

Prairie State Life
10/18/08

President Sue Koldan opened the meeting at 11:40 and welcomed everyone to our first Saturday LIFE pot luck meeting. She welcomed Bil Curry as a guest artist.

Minutes: Sue Glaze read the minutes and they were approved.

Old Business:

1. Review of the "Blessing Jar"
2. Discussed the name tags and urged everyone to wear them when they are participating in a program or lesson.
3. Linda discussed the new stores and their locations. (one in S. Elgin behind Culvers will feature all pianos) Linda will make a promotional radio spot promoting the sale of these pianos that will be featured on WGN and two other stations.

New Business

1. Linda told us that Carnes music has gone out of business and she was able to buy up all the music at a reduced price.
2. New employees: Melissa Pappas who will help with promotions, Eric Abernathy will run the store in S. Elgin, and Bill Burger will join us from Carnes.
3. Help with decorations for the windows for Christmas is needed.
4. You should bring the sales slips to Linda for anything that is purchased for the store for various needs. Probably a good idea to get approval first.
5. Double points for playing in the community in October but we have not plans for one.
6. **Next LIFE meeting will be November 21, the Saturday before Thanksgiving.** It will also be a pot luck PLUS there will be a **PUMPKIN CONTEST.** This will include anything "pumpkin" food, pies, decorations, anything that you might think of.
7. Linda looked into getting points for coming to a LIFE meeting, but Lowrey rejected that idea.
8. Linda discussed the story board that she is putting together with professionals and Lowrey will use it company wide for promotions.
9. Ideas for new points were discussed. Yvonne said that she works at a Christmas gift wrapping store at the mall during Christmas and playing there might be an idea. Other areas discussed were the DellWeb prairie chorus or band.
10. **Christmas party will be December 11. Place to be decided.**

Adjourned: 12:05 pm

Respectfully submitted

Sue Glaze, Recorder.