

Amended minutes below & attached. Please disregard previous email w/minutes. Thanks, Sandra

NJORTC Minutes Sunday, September 24, 2017 2 PM at DeLizia's Pizza Hosted by Lucille Chaballa (36 attended)

Pres. Pat LeStrange opened the meeting at 2:15pm and thanked Lucille for hosting this meeting. He thanked everyone for all the work that was done for the great success of the 2017 Follow the Open Road to NJ Regional Convention Aug. 2-6. Then he turned the meeting over to VP-Arlene Kubat.

Arlene mentioned the birthdays & Anniversary's for September.

Treasury: Steve Handy said that the balance of the club treasury is \$10,957.72.

Correspondence-Pat said he's received many calls, emails & notes from convention attendees saying how much they enjoyed themselves. He read a wonderful thank you note that Barbara from Roanoke, VA wrote.

Sunshine-Lucille Chabala; Guidone's are well. Toni Sabino's trigger finger healing.

CTCI report-Lois Martin; CTCI office in CA in need of a treasurer. There is a volunteer in that position now.

Newsletter-Paul Schroll: Working on October newsletter. Pat congratulated him on receiving a Gold award again at the convention for the newsletter.

Membership-Paul Adamoff; Gave out many membership packs & cards recently. Welcome to Paul & Jackie Werner from Northvale, new members. He has a black on black '56.

Facebook & Website-Joanne Seiler; Pat still working on pictures to be posted, site not completed. Past convention pictures posted.

Convention information

Arlene thanked all the volunteer club members, job well done. Lois commended Mike Meehan for doing a great job on the budgeting for the events. Paul Schroll, convention treasurer reported a gross income of \$102,000. Approx. \$73,300 in expenses with a net profit of \$26,865.77.

Pat then said the discussion was held on what to do with some of the profits. It was voted upon that all current 2017 members in good standing that attend the Xmas party will have their dues waived for next year and ½ of the cost of the Xmas party per person will be paid by the club (\$65 – ½ cost=\$32.50pp). Also a suggestion was made that the Committee heads (and spouses) who had worked on the conv. for the last 1-1/2 year to have a dinner for all the hard work, time spent and commitment to produce a very

successful convention. A vote was taken and approved by attending members to spend \$1,500.

At the January Board meeting further discussion will be held to decide about the treasury monies. Suggestion made by Rich Martin to look into purchase of grill plaques. Pat asked if you sell your car to take the plaque off & the club can buy them back.

Next year the convention is in Knoxville, TN and our club will be sending them a seed donation of \$1,000. Notes were taken about convention "Do's & Don'ts" to send to the club to help them when planning. Pat said the scuttlebutt is that in 2019 there might be a convention in Flagstaff, AZ.

If members are considering attending the Knoxville convention next August, you are advised to make your hotel reservation ASAP since reservations at the negotiated rate fill up fast. A few members have already booked their rooms and staying together at the Holiday Inn across from the convention center where the indoor event will be held. Other hotel is a block away. You can cancel your room up to the day before the event. Check the Smokey Mountain T-Bird club website for further info and link to the hotel info. Some members will be driving-Donna Jesse noted info on her travel plans so others can join in.

Joanne has extra leftover club merchandise for sale, list is on the website.

Arlene said that the Xmas party would take place on Sunday December 3, 2017 at Bella Italia restaurant in Orange, NJ, 5:30pm to 10pm. Cost \$65 per couple or \$32.50 pp. Beer, wine & soda included, cash bar for other drinks. Toys for Tots. Please make your reservation with her.

Phil & Dorothy Guidone holding Fall Cruise, Sunday Oct. 15th. \$43 pp. Send in your reservation and check by the next club meeting.

Don suggested looking into purchasing club jackets. Joanne will work with her suppliers on this.

Next meeting is on October 22nd to be hosted by Harriett & Paul LoPiccolo, 2 pm at DeLizia Pizza. During the October club meeting, members will be voting. Nominations for President and CTCL rep were opened and Pat LeStrange was nominated for another term as President. Lois is not running as CTCL representative and nominated Toni Sabino to replace her.

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 pm.

50/50 won by Sandy Pyrros \$60.