

## **Fundraising Meeting Friday July 11<sup>th</sup> 2025 at 10:30am**

**In attendance:** Caroline Mullin, Pam Geisel, Linda Scutt, Pegen Laughlin, Moira Laughlin, Sue Augustus

### **Garden Dinner Party Recap:**

- Some guests said it was the best year yet, and that every year it gets better
- The house that hosted 2 sets of guests was not ideal.
- A positive note is that there were no expenses at Caroline's gathering, as the apps and the wine were donated.
- A note to make for next year would be to move the wine table further away, as it was a crowded situation.
- One of the houses had hosts that continued pouring wine, maybe next year, have a cap on how much alcohol is consumed at the houses.
- Without postage costs, the event brought in \$12,019. The guests themselves brought in \$5,970. Sponsors brought in \$2,500. The rest of the funds were donations. Next year the cost of the dinner will be raised to \$100. Sponsorship will begin earlier next year.
- The committee will make an effort to involve younger hosts for next year's dinner party. One idea is to invite them to the GDP so that they have an idea of what is involved.

### **EBTH**

- Items have been delivered. A sterling silver set was donated that may be worth \$1600. Ball park for this round of donations is around \$2,000.

### **RAFFLE**

- We have another uke that has been donated to the center. It is a bass uke. No information has been given, but we will get that soon. Linda will talk to YS pottery and see if they will donate larger item for a raffle. Drawing for this raffle will be at the YS Street fair, in October.

### **ART AUCTION/WINE TASTING**

- To be set sometime in the winter, perhaps February? Valentine's Day was a suggestion. Location at Mills Park Hotel. Ideas include a wine tasting (maybe Winds will donate some wine?), and maybe include some wine vendors. Velda, from the YSSC board might be willing to donate a vacation through a live auction, Chef Neff may be able to auction another dinner. Need more ideas. Caroline will speak with Linda Parsons, an art appraiser, to see if we can tap resources. Linda will talk with Jim about this idea. Pam will talk with the village artisans and the art council. This can include both local artists and out of town artists.

### **GRANTS**

- **Care Source**. Sue will be helping Caroline with this grant.
- **Community Foundation**: received a \$3,000 grant. Green giving invited the Center to apply for a \$1,000 grant. If it is received, Caroline will apply it to the air conditioner expense.
- Hits that the center has incurred are a bill for the air conditioner, \$9,600, and the Community Foundation cannot give out their \$15,000 due to the loan on the land for the new center.
- Caroline was hoping to work with the village on receiving some money but no one is returning phone calls.

### **SQUARE DANCE**

- Date is set for Sunday afternoon, Oct. 26<sup>th</sup>. We will need some sponsorships for this event. Sue will ask Shelly Blackman, Peg will ask the Trail Tavern, Moira will ask Tweedle D's. We could use a few more sponsorships, need ideas. Sue and Linda to meet with Kat Christen, from the Glen, as we will be collaborating with them on this event.

### **More Ideas:**

- YS Brewery has a non-profit night, where a percentage of sales goes to a non-profit. Peg will ask them if we can get on their list.
- Kroger reward program—need to publicize this a bit more, get the word out that proceeds could go to the senior center if you sign up for this.

Next meeting set for **August 14<sup>th</sup>, a Thursday, at 10:30am.**