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October Meeting October 5, 1999

Florence Conference Center Florence, AL

Board Meeting 6:00 p.m. General Meeting 7:00 p.m.

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Next Hourglass Deadline: October 12, 1999

Please mail information to: Tonya Southall 216 River Point Rd. Florence, AL 35634 OR fax to: 757-7631

President's Message

Dear League Members:

October is fast approaching and for the Muscle Shoals District Service League that means preparations for Apple Annie Day 1999 are well underway. Penny Joiner's team has been hard at work since August to insure that this year's event will be the best ever! We can expect great organization and planning from this committee. With our help, that can only mean success!

Please take a few minutes to look over this Hourglass and the posts that are available. Be ready to make your selections when the committee members call. Don't forget to mark your calendars with the deadlines for crate and bag sales, Polishing Party date, Plant sales date, and Apple Annie Day....these are critical dates for all of us!

Also regarding Apple Annie presales: Please read over the lists of businesses we sold crates to last year. (You did keep those lists to look over at home didn't you?). It is not too late to add to this list. Call Lucy Cook or JoAnna Hurt to add businesses, or tell them at the October meeting. The more crates and bags we can pre-sell, the more successful the last Apple Annie Day of the century will be! Remember, the money we raise from this event is much-needed by many agencies in our community - THEY ARE DEPENDING ON US!

Many thanks to Angie Goode and the Yearbook committee. They have done a wonderful job under a tight schedule in producing such a quality book. If you have any corrections, please let Angie know for next year's book. If the changes involve address or phone numbers, let Tonya Southall know for inclusion in the Hourglass and changes to the mailing list.

In addition, to concentrating on Apple Annie Day in the up-coming October meeting, we will select six new members to the Admissions Committee. These six will join the six elected from last year (they serve two-year staggered terms), to work with Paige Cates, chairman of the committee, to decide on the next Provisional Class. These women need to be people who will carefully review applications and vote on members based on their qualifications. Our admissions committee should be composed of women who are fair-minded, knowledgeable of the community and discreet.

This month, Lisa Ruggles, our President-Elect, will be giving us information on the fund-raising alternatives to the Follies that her committee has been reviewing. If you have any suggestions for possible fund-raising events, please contact her prior to the October meeting. Her committee may still be able to investigate other ideas. We want to be as thorough as humanly possible in studying these proposals.

One final "Thanks" goes to all officers and chairmen of the League. I was so proud that you imparted so much information in such an orderly way and in such a timely fashion in the September meeting. That indicates your organization and preparation. Much effort goes into presenting even short bits of information, and you are all to be commended for a job well-done. Let this be our precedent for the entire year.

October is a month of preparation. Let's all prepare ourselves to do the best job we can on Apple Annie Day 1999. If we all work together, continued success is inevitable! I look forward to seeing each of you on Tuesday, October 5, at the Florence Conference Center.



Minutes of the September 7, 1999 General League Meeting

The Muscle Shoals District Service League met Tuesday, September 7, 1999, at the Florence Conference Center. President, Kathy Gamble called the meeting to order, welcomed the Provisionals and introduced the Executive Committee. The May Meeting Minutes were unanimously approved.

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There were 94 members present and 23 members absent with all 19 provisionals present.

GUEST SPEAKERS

Lisa Wallace and 2 representatives from the Children's Museum of the Shoals, showed architect's renderings of the hands-on museum which allows parents to work with their children at the museum. It is possible that the Children's Museum will be a project for which the League will develop a placement and possibly assist with funding from Apple Annie proceeds in the future.

Paige Cates, Chairperson of the Admissions Committee, was present to discuss the requirements for putting up ladies for membership into the League and announced the April 1 deadline. Paige reviewed the correct process for completion of the admission form and explained that last year the committee voted on five additional ladies to serve as alternates should any ladies who were asked to join the League turn down the offer of membership and that process would be continued this year. Paige provided telephone numbers where she could be reached for questions: 767-6682 (hm) or 335-2801 (cell). Paige also announced that at the October meeting, the League would be voting on its membership to the Admissions Committee and she cautioned that members who serve on the committee should be persons who know a lot of people and who can maintain confidentiality. Extra admission forms were left with Kathy Gamble should anyone need them.

TREASURER'S REPORT

 Deborah Fraser, reported the following balances:

 Administrative Fund
 2297.02

 Community Fund
 1358.82

 Memorial Fund
 215.10

 Total:
 \$3870.94

Deborah announced that she would be collecting dues after the meeting and Angie Goode would be distributing Yearbooks to only members who paid dues.

LEAGUE DEVELOPMENT

Lisa Ruggles distributed a Membership
Development Questionnaire for completion by each
member which will be used for informational
purposes and also to give special recognition to
members during the year for exceptional service to
the League.

CORRESPONDENCE

Monica Marthaler announced that she would have correspondence posted on a bulletin board at each meeting. She announced that a letter was posted from Jackie Carpenter, mother of Courtney Carpenter, expressing appreciation for Courtney's scholarship.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

APPLE ANNIE

Chairman, Penny Joiner introduced her committee who distributed handouts including Apple Annie facts and requirements. Index cards were distributed and members were asked to write the names of businesses that could be contacted for crate sales. Members were encouraged to help increase pre-sales in order to ensure another successful Apple Annie Day.

COOKBOOK

Chairperson, Allison Newton introduced her committee and explained their roles in the promotion of the cookbook. Molly McCanless, Membership Coordinator for the Cookbook Committee, presented a humorous Top 10 List of Reasons to Sell the Cookbook. Amy Darby presented a gift basket that will be used in the promotion of the cookbook. Allison reported that in 19 months, the League has paid over \$65,000 toward the cookbook debt, but there is more work to be done which was explained by cookbook treasurer, Heather Kimbrough.

