

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

Date, November 3, 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, 31 members signed in.

Introduction of new members

Jim Green moved in 2 weeks ago and, Steve Huffman moved in 18 months ago.

Secretary's report

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

Treasurer's report

Billy Potter reported \$2656.85 in the treasurer. Defensive driving was a success. Thirty three people attended the class and we made a net profit of \$107.17. The food warmer cost the club \$453.01. A motion to accept the report was voted upon and second.

Community updates

Veteran's update

Arlen has reported the memorial trees have taken a beating. The drought has killed some of the trees and someone has turned off the sprinkler system. Please stop anyone from fooling around with the sprinkler system or inform the people at the front desk if you see anyone messing with the watering system that shouldn't.

We are getting ready for next Wednesday to put up the flags. We will start a 7:00 am. Denny Mulcahy has setup a signup sheet. Please sign up to help put these flags up.

HOA updates

Ron, Cris, Wayne, Bill, and John are very well appreciated. The budget for next year has been approved at the last meeting with a lot of cost cutting and leaving the maintenance fee set at \$210.00.

The nature trail is going well and Wayne and Ruth are working with Rene on the taxes owed on the property. These taxes of \$50,000.00 will have to be taken care of before we

can take the property over. We are doing title searches and lean searches. If anyone has not been on the walking trails please take a walk. We will have a guiding tour Saturday.

Ron is asked by the club members to find out about the 5 year cable contract. The cable company has eliminated several of the stations that were in the previous contract. The stations that were taken out are only provided to us by the digital box that will have to be rented. There is negotiations' going on at this time on the contract.

Along with people turning on the watering system, someone has been turning on the watering well and has cost us several thousands of dollars in water over usage. Please let the people at the desk know if you see anyone messing with these devices that shouldn't be.

Advisory Committee Updates

We finalized the November calendar and projected to March of next year.

Unfinished business and past events

Kids had fun at the Halloween party with the prizes and goodies.

The adult Halloween party was a blast. We really had different costumes for the costume party. Sixty two people were dressed in really good costumes. People complained the band wasn't taking requests for songs.

The Mistletoe Market appreciation dinner turned out well. Hors d'oeuvres was the dinner. The shrimp cocktail ran out early. This event was for the people that helped in the Mistletoe Market.

The proposed trip to the Port of Houston was cancelled. This was due to a low turnout.

The defensive driving class was a 6 hour class. Bill stated we had 35 people signup and 33 people showed up. It was a good class.

New Business

There will be a walkathon, sponsored by the Bells Club, on Saturday November 6, 2010 at 9:00am. Please sign up for this event at the front desk for a very worthy cause.

There will be a fish fry dinner and shrimp gumbo on November 6, 2010 at 6:00pm sponsored by Cris and Richard. There are 150 tickets sold at this time and expect to have 160 to 170 people attend. There will be a DVD show at 8:00pm. Richard needs 3 to 4 people to volunteer to cutup vegetables for the gumbo at 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm. We need servers to serve at 6:00 pm.

There will be a Bell's Club women's event called "All About Signs." We will have more information later.

Breakfast with Santa will be on December 1, 2010. The tickets will be \$3.00 sponsored by the Men's Club. We need volunteers to help do the cooking and serving.

John Rodriguez was asked by the Bell's to talk about asking for volunteers for the club house decorating. We need volunteers to pull out the decorations on Sunday November 28th from 2:00pm to 4:00pm and put up the decorations on Monday the 29th between 9am and 4 pm. Lunch will be provided on Monday. You must sign in for the lunch. We need everyone to chip in. We need additional ladders.

The New Years Eve party on December 1, 2010 tickets are on sale for \$50.00. The party starts at 6:00pm and will end at 1:00am.

There will be a Jim Sloan breakfast on Saturday November 13, 2010 at 9:00am. This is a financial meeting.

Suggested activities

Jack and Cris are sponsoring a happy hour event on November 12, 2010 in the ball room. There will be beer, music and DVD video. Everyone voted on this event and is interested.

We will have a men's night out and is coming up on November 11, 2010. This event will start at 6:30pm. We will be going to Twin Peaks. There will be beer, food, and fun.

Winter wonderland lighting is sponsored by TEC and is supporting decorating in the neighborhood. We should have 100% participation around the lake driving people around the neighborhood in gulf carts. TEC will decorate around the lake. The Men's Club could chair the decorating.

Jessie got up and thanked everyone for his 90th birthday party.

Upcoming Club Events and Others

On Saturday December 4, 2010 at 6:30pm there will be a Christmas social sponsored by TEC. We will have entertainment, steaks, and deserts. There will be more information to come on prices and tickets on the next meeting.

We have a Mardi Gras dance in January 2011 sponsored by TEC in the works.

On January 30 2011 we will have an arts show called Arte de Bella Vita sponsored by the Bell's Club.

We will have a community breakfast in February 2011 sponsored by the Men's Club. We need a chair person for this event.

Announcements

The 50/50 drawing was won. Ron Gerlach won \$37.00 and donated back into the treasury to help defray the food cost.

Mike announced the next meeting will be on Wednesday December 1, 2010.

The meeting adjourned at 7:54 PM