

**ABC-GL Dinner Meeting Minutes**  
**May 16, 2024**  
**St. Andrew's Episcopal Church**  
**5:30 PM Social Hour**

**SOCIAL HOUR and DINNER:** 5:30 PM

**CALL TO ORDER:** Clayton Hale, Cmdr. 6:30 PM

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Attendees

**PRAYER:** Clayton Hale

**MOTIONS:**

- Motion to approve April 2024 dinner minutes made by Mina Hale; second by Jon Murphy. Minutes approved.
- Motion to adjourn made by Jeff Landburg; second by Harvey Blattner. Approved.

**RAFFLE 50/50:**

Collected \$74. Club kept \$37 and Jack Celie won \$37.

**PRESENTATION:** Steve Rhoades Boat US

- Similar to AAA, but on the water.
- Memberships are \$109/year. Covers all watercraft, all people in home and if you borrow or rent a boat.
- Call center for BoatUS is in USA!
- They have an app you can download on your phone to request a tow.
- Provide services on Grand, Eufaula, Tenkiller and Ft. Gibson lakes.
- Most issues they tow – boat gas gauges are inaccurate and people don't change out their impeller – so they over heat!

**TREASURERS REPORT:** Arelene Starkman (given by Brenda Murphy)

- \$12,141.12 balance as of April 30, 2024. Revenue for month \$6,411.00. Expenses for the month were \$589.00. This balance does not reflect expenses for life jacket purchase of \$5,450.10, therefore balance is closer to \$6,500.00.

**EDUCATION:** Jon Murphy

- Bob Hunt found a Coast Guard Auxiliary member who will certify a Vessel Safety Examiner (VSE) who has passed the written vessel safety exam. Once a local VSE is certified they will be able to certify future VSEs in our area who meet the VSE requirements. Jon Murphy volunteered to be our first VSE.
- Bob Hunt and David Sloan will be available in the fall to facilitate another ABC course.

**SECRETARY REPORT:** Brenda Murphy

- Requested a motion to approve April 2024 minutes. Motion made by Mina Hale and second from Jon Murphy to approve minutes. Motion carried.

**COMMANDERS REPORT:** Clayton Hale

- Renewed the Grove Chamber of Commerce annual dues for \$191.00.
- Grove Chamber of Commerce no longer allows “Not for Profits” to have a booth at Toes in Grand for free. The Chamber is now charging \$100.00 for the booth. Club had decided to join the Chamber since we received the booth for free in Toes in Grand.

Lively discussion on having a booth this year since we are now being charged \$100.00 for the booth and our club is giving away life jackets for children 18 years old and under. Commander suggested other possible venues for life jacket distribution if we opted out of Toes in Grand.

Jack Celie made a motion to stay local and have a booth at Toes in Grand; second by Brenda Murphy. Motion carried.

- Camp Bandage sign up sheet distributed. Michelle Hooper stated set up only needs to start at 10:00 am. Event is on June 1, 2024.
- Purchased 370 life jackets for \$5,450.10. Should arrive before Camp Bandage.
- Toes in Grand – June 7 through June 9<sup>th</sup>. Need volunteers to set up and assist with life jacket distribution.
- Name tags are \$12.00 each. Sign up sheet distributed for people needing/wanting a name tag.
- Future plans – Pelican Festival Parade, Christmas Parade, Bingo (possibly in September).
- GLA – still need volunteer(s) for July 6<sup>th</sup> shift.
- **Next e-board meeting:** June 13, 2024.
- **Next dinner meeting:** June 20<sup>th</sup> possible outside venue.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:** Made by Jeff Landburg; second Harvey Blattner, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Brenda Murphy.