

INTERCLUB COUNCIL, ROYAL OAK MI
Minutes of Meeting, Senior Center
October 13, 2023

Present:

BUSINESS

Guest: Janice, "official party crasher" Community Activist

Discussion regarding balance in Treasurer's Report. Considering joining the Chamber as a group.

Presentation of Organization Activities (Not in order of presentation)

Royal Oak Schools Foundation, Betty Ann Garlak: New scholarships approved. Recently funded new books for the high school and they are now arriving. New Interim Principal at the High School and new DEI Coordinator is being hired. Sponsoring trauma training for the district. Fundraising letters will be sent out in November.

Royal Oak Schools, Amy Murphy: Strategic Plan launched at State of the Schools, you can see it on royaloakschools.org website. Hiring for HS Principal underway, also started the process for hiring of new DEI Coordinator. Last home football game is tonight against Berkley. Superintendent Fitzpatrick and members of the board are hosting lunch with board for up to 10 high school students a month.

RO Nature Society, Ted Vickers: Weekend Fall Color walks thru Nov. 5. Mushroom Walk is on Oct. 28. Geology walk will be on November 12. Go to romi.gov/411 for more nature walk information.

Royal Oak Rotary, Barbara Wheeler: Rotary Club turning 100 - celebration will be tied into Scholarship Dinner on April 20, 2024 at Club Venetian. Looking for ads for the program. Rotary meets every two weeks, they have been having great speakers. Collecting acorns for Rotary event.

Blessings In A Backpack, Shelley Lake: A huge thank you to the Women's Club who did a Food Drive on 9/30/23 as part of their National Day of Service. They were able to fill the bed and back seat of a F150 truck and fully load my Ford Edge with donations. We also received more donations via our Amazon Wish List. Next week on 10/11/23 we will have the Shrine X-Country team pack with us. We are also looking forward to an upcoming board meeting where we'll discuss fundraising in 2024.

Women's Club, Cynthia DeMan: Rummage Sale went well. Tried inside and outside this year and that may have impacted sales. Day of Service held for Blessings in a Backpack where WC collected food for Blessings. It was amazing, a truck and a SUV plus filled! Upcoming in November - Spaghetti Sauce pick up, you can order now on website, rowc.org. They also sell salad dressing. Nov. 10 is spaghetti dinner fundraiser.

Teen Clean Closet, Kim Johnson: Senior closet has been up for about 6 weeks and has been very busy. Special requests from the school district. Multiple restocks in the last month at 6 closets. Already passed out more than 20% over last year. Have been updating closets with new containers, signs, and new items. Online fundraiser starts Monday. Working with Optimist Club on Trivia Night, attendees can bring in items for TCC. Jazz Band concert at the high school where you bring an item to donate to TCC. Needs money or items donated since they are so busy.

Friends of the Royal Oak Library : N/A

Royal Oak Garden Club, Barbara Bolton: N/A

Royal Oak Musicale, Marilyn Lee: Monthly program is free. Next program is Oct. 17. Scholarships are given out to graduating seniors who want to minor/major in music.

South Oakland Family YMCA, Brittney Lyons : Halloween at the Y Oct. 27, free for the community, lots of events 5:30-7:30 pm. Basketball league started with the Pistons. Started youth ceramics class and will be adding adult class. Lots of programs starting for both kids and adults. Looking for donations for Halloween at the Y.

Welcome Inn, Shalea Griffin: Just finished a fundraiser at Mark Ridley's, great turnout. Next fundraiser is Jersey Boys in Birmingham. Open M-F for emergency sheltering. Vigil on Veterans Day. Accepting donations. Open on Tuesdays - provide meals at Starr Presbyterian Church. Look for them on social media: @sochomeless

Salvation Army, Heidi Strand: Barbara Wheeler spoke from Women's Auxiliary of SAL, regarding Christmas gift bags for Special Needs, they want those free calendars you get in the mail. Looking for donations for the bags. They will be making fleece scarves.

Royal Oak Historical Commission, Alexandra Kerrigan: N/A

Royal Oak City, Jill Martin: new in the position. Making the rounds in the community, attending meetings at many locations. Has grants available for non-profits. Non-profit events are eligible to be promoted on the city's social media.

NAMI, Beverly Patchett: Fundraisers are done for the year. They are pleased with the money that they have collected. Remember that the need doesn't stop. They will be having a virtual meeting for families in need over the holidays. NAMImetro.org

Remember to send flyers of your events to the ICC. Directory for ICC is online only - check it out and let us know about any changes.

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The next meeting will be at the Senior Center 10:00 a.m. November 10