Chino Hills 55+ Club General Meeting Minutes March 22, 2019 at Chino Hills Community Center

Officers Present:

President Susanne Baxter-Anderson, Vice President Jane DeFrank, Treasurer Maria Galvan-Gonzalez, and Webmaster/Information Officer Sharon Stuewe.

Secretary Judi Klecansky was absent (vacation).

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Susanne Baxter-Anderson, President, at 10:01 a.m. The theme of the meeting was ET and Tea in observance of Extraterrestrial Abduction Day and Tea for Two Day.

The meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance led by George DeFrank.

Approval of Previous Month's Minutes:

The minutes were approved as written and as posted on the website.

President's Report:

Susanne welcomed club members and visitors. She spoke about the day in history, covering events from 1622 to 2018.

Susanne made several announcements:

- Donna Hilding donated a phone for the hearing impaired; interest should be directed to Susanne.
- Lou Alfonso had brought in wrapping paper and extra bread from Caring for the Hills for those interested.
- The Veterans group will start the USO box again.

Mixer/Activity:

Renée Sylvia coordinated the monthly mixer of women-in-history bingo in observation of Women's History Month. The game provided two ways to win: 1) a win for one table with the most bingo names assigned to the table called and 2) a win for black-out (entire card) bingo. The table winner was Table 2; each member of the table received a Reese's peanut butter cup packet. The bingo winners were three: Shirley Kondek, Marcel Mahfauz, and Fran Martinez; each received a \$4.75 gift card to Nothing Bundt Cakes.

Treasurer's Report:

Maria reported the Board Member report/club financials for February 2019:

| Previous bank balance as of February 1, 2019: Additions/Deposits added: Checks cleared (deducted): Ending bank balance as of February 28, 2019: | \$47,691.32 \$3,216.13 \$118.83 \$50,788.62 |
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| There were checks outstanding (deducted): | \$414.43 |
| The Veterans Monument fund balance (deducted): | \$46,901.48 |
| Resulting in an adjusted club balance of: | \$3,472.71 |

Vice President's Report:

Jane announced the theme of the meeting was ET Abduction Day and National Tea Day and invited the attendees to sample the various flavors of tea provided. She spoke about the history of tin-foil (aluminum) hats as protection from aliens.

Jane made several announcements:

- A celebration of life memorial will be held for former Chino Hills Councilman W.C. "Bill" Kruger on Sunday, March 24, at 1:30 p.m. at the Chino Hills Community Center (CHCC). Lunch will be served.
- The first concert of the Chino Hills Concert Series 2019 will feature R&B/Soul artist Lynne Fiddmont and will be Saturday, March 30. May 18 will feature the Derek Bordeaux Group for R&B, and August 24 will feature a country performance.
- The city-sponsored Greased Lightning Senior Prom will be Friday, April 12, 6-9 p.m. Tickets, available at the CHCC front desk, are \$15 each and should be purchased before April 1. A DJ will play music from the '50s, '60s, '70s, and '80s. A food truck from The Habit will be available.
- Outings have been planned and sign-up sheets provided on the back tables. Questions should be addressed to Jane or Susanne:
 - April 24, Wednesday, a trip to the Columbia Memorial Space Center in Downey is planned. Admission is free that week. Attendees will meet at the CHCC at 9 a.m. and carpool. Attendees should park on the McCoy side of the CHCC.
 - May 22, Wednesday, a trip to the Grammy Museum in Los Angeles is planned. Admission is \$13 for 65 and older and \$15 for those under 65. The attendees will take the train to the museum, so the group should meet at the CHCC before 8:45 a.m. and carpool to the train station. The train costs around \$6.50 round trip. The museum opens at 10:30 a.m.

- June 19, Wednesday, a trip to the Garment District in Los Angeles is planned. The group will take the train to L.A. again. More details to follow as the date nears.
- Line dancing will follow the meeting today.
- Lunch today, after line dancing, will be at Limerick's Tavern at The Shoppes.
- Next month's meeting theme will be National Pretzel Day and Babe Ruth Day. Lunch will be at Bruxie at The Shoppes at Chino Hills. Member George Lightholder will present a hands-on science lesson.

Club Committees and Activity Groups Reports

Veterans Group:

George DeFrank gave an update on the Veterans Monument. Now that the financial goal has been achieved as of last month, the next step will be to turn the money over to the city council (\$43,000 from the Club and \$3,000 from the Chino Hills Foundation; money earned from the sale of bricks will be withheld for now). That will take place on Tuesday, April 9, at 7 p.m. in the city council chambers, across from the library. Members were encouraged to wear their red shirts and attend to support the Club and its accomplishment for the monument. The Veterans Monument is expected to be done by Veterans Day 2019.

(The veterans group meets the first Wednesday of each month.)

Genealogy Group:

Susanne invited member Marjorie Fair-Dominguez to share her experience with finding a previously unknown relative through DNA testing and genealogy research.

(The genealogy group meets on the fourth Monday of each month at the Chino Hills Library.)

50/50 Drawing:

The Club sold tickets totaling \$112. The winners of the drawing were Yolanda Davidson, Sharon Montagne, and Kimhai Mullins; each received \$18. The Club earned \$58.

Speaker:

Susanne introduced the meeting's speaker, Glen Anderson, Club member, career professional musician, contributing author to *Vintage Guitar Magazine*, and author of the book *Classic Performances*. Glen presented a slideshow of original photographs and narrated with reminiscences about his attendance at performances from his youth in the late 1960s and 1970s when he was a new, young musician. His tales included his trip to Woodstock, trips to England, and

trips to small and large venues attending performances by new musicians and their groups that ultimately became huge names in the music world. His recollections highlighted the value of right time, right place.

Sunshine Committee:

Loretta Szudy, leader of the committee, was absent. Susanne called all those with March birthdays to come to the front of the room. Club members sang "Happy Birthday" to the March birthday members. A photo was taken for the website.

March anniversaries were also acknowledged: Susanne and Glen Anderson – 1 year, Jeanette and Brett Benson – 47 years, and Jimmye Lou and Dan Thies – 44 years.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 12:01 p.m. Lunch followed at Limerick's Tavern at The Shoppes at Chino Hills.

Next General Meeting:

Friday, April 26, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Shirley Kondek (substituting for Judi Klecansky, Secretary)