Heather reported the following balances:
Checking Account 41.90
Visa/Mastercard Account 120.68
Savings Account 1,914.17
Loon Balance 21,318.58
Loan Payment Due Each Month 3,553.11

The following ideas were proposed for paying off the loan balance in six months; (1) get persons who owe money for the cookbook to pay that money; (2) get each member to sell 2 cookbooks per month for the next 6 months at \$21.55 per cookbook (no more discounts allowed until the book is paid off); and (3) try to get into 50 new retail outlets this month. Brightly-colored index cards were distributed and members were asked to place names of businesses (within or without our area) where cookbooks could be possibly placed for sale.

FINANCE

Chairman, Penny Westmoreland was introduced and explained the committee's responsibilities.

FUTURE POLICIES

Chairman, Katie Bendall was introduced and explained the committee's responsibilities.

HOSPITALITY

Chairman, Sabrina Eddins was introduced and explained the committee's responsibilities. Sabrina thanked her committee for it's help with the two summer provisional functions.

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Chairman, Tonya Southall was introduced and explained the committee's responsibilities. Next deadline is September 10.

PLACEMENT

Chairman, Lisa Waldrep was introduced and explained the committee's responsibilities. She also introduced her Assistant Placement Chairman, Simone Mitchell. She told anyone to call her who has problems with their placement or who does not

know her advisor

PROVISIONALS

Directors, Lisa Mathews and Melissa Self reviewed the first Provisional meeting. Six new provisionals were introduced to the League. Lisa asked for each member's cooperation when contacted by a provisional who will be required to interview 3 members from Colbert and 3 members from Lauderdale in an effort to learn more about in-league placements and the various agencies the League assists. The next provisional meeting was announced for 6:30 PM on Sept. 21 at the Muscle Shoals Public Library. Provisionals were asked to bring scissors. Provisionals were asked to choose which of the two Rehab. Christmas Parties they would like to work for, either Dec. 9 at 1 PM or Dec. 13 at 8 AM.

PUBLIC RELATIONS

Chairman, Pam Andrews was introduced and explained the committee's responsibilities.

REHABILITATION COMMITTEE

Chairman, Susan Trousdale was introduced and explained the committee's responsibilities. The fall party was announced for Oct. 8 and Christmas parties were announced for Dec. 9 & 13.

SCHOLARSHIP

Kathy Gamble explained the functions of the Scholarship Committee and noted that Renee' Vandiver, Recording Secretary, serves as chairman of that committee.

TRANSPORTATION

In Susie Ray's absence, Kathy Gamble explained the responsibilities of the Transportation Comm. There was no report.

YEARBOOK

Chairman, Angie Goode announced that Yearbooks would only by provided to members who paid dues. She asked that all changes or corrections be reported to her.

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kenei A Vandaria

Kathy Gamble announced the following meetings: Cookbook at 6:30 PM on Tuesday, Sept. 21; Apple Annie at 6:30 PM on Sept. 13 at the Cookbook Office in Sheffield, next General Meeting at 7 PM on Tuesday, Oct. 5.

Respectfully submitted,

Renee' P. Vandiver Recording Secretary



Sustainer Luncheon

The Sustainer Luncheon will be at 11:30 on October 12th at Cypress Lakes Country Club at Louisiana, The Restaurant.

The fee is \$16.00. It will be paid at the door.

Please RSVP to Kim Mauldin by October 7 at 760-0476, if you are going to attend.

"No One is Useless in the World Who Lightens the Burden of it for Anyone Else." Charles Dickens

Rehabilitation Parties Scheduled

The Fall Party will be October 8th. The Christmas Parties are planned for December 9 and 13.

Please contact Susan Trousdale for information at 766-7944.





New Deliveries

Congratulations on all the New

Arrivals!

"Mallory Anna" born on July 7th to Anna and Mike Underwood

"Hogan Daniel" born on July 30th
to Alison and David Isbell

"Ann Simpson" born on August 25th to Lisa and Albert Trousdale

"Maggie Grace" born on September 7th to Jan and Mike Allen



Please Update Your Yearbook with the following Information.

(Not available before printing)

Admissions Committee

Chairperson - Paige Cates 2801 Matthews St. Florence, AL 35630 Phone: 767-6682 Cell: 335-2801

Sustainer Members

Colbert County
Janet Haddock
Ann Harland

Lauderdale County Debbie Pool

Cookbook News



Thank you so very much for the names of the potential new retail outlets for our cookbooks. We now have over 70 new businesses to call on and give the opportunity to sell our fabulous books! The Cookbook Committee appreciates the enthusiasm of your responses. It truly is going to take all of us working together, as a League to make this Cookbook venture a successful one.

We have some wonderful ideas to discuss with you at the next meeting that I am sure you will find as exciting as we do. Any time you think of something that may help us out, please do not hesitate to call any of the Cookbook Committee members. We are eagerly awaiting your input.

Saturday, Oct. 2 is the Women's Expo at the Florence Conference Center. We will be represented thanks to SunTrust Bank and Helen Keller Hospital. We are being allowed to share space with them at no cost to the League. Be sure to attend this event if at all possible.

Again THANK YOU for the tremendous show of support at the League meeting. It truly does inspire us to do a better job:

Happy Cooking, Allison Newton Cookbook Chairman

Sustainers



....To help with Apple Annie.

Any sustainers that would like to work in our Apple Annie Office, work a post or help in any way, please call Pam Barksdale at 760-0526 or Mary Ann Whitlock at 383-7220.

We need your help!

"Never underestimate the ability of a small dedicated group of people to change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that has changed the world."

Margaret Mead

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