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## Glen Elder Community Club Meeting Minutes Monday, 3/11/24, 5:30 PM

**Attendees:** Denise Jackson, Nancy Stortz, Annette Ybarra, Jerri Senger, Carrie Tritsch

Meetings are now the second Monday of each month at 5:30 PM in the Glen Elder Housing Community Room. The Community Club is a group of volunteers without official officers working together to bring activities and events to the community. The group will have smaller committees focused on specific events or programs.

Meeting was brought to order at 5:35 PM.

A review of last meeting's discussion items was held.

- The donation and volunteer letters were distributed to all community members with a requested return date of March 29, 2024.
- One change from the last discussion of events was the move of the Chili Cook-Off date from October 12 to October 19 to avoid conflicts with area community events.
- The Chili Cook-Off entertainment will be Pete Giles sponsored by Cunningham Telephone & Cable.
- With the Cook-Off being later in the season, options for an alternative location for a street dance due to inclement weather was discussed with no location determined.
- Entertainment throughout the day was also discussed.
- Discussion around the Chili Cook-Off will continue at the next meeting.

The next main event is the Easter Egg Hunt which is scheduled for 10:30 AM on Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup>.

- Eggs were filled at the last meeting on 2/26/24.
- Darel & Vic Stuart provided permission to use the lot between Stortz Stop 'N Shop and the Senior Center.
- Jerri will ask the City Personnel to set out the orange cones to block the street off between Stortz and the Bank and to ensure the sprinklers are turned off. She'll also inquire about the use of the mower for the egg train.
- Driver for the egg train yet to be confirmed.
- Jerri will ask Rhonda if she can reach out to the high schools for volunteers.
- Nancy Stortz will donate suckers for the Easter Bunny's basket.
- Jerri will ask Rhonda if she ordered the decorations for the photo opportunities.
- Carrie will look into A-Frame or some type of signs for each age group (8 signs) and bring suggestions to the next meeting. Signs most likely will not be available for this year.
- To address the confusion around which horn was for which age group, we'll use streamers for the 0-4 age groups as a starting line and the horn will be used for the 5-11 age groups. Carrie will donate the streamers.
- Pickup immediately following the event.

The next meeting will be Monday, 4/8/24 at 5:30 PM. Follow the Glen Elder Community Club on Facebook for updates and volunteers or donations needed and visit the Glen Elder Community website <https://www.glenelder.com/ge-community-club.html> for meeting notes, a copy of the donation form and a list of events for 2024.

Topics for the April meeting:

- Review of the Volunteer Letter submissions
- Identify Committee Members for upcoming events
- Continued discussion around the Chili Cook-Off

Meeting adjourned at 6:25 PM.

# Glen Elder Community Club Meeting Minutes

**Monday, 4/08/24, 5:30 PM**

**Attendees:** Denise Jackson, Nancy Stortz, Annette Ybarra, Jerri Senger, Trevor Stumma, Carrie Tritsch

Meetings are now the second Monday of each month at 5:30 PM in the Glen Elder Housing Community Room. The Community Club is a group of volunteers without official officers working together to bring activities and events to the community. The group will have smaller committees focused on specific events or programs.

Meeting was brought to order at 5:37 PM.

The Easter Egg Hunt was reviewed. Overall, it went rather well with quite a few people in attendance and even people from outside of the immediate area. Blocking the street off on the East Side of the park went rather well, allowing the Hunt to start on the East side of the park. There was some feedback around the younger age group being separated from the older groups as parents and grandparents wanted to assist or observe the various age groups. Discussion was held around having all age groups in the park and then staggering the age groups so the parents can assist or observe through each age group. Perhaps dividing it into 3 age groups:

- Age 0-4
- Age 5-7
- Age 8-11

The group also talked about photo opportunities by having a background set up with the little decorate picture bunny and train set and the Easter Bunny prior to the event. Large Easter Eggs or Baskets donated by businesses with a drawing for one winner in each age group is also another prize element that was recommended by Annette. The Age Group signs will be updated with Cricut vinyl for use year over year. The Junior High volunteer hours were accounted for and their assistance was greatly.

A Treasurer Report was provided by Denise providing an update from the 2024 Donation Drive:

- Community Club Donations - \$1,170
- Scholarship Fund Donations - \$440
- Kids Shopping Donations - \$520

Approximately \$200 was spent on postage for the Donation and Volunteer letters. The group discussed sending postcards or partnering with the City of Glen Elder when they do a mailing in the future. The Volunteer list is being compiled from the Volunteer Letters.

