

## **Emerald Valley Mothers of Multiples Club**

### **General Monthly Meeting Minutes – December 5, 2017**

Kelley Mendoza, President, called the meeting to order at 7:25pm. There were 16 attendees. The meeting began with a speaker from our EV club, Tracey Miller. She provided essential oil information.

Tracey discussed some of the many uses and benefits of pure “essential oils”. Specifically, Young Living Essential oils. She provided background history of oils and how they have been around and used for many years. She explained some of the oils in detail and gave some insight as to their internal and/or topical uses. She not only explained the benefits but also made them available to each member to use in the making of their therapeutic rice neck socks that were being made at the meeting. If anyone would like more information, has specific questions, or would like to be “in the know” about essential oils, you can contact Tracey directly. She also has a Facebook group that she encourages anyone who is interested, to join. Search Tracey Miller – An Easy Guide to Wellness.

### **EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORTS**

#### **President: Kelley Mendoza**

Kelley welcomed everyone to the December meeting. She thanked everyone for bringing the delicious array of food for our holiday meeting. She started the meeting off with an Ice Breaker discussion. Each member was asked to announce a unique quality or talent about themselves that people were not aware of. We learned a little something new about each other along with a few good laughs. It was refreshing to hear that there is more to us than just sharing stories of our multiples!

#### **1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: Kim Baga**

Not in attendance. Per Kelley, Kim is looking for a few more people for the January Multiples Panel. Preferably, multiples of B/B or B/G – adolescent age and up. Let Kim know if you know of someone who would be willing to sit on our panel. It was suggested that she might consider contacting Twins Days festival committee to see if they could provide multiples that would be willing to be on our panel.

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Jeanette Louis**

Member directories were set out on the back table for any member that hasn't yet received one.

#### **Secretary: Sheri Bickerton**

The monthly meeting minutes will be completed and emailed to the club within one week of every meeting so if you are unable to make a meeting, please read the minutes. Rikki will also post the meeting minutes on the new website under our “Member's Only” page.

#### **Treasurer: Katy Baddorf**

- Beginning Balance as of 11/1/17 \$ 9,943.83
- There was 1 Withdrawal ( 31.94)
- There were 2 Deposits 197.94
- Ending Balance as of 11/30/17 \$ 10,109.83

**Alumni Advisor: Rikki Price**

Not in Attendance. Any changes to be made to any board position description should be emailed to Rikki so that updates can be made.

**Trustee #1: Tracey Miller**

No report

**Trustee #2: Jennifer French**

No report

**GENERAL BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Fundraising Primary - Christine Mazzeo**

Christine plans on contacting Rookies Bar this month to confirm a March date for the EV Wing Nite. She thanked those who brought donations. Announced that we can definitely use picture frames and gift basket cellophane bags (easily found at a Dollar Store). She mentioned a profitable option to include at the next Wing Nite. We could sell \$10 Grab Bags. Each grab bag would include an assortment of gift cards that could range from a \$10 value to \$100 value. Her PTO did this option and sold 40 bags very quickly! Easy option and great idea to be able to just put misc. items and gift cards that aren't as easy to create a basket out of. A jello shot basket was also mentioned as a great idea to create. Donations of any kind – baskets, frames, bags or monetary can be brought to any monthly meeting. A money collection bucket was mentioned for members to donate money to for the benefit of purchasing lottery tickets and or other items that will be needed for another successful Wing Night Fundraiser.

**Fundraising Secondary - Kelley St. Clair**

Not in attendance. Katy asked if the club was able to get the Amazon Smile account for EV set up yet. Kelley said she will follow up with Kelley to see where we are with that.

**Historian: Kim DeGross**

Not in attendance. Per Kelley, Kim requested that members continue to post pictures to our FB page. Pictures can also be emailed directly to Kim. Her email address is: [Kimberly.r.degross@gmail.com](mailto:Kimberly.r.degross@gmail.com)

**March of Dimes: Katy Baddorf**

Katy mentioned that the walk will take place again at Wade Oval on April 29, 2018. Angie Davis gave kudos to Katy for her inspiring personal articles for March of Dimes in our monthly club newsletters.

