



NEW YORK & ST. LUCIE METS BOOSTER CLUB NEWSLETTER

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ISSUE 1

FUTURE MEETINGS

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SYMPATHY

We extend our condolences to the Friello family at the passing of Kathy's brother.

GET WELL

We wish speedy recoveries to Bobble Ed Moore, who had by-pass surgery, and to Ken Osterhoudt, who had hip surgery.

LET'S GO METS



MESSAGE FROM JIMMY

Dear Mets Booster Club Members,

Just a reminder that your 2023 Mets Booster Club dues are due by December 31, 2022. To have your name in the 2023 Mets Spring Training program your 2023 dues must be paid by the January 16, 2023, meeting.

Also, a reminder that the February 13th and the March 14th meetings will be held at Baron Real Estate in the St. Lucie Mets Convention Center on Commerce Center Dr.

We still have room on our bus trip to Miami on April 1, 2023, (opening day weekend) to see Mets vs Marlins. Tickets are still available for our road trip (no bus) on March 11th in West Palm Beach for the Mets vs Nationals.

We are also putting together some great prizes for our Annual Gathering at Clover Park on March 4th .

Anyone needing any other information on these events, please give me a call.

Hope to see you at our next meeting on January 16, 2023, at 7:00 pm in the conference room at Clover Park on Zoom.

President
Jim Fertitta

BOOSTER CLUB MINUTES



MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2022

- The monthly Booster Club Meeting was called to order at 7:12 p.m. After the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call was taken. All Officers were present.
- The minutes of the November 14, 2022, meeting were read. A motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Joyce King and seconded by Douglas Weiss. Motion passed.
- The Treasurer's Report was read by Judy Fitzgerald. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as read was made by Sue Samson and seconded by Douglas Weiss. Motion passed.
- Annual membership dues should be paid no later than the January 16, 2023, meeting, to have your name listed in our ad in the Spring Training Program.
- The bus for the opening day game in Miami on March 30th has been filled. There are still seats available for the bus on Saturday, April 1st at a cost of \$80.00 for members and \$85.00 for non-members. We have 30 tickets to the Mets vs Nationals game in West Palm Beach on Saturday, March 11th at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$35.00 for members and \$40.00 for non-members.
- The Spring Gathering is on Saturday, March 4th from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Jim Beam Bourbon Bar in the stadium. The cost is \$40.00 for members and \$35.00 for non-members. If you wear a Mets shirt, you will receive 3 free raffle tickets. Payment should be made by the February 13th meeting.
- The February and March meetings will be held at Baron Real Estate, 8555 Commerce Centre Dr, Port St. Lucie, FL 34986, in the St. Lucie Mets Convention Center.
- Vice President Dora Licastri announced that she and Larry will be moving to Colorado soon, and that she will resign her position on the Board as of the January meeting. The Board will appoint her replacement at that time.
- We received a thank you letter for our donation from the Port St. Lucie Police and a card from the Boys and Girls Club. We thanked the Friello family for a \$100.00 donation which was used towards our annual charitable gifts.
- Membership Chairperson Mary Ann Jones welcomed new members Robert Gucciardo, Ed Mellage, Rich Daisy, Paul Mosca, Patricia Steinmetz, Darcy Leihgeber, Michelle Horvath, Ed and Carol Harty, Barbara Faulkner, Gerhard Stoetzel, James LaFleur, Arthur III, Melissa, Dominick and Vincent Homan and Michael Gregoretti.
- The name called for the 50/50 was Susan Fertitta, who was present and won 75% of the pot.
- A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Lynn Skell and seconded by Richie Springman. The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Urso, Secretary
New York & St. Lucie Mets Booster Club



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SYMPATHY

We extend our condolences to Maria Valentino at the passing of her father, Settimio Corvin.

LET'S GO METS



MESSAGE FROM JIMMY

Dear Mets Booster Club Members,

I would like to welcome and congratulate our new Vice President Bill Zuppe, who was appointed as a board member to fill the vacant position.

Please remember that the February and March meetings will be held at the St. Lucie Mets Convention Center at Baron Real Estate, 8555 Commerce Centre Dr. The meetings are Monday, February 13th and Tuesday, March 14th.

Our annual Spring Gathering is on March 4th, \$35.00 for members and \$40.00 for non-members.

We have seats open for our road game on March 11th, Mets Vs Nationals (no bus), \$30.00 for members and \$35.00 for non-members.

We also have seats for the opening day weekend bus trip to Miami, Mets Vs Marlins on Saturday, April 1st, leaving Clover Park at 12:00. The cost for the bus and game ticket is \$80.00 for members and \$85.00 for non-members.

