

JANUARY 19, 2010 meeting of the Annisquam Sewing Circle

President Sandy Andrew called the meeting to order at 1:30.

Treasurer Nancy Martin has received several thank you letters for funds recently disbursed.

The Secretary's report was read and accepted.

Joan Collier has sent cards to those who are ill and also a thank you to Pam Saylor for the great photographs of the Fair.

Sandy reminded us that Stevie Neal needs discarded Christmas cards.

Pippy Guiliano told of an upcoming arts and crafts fair at the O'Maley School for the benefit of the Vice-principal who was seriously injured in a riding accident. The funds raised will be used to convert her van.

Deedy Sargent reported on the mold situation in the AVL. The area has been professionally inspected and a major mold treatment is definitely called for.

Background, mission and recommendations of the Finance Committee were reviewed by Mimi Emmons. The Circle approved a mission statement in 2004 regarding the allocation of finances. Specific requests for funds should be made in writing before mid December each year. The Finance Committee will meet right after the Christmas Fair to consider recommendations for disbursements. The Circle will vote on the recommendations at the first meeting after the Fair. All requests submitted after the Fair will be considered the following year. Restricted gifts must go to the specific use for which they are designated.

Mimi reported that Anna Crouse Murch has expressed sincere gratitude for the work and concern of the Circle.

Sue Harris said that the quilt will need more time for completion. She suggested that anyone wishing to work on it could come to her house on Jan 22 or 25 from 10:30 to 2:30 to stitch. Give her a call.

Doris Rust said that Peg Leask much appreciated a meal sent to her and welcomes visits.

The Circle will again have an opportunity to contribute bowls to the Open Door Empty Bowl Dinner. Sue Kuendig has been in touch with Marty Morgan who will provide bowls for painting, apply final glaze, and fire. Circle members will be painting bowls before the March and April meetings, beginning at 12 noon. Sue will be providing paints and guidance.

Deborah Marston acknowledged that the membership page of the Circle web site is currently down but will be up and running shortly.

Kathy Lordan reminded members that she will be leaving for El Salvador on February 14. She will take with her Members' contributions of embroidery floss and needles for crafts projects.

The question of aid to Haiti was raised. It was agreed to ask Sarah Hackett to speak at our next meeting and to consider an appropriate vehicle for donations.

After adjournment at 2:45 a most attractive tea was presented by Connie Mason, Annie Sinkinson and Sue Kuendig.

Respectfully submitted, Hazel von Rosenvinge, Secretary