**Mentoring: Jeanette Louis**

Jeanette announced that she sent emails out to the mentors/mentees last week. She will also be following up with them soon to ensure the communication

### **Mother of the Year: Jennifer French**

Jennifer reminded members to think about who they would like to nominate for Emerald Valley's 2018 Mother of the Year. Nomination forms will be available in January.

### **Newsletter: Sheri Bickerton**

Sheri reminded the board members that their newsletter articles should be emailed to her by the 20<sup>th</sup> of every month. She will continue to send out a reminder email about a week prior to the 20<sup>th</sup>. She also reminded members that if their article contains an event with a specific date or a specific deadline to be met, it needs to be emailed to Courtney Gall by the 15<sup>th</sup> so that Courtney has enough time to add the event information into the monthly social calendar and still be able to email the final calendar by the 20<sup>th</sup>.

### **Parties: Courtney Gall**

The Christmas Party will be on December 17<sup>th</sup>, from 5pm-7:30pm at Jennings Senior Center on Rte 21 (next to St. Basils). Santa will arrive at 5:30pm. Parents and kids can wear their pajamas and enjoy cookies and milk. Courtney mentioned having a table set up for kids to make cards for the residents of Jennings Senior Center. Please bring stencils, stickers or any other item that can be used to make creative cards. Please NO Glitter! Santa will be available for picture taking and will give each child a little treat. The evening will end with Santa reading a story. The members at the December meeting were asked if they wanted the story to be Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer or Twas the Night Before Christmas. The majority voted for Twas the Night Before Christmas to be the story read by Santa. **An RSVP of how many kids will be attending the party is needed by Sunday, December 10, 2017. Please email [court1305@gmail.com](mailto:court1305@gmail.com) or RSVP on Facebook event invitation that was sent out.**

### **Philanthropic: Danielle Gomez**

Danielle thanked everyone and was blown away by the generosity of all the donations of blankets, books and stuffed animals that our club members provided to support Project Night Night. The goal is to donate 250 bags this year! Danielle announced that the bags need to be assembled based on gender & age and that she is hoping to have the bags put together by December 13, 2017. She may inquire with the library to see if they can be put together there. There will be no Philanthropic collection for January. In February, we may make cards for the kids in the Pediatric Heart unit.

### **Publicity: Katie Matson**

No report - Not in attendance

### **Social/Playgroups/School-Age: Courtney Gall**

Courtney mentioned that the Carlyle Reservation is offering a FREE event for X-mas. They are requesting that a non-perishable food item is donated for the foodbank. They have a walking path with lights and decorations and a train. The hours are M-F from 5-9pm and Sat/Sun 5-10pm. A few other options that Courtney is looking into are: "tour" options to places such as Chill in Medina, Courthouse Pizza and Campbell's Popcorn. Christine Caudill also suggested a Harry London tour in Akron. In addition, she may do a group event to the new Children's Museum in February/March.

**Special Needs: Christine Caudill**

If anyone sees any Special Needs events that they would like to share with her, please email Christine at [cdll43@frontier.com](mailto:cdll43@frontier.com) so that she can list them in the monthly newsletter.

**Sunshine: Angie Davis**

Sheri Bickerton and Tracey Miller suggested that a sympathy card be sent to Southeast Mothers of Twins Club member, Denise Zalewski for the passing of her husband, Roger. He had attended most of the OFMOTC board meetings and Conventions with his wife, Denise. He was known and loved by many OFMOTC members. Denise was a past OFMOTC president and continues to be active with OFMOTC. The address for Denise will be forwarded to Angie. Also, Kelley asked for the members to keep Kim Baga and Kelley St. Clair in your thoughts and prayers as they both went through some medical procedures and were not able to attend the December meeting.

**Twinsdays: Christine Mazzeo**

No Report

**Website: Rikki Price**

Not in attendance but Kelley relayed Rikki's message that if anyone sees any changes that need to be updated on our new website, please let Rikki know.

No additional business was presented to the club.

The business portion of the meeting was adjourned at 8:20pm.

The Therapeutic Rice Socks were created by each member after club business was finished.