

REALTORS Who Care Meeting
November 4, 2009
9:00am

Present: Loraine Griffin, Nancy Bierenga, Netha Speet, Joyce Clegg

Excused: David Balsam

Chili Cook-Off Update

Due to a Social Committee function already planned for Feb. 2010, the committee agreed to table discussion of a chili cook-off until the January meeting. Plans are to have the Social Committee work with us on this event in Sept/Oct. 2010.

Review last few Collection Events

There was not good participation in the last canned goods collection and it was sporadic for the hats, mittens, scarves collection. (United Way Campaign runs Sept. 11-Nov. 1) It was suggested to not do any type of collection during this time. Money was collected to purchase these items in the Holland area. Nancy Bierenga is now collecting hats, mittens & scarves and getting a good response. (schools recommend to NOT collect scarves).

-A suggestion was made to partner with a car dealership to 'fill a truck' with canned food. Great advertising.

-Homelessness in November.

-Netha Speet, Nancy Bierenga & Meghan Heritage presented a idea to piggyback with the Grand Haven Easter Egg Hunt and have a pancake breakfast at the GH Community Center. This would take place on Saturday, April 3, 2010. It was suggested the United Way of Muskegon and Ottawa County be the recipients of the profits made. The committee decided the monies made would be divided as follows: half will go to REALTORS Who Care and half to the United Way (divided three (3) ways): to the Allegan, Ottawa and Muskegon Counties. Will ask the PR Committee to help.

Food Pantry

Will sell raffle tickets for any donation at the January General Membership Meeting to win a basket. Nancy will work on getting the basket. Money collected will be donated to area food pantry's.

Review: Ideas for 2010

-Fundraiser for summer – TABLED

-May Baskets for Women in Transition

-Sept/Oct. Chili Cook-Off & Beer Tasting

Invite a New Member

The committee is challenged to bring a potential new committee member to the January meeting to help boost the numbers.

Annual Disbursements of Funds (\$1,693.40)

No requests were received. Nancy Bierenga suggested giving to the Sacred Suds Gift Store in Muskegon and explained what it was all about.

A MOTION was made to donate \$200.00 to Sacred Suds Gift Store in Muskegon, Sylvia's Place in Allegan, Community Action House in Holland and the Salvation Army in Grand Haven to purchase toys for area families to purchase at a reduced price. Seconded. Motion approved.

Next meeting – Thursday, January 7, 2010, 9:00am

Meeting adjourned at 10:15am

Minutes prepared by Lori Santellan, Staff Liaison