 profit for the Community Club after expenses. Sarah sent Thank You Cards to all businesses and personnel that provided donations for the baskets. This fundraiser really showed everyone's generosity!

Kids Christmas Shopping went very well with positive feedback from all involved. Thank you to everyone that donated their time, gifts and wrapping supplies. There were a few children that will shop this week due to being ill. Help will be needed with cleanup to pack any remaining items. Denise will send out a Facebook message to the Club Members when cleanup is planned to coordinate volunteers. **NOTE:** If you want to be included in these notifications, reach out to a Club Member.

Next meeting will January 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM at the Glen Haven Community Room. Topics will include:

- Finalization of the Membership Letter for 2023
- Event schedule for 2023

Join the Club during this meeting to share your feedback on events and dates. Your ideas and feedback are valuable!

Meeting adjourned at 7:43 PM.