

Good morning, Travelers!

Just some updates on the club.

I understand the October rally was a success. Many thanks to Jerry, Sandy, Rose and Daryl for their hard work.

Daryl conducted the business meeting on Sat. Oct. 7th. Minutes and financial report were accepted, approved and a copy, of the minutes, is at the end of the newsletter. Eleanor Allen was reelected as Secretary and Treasurer for a two-year term. She has done a diligent and good job.

Helen and Herb are retiring and have had a caring ministry with being our sunshine folks. Jacky Howard has agreed to assume this position. Contact Jacky with any info concerning a member or a former member of our club. ldwellionhoward@gmail.com

20th year anniversary. Folks our club was formed in April, 2004. This April will be our 20th anniversary. Should someone want to host a 20th year April rally then Patt and I will be glad to assist with the rally.

Mike Smalley has agreed to host a Facebook page for our club. We are in the process of making the page interesting. Please send club photos to Mike and I am going to send him some newsletters from years past. Mike6244@caolina.rr.com

When Mike gets the page filled with club information, we can open it up to prospective members. We also intend to use the page for recruiting new members. Eleanor and Jane have been great in contacting folks this year.

The quiz for the month.

- A. What was the original name for candy corn?
 1. Indian Corn
 2. Chicken Feed

3. Yellow Heads

B. How many individual pieces of corn are manufactured each year?

1. 5 billion
2. 9 billion
3. 12 billion



What was candy corn originally called?

Chicken feed, as candy corn was originally called because of its appearance, was invented by the Wunderle Candy Company in the late 1880s during a candy boom in the United States, said Susan Benjamin, a food historian and president of True Treats, a research-based candy store in West Virginia.

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Business Meeting Agenda and Notes

Saturday, October 7, 2023

Call to order - Daryl Cook called the meeting to order at 9:00AM noting that 25% of membership families (5) are needed for a quorum, we have seven. (Allen, Cook, Crum, Howard, Levin, Sneed, Williams). Daryl recognized the Williams's for their years of service and wished them well. We had three new members at the last rally and have two (the Howard's and Mark Levin) at this rally. Seven new members this year.

Minutes – from Willow Tree were approved unanimously.

Financial report – Eleanor Allen - \$ [REDACTED] after expenses for this rally and reimbursing Helen for postage. Not aware of any significant remaining expenses for the year.
Motion: Don. Approved unanimously.

Election of secretary/treasurer - Eleanor Allen is willing to serve again. Jerry moved to close nominations. Eleanor elected unanimously.

Rallies and Hosts for 2024 – Noted that Jerry has a list of campgrounds for folks to use if they want to consider hosting.

Spring

Summer

Fall – Palmetto Cove – the Crum's agreed to host and will advise of dates before the rally ends as needed to reserve the campground 1 year in advance. If someone is willing to co-host, let the Crum's know.

New business

Facebook page (and website) - Mike Smalley has offered to build a Facebook page and be the administrator of the page. Mike is interested in our club and will do a good job. We may need an additional administrator. The Facebook page can be good if it is used by our members. If not used and a prospective member looks at the page and no one has posted in a year that would be a negative reflection on the club. Discussion: One member noted that their Facebook account had been hacked. Facebook is a good, free way to advertise your club, and access can be limited. No one is opposed to a FB page. Motion: Eleanor - to have Mike Smalley create page and review with Larry and the club before going live. As amended, to also ask if Mike will create/reactivate website. Second by Don. Approved unanimously.

Membership - Eleanor asked members to validate their contact information and lists were passed around. We are up to 20 members – great work by recruitment team (Jane and Eleanor). If you are aware of potential members, let Eleanor know and an information packet can be sent out. We need to have 15 members to be a club. Concern noted about whether we are appropriately listed/easy to find on national website and regional newsletters. Eleanor will send updated membership list to entire membership with next update.

Sunshine person – Helen and Herb have done a great job but this needs to be turned over to someone else. Jacky Howard agreed to take this on.

Old business - none

Announcements

Polar Express - Wednesday, November 15th 5:00PM – Eleanor has 3 to 4 tickets if someone available. Approx \$63 cost per ticket.

Dues for 2024 – \$15 annually; can pay today if you would like. Eleanor will send out a reminder in January.

Adjourn – The meeting was adjourned at 9:55AM. Motion: Jerry, 2nd: Eleanor.



We enjoyed our time away at the Albuquerque Ballon Fiesta.

But...my bed sure did feel good when we got home.



Remember to always be mindful of others,

Larry

9 billion