

## Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the BellaVita Men's Club

Date, October 1, 2010

Officers Present:     Mike Sanders (President)  
                             John Rodriguez (Vice President)  
                             Brian Himel (Secretary)  
                             Billy Potter (Treasurer)

A total of 41 members attended the meeting.

A total of 38 members signed the roster.

### Opening Remarks

Last meeting attendance was 34 members 29 members signed in.

Introduction of new members

Mike Donaho, James Greg, and Pete Steik are new members to the club.

Secretary's report

There was a motion to waive the reading of the minutes from last months meeting.

Treasurer's report

Billy Potter reported \$2837.29 in the treasurer. Black Jack Poker night made \$86.00.

The Coughatta Casino bus trip will be reported on the next meeting.

The Mistletoe barbequed chicken was changed to hamburgers. Only 30 people signed up for chicken. We made a net profit of \$356.66 and had 5 hamburgers left over. The treasurer's report was accepted.

### Community updates

Veteran's update

Arlen Stiefvater, with the veteran's club, reported the Veteran's club meeting will be in two weeks. The flags will go up in November. We need everyone that is a veteran to come to the meeting. There are no events planned until after the first of the year. We need to plant 22 trees. At least one tree has died. We also need new officers.

### HOA updates

Bill Burdick reported we are having a forum coming up on the eleventh at 7:00pm. Everyone should attend. We are a 2 million dollar corporation. We need to look to a five year future without raising monthly increases to the home owner fees. The nature trail will be discussed at that meeting. The developer will fund for the handicapped trail. Cris Barrera reported that there are two committees for the nature reserve working at this time.

Ruth Clark, the chairman of the decoration committee is asking for people to help with the Christmas decorations. On Sunday November 28, 2010 from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm decorations will be put out. On Monday from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm the decorations will be put up. There will be lunch provided. On January 3, 2011 we will be taking down the decorations. We need people to help.

#### Advisory Committee Updates

Finalized October and projected to December.

#### Unfinished business and past events

The Labor Day event by the Veterans Club really went well. Arlen reported all were served in about 20 minutes. There was a nice program presented about the Lady's Flying Club.

Ten Rivers' Band sponsored by the TEC Club was loud but terrific. Everyone enjoyed themselves.

Italian Night by the Bells, reported by Joe, said that he had a good time. There was good food for a good night.

Bill Potter reported Black Jack Texas Holdum was a profitable night. Few people came but the people that did come had a good time.

The Coushatta Casino Trip by the Men's Club reported that Bill Burdick, Bob Stokinger, and Dennis Mulcahy did a fantastic job. There was a discussion about people being late in registering for the trip. There will be changes for the next trip. There is a lot of planning that takes place to make this trip enjoyable. The bus costs \$438.00 weather people show up or not. In all we had a great time.

Mistletoe Market by the Bells reported by Denny Mulcahy stated that there were a lot of men lined up at the curb to help the vendors. Over 800 people came. All the money goes to charity. Vendors get Blue Bell treatment when they come.

Cris Barrera sold only 13 tickets for chicken so we had smoked hamburgers instead. We sold 122 burgers at \$5.00 each. Everyone chipped in to help. Cris Barrera pulled together a good show.

The smoker needs welding.

#### New Business

There is a signup sheet for the Port of Houston trip for October 13 at the front desk. As of Wednesday only 10 people signed up. Friday is the last day to sign up. There is room for 65 people. We lost the original sign up sheet. Please sign up again. We will eat at Brady's Landing for lunch.

On Sunday November 6, there will be a fish fry. Cris Barrera reported the menu will include Fried Catfish fillets, corn on the cob, potatoes, cole slaw, hush puppies, and shrimp gumbo. The entertainment DVD will be the Carol King James Taylor concert. Need signup list. Last year 181 tickets were sold. The tickets will sell for \$10.00 a person.

Breakfast with Santa on December 11 will be reported on by the next Men's Club meeting.

We need suggestion for activities for next year.

Men's night out on Friday November 12 has a sign up sheet or call Billy. We will start at 6:30 pm.

Billy Potter reported that the New Year's Eve party is from 6:00 pm to 1:00 am. We will have the Coastliners for the band this year. We will have a wine cocktail social hour between 6:00pm and 7:00pm. There will a 3 piece combo outside. Dinner will be served at 7:00pm. It will be catered with the same cater as last year. There will be three meats, green beans, black eye peas, cabbage, coleslaw, rolls, corn bread, and desert. The Coastliners will play from 8:30pm to 1:00am. We will have a balloon drop and a Champaign toast at midnight. The price should be the same as last year.

#### Upcoming Club Events and Others

On Saturday October 9, at 7:00 pm., sponsored By the Bell's, will be an appreciation dinner for the Mistletoe Market and barbeque-to-go volunteer helpers.

Molen Immunization Clinic will be giving flu shots on October 9 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.

Defensive Driving will be on October 23 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. This defensive driving class should give 10% off on our insurance.

There is a kids Halloween party sponsored by TEC on October 30 at 1:00 pm and an adult Halloween party at 6:30 pm.

There is a, fishing by the dyke's, party. Chuck Davis is sponsoring this event. Anyone interested is to call Chuck Davis. You would need a fishing license. For an inshore fishing party, the cost is \$500.00 a day. For an offshore fishing party, the cost is \$800.00.

On November 9 there is a walkathon for prostate cancer.

#### Announcements

The 50/50 drawing was won by Pete Steik. He won \$36.00.

Mike announced the next meeting will be on Wednesday November 3, 2010.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM