

SedonaKind Meeting Minutes from November 17, 2017

Attendees: Sandy, Joy, Kim, Gloria, Katie, Laurie, Jawn, Mary, Gail Mann, Kari Lee, Pam, Linda N., Carol W., Carol G., Nancy, Gail M., Linda B., Cheri, Lyn, Janet, Helen, Dottie, Kathy, Helen.

Sandy introduced Carol Gillette, longtime friend and associate; Nancy Peck from the Ollie Lunch & Learn; along with Kathy Huffstetler; and Lyn Braam. She also mentioned we have now left charms in 42 countries – more than 6,000 have been distributed. She asked for Kindness stories and there were many from Carol W., Joy, Helen, Jawn, Katie, Janet, Sandy and Pam.

Jawn talked about visiting Bens Bells in Tucson.

Sandy, with help from Cheri, added a holiday card to the Blessing Bags we assembled for the VFW. Pam talked about her folks helping out and showed pictures. The Bags were delivered to Ed Uzemekis on the 13th.

Jawn told about the successful bazaars, and that Boxes of Love were a big hit. We made \$1,100 dollars between the museum and church. Linda wore the necklace she won at the raffle donated by Heather.

Laurie spoke about OLLI and how much we appreciated Gail's hard work putting together the power-point and slide show. We felt it went well.

Joy talked about the *Perfume Wars* movie. We had \$3,400+/- from donations/matched funds, and \$950+/- from ticket sales which means SedonaKind will be giving approximately \$4,400 to VFW Post 740. This is almost half of what they need to reach their goals to service the Vets.

Carol talked about the Gratitude Trees going up. At the Kid's Library, the tree was made from toilet paper and paper towel rolls. Very clever. CAROL NEEDS SOMEONE TO TAKE OVER THIS PROJECT NEXT YEAR. We will add the request to our January Planning Session.

Gloria reported on the Kindness assemblies and announced that there are 4 new members on the KIS Committee (now 13 members). Gary Xavier energized the teachers as well as the students. The rally at city hall with Rotary went well. Students brought in 5 cans of food each for a total of 1,100 pounds given to The Food Bank. They also made "Chains of Kindness" with Kind acts written on each link. Volunteer knitters have given the KIS committee enough hats for all the K-3rd grade students at West Sedona School.

Mitzvah Day created good publicity for us. The Holiday card placemats were a big hit and we were asked by Barbara Litrell to save Holiday cards again to use next year.

Pam talked about the Outreach Program and the upcoming meeting with the Kachina Retired Teacher's. Jawn and Pam will attend and each guest will receive a charm.

Pam and Katie discussed the Kindness Blooms art auction and the need for volunteers for numerous jobs. There will be 68 watercolors and about 100 sketches. November 28th is the planning meeting at SAC at 1 PM. The Auction has been changed to April 12th.

Jawn needs people to write a column for the monthly newsletter.

Joy and Sandy are designing truck/van cards for the 60 Meals on Wheels drivers which will be distributed this spring along with charms.

Sandy reminded us all of the Random Acts of Gardening event we will be doing with Kim in the spring for our Operation Special Delivery. More to come in January.

Jawn has expanded our first 17 months to our first 2 years and Gail will put the document on the website. She talked about the 12/2 festival of Angels where non-profits will have booths at the Collective from 5 - 9.

Kari Lee wondered if our 2-year handout or Gail's slideshow could be further expanded to be a submission for the Kind Bars challenge. Someone would need to take the reins of this project.

Jawn passed out Cheri's gorgeous hearts to the committee heads - Gloria, Pam, Heather (to be delivered later), and Carol. A gift heart was presented to Sandy for inspiration.

Gail showed the slide show used at OLLI.