The Chili Cook-Off Event planned for October 19<sup>th</sup> was discussed with a focus on the Event Schedule by reviewing previous year's agendas. A rough order of events was identified as follows:

Chili Cook-Off Registration  
Meat Check (Meat must be raw)  
Salsa Competition  
Kids' Side Competition  
Golf Cart / UTV / Law Mower Decoration Contest  
Food Vendors or Fundraiser Lunch (could be Chili Dogs or Chili Nachos)  
Kids' Activities  
Chili Judging  
Winner Announcements  
Golf Cart Dice Run  
Food Vendors  
Community Dance with entertainment by Pete Giles sponsored by Cunningham Telephone & Cable

Action Items:

- Committee Members to work on gathering Vendor Information to seek Vendors for the Chili Cook-Off.
  - Carrie to get with Sarah Depew on the 2023 Fund Day Vendor Surveys.
  - Reach out to neighboring communities, Economic Development Leaders or Chamber of Commerce to see if willing to share vendor lists.
- Jerri to reach out on a few potential options for acclimate weather options for the Chili Cook-Off Dance.

The next meeting will be Monday, 5/13/24 at 5:30 PM. Follow the Glen Elder Community Club on Facebook for updates and volunteers or donations needed and visit the Glen Elder Community website <https://www.glenelder.com/ge-community-club.html> for meeting notes, a copy of the donation form and a list of events for 2024.

Topics for the May meeting:

- Review of the Volunteer Letter submissions
- Identify Committee Members for upcoming events
- Continued discussion around the Chili Cook-Off

Meeting adjourned at 6:35 PM.

# Glen Elder Community Club Meeting Minutes

**Monday, 5-13-24, 5:30 PM**

**Attendees:** Denise Jackson, Annette Ybarra, Andrea Eberle, Jerri Senger, Thomas Depew, Carrie Tritsch

Meetings are now the second Monday of each month at 5:30 PM in the Glen Elder Housing Community Room. The Community Club is a group of volunteers without official officers working together to bring activities and events to the community. The group will have smaller committees focused on specific events or programs.

Meeting was brought to order at 5:32 PM. The meeting began with an overview of the previous meeting's minutes and action items.

Action Item Follow-up (prior meeting's action items in italics):

- *Committee Members to work on gathering Vendor Information to seek Vendors for the Chili Cook-Off.*
  - *Carrie to get with Sarah Depew on the 2023 Fun Day Vendor Surveys.*
    - Thomas shared Sarah had one survey from Jennifer McMillan but couldn't locate it.
  - *Reach out to neighboring communities, Economic Development Leaders or Chamber of Commerce to see if willing to share vendor lists.*
    - Trevor Stumma stopped in briefly and provided an action item follow-up for contact information from the Jewel County Economic Development, including Deb Bonhart for the leadership of the Corn Show and Tammy Fennel in Mankato for leadership of the Threshing Bee and Mammoth Fest.
    - Thomas recommended based on feedback from the last Fun Day food vendors, for them to be profitable we should have no more than two (2) Food Vendors. This will help ensure it's worth their while. He secured Big T's for the Chili Cook-off on October 19<sup>th</sup>.
- *Jerri to reach out on a few potential options for acclimate weather locations for the Chili Cook-Off Dance.*
  - Jerri confirmed with the City that a tent in the street would be appropriate. It wouldn't be feasible on the park lawn due to potential lawn damage and the Fire Hall wouldn't be a viable option.

Discussion continued around the Chili Cook-Off Event planned for October 19<sup>th</sup>.

- Lunch Fundraiser – The Kids Shopping will not need a luncheon this year as there will be other fundraising events. It was decided the Community Club will do the luncheon as a fundraiser for future Community programs or events.
- Judges – Five (5) Judges were recommended per category. Thomas said he would like to be considered for a Judge this year. Water and Crackers were recommended for the judges to clear their palates between tastings.
- Judging Location – The Legion or Library were previously discussed. Thomas offered the potential use of Outlaw BBQ for the registration and tastings.
- Categories were finalized as:
  - Traditional
  - Anything Goes
  - Hot 'N Spicy
  - Hamburger
  - Kids Appetizer
  - Salsa
- Entry Fees – Discussion was held on the need for the entry fees to be a bit higher to cover the cost of the prizes. Previously it was \$25 for each category and \$5 for each additional. It was determined the entry fee will be \$25 per category.

