

## Hancock Woman's Club Meeting Minutes, October 9, 2019

President Joyce Perry called the meeting to order at 2:05 pm.

She began the meeting with an introduction of the officers:

Joyce continues as President this year

Alison Rossiter is Vice President

Sue Vaillancourt and Robbyn Jackson are the Recording Secretaries

Marcia Schwartz is Corresponding Secretary

Peg McLeod is Treasurer

As per the practice started last year, Minutes of the last meeting are available on the Website.

As of September 27, the Club's funds are as follows:

Charitable: \$19,162 (\$15,000 is the Mullin bequest)

General: \$2549

Scholarship: \$289

Invested Scholarship: around \$15,000

There are some Woman's Club tote bags left (11 or 12) and they will be available for sale at the November meeting for \$15.00.

Committee retirements and opportunities to get involved:

Joyce thanked Diane Loomis (who was not present) for putting together the Year Book and the Newsletter. Diane is retiring as Publications Person.

Marcia Schwartz and Sue Vaillancourt, co-chairs of the community supper program, will not be doing it this year. If no one is interested in taking over, we will no longer participate in the program. The supper is usually in April.

Festival of Trees: We have been asked by the Antrim Library to participate in the Antrim Festival of the Trees. A small group is needed to figure out a theme for decorations and then to decorate our tree. The Tree needs to be up before Thanksgiving and will remain up until around January 1. The public votes on the decorations in a number of areas: wackiest, most creative, best design, best tree topper, best display under the tree. Joyce passed around a sign-up sheet for those interested.

A new program in the planning stages at the moment is being called the "Welcome to Hancock Committee" whose purpose is to visit new residents – sort of a welcome wagon – with the hope we will get some new members. Committee members will hand out Packets of Information

about Hancock and the local area. This is being done in coordination with Town Hall and they are very excited about working with us on this. A sign-up sheet was passed around for anyone who is interested in being involved.

**Mullin Gift:** Caitlin Mullin left of a bequest of \$15,000. Caitlin was an exceptionally talented woman who was devoted to this community although she only lived here for 7 years. Joyce spoke of the many accomplishments and projects Caitlin worked on. For more information about her you can find her obituary by Googling “Kathleen Mullin, Hancock New Hampshire” We are looking for ideas of how to spend the funds in a way that would truly reflect the gift. The plan is to use \$5,000 for charities, \$5,000 for special projects and to add \$5,000 into the Scholarship Fund.

**Program:**

At 2:20 pm the program started. Wayan Suarni performed a Balinese Welcome Dance to a recording of a Balinese Gamelan orchestra. She was wearing a beautiful Balinese outfit and she held an offering in her hand: a round tray made from banana leaves and filled with flower heads and petals. After answering questions, Wayan said that it is traditional in Bali to eat while making the offerings, so she invited us to get our tea and snacks and then come back to the tables to try out hands at making them.

The Hostesses were Wayan, Marcia Schwartz, Doreen Ames and Sue Vaillancourt. Some traditional Balinese sweet and savory treats were part of the delicious spread.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 13 at 2:00 pm in the Vestry. The Program will be “The Art Form of Glass Blowing” and given by Jim Hassinger.

Respectfully submitted by,

Robbyn Jackson, Recording Secretary