

## **Oriental Woman's Club**

### **General Meeting – January 3, 2023**

Officers in attendance: Ellen Blackmon, Co-President, Julie Wiegand, Co-President, Sharon Morgan, Co-Secretary, Deborah Powers, Treasurer.

1:30 PM - Julie Wiegand called the meeting to order.

Julie Wiegand offered "Words of advice from the Internet." Julie also gave thanks to the hostesses for the meeting: Lee, Priscilla, Gay.

Jean Chastang led the pledge of allegiance to the US Flag.

Elsie Roane offered words of encouragement from "In case nobody told you"

Ann Stackhouse acknowledged our new member Mary Ellen, one visitor, Ann Marie Wolf and two member birthdays, Linda Parker and Linda Caroon.

#### Program Reports:

Arts and Education: Elsie announced that there would be two Arts & Education committee meetings in January. January 16 at 1:00 PM and January 19 at 1:00 both will take place at OWC. Elsie also reminded all that the arts reception would take place at OWC on Sunday, January 29, from noon to 3:00 PM. There is a sign-up sheet so that members may sign up to bring refreshments for the reception.

LON: Marguerite Garrett explained the nature of LON's activities. She also announced that the Floating Luminaries will be held on Saturday, April 1, at Lou Mac Park.

Garden Club: Lou Ann Roberts explained how Yard of the Month works and asked for members to sign up to be judges. Sharon G. announced that in January the Garden Club would visit the bank of the Arts in New Bern on January 13.

Home Life: Gay explained that this year OWC will be making Easter Bags (instead of baskets). Gay also asked for additional OWC members to sign up for Hostess duties for general meetings.

#### New Business:

Ellen Blackmon passed out "Getting to know you" forms so that those could be updated by both long-time and newly installed members.

The 12<sup>th</sup> annual OWC Chowder Cook-off will take place on March 18. Julie thanked about 20 members who volunteered last year. We will need twenty plus members to make things run smoothly this year as well.

Ellen announced that our speaker for February meeting will be Louis Giambertone, Paramedic from Carolina East. The subject will be Women's Heart Health. Wear RED!

Announcements:

Ann Stackhouse: Primetime will have a pancake FR at Brantleys.

From Sally Belangia, Rotary will have a springtime Boat Show.

Cycle NC will be in Oriental April 26-28. Hope clinic is asking Oriental residents to "rent a room" to the cyclists and donate the proceeds to Hope Clinic.

Miss Fay Bond will be 100 years old in September. OWC has been asked to bake cakes to help with the celebration.

Terrell Scott is home – see Julie for address if needed.

Jan. 9 is National Law Enforcement appreciation day. Please observe.

2:25 PM meeting adjourned.

Submitted by

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