- Prizes – Prizes were reviewed ranging between \$150 max prize and \$25 lowest prize excluding the Kids Appetizer and Salsa categories. Different options around a percentage of the entry fees or flat amounts were presented. The prize amounts were not finalized during the meeting.
- Location for Dance in case of acclimate weather – A tent in the street would be approved by the City.
- Power Sources – Jerri confirmed the City increased the power and there would be enough for all participants.
- Music or Sound System – Denise confirmed Darel Stuart would MC and play music with his sound system.

The initial Chili Cook-Off Event Schedule was drafted as follows:

8:00 AM – Chili Cook-Off Registration and Meat Check (Meat must be raw) at Outlaw BBQ

**\*\*Cooking Starts following Registration and Meat Check\*\***

10:30 AM – 1:00 PM – Mazie’s Bake Sale & Drinks Fundraiser for International School Trip

11:00 AM – 1:00 PM – Chili, Chili Dogs and Chili Nachos Lunch Fundraiser for Glen Elder Community

Club

12:30 PM – Judging Begins

12:30 PM – Salsa

1:00 PM – Burger

1:30 PM – Kids Appetizer

2:00 PM – Traditional Chili

2:30 PM – Hot ‘N Spicy Chili

3:00 PM – Anything Goes

3:30 PM – Winner Announcements

4:00 PM - ? Food Vendors – Big T’s confirmed & Second Food Vendor to be determined

4:30 PM – Dice Run sponsored by the Glen Elder Community Club

7:00 – 10:00 PM – Community Dance with entertainment by Pete Giles sponsored by Cunningham

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Committees were determined as follows:

- **Judge Committee** – Alica Wildfong, Andrea, Rhonda and Thomas
  - Identify the Judges, get the palate cleansing items for the judges and coordinate how the teams turn in entries to the judges.
- **Corn Hole Tournament** – Jerri will reach out to Shane to see if he would be willing to coordinate an event.
- **Dice Run** – Denise, Nancy Stortz and Annette
  - Coordinate the event. Potential preregistration at Stortz Stop N’ Shop so people can register throughout the day for the event.
- **Non-Food Vendors** – Committee Members Pending
  - Identify Non-Primary Food vendors for potential crafts, sales, snacks (Kettle Corn, etc.) throughout the day.
- **Fundraiser Lunch** – Ask Alice Thompson if willing to coordinate.
  - Capture donations for the food and coordinate the luncheon.
- **Tent for acclimate weather** – Jerri messaged Alice Thompson to see if Heart Choices had a tent that would be available. She’ll also reach out to Prairie Ridge Barn regarding their tent options.

Action Items:

- Annette will reach out to the Red Taco Stand that is often at Bomgaar’s or Farm Wife Feeds to secure a second food vendor for the evening.
- Annette will reach out about lighting options.

If anyone in the community is interested in participating in the Highway 24 Garage Sales May 31<sup>st</sup> – June 2<sup>nd</sup>, sign up by May 16<sup>th</sup> to be listed on the map. If you have questions, call Cindy Clausen at 785-545-5265.

The next meeting will be Monday, 6/10/24 at 5:30 PM. Follow the Glen Elder Community Club on Facebook for updates and volunteers or donations needed and visit the Glen Elder Community website <https://www.glenelder.com/ge-community-club.html> for meeting notes, a copy of the donation form and a list of events for 2024.

Topics for the June meeting:

- Poker Run for July 20<sup>th</sup>
- Determine what items are in storage for the Chili Cook-Off
- Continued discussion around the Chili Cook-Off

Meeting adjourned at 6:35 PM.

# Glen Elder Community Club Meeting Minutes

**Monday, 6-10-24, 7:00 PM**

**Attendees:** Denise Jackson, Annette Ybarra, Jerri Senger, Thomas Depew, Carrie Tritsch

This month's meeting was moved from 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM to accommodate other summer commitments of attendees.

Meeting was brought to order at 7:06 PM. The meeting began with an overview of the previous meeting's minutes and action items.

