

**Annisquam Sewing Circle Meeting
Monday, September 8, 2014
Village Hall**

The meeting was called to order at 1:36 p.m. and opened with a moment of silence for Ginny Bowser. Several members shared memories of Ginny's active involvement in the ASC, particularly the Scholarship Committed, and her contributions to the Village.

Ann announced that this meeting's tea was hosted by the board and organized by Kate Meader. Flowers were contributed by Kate and Joyce Novak.

Vicki Bourneuf will be the new secretary, taking the place of Carol Stearns, who kindly agreed to fill in until the role was filled.

New member, Carolyn Roy was introduced.

Linette French proposed Jolene Hentschel for membership. She's a 36-year Squamer and very active, taking on many roles in the Village. It was moved and seconded to accept Jolene as a member. Members voted unanimously to approve Ginny's membership. Martha will contact Jolene to let her know.

We're full! Membership Chair Martha Hooper announced that we have 55 active members and one, Gerry Herbert, on the wait list. We still have room for Associate Members.

Treasurer Nancy Martin gave the Annual Report, announcing that we have \$13,645.93 in the bank. We are now operating on income, instead of reserves. Nancy also noted that we like to keep \$5,000 on hand for scholarships. The Treasurer's Report was unanimously approved.

Judy Gustin announced that there nothing new from the Sunshine Committee.

Finance Committee Chair Mimi Emmons announced that we have two appeals for money, including another from Wellspring. This is the time of year that requests start to come in.

It was suggested that we invite Open Door talk about their capital campaign at one of our upcoming meetings. . A move was made and seconded to accept Mimi's report. It was accepted by unanimous vote.

Scholarship Committee Chair Sue Willis asked members to let her know if any high school seniors were looking for scholarship money and to tell those interested to submit a request to her in writing.

There was brief discussion about last year's donation to the Village Church, it was noted that this was a restricted gift that could not be used for any of the Church's religious activities. A move was made and seconded to accept Sue's report. It was accepted by unanimous vote.

Nominating Committee Chair, Deb Bird, announced that we still need someone to head Publicity. It's a gap that needs to be filled for the Christmas Fail. Ann Mandle suggested that we use the old poster; it was noted that we need permission from Rosemary Glen to reuse her art, and it is in PDF format, which

cannot be changed. A move was made and seconded to accept Deb's report. It was accepted by unanimous vote.

Hospitality Chair, Kate Meader pointed out the tea sign-up sheet that was being circulated. This year's sheet includes sign up to bring coffee and goodies for Christmas Fair workshops, too. Four volunteers are needed to host each Sewing Circle meeting and two for each Christmas Fair workshop.

We have received two thank you letters from last year's scholarship recipients. We expect about five applicants this year. There was another reminder to tell neighbors who are seniors in high school to submit scholarship requests by March.

Suzanne Brown was unable to attend this meeting, but Ann will invite her to talk about the Website at a future meeting.

Pippi Giuliano gave a brief recap of last spring's Annual Meeting, which was held at AYC. She will post the minutes on the Web site.

There was a call for guest speaker ideas.

Joyce Novak asked if we could move her to the wait list or Associate Member status in order to make room for Ginny Herbert, as she is having surgery this fall. Membership for 10 years is required for Associate Membership. The Membership Committee will investigate this further.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vicki Bourneuf