

RCHA La Playa Unit Meeting Minutes
November 18, 2016
Point Loma Library

Mary Kay Bates called the meeting to order at 10:00 am

Mary Kay thanked Chris Stehly for running the meeting last month.

Inspiration - Sheila Thomas introduced her friends Isaac and Adam Martinez whom she met through her son.

Guest Speakers: Isaac & Adam Martinez. Isaac spoke about his son Adam who was diagnosed with leukemia when he was three years old. He was in treatment for 3 and half years. He had a relapse at the four year mark. He is almost done with his second treatment. Adam loves his hair so losing it was hard.

Adam said that being in the hospital was hard but some things were kind of cool like having an IV in his hand. Once the Chargers came to visit the hospital, they gave him a stuffed dog that he loves. He had to leave school in 5th grade which was really hard. He spoke about Child Life and how they help you feel normal while you are in the hospital. He feels like Rady Children's is like a second home and a second family.

Mary Kay mentioned that the Rancho Bernardo Unit is selling poinsettias. There is a clipboard for sign ups.

There is a meeting on December 7th regarding the upcoming Auxilliary wide golf tournament. We need a representative to go to the meeting. Michelle Riley volunteered to attend. Each unit will donate a gift basket for the auciton. The tournament is on January 20th.

ASID Designer Showcase. January 13th. Empty house party sponsored by the La Jolla Unit. The house opens on April 30th.

Kathee Weisenberg made a motion to approve the October minutes.

Tracy Wilkinson seconded the motion.

All approved

Treasurer report: Tammy Miller Current balance is \$7089.99. We are making a \$200 contribution to the Charity Ball.

Membership: Lori White called up the new members. Each member introduced themselves.

Ways & Means -Out Unit: Lisa Stevenson announced that we still need two people to help with carnival. If you have a job notebook, please turn it in to Lisa. If you signed up to be a committee chair, Lisa will contact you in January.

Julie Connolly passed out the sponsorship cards. Please take yours and think of an idea for a new sponsor lead. Thank you letters and save the date cards were sent out to previous sponsors. The new brochures are available. On January 17th, we will be meeting at Nancy Peckham's house to stuff envelopes. Time is 9:30am. Julie is still

looking for a couple of account managers.

Marilyn Cornwell spoke about the new members' enthusiasm for Celebration of Champions. Please let Marilyn know if you have any ideas. The Seaport Village remodel will take about 10 years, she feels confident that we can have the same spot for another year or two.

Christmas Party-In Unit: Allison Sullivan has offered to take the lead. It will be at Anna Joslin's home. It will be more modest this year. Marlene Shook will be sending out an email re: potluck. We need auction items. Gift cards are welcome too.

There was a discussion about ideas for raising money through the holiday party.

Tammy Miller explained that the money raised at the holiday party is really just for the sponsorship from our unit for Celebration of Champions. The party is on Sunday, 12/4.

Kids' Newsday Michelle Riley has the sign up for selling papers at the various locations.

Kristin Gillespie explained that the paper is self-published. It will have patient's stories, sponsor info, the Week of Giving guide and a coupon to Starbucks. The paper is free, any donation is appreciated. Michelle will have buckets at her garage. Money drop off will be at Linda's on that Tuesday. Kristin will be taking orders for a Gulls game. Look for emails and Sign Up Genius with more information.

Education Leigh Burdine reminded us that all education notes are online. Leigh attended a presentation on cardiac imaging. There is an imaging center being set up at Rady Children's. There will only be 3 in the world.

Fantasy on Ice - Kathleen reported that it opened last night. There was a raffle from businesses at Liberty Station. CircleBuzz sold out the 500 half price passes in less than an hour.

Linda Hervey helped set up the raffle.

Heather mentioned that Fireside really stepped up to help with the sponsors dinner.

Hospital Liaison - Lori White reported that toiletries are being collected. We need lots more.

Julie Connelly reported that the yearbook is almost ready. She just needs to put in photos from the new members.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:24 am.