Action Item Follow-up (prior meeting's action items in italics):

- *Annette will reach out to the Red Taco Stand that is often at Bomgaar's or Farm Wife Feeds to secure a second food vendor for the evening.*
  - Annette confirmed Taqueria las Cachitas for the event.
- *Annette will reach out about lighting options.*
  - For a fee of \$100 Jason Larue advised that he would set up lighting for the main entertainment.
- *Jerri to reach out to Shane about organizing a Corn Hole Tournament.*
  - Jerri talked with Shane Abram and he would be willing to organize and plan a Corn Hole Tournament and the Community Club will do the advertising.
- *Jerri to review tent options.*
  - Jerri presented the tent options. Crazy Ed's Tents and Events rental prices were provided for consideration ranging from \$275 - \$2,300 for the tent plus \$2.25 per mile or approximately \$200. Jerri will review other options for consideration, as well.

Discussion continued around the Chili Cook-Off Event planned for October 19<sup>th</sup>.

- Lunch Fundraiser – The Kids Shopping Committee is planning to do a luncheon of chili, chili dogs or chili cheese nachos this year. Mazie will continue with the Bake Sale & Drinks Fundraiser for International School Trip.
- Judges – It was discussed that Business Sponsors would have first choice at being a judge. The Judging Committee will continue reviewing the judging structure and options.
- Judging Location – The Legion was presented by Alica Wildfong in the Committee Chat advising the Legion has been used in the past for both the luncheon and the judging.

Next step is for the below Committees to get together. At least one member of the committee to be available to present a committee update at the next meeting 7/8/24.

Committees were determined as follows:

- **Judging Committee** – Alica Wildfong, Andrea, Rhonda and Thomas
  - Identify the Judges and judging location, get the palate cleansing items for the judges and coordinate how the teams turn in entries to the judges.
- **Corn Hole Tournament** – Shane Abram was willing to coordinate the event.
- **Dice Run** – Denise, Nancy Stortz and Annette
  - Coordinate the event. Potential preregistration at Stortz Stop N' Shop so people can register throughout the day for the event.
- **Non-Food Vendors** – Committee Members Pending
  - Identify Non-Primary Food vendors for potential crafts, sales, snacks (Kettle Corn, etc.) throughout the day. Put a call out on Facebook for interested vendors.
- **Fundraiser Lunch** – Kids Shopping Committee
- **Tent Options for acclimate weather** – Jerri
- **Sponsorships/Prize/Trophy** – Jerri

- **Advertising** – Committee Members Pending
  - Determine when advertising should begin and in what methods. Facebook Save the Date and call for non-primary Food Vendors, mailings, posters, etc.

The initial Chili Cook-Off Event Schedule was updated as follows:

8:00 AM – Chili Cook-Off Registration and Meat Check (Meat must be raw) at Legion (*Needs Confirmed*)

\*\*Cooking Starts following Registration and Meat Check\*\*

10:30 AM – 1:00 PM – Mazie’s Bake Sale & Drinks Fundraiser for International School Trip

11:00 AM – 1:00 PM – Chili, Chili Dogs and Chili Nachos Lunch Fundraiser for Kids Shopping Event

12:30 PM – Judging Begins

12:30 PM – Salsa

1:00 PM – Burger

1:30 PM – Kids Appetizer

2:00 PM – Traditional Chili

2:30 PM – Hot ‘N Spicy Chili

3:00 PM – Anything Goes

3:30 PM – Winner Announcements

4:00 PM - ? Food Vendors – Big T’s confirmed & Taqueria las Cachitas

4:30 PM – Dice Run sponsored by the Glen Elder Community Club

7:00 – 10:00 PM – Community Dance with entertainment by Pete Giles sponsored by Cunningham

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Action Items:

- Committees to meet to discuss their assigned items. At least one member of the committee to be available to present a committee update at the next meeting 7/8/24.
- Determine what items are in storage for the Chili Cook-Off
- Confirm the Legion is available

The next meeting will be Monday, 7/8/24 at 7:00 PM to accommodate other summer commitments. Follow the Glen Elder Community Club on Facebook for updates and volunteers or donations needed and visit the Glen Elder Community website <https://www.glenelder.com/ge-community-club.html> for meeting notes, a copy of the donation form and a list of events for 2024.

Topics for the June meeting:

- Chili Cook-Off Committee Reports
- Poker Run for July 20<sup>th</sup>

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.



# Glen Elder Community Club Meeting Minutes

**Monday, 7-8-24, 7:00 PM**

**Attendees:** Denise Jackson, Rhonda Gruwell, Jerri Senger, Thomas Depew, Cindy Clausen, Lisa Jermark, Annette Ybarra, Carrie Tritsch

This month's meeting was moved from 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM to accommodate other summer commitments of attendees.

