Dear EHC Members:

Our rummage sale behind the Extension office started out pretty good, but when it started raining around 10:00 we had to close it down. We had lots of items to sell, so we will have it again this Saturday, November 1, at the Education Building at the Fairgrounds, from 8 – 3. If you didn’t have time to bring things for the sale, now you will have some extra time. Joyce will be out of town, so if you have anything to donate or questions call Linda Johnson at 479-243-0761. There is also a craft fair in the Commercial Building on Friday & Saturday so that should help us with sales.

The Fall Council meeting was attended by most of our members. It is always good to see some of you that I don’t see on a regular basis. Let others know the benefits of EHC and invite them to your club meeting. We need more members! And, remember we need to keep a balance in our clubs, so especially try to invite those of other races and gender. Some counties, including Sevier County, have all-men clubs! The one in Sevier County is a project club for those interested in re-loading ammunition for their guns. Do any of you have husbands that might be interested in a project club?

Thanks for all you do!

Kim
The meeting was called to order by Marilyn Ellis, outgoing President. Five clubs, represented by 27 members were present. Two guests were also present.

Guest speaker Jeanne Jordan, Director of Fresh Start Pregnancy Resource Center, spoke to us about educational services offered to teens and women expecting a baby, and to new moms.

Holly Skiles from Union Bank, our 2nd guest speaker, gave us information on phishing and how to protect ourselves from fraud.

The minutes from the Spring Council meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer Debbie Thompson presented the treasurer’s report which was approved and filed for audit. Quilt and Chat Club gave a $100 donation to EHC to be used for improvements for the County Fair.

The Rummage Sale is Saturday, October 26, from 8 AM to 3 PM. Joyce Butler and Linda Johnson are co-chairs and Mollie Thomas is in charge of advertising. Unsold items will be taken to PCDC. It was moved by Lois O’Connor, 2nd by Rhonda Lambert that profits from this sale be distributed 50/50 between Fresh Start Pregnancy Resource Center and the Education Building at the fairgrounds. Motion carried.

Our Christmas party will be on December 6 at Farm Bureau. Bring new toys for Toys for Tots and new items for 9th Street Ministry. Each club needs to bring paper towels and toilet tissue to leave with Farm Bureau as a thank you for use of their building.

Perfect attendance certificates were given to Sharon Hose, Mollie Thomas, Debbie Thompson, Maxine Holman, Ruby Murphy, Marilyn Ellis, Peggy Shinn, Joyce Butler, Rose McLain, and Lois O’Connor.

Kim Hughes installed the following new officers: President—Sharon Hose; Vice president—Maxine Holman; Secretary—Nancy Philpot; Treasurer—Debbie Thompson; Reporter—Mollie Thomas; Historian—Linda Johnson; Parliamentarian—Marilyn Ellis.

Santa for Seniors applications were handed out. Polk County 4H clubs will sell poinsettias this Christmas season. There were 2,013 volunteer hours by members this year which equals approximately $45,000 worth of community service.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Maxine Holman
Secretary Pro Tem
POLK COUNTY EHC FINANCIAL REPORT

October 25, 2013

Balance September 29, 2013 $2,099.75

RECEIPTS
Deposit – Ouachita District Rally lunch $10.00
Deposit – Quilt N' Chat – fair improvements $100.00

TOTAL RECEIPTS $110.00

EXPENSES
AEHC – District Rally ( $50.00)
Cash – change for Rummage sale ($50.00)
Dept of Finance & Admin – quilt raffle license ($10.00)

TOTAL EXPENSES ($110.00)

BALANCE September 3, 2013 checkbook $2,099.75

CD (Interest through 9-26-2013 $173.78) $2,232.71
2014 Quilt Show Funds Allocated, not used ($1,446.14)

TOTAL FUNDS Not Allocated $2,886.32

Submitted by Debbie Thompson, Treasurer

Christmas Party

Be sure and talk about the Christmas Party at your November meeting. It will be held on Friday, December 6, from 10:00 – noon at Farm Bureau. Remember to come in the side door so we don’t bother their business up front. This year, Sharon Hose will be in charge of all the games, so your club will not have to come up with one.

We will have a potluck again this year, so be sure and bring something delicious! It can be a main dish, side dish, appetizer, dessert or beverage. We will provide tea, coffee and water. Be sure and take a serving utensil for the dish you bring. If it is something that needs to be cut into serving pieces (such as a pie), please cut them at home, or you can do it when you arrive.

Also, as a thank you to Farm Bureau for letting us meet there, each club is requested to bring at least a two-pack of paper towels, and a four-pack of toilet paper.

Instead of a gift exchange, please bring a child’s gift for Toys for Tots and/or full size toiletry items (such as shampoo, bars of soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, etc.) for a donation to Ninth Street Ministries.
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