

October 23, 2012

President, Carol Stearns called the meeting to order with a reading of the minutes. The minutes were approved after enthusiastic corrections from the floor.

Carol called our attention to the table laden with jewelry, hand knit items and hand crafted toys. Like Christmas morning there was too much to take in all at once but everything looked glorious.

Germaine Fritz shared the laminated publicity poster that will be ready by the November 6th meeting. She encouraged members to circulate them throughout Gloucester and Rockport and suggested that any posted on telephone poles should be removed after the fair.

Connie Mason's call to action was well organized with clip boards for 8 jellied salads, 8 tossed salads, 20 pies and a total of 24 deboned chickens. Connie will send out reminders on the post cards she had us self-address. Casseroles are available for \$12 and a sign up sheet was circulated. There was lots of laughter around the quality of chicken and breasts of a substantial nature won the most approval.

Mary Pope, our next motivational speaker asked us to do a little searching through our bureau drawers for jewelry; costume that is. Also, gift boxes would be appreciated. Her committee members Jaye Whittier and Emily Murphy will happily take your donations. If you would like to help with pricing, please see Mary.

Committee chair reports:

Carol reported meeting with Bonnie Angus to review supplies. Yes, small pinecones and the pitch pine variety are needed.

Judy Gustin will entertain a bow making crew on November 15 from 4-6pm.

Suzanne Brown reports that we have 20 baskets spoken for and more welcome.

Art was the next heated subject of discussion namely what constitutes art. For now, we will see what is donated for the silent auction before making a decision. We were looking forward to a painting from Joyce Novak but we learned that Joyce fell and fractured her leg. She is presently in Florida.

Carol reminded us that the week beginning November 26th is our week of fair preparation. The more consistent the turnout the sooner we will be ready. She is hoping we can have our projects completed by Thursday.

Deedy Sargeant updated us on library events. Doris Rust reminded us of the lovely Library teas beginning November 5th. There is a sign up sheet for tea hosting. You can plan on 20-25 people. The guideline is of a loaf of tea sandwiches and 2 dozen cookies.

The meeting was adjourned to a lovely tea hosted by Dona Shea, Emily Murphy, Kate Meader and Sue Willis.

Respectfully submitted,
Pippy Giuliano
Recording Secretary