Meeting was brought to order at 7:05 PM. The meeting began with an overview of the previous meeting's minutes and action items.

The next event is the Poker Run for July 20<sup>th</sup> with Registration at 8:30 AM on the south side of the City Park. The run starts at 9:00 AM. A Free Swim will be sponsored by the Community Club from 1:00 – 7:00 PM at the Glen Elder Pool on July 20<sup>th</sup>. A 2X3 advertisement was put into the Waconda Trader running for 2 weeks that includes a note that there is no Fun Day this year, but there will be a Chili Cookoff on October 19<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers may be needed for help with the stops. Denise will put a message out if volunteers are needed.

The next topic was the Chili Cook-Off. Committee updates were as follows:

- Jerri provided an update from Alica Wildfong that included:
  - First draft of a poster
  - Registration Form
  - Rules & Regulations
  - Advertising Options
  - Judging recommendations
  - Fundraising Letter – Recommended to include where to mail or drop off donations (Cunningham, Bank and mailing address)
  - Fundraiser options
- Legion is confirmed as the location for the judging and luncheon.
- Tent Rental - Pending responses from the vendor on if the price includes setup and takedown.
- Jason Larue was contacted about setting up his lighting for the main entertainment. Jason agreed he could collaborate with the main entertainment to set up the lighting, including setup and takedown for \$100. Rhonda made a motion to proceed with securing the lighting for the event. Jerri seconded and all approved. Annette will let Jason know.
- Corn Hole Tournament – Shane Abram is coordinating the event. Registration will be from 2:00 – 2:30 PM with the tournament starting at 3:00 PM.
- Dice Run – Cindy presented the Library would like to continue with coordinating the fundraising Dice Run as they did with Fun Day. It was agreed the Library will continue with the Dice Run as a fundraiser and will make a contribution to the advertising costs for the event. The start time will be 4:30 PM or following Winner Announcements. Preregistration can be done through a Library Board Member or on October 19<sup>th</sup> at Stortz Stop 'N Shop.
- Fundraiser – The Committee agreed on doing Glen Elder Community shirts as the original Glen Elder shirts sold well. Recommended T-Shirts, Long Sleeve Shirts, and Sweatshirts for pre-order.
  - It was recommended to add a Shirt Order Link to the Entry Form so those participating in the Chili Cook-Off could order a shirt(s) as well.
- Vendors in the Square – Lisa Jermark agreed to be the point of contact for the Vendors. Alica to put a call for Vendors in the Square out on Facebook. It was recommended that Rhonda or Alica get Lisa a Vendor registration form. Vendor fee will be \$15.
- Awards – Options for awards were discussed including trophies, banners, or etched mugs/tumblers along with the financial awards. No final decisions were made at the time of the meeting.

Chili Cook-Off Event Schedule was updated as follows:

8:00 AM – Chili Cook-Off Registration

9:00 AM - Meat Check (Meat must be raw) at Legion

**\*\*Cooking Starts following Registration and Meat Check\*\***

10:00 AM Vendor in the Park welcome all day for \$15 setup. Call or Text Lisa at 785-545-8641 \*\*

10:30 AM – 1:00 PM – Mazie's Bake Sale & Drinks Fundraiser for International School Trip

11:00 AM – 1:00 PM – Chili, Chili Dogs and Chili Nachos Lunch Fundraiser for Glen Elder Kids'

Shopping Event

12:30 PM – Judging Begins

12:30 PM – Salsa

1:00 PM – Burger

1:30 PM – Kids Appetizer

2:00 PM – Traditional Chili

2:30 PM – Hot 'N Spicy Chili

3:00 PM – Anything Goes

2:00 – 2:30 PM – Corn Hole Tournament Registration

3:00 PM – Corn Hole Tournament Begins

Food Trucks in the Square – Big T's & Taqueria las Cachitas

4:00 PM – Winner Announcements

4:30 PM – Dice Run sponsored by the Glen Elder Library

7:00 PM – 10:00 PM – Community Dance with entertainment by Pete Giles sponsored by Cunningham Fiber

The next meeting will be Monday, 8/12/24 at 7:00 PM to accommodate other summer commitments. Follow the Glen Elder Community Club on Facebook for updates and volunteers or donations needed and visit the Glen Elder Community website <https://www.glenelder.com/ge-community-club.html> for meeting notes, a copy of the donation form and a list of events for 2024.

