

Arley Women's Club
Monday, November 9, 2020
Meek Baptist Church Fellowship Hall

The meeting was called to order by Barbara Wills, President, at 10:30 a.m. Forty-three members were present.

A devotion and prayer were given by Johnna Bailey. Ane Ryan Walker moved to waive the reading of October's minutes, which was seconded by Laura Ulz and approved by the members. The minutes and the financial report are posted on the club website: Arleywomensclub.org.

Laurie McGriff, Chairman, presented the Ways and Means report. Dog Daze took place, in the rain, and the final amount raised is yet to be determined. Corky Wachtl is coordinating a flower bulb sale fundraiser and will email members when the program is activated. Leigh Hall discussed two fundraisers: Rada Cutlery and the Bake Sale. AWC receives 40% of sales of Rada. Orders can be made on the order form in the catalog or online. There will be a link on Facebook to the Rada site. Deadline is November 30 and members were encouraged to use the catalog order form to avoid shipping costs and sales tax. Checks should be made out to AWC and left, with your order forms, at the library for Leigh, and you should text or call Leigh to let her know to pick up your order form. The bake sale will be Friday, Nov. 20 at Traditions and Traders and Farmers Banks from 8:30 – 5 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 21 at Traditions. Baked items should be brought to the bank between 8:30 and 9 a.m. Volunteers are still needed for some shifts.

Laurie also reported the Christmas Party will be a brunch on December 4, 10:30-1:30, at Musgrove Country Club. Spouses are included and there is a maximum capacity of 150. Dress is casual. Christmas sweaters are encouraged. We need themed baskets for a live auction. Groups are encouraged to prepare baskets and deliver to Meek Baptist by November 30. Baskets will be posted on Facebook prior to the auction. The next fundraiser will be Chili Fest in January.

Joni Owens, Chairman, gave the Major Gifts report. Many 2020 Arley Day sponsors allowed their money to be used for 2021 so that rides are already paid for. Mailings have gone out for other potential sponsors. Laura Ulz reported we received a \$23,000 grant from Walker Area Community Foundation for playground equipment. It will be used for a sensory dome and shade. Trunk & Treat in the park was very successful, with twelve trunks and 200 children participating. We have bought equipment so that more movies can be shown in the park. Joni reported the Christmas Parade is Wednesday, Dec. 2 at 5 p.m. We need elves, snowflakes, candy and volunteers to decorate the sleigh. Soup with Santa will be after the parade at the Meek High School concession stand.

Barb asked members to order their AWC shirts from Ms. Smirks. Anne Freeze announced St. Mary's Church in Jasper needs new stuffed animals, sports items and games for children's

Christmas gifts at their Food Pantry by December 14. Jessie Burns reported Meek Baptist is also collecting toys for a Kids Loving Kids drive. Sue Grogan announced we have twelve new members. She is also coordinating a staff appreciation lunch at Meek schools in December. Johnna Bailey thanked today's hostesses and asked everyone to sign up to host one meeting this year.

There being no further business, Barb adjourned the meeting at Noon.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Shirah
Secretary