**Rarity Bay Women's Club Monthly Meeting Minutes**

**Location:** Rarity Bay Country Club
**Time:** 9:30 am Sign-in and sign-up for activities Call to Order 10:03 am

**Opening by Amy Steward**

* Amy Steward welcomed all members and expressed gratitude for their attendance.
* An icebreaker activity was initiated where members discussed their favorite subjects in school.

**Introduction of the Speakers by Shelly Bundy King**

* Shelley King introduced the theme of the meeting focused on Teacher Appreciation Week.
* Members were encouraged to engage and appreciate the educators sharing their experiences.

**Educators’ Personal Testimonies**

* Members with a background in education shared their experiences and insights:
	+ Tracy Edstrom-Elementary school teacher
	+ Normalyn Beagle-Primary school teacher and art teacher
	+ Ann Schwartz-Piano teacher and concert pianist
	+ Pat Shannon- School administrator
	+ Cindy Willbee-Preschool teacher
	+ Jan Muir-Home schooled her children
	+ Connie Scott-Primary school teacher
	+ Amy Steward-Primary school teacher

**Social Report by Amy Steward**

* The Ice Cream Social and Puzzle Night was well attended and received positive feedback from participants who enjoyed the relaxed atmosphere and the opportunity to socialize.
* The Cinco de Mayo event surpassed expectations with over 100 attendees, reinforcing the community spirit and camaraderie among residents.
* Upcoming events included an afternoon high tea for 50 people at a cost of $25.
* A play, "Funny Money," at Tellico Playhouse is scheduled for June 19.

**Charity Report by Amanda Looney**

1. **Second Harvest Events:**
	* **Date:** May 17, 2025
	* **Location:** Maryville
	* **Time:** 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM
	* **Details:** Participants will pack food items. Encourage members to bring friends, spouses, and partners. The event can accommodate 25-30 volunteers.
	* **Second Event:**
		+ **Date:** May 22, 2025
		+ **Location:** Madisonville
		+ **Time:** 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM
		+ **Details:** Volunteers will hand out food boxes to families.
2. **Baby Shower for Newborn Items:**
	* **Date:** June 8-14, 2025
	* **Details:** Collecting newborn items with a surprise cupcake baby shower activity during that week.
3. **Adopt A Class Initiative:**
	* **Date:** July 13-19, 2025
	* **Details:** Opportunity to gather school supplies for children.

**Treasurer Report by Amy Steward**

* Amy reported the club has 349 members and approximately $20,000 in the bank.
* Members can review the latest Treasurer's report online under the communication tab.

**Learning Labs Report by Yvonne Harvey & Cindy Willbee**

* Yvonne noted a Learning Lab event at Little Sparrow Flower Farm scheduled for May 8th, members will arrange flowers and hear a presentation from the Farm.
* Buff City Soaps Event:
	+ Date: June 24, 2025, from 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
	+ Details: Making mini bath bombs from plant-based materials, suitable for gifts.

**Bereavement by Michelle Humphrey**

* Michelle Humphrey informed members about the passing of former member Anita Lambert's daughter, encouraging support and condolences.
* A visitation for Anita Lambert is scheduled at Saint Thomas in Lenoir City, with visitation beginning at 10 AM and a Christian burial mass at 11 AM.
* It is suggested that friends send cards or offer support to Anita during this difficult time.

**Greeter Director Report by Wendy Claus**

* Wendy Claus reported that 25 newcomers are on the roster and updated members on new neighborhood greeter volunteers.

**Closing and Announcements by Amy Steward**

* Amy Steward thanked all the speakers and reiterated the importance of community involvement.

**Meeting adjourned:** 11:39 am

**Date and Time of Next Meeting:** June 3rd at 10 am
**Location of Next Meeting:** Rarity Bay Country Club

**Minutes submitted by Heather Risany, Secretary**
**Date:** May 7, 2025