Topics for the next meeting:

- Review of Poker Run for July 20<sup>th</sup>
- Continued Chili Cook-Off planning

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

# The Glen Elder Community Club Meeting Minutes

**Monday, 8-12-24, 7:00 PM**

**Attendees:** Thomas DePew, Jerri Senger, Vic Stuart, Darel Stuart, Lisa Jermark, Denise Jackson

This month's meeting was moved from 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM to accommodate other summer commitments of attendees.

Meeting was brought to order at 7:06 PM. The meeting began with the reading of the previous meeting's minutes.

The correction that mugs were also discussed as a possible award was made. Lisa motioned to approve and Jerri seconded, motion carried.

It was discussed if the mugs were chosen they could also be pre-ordered for sale to anyone. It was brought up that this might lessen the value of the mug award, so it was rejected. The winners can order extra winner mugs after the event since only one mug will be given to a team. Kid's award may be a medal that could be worn or a smaller mug. Denise made a motion to go with the mugs for places 1-3 and smaller mugs for the kids, Vic second, motion carried. The mugs will be made by Tammy DePew of Night Wing Creations. Cash prizes will also be given. It was asked, "Are we having a booth decorating award?" Yes, winners will receive a cash prize, no mug. Voting cash cans will be used for People's Choice of Best Booth.

Jerri reported that the Tent Rental said they do the set up. She reserved a 20x20 tent for \$275. This will be set up on the street for music entertainment, Pete Gile. The tent rental will send an agreement.

We will have T-shirts pre-orders only of two designs, some Glen Elder shirts and some Chili Cook-off. Megan is in charge of this. Alica will be sending the judges and sponsor letters out soon. Lisa will get a sale vendors application made to be mailed and available that day.

The Food truck Taqueria las Cachitas canceled since they moved to Wichita. A discussion of whom else could we ask followed. Cattilac Grill was suggested and confirmed they are available.

Shane Abram will do a Corn Hole Tournament. Does he want us to create a registration form?

We will continue advertising the event on the Glen Elder Website and on Facebook? We should add more details to those ads soon and have a request for Vendors/Craft sale booths. Jerri will notify Greg for the Website and Alica for Facebook with this request. Jerri will also put a reminder on the city bill.

Darel will MC the event. For announcing he will need the schedule, sponsor names and contacts, booth names and members, community club member list. He will play background music throughout the day. We will use Darel's speakers and the community club's speakers. If need we can use space by the gazebo for corn hole.

Next meeting will Monday, September 9.

Jerri made the motion to adjourn, Lisa seconded, and carried.

## Glen Elder Community Club Meeting Minutes

**Monday, 09-9-24, 7:00 PM**

**Attendees:** Denise Jackson, Darel Stuart, Rhonda Gruwell, Jerri Senger, Annette Ybarra, Carrie Tritsch

Meeting was brought to order at 7:05 PM. The minutes were provided by Denise for all to review. The meeting began with an overview of the previous meeting's minutes and action items.

Jerri shared the invoice from Crazy Ed's Tents & Events for the rental of a 20' X 20' Tent. The estimate was \$651 for delivery, water barrels for weighting it down, and walls. Rhonda made a motion that we do not book the tent this year and look at other options and/or even purchase a lower priced tent for use this year in lieu of spending over \$600 for a rental. All agreed.

Rhonda recommended looking at Grant options for the purchase of a tent, light system and heaters for the Glen Elder Community Club for future use.

Shane Abram provided Jerri with an update on the Corn Hole Tournament including preregistration for this isn't necessary. Registration will be 2:00 – 2:30 PM for the event to start at 3:00 PM. Half of the entry fee will go to the Community Club. Darel advised as the MC for the event, he'd still like to have the participants' names for announcement purposes. Darel also recommended the Corn Hole Tournament be in his lot next to Stortz and the Senior Center and the City's two porta-potties set up behind the park. Darel had previously discussed with Nancy Stortz the possibility of providing hot chocolate, coffee, and popcorn at Stortz's or in the Gazebo.

Current Agenda for the Chili Cook-Off:

- 8:00 AM – Chili Cook-Off Registration at the Legion
- 9:00 AM – Meat Check & Cooking Begins
- 10:30 AM – 1:00 PM – Mazie's Bake Sale & Drinks Fundraiser for International School Trip
- 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM – Chili and Chili Dogs Lunch Fundraiser for Kids Shopping Event at the Legion
- 12:30 PM – Judging Begins
  - 12:30 PM – Salsa
  - 1:00 PM – Burger
  - 1:30 PM – Kids Appetizer
  - 2:00 PM – Traditional Chili
  - 2:30 PM – Hot 'N Spicy Chili
  - 3:00 PM – Anything Goes
- 2:00 – 2:30 PM Corn Hole Tournament Registration
- 3:00 PM Corn Hole Tournament Begins
- 4:00 PM – Winner Announcements
- 4:00 PM – Food Vendors – Big T's & Cattilac Grill
- 4:30 PM or following Winner Announcement – Dice Run sponsored by the Glen Elder Library
- 7:00 – 10:00 PM – Community Dance with entertainment by Pete Giles sponsored by Cunningham

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Items that need finalized for the Chili Cook-Off are:

- Location of the band
- Tent or cover for the band
- Patio Heaters
- Sending Registration Forms to prior Chili Cook-off participants and for handouts
- Advertisement Plan (Waconda Trader and other avenues of advertisement such as Community Calendar, Local Channel, City Website, Flyers, etc.) to ensure event awareness with the other events scheduled for the same day
- Sending Vendor Registration Form (\$15 early registration and \$20 registration the day of)

- Jerri or Alica to reach out to Dunstan for Trash Bins for the event

Rhonda made a motion to purchase \$100 in tickets for the Glen Elder Mural 50/50 Raffle. If the Community Club happens to win, the winnings minus the \$100 will be donated back to the Mural program. Denise seconded the motion. All agreed.

The next meeting will be Monday, 10/14/24 at 5:30 PM. Follow the Glen Elder Community Club on Facebook for updates and volunteers or donations needed and visit the Glen Elder Community website <https://www.glenelder.com/ge-community-club.html> for meeting notes, a copy of the donation form and a list of events for 2024.

Topics for the next meeting:

- Finalizing Chili Cook-Off planning
- Trunk-or-Treat October 31<sup>st</sup>
- Basket Fundraiser with Winners Announced Holiday Lighting

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

## Glen Elder Community Club Meeting Minutes

**Monday, 10-14-24, 5:30 PM**

**Attendees:** Thomas DePew, Trevor Stumma, Darel Stuart, Carolyn Fobes, Jerri Senger, Rhonda Gruwell, Cindy Clausen, Alica Wildfong, and Denise Jackson

The meeting was called to order at 5:37. Minutes were reviewed. The correction was made to use Diane Howard's tent for \$100 for the band and other events throughout the day for the Chili Cook-off October 19. Volunteers to setup the tent are needed that morning at 10:00 am. Other the events planned for that day were discussed.

8:00 AM – Chili Cook-Off Registration at the Legion (volunteer Alica)

9:00 AM – Meat Check & Cooking Begins

Stortz Stop n Shop will have coffee, hot chocolate, cider and popcorn throughout the day

10:30 AM – 1:00 PM – Mazie's Bake Sale & Drinks Fundraiser for International School Trip

11:00 AM – 1:00 PM – Chili and Chili Dogs Lunch Fundraiser for Kids Shopping Event in the shelter, volunteers are Jerri, Lisa, Ashley, Alica, Alice, and Sierra

3:00 PM - The Snow cone Truck will be here

2:30 PM – Judging Begins (Judges still needed are a hot & spicy and one for kids appetizer.)

12:30 PM – Salsa

1:00 PM – Burger

1:30 PM – Kids Appetizer

2:00 PM – Traditional Chili

2:30 PM – Hot 'N Spicy Chili

3:00 PM – Anything Goes

2:00 – 2:30 PM Corn Hole Tournament Registration

3:00 PM - Corn Hole Tournament Begins

3:00 PM - Lakeside Auction drawing for several items fund raiser for the Glen Elder Mural

4:00 PM – Winner Announcements

4:00 PM – Food Vendors – Big T's and Cattilac Grill

4:30 PM or following Winner Announcement – Dice Run sponsored by the Glen Elder Library

5:00 PM - Glen Elder Mural a 50/50 drawing

7:00 – 10:00 PM – Community Dance with entertainment by Pete Giles sponsored by Cunningham Fiber

Darel Stuart will MC the day. Vendor booths are \$15 in advance or \$20 the day. Contact Lisa Jermark to sign up. Advertising will be in the Waconda Trader this Thursday for \$230. Radio community calendars will also be used.

Eight teams are registered in advanced. \$1,400 in donations and team fees of \$600 have been received. These make the same payouts as last time possible. Kid's prizes will be raised to \$40, \$20, \$10. The Chili prizes are \$100, \$50, \$25, and a cup prize. The cups cost \$240 and were made by Tammy DePew. A \$50 best booth prize will also be given. People choice donation cans for best tasting chili will be at each team with the prize being a 50/50. All buckets will be picked up at 3:00 by Cindy. Chili Runners are Mike, Annette, and Denise. Drink holders would be good to have to carry the chili.

T-shirts pre-sales earned \$271. It was discussed whether to try to sell the previous year shirts, but in past years few were sold. It was decided not to do that.

Trunk n Treat is Halloween evening with setup at 5:00 and trick or treating from 5:30-6:30. Two prizes of \$25 for best decorated will be given. Alica has the clubs treats already purchased. The bank will serve hotdogs again.

Christmas Lighting "To Do" lists were handed out and will be discussed further at the next meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 12 at 5:30. The date was changed since Monday is Veteran's Day.

## Glen Elder Community Club Meeting Minutes

**Monday, 11-12-24, 5:30 PM**

**Attendees:** Denise Jackson, Darel Stuart, Rhonda Gruwell, Jerri Senger, Alica Wildfong, Trevor Stumma, Carrie Tritsch

Meeting was brought to order at 5:30 PM. The minutes from the 10/14/24 meeting were provided by Denise for all to review. The meeting began with an overview of the previous meeting's minutes and action items.

The Chili Cook-Off was reviewed starting with a huge thank you to all the sponsors, volunteers, City employees, Glen Elder American Legion, Food Vendors, Entertainers, Announcers, Attendees and everyone that played any part in making this a successful event!

- Positive feedback from the community, attendees, participants and the City employees.
- Recommendation to have some games or activities for the kids such as Jenga, Cornhole, etc.
- Encouraged to have something more to do during the day for those that aren't participating in the cooking. For example, a community Scavenger Hunt.
- In previous years, there was sidewalk chalk and art competitions.
- Positive feedback on the sponsor signs in each booth. Recommendation was made to have these signs on stakes for ease of visibility.
- For the luncheon, recommended not doing chili as the attendees were looking for lunch options other than chili.

The profit for the Chili Cook-Off was around \$1,000, which included the Glen Elder T-shirt Sales and donations from Stortz Stop 'N Shop from the sales of hot chocolate and popcorn.

Discussion was held on having the Chili Cook-Off on a consistent weekend every year to allow people to plan attendance on a consistent date. Consider the first Saturday in October and partnering with the Waconda Indian Festival. That would allow both events to encourage attendance for next year, complimenting and perhaps increasing both event's attendance. Further discussion will be needed with the Waconda Indian Festival organizers.

Trunk-or-Treat went well with strong attendance and ticket sales for the Glen Elder Christmas Lighting Raffle went well during the Trunk-or-Treat.

Christmas Lighting was reviewed to ensure volunteers are committed for the various activities. Cookie Donations have been received and the cookies can be brought to the Christmas Lighting on Saturday, 11/30/24 or to Cunningham's by 11/27/24. Assistance is needed for decorating the Library on Friday, 11/29/24 at 4:00 PM.

Carrie made a motion to pay the Library \$150 for the use of the facility for the Christmas Lighting which would equate to \$75 for 2024 and \$75 for the use of the room in 2023. Jerri seconded. Motion passed.

Letters will be sent out next week for the Kids Shopping that is scheduled for December 12-14. Setup for Kids Shopping would be on Wednesday, December 11<sup>th</sup>.

Denise made a motion to donate \$100 to the Solomon Community Foundation. Rhonda seconded. Motion passed.

The next meeting will be Monday, 2/10/25 at 5:30 PM. Follow the Glen Elder Community Club on Facebook for updates and volunteers or donations needed and visit the Glen Elder Community website <https://www.glenelder.com/ge-community-club.html> for meeting notes, a copy of the donation form and a list of events for 2024.

Topics for the next meeting on February 10<sup>th</sup>:

- 2025 Donation Letters
- Calendar of Events for 2025
- Scholarship Applications due April 2025

Meeting adjourned at 6:24 PM.