

President Fannin called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. Chaplain Jean Hemphill gave the invocation, following which members recited the pledges to the flags.

President Fannin then introduced Sue Baldwin, who discussed our participation in this year's Ghost Walk. She is in charge of the "ghosts" and described our participation and attire. Our roles will be as members of the 1932 club meeting, during which final plans are made for the clean-up of Union Point Park and the construction of our clubhouse. A dress rehearsal will be held 6:30, October 14th, and members who are interested in participating are invited to attend.

Members were reminded that a copy of the minutes of September 4th are available at the registration table and have been approved by three members.

Liz Maravelas requested members to pay their dues no later than the December meeting. Members wishing receipt of the newsletter via USPS are to write a separate check in the amount of \$10 to cover postage. She then reported a checking account balance of \$1,047.66 and Money Market balance of \$6,736.39. CSPs were requested to have their budget requests to her by the December meeting.

Melinda Mantel asked that our luncheon guest be introduced by her hostess. Marcy Riordan reminded members to have their reservations to her by November 1st for the meeting on the 6th.

D' Stone reported on members with health issues and suggested cards would be welcomed.

In the absence of Paula Lindsay, Sandra Rawlings circulated the Meals on Wheels sign-up sheet for November and December.

Liz Maravelas, reporting for Arts CSP, thanked members who brought shoes for the collection they are conducting. Our local Arts Festival will be held January 13th. Pat Donnelly and Anne Harman will be chairing.

Jean Hemphill reported that Education presented a check for \$100 to Friends of the Craven County Library. School supplies for children were delivered to the Coastal Woman's Shelter, and they will continue to supply books to the shelter. Plans for the Oaks Road School teacher's appreciation breakfast will be finalized at their next meeting. A check for \$400 will be given to them at the breakfast.

Sherry Springer reported that at the October Home Life meeting Retired Sergeant Major Holly Prafke will talk about life for women in the military.

Beverley Costa reported that the birthday party for NOAH residents was a great success.

Betty Knapp and Melinda Mantel reported on plans for The Holly & The Ivy and reminded members that their tickets will be distributed at the November meeting. At that meeting members may place their orders for cookies. Checks will be collected at the same time. Sandra Rawlings thanked members who signed up to be docents at the last meeting and asked any members who weren't at that meeting to see either Joan Campbell or her.

Kathy Fortenbaugh was thanked for her organizing the volunteers who worked Bike MS. She reported a total of 91 hours worked by our members.

Liz Maravelas reported that 71 children are currently in the Guardian ad Litem program. It was decided to focus on children 3 to 13. We will be told the child's age, sex and size. Members wishing to participate are asked to list their name on the sheet that will be circulated.

President Fannin thanked all of the members who wore pink today. She will be taking photographs of each table, which will be posted on a Facebook page sponsored by New Bern Get Your Pink On.

Mary Lynne Desmond told the members that the December meeting will feature another ornament exchange, but this year it would be a nice ornament with a \$5.00 spending limit. She then introduced Nancy Mansfield, a member of the Earl of Craven Questers, who spoke about the history and preservation of Cedar Grove Cemetery.

Following the program, members rose to recite the Collect, and the meeting was adjourned at 12:25.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Rawlings, Recording Secretary

Reviewed by:
