



SedonaKind Meeting Minutes - November 18, 2016

Attendees: Dottie Webster, Gail Mann, Mary Feeney, Pam Hollenbach, Heidi McDonald, Carol Wallen, Gloria Woody, Ruti Lovitt, Jawn McKinley, Kari Lee Hertzberg, Constance Loef, Joy Sinnott, Laurie Dawe, Lori Reinhold, Judy Neiman, Connie Levinson, Sally Plauche, Katie Hamilton, Julie Larson, Donna Newcomb, Joy Albanese, Sandy Brandvold AND NEW MEMBERS Polly Cullen and Connie Bryant. **Happy Birthday to Mary!**

Special guest, Ed Uzemekis, presented our group with a certificate for our help with the Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans event.

Several members told Kindness stories they witnessed or were involved in.

We celebrated our ONE YEAR ANNIVERSARY with brownies and cider while Jawn recapped all that we have accomplished throughout the year. Downright Amazing!

Jawn gave a report on the successful Mitzvah Day and Pay-It-Forward.

Carol updated us on the Gratitude Trees' project and we thanked all of her team that were involved in the creation of the trees: Stephanie, Heather, Donna, Lucy, Brenda, Mary, Laurie, Jawn, Joy, Sandy; and delivery - Fran Jackson and her Chick Truck. Be sure to stop and sign a heart at The Oak Creek Country Club, The Collective, The Sedona Community Center, the Sedona Airport or the Sedona Library. Trees are also in the children's section of the Sedona Library, and the libraries of Big Park and West Sedona elementary schools. Dottie...Bless your Kind heart for offering to store the trees for reuse next year.

Gloria reported on the success of the Kindness in Schools' classroom activities ... the puppet show will have its debut on the 30th...a special thanks to Gloria and hubby Gail, Kari Lee and Pam for creating/Mod Podging the stage! A challenge by Brian Williams (Think Kindness) is underway between Big Park, West Sedona, and Mountain View schools to each commit **5,000 Acts of Kindness in 15 days**. Shoes are being collected in all three schools to send to African children that are required to wear shoes to attend school. There will be more information forthcoming on how we can help with this effort, as adult shoes are also needed for the shoe stores now being created for school graduates to maintain. Gloria's team consists of Pam, Kari Lee, Constance, Ruti, Julie, Mary, Gail Mann, Ruthie,

Heidi, and Gerri. Donna gave the committee a great idea for creating Advent-type Kindness Calendars.

Joy told us the wonderful outcome of our movie showings: between ticket sales, donations and a donor that matched funds, she was able to present Yavapai Food Council with a check for \$2,535. I LOVE THIS TOWN!! With everything going on the same day, we were concerned that no one would show up. Phew! Everyone be sure to thank Patrick Schweiss and the staff of SIFF for their support. Also, Connie for first discovering this movie several years ago; and Jawn and hubby John for securing the rights to show it again!

Jawn reported on all the radio, magazine and newspaper coverage she has eked out of the few possibilities in our hamlet; and gave a special thanks to Laura for maintaining the Wish List...that has resulted in an overflow of puppets and yarn and lots of jewelry!

Christ Lutheran Church gave us a grant of \$500, we had a PayPal donation of \$150, and Laurie's siblings donated \$200 in lieu of gifts for Dick's birthday. Laurie gave us all the idea of taking donations in lieu of gifts when the opportunity arises. We can also choose SedonaKind through Cornucopia for our yearly tax credits.

Katie invited us to join her at SAC on December 10th (Noon-3:00) for the annual Loving Bowls sale. Where else could you get a bowl of chili and a beautiful piece of pottery for only \$10?!!

Sandy will host Boxes of Love on January 5th at 1:00 (and 13th at 1:00 if needed). Please bring wrap, medium size jewelry boxes, tape, glues, ribbon, and scissors.

There will NOT be a December meeting. As you get your new 2017 calendars, please be sure to enter the 3rd Friday of each month at 2:00 for our meetings. **At our January 20th meeting, be prepared to discuss what YOU would like our 2017 projects to be.**

