

County Line #1751      Meeting: Feb 14, 2018-Grange Hall

Hosting: JoEllen & Lisa

Officers present were JoEllen, Linda, Stephanie, Noah, Anna

Last meeting was our annual Christmas/Valentines Party, not much business-See Linda's Granger article.

#### **Agriculture:**

**Community service:** [Marie] (Linda), 107 food baskets given out . Linda noted that they have been giving out a lot of really good meat. 2400 cans of soup stacked up (Noah)

**Membership:** Tim in Florida

JoEllen reported correction to Ken and Sherry Hicks address.

**Publicity:** [Rita] (Linda)

**Fair board:** [Fred-John-Butch] – Noah, not much new, discussed entertainment coming up, going to have a robot/Magician. Linda says he really looks like a robot! She and Noah saw when down in Springfield. Although our fair queen did not place she did really good!

**Grange day:** [Dianne]: At Camp Grant

**Cookbook:** [Anna & Nikki] On hold for now

**Road Cleanup [John] -**

**Decorator/Event:** Linda, March Spaghetti dinner

**Website:** Anna- Linda

**Communications:** JoEllen read – note of thanks and Valentine wishes from Audrey; Celestia sent thank you for the Valentine !

**Reports to Pomona:** yes, Reminder that we are serving in March 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 meeting, we supply refreshments. Deaf speaker, Dues are due, see Patti. JoEllen will put on New Business list. **Jack Ratcliff will have guest speaker to speak about hearing loss.**

Fair letter for advertising in the Fair book. Motion Full page color \$160. , \$105. B&W full, Ruth motioned, Heather 2<sup>nd</sup> we spend the \$160. Like we did last year. No changes needed, can re-use last years.

**Treasurer's report:** Noah, 30.17 in penny, 90 G dollars 4444.16 -878, school, - 4h 296.93, 3268.98 +500 start up(will keep out for spaghetti dinner) , chicken dinner 568.62=2400. We had 568.62 profit on the chicken dinner. Made 298.33 BOCO, Sandy sold 95. Scholar tickets and got 4 or 5 baskets. Linda made corrections to above.

**Unfinished business:** Spaghetti dinner March 10. Leroy is selling for us-Jo will give to Paul Temple. Sandy asked what time to be there (we start at qtr to 7) JoEllen asked if we want to use real dishes to save on paper products. Jo asked Terry to get the table clothes. Show up at 1:00. Need to sell meat raffle and spaghetti tickets on Sunday Feb. the 25<sup>th</sup> VFW breakfast, good place to sell). Noah mentioned Big Thunder has pancake breakfast. Ruth said she would come and help Jo and Sandy (\$8 all you can eat breakfast if you want to eat).

**New Business:** Next meeting is March 14<sup>th</sup> at Camp Grant, Come at 5, eat at 6. 1004 Samuelson road, Rockford, IL. Took general count, members will reach out to those not here.

Linda mentioned that the PIG is getting heavy! Tips from two events! No idea how much is in it. This will serve as our 'basket donation'.

What to serve at Pomona, plan for about 75 people. Last time JoEllen did a couple of sheet cakes. Stephanie mentioned cocktail sandwiches, still need sweets. We can do 4 or 5 cakes and or cookies. Audrey(Spice), Ruth(White), Linda(german chocolate),

Sandy, Terry(Lemon) - cakes, 15 pieces each=60. Chips. Grange will buy water, coffee and chips(Linda said will pick up along with paper products)

Laural Radclift asked JoEllen Breakfast and Lunch fundraiser (for us), 4 days, 7am-4:30pm, they do two days we do two days. Weekend of July 14<sup>th</sup>. Two big dog shows. 12,13,14,15. Serve out of kitchen. It will already clean. JoEllen will know more next month. Inside the fairgrounds, fenced area. Linda suggested we do something for 4H and others but nothing for Seniors or Vets. Good suggestion, we can think about it. Sandy said she had more complaints last two years that we give money to 4H and they have a lot of money. Reminded it was project. JoEllen reminded all that the 4H is youth that feeds the Grange. Noah mentioned no one mentions the Boy Scouts, Several said they get paid. 4H doesn't get appreciation dinner tickets.

Linda mentioned: someone said we need to get a sign up sheet going for people at Pomona to work the museum during the fair. Terry reminded we are going to be serving we can do then. Sandy asked Linda to get one made up. JoEllen mentioned this is her last meeting. Sandy nominated Linda. Linda says she can't do all the food events. JoEllen said this would be fill in until Sept. elections. Anna seconded. All thought she would be a Great fit!! Unanimous for Linda!! Passed.

Still owing for County Line dues: Sherry & Ken, Linda and JoEllen will draft letter to all members of change and unpaid dues.

Meeting closed

Next Event: Saturday, March 10, 2018-Spaghetti Dinner 4H Fundraiser

Next Meeting: Wed. March, 14, 2018 – Hosts: Sandy Bonacorsi & Jason Schelling