Hope to see you at our next meeting on February 13, 2023 at 7:00 pm at Baron Real Estate or on Zoom.

President
Jim Fertitta

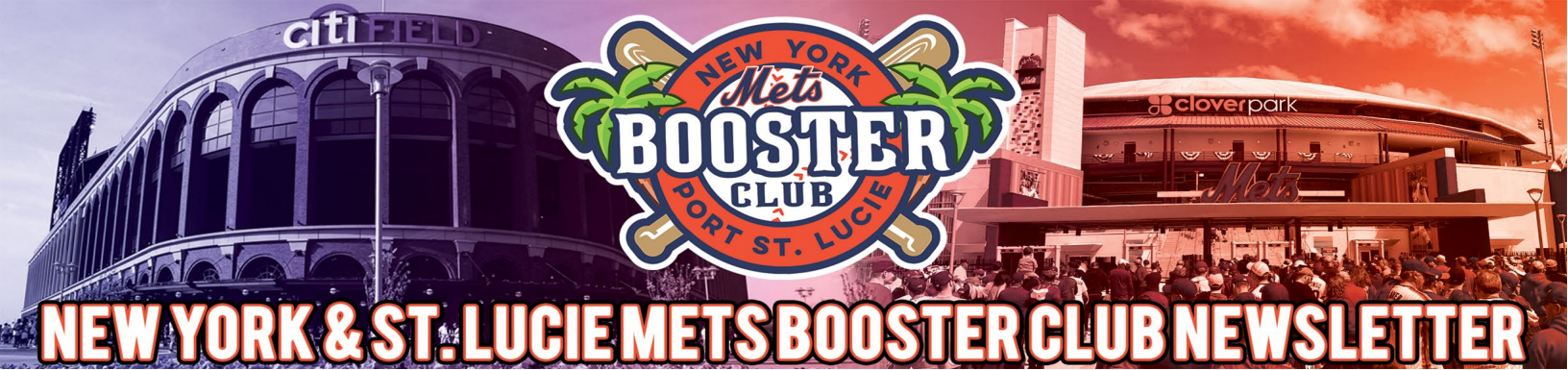
BOOSTER CLUB MINUTES



MONDAY, JANUARY 16, 2023

- The monthly Booster Club Meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. After the Pledge of Allegiance, a moment of silence was held for original Met, Frank Thomas. Roll call was taken. All Officers were present. The minutes of the December 12, 2022, meeting was read. A motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Sue Samson and seconded by Sue Grodzki. Motion passed.
- The Treasurer's Report was read by Judy Fitzgerald. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as read was made by Steven LaBargo and seconded by Joyce King. Motion passed.
- Dora Licastri read her letter of resignation, effective today, which was accepted. A few members expressed interest in the position and upon consideration, the Board appointed Bill Zuppe to complete the current 2-year term of Vice-President. Elections for all Officer positions will be in December.
- The buses for the March 30th and April 1st games in Miami will leave from Clover Park at noon. There are tickets available for the game on Saturday, April 1st at a cost of \$80.00 for members and \$85.00 for non-members. And we also have tickets for the Mets vs. Nationals game in West Palm Beach on Saturday, March 11th at 7:05 p.m. The cost is \$35.00 for members and \$40.00 for non-members.
- February 25th is the deadline for payment of \$30.00 for members and \$35.00 for non-members for the Spring Gathering, which is on March 4th from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Jim Beam Bourbon Bar in Clover Park. Many of the raffle prizes are signed baseballs and photos from Jim's personal collection.
- The Monday, February 13th and Tuesday, March 14th meetings will be at Baron Real Estate. We will have 10 raffle prizes, with the drawing rolling over from February to March.
- Membership Chairperson Mary Ann Jones let us know that since last January we have added over 50 new members, possibly due to our presence on social media. She also welcomed new members Fred and Ellen Roth, Herd Rein, Brian Sparks, Jolene Swisher, David, Kristen and Shea Stalker, David and Linda Bagdade and Roshon Legree.
- Author David Bagdade will be speaking at our March meeting. He will have copies of his book, A Year in Mudville – Revised Edition, available for sale.
- St. Lucie Mets Assistant General Manager Kyle Gleockler let us know that the field renovations at Clover Park are progressing. The major change is that the bullpens have been moved off the field.
- The name called for the 50/50 was Bob Dunkerely, who was not present and won 50% of the pot.
- A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Paula Zuppe and seconded by Carolyn Willis. The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Urso, Secretary
New York & St. Lucie Mets Booster Club



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LET'S GO METS



MESSAGE FROM JIMMY

Dear Mets Booster Club Members,

This is always a good time of the year with Spring Training in action and seeing our Mets Booster Club members from up north, which is always a welcome site. Hope everyone is enjoying their time here.

Please remember that the March meeting will be held at the St. Lucie Mets Convention Center at Baron Real Estate, 8555 Commerce Centre Dr. The meeting is on Tuesday March 14th. As always, you never know who might show up as a special guest.

We still have seats available for the opening weekend bus trip to Miami for Mets Vs Marlins on April 1st leaving Clover Park at 12:00. The bus and game ticket are \$80.00 for members and \$85.00 for non-members.

Hope to see you at our next meeting Tuesday March 14, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at Baron Real Estate or on Zoom.

Jim Fertitta
President
Mets Booster Club

BOOSTER CLUB MINUTES



MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2023

- The monthly Booster Club Meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. After the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call was taken. All Officers were present.
- The minutes of the January 16, 2023 meeting were read. A motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Jim Tourville and seconded by Roger Willis. Motion passed.
- The Treasurer's Report was read by Judy Fitzgerald. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as read was made by Joyce King and seconded by Jim Tourville. Motion passed.
- We welcomed Paul Taglieri, Mets Vice President, Minor League Operations and Kasey Blair, St. Lucie Mets Assistant General Manager, Game Day Operations. They gave us an update on the filed renovations, the workout schedule and the Amazin' Mets Foundation activities in our community. They also answered questions from members.
- We have a few tickets left for the Mets vs. Nationals game in Palm Beach at 7:05 p.m. on Saturday, March 11, 2023.
- We will meet outside the stadium near the big Mets chair for the Spring Gathering on Saturday, March 4 th . If you wear a Mets shirt you will receive 3 free raffle tickets. The event will be from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on the left field terrace, which is now named the Corona Beach House.
- We still have space available for the Bus trip to Miami on Saturday, April 1 st . The cost is \$80.00 for members and \$85 for non-members.
- Member Jim Dolan let us know that Keith Raad will now be on the radio broadcasts with Howie Rose. Keith was the main announcer for the Brooklyn Cyclones for the past five years. Jim also told us that Brandon Nimmo and Buck Showalter were honored at the 2023 Thurman Munson Awards.
- The next meeting will be on Tuesday, March 14 th at Baron Real Estate. Member Elizabeth Moore will be singing the National Anthem at the game that day. Author David Bagdade will be a special guest.
- We welcomed Jack Pallen to the meeting. He had baseball cards for sale, many with certified autographs. He donated 2 signed baseballs to the club as a thank you.
- Membership Chairperson Mary Ann Jones welcomed new members Scott, Alicia, Cheyenne, Jett, Mackenzie and Landon Stier, as well as returning members Ed Winkelman and Arlene Weiss.
- The name called for the 50/50 was Barbara Faulkner, who was not present and won 50% of the pot.
- A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Lynne Skell and seconded by Bob Dunkerley. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Urso, Secretary
New York & St. Lucie Mets Booster Club



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SYMPATHY

We send our sincere condolences to the Innamorato Family on the passing of Joe's mother.

LET'S GO METS



MESSAGE FROM JIMMY

Dear Mets Booster Club Members,

Let me say it was a great Spring Training. I don't know if that was because the last three springs were not so good. This spring I saw a lot of members that didn't make it down in the last few years. I also met some new members that signed up in the past few months.

Our annual gathering was the best we ever had. I have to say that because of the nice items we had plus the number of items and most of all the 100 people that attended.

We had a few nice guests at our February and March meetings, two different baseball card collectors plus member Dave Bagdade who wrote a book called A Year in Mudville and most important Ethan Wilson, Mets Senior Director, Communications.

Now let's start the season. Come out and support the St. Lucie Mets and I hope to see you in New York at CitiField.

We are back at Clover Park in the conference room for our next meeting on Monday, April 17, 2023 at 7:00 pm. Hope to see you there or on Zoom.

Jim Fertitta
President
Mets Booster Club

BOOSTER CLUB MINUTES



TUESDAY, MARCH 14, 2023

- The monthly Booster Club Meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. After the Pledge of Allegiance, a moment of silence was held for broadcaster Tim McCarver. Roll call was taken. All Officers were present.
- The minutes of the February 13, 2023, meeting was read. A motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Paul Samson and seconded by Doug Weiss. Motion passed.
- The Treasurer's Report was read by Judy Fitzgerald. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as read was made by Roger Willis and seconded by Susan Samson. Motion passed.
- The Spring Gathering went very well. We had a large array of prizes and 100 attended. The net profit was \$2867.47. We thank the Mets for the catering and all the help they provided.
- We welcomed special guest Ethan Wilson, Mets Sr. Director of Communications. He explained that he is the liaison between the media and the players and management. He was very gracious in answering our questions.
- We invited memorabilia trader Johnny Iaruso, known as Johnny Eye, to speak. He had a display set up with many items for sale.
- And we had author David Bagdade explain how he became a Mets fan and his fascination with the 1962 Mets. He had his revised edition of A Year in Mudville: The Full Story of Casey Stengel and the Original Mets available for sale.
- Kasey Blair told us that St. Lucie Mets season ticket information will be going out soon. The Amazin' Mets Foundation will be conducting a 50/50 drawing at each game of Spring Training and weekly during the St. Lucie season. The proceeds stay local and will benefit Christmas for Kids, Special Olympics and Vietnam Veterans.
- The drawing for prizes that started at the February meeting will be held tonight.
- The next meeting on April 17 th will be back in the conference room at Clover Park.
- Membership Chairperson Mary Ann Jones welcomed new members James McKeon, Vincent Porcaro, Michael Fine, James Conway, Glenn Turner, Michael and Janet Fiume, Michael and Christine Glennon, Thomas Kelly, Robin, and Bruce Lieberman and returning member Sam Bruning.
- The name called for the 50/50 was Laura Mance, who was not present and won 50% of the pot.
- A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Pam Laminsky and seconded by Lynne Skell. The meeting was adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
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SYMPATHY

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MESSAGE FROM JIMMY

Dear Mets Booster Club Members,

Did someone say, "Let's do a Bus Trip"? Sounds good to me. I had some interest in doing a Mets vs Marlins bus trip to Miami on Wednesday September 20, 2023. If we can get enough people to sign up before June 30 then we will go. I won't know the price until I order a bus and get the cost of the tickets. So, no obligation if you sign up now and can't make it. We will have to know by June 30th. We will be leaving Clover Park at 2:30 pm. Game starts at 6:40 pm. Please email us or call if you are interested. Just a reminder to mark your calendar for our Annual Dinner at Clover Park on Saturday November 11, 2023. Hope to see you at our next meeting on Monday May 15, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at Clover Park in the conference room or on Zoom.

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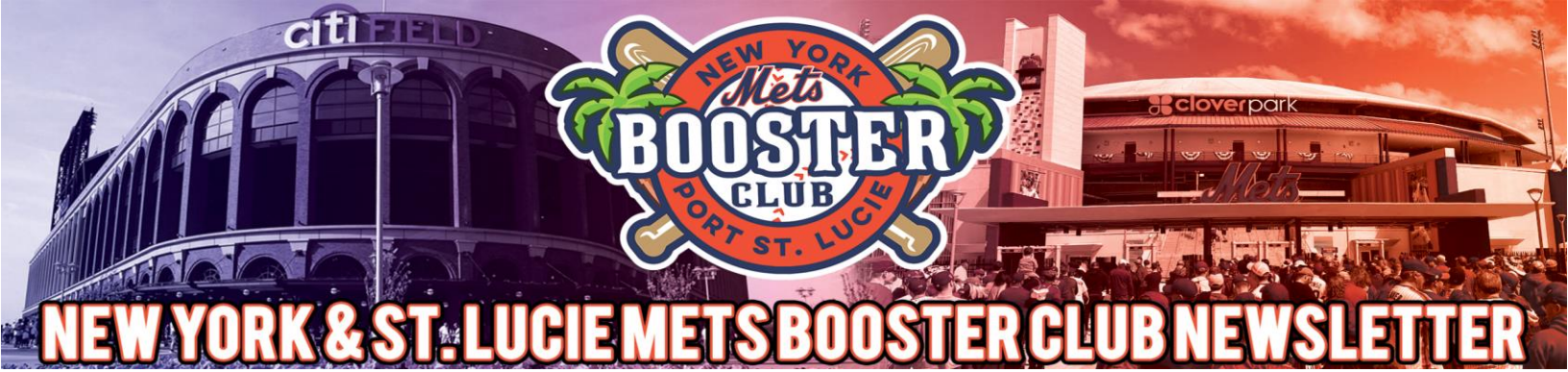
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MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2023

- The monthly Booster Club Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. After the Pledge of Allegiance, a moment of silence was held for Moises Alou and Hobie Lambrick. Roll call was taken. All Officers were present.
- The minutes of the March 14, 2023, meeting was read. A motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Steve LaBargo and seconded by Roger Willis. Motion passed.
- The Treasurer's Report was read by Judy Fitzgerald. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as read was made by Susan Samson and seconded by Ken Osterhoudt. Motion passed.
- