

## Minutes in a Minute

November 5, 2009

Mary Jo was not at the meeting. She was having fun in Florida. So that left the minutes to me. I am not a great secretary because I can't keep my mouth shut long enough to write anything down. But let's see how my memory and listening skills are working.

Fran welcomed Michelle, the Lia Sophia sales representative to our meeting. Pam Emerson and Mary Jo made arrangements for members to have some "retail therapy." Michelle had many beautiful and reasonably priced earrings, necklaces and bracelets. Pam will bring our orders to the December 3 meeting. A big thank you to Pam and Mary Jo for making the arrangements.

Carol Palk collected money for our recycled book sale. Carol reminded us that we do not need to bring any books to the December meeting.

Two candidates for membership were introduced by their sponsors. Donna Colaianne presented Joanna Eiwana a lower elementary POHI teacher at Roosevelt-McGrath in Wayne-Westland. I introduced Carol VandenBrul (yes, another Carol) for membership. Carol is a Livonia resident and taught Business Education in Wyandotte Schools. Carol has attended many Gamma Alpha auctions and two Fall Conferences. I convinced Carol that it is time for her to join. Carol Anderson gave the candidates a brief orientation about Delta Kappa Gamma and our chapter. Initiation will be held at the February meeting, but candidates are welcome and encouraged to attend the December and January meetings.

January's Book Discussion leaders were chosen. I will have discussions questions for *A Thousand Splendid Suns*, Amy will lead *Three Cups of Tea* discussions, and Cindy will handle *Zoya's Story*. All of these books are about Afghanistan. Our speaker for January's meeting is teacher Khris Nedam who founded the Kids 4 Afghan Kids project. This is the first time we have tried a book discussion activity, so please pick one of the three books and read! I have all three books and will bring them in December.

Two members have resigned their membership; Karen Scott and Danielle Jopek. If their circumstances change, they can easily be reinstated.

Carol Palk passed around a sign-up sheet for workers at the auction. There were quite a few blank spaces for workers and I am confident members will step up to volunteer by the auction. Send checks to Cindy by November 27. Bring guests, auction items and money\$\$\$\$

After shopping and dinner, we had the pleasure of listening to our speaker arranged by Marie. Lin Klaassen has earned a reputation as one of the Midwest's leading Face Readers. Lin has worked with lawyers on jury selection and trial consulting, human resources personnel about smart hiring, and in the entertainment area.

Lin said that face reading, or physiognomy, is based on the observation that there is a correlation between the structures of the face and the character or personality of the person. She said that our total personality is a combination of genetics, nature, and nurture. Our inherited traits, major life events, and behavioral patterns etch themselves onto our face and serve as a representations of who we are. There are 14 bones and over 100 muscles that go into making up a map of our face. There are 57 traits that one can be trained to read immediately. Face reading has been statistically validated to 92% accuracy. Using members as examples of different facial traits, Lin was able to accurately read our personalities.

Jackie Smart for Mary Jo Dreffs

Recording Secretary