

ASC Minutes
May 12, 2015

Meeting called to order at 1:35 p.m.

Anne Mannle read a thank you note that was sent to Papi expressing appreciation for the Circle's generous donation to Cape Ann Museum Connections, a program that brings art to underserved seniors.

Nancy Martin reported that we have \$12,092.45 in our account. A \$50 donation was made to the Village Library in memory of Janice Harris.

There was a correction to last meeting's report. Kate Meader would love to have cards, but not flowers. Also, visitors are still discouraged.

Martha Hooper reported that Pat Makin is moving to Associate Membership so that she can propose her neighbor for Active Membership next month.

Mary Warner introduced new member, Kerri Kempter.

Deb Bird had nothing new to report for the Nomination Committee. Ann Mannle reported that we need to vote for new or current board members at next month's Annual Meeting. If any current Board Members are not interested in staying on, please email or call Ann.

Mimi Emmons reported that we can start making requests for money beginning July 1. She is going to try to get speakers whose organizations have received Sewing Circle donations in the past tell us how the money has helped their programs.

Stevie Neal reported that Plant Sale posters have been placed all over Rockport and Gloucester. Please send posters to people you know both far and near. Or let just let Bonnie Angus or Stevie know where posters are needed.

Sue Willis reported that we have three more Scholarship requests. They are from Gracie Papp, who will attend St. Mary's in Maryland; Cal Cooke, who will be studying computer science at UMass Lowell and Ty Robinson, who will attend Holy Cross. We've budgeted for six scholarships this year. The deadline for applying is May 30. Sue also noted that we need new stationary, which Mimi and Sue will order.

There was no Old Business.

New Business

The Plant Sale is on Saturday, May 23rd from 8 to 11 a.m. Bonnie Angus noted the list circulating for special plant orders. A sign-up sheet for volunteers is also being circulated. Bonnie also requested donations of nice, decent-size plants from members' garden. Please make sure that donated plants are healthy and watered. Plants can be left at the Exchange by Friday, but not more than two days before the sale.

Member's who are around are required to bake something for the Bake Table. Baked goods can be dropped off at Ann's before Sat a.m. Water and coffee will be available for volunteers during the Sale.

We still need someone to coordinate the Bake Table; please email Ann if you do it either alone or with another member.

Vicki Bourneuf announced a correction to last meeting's minutes: There are not two Active Member slots open as noted in the minutes that were emailed to members; there are no slots open at the moment.

Suzanne noted that the website needs more useful information. Please send anything you want on the calendar to Ann Mandle.

Date for the Annual Meeting has not been set yet. Ann is aiming for a date in the first two weeks of June, and waiting to hear from Tony, as it will be at AYC.

Tartie Bishop, Judy Friend, Lida Bernard and Joan Collier hosted another wonderful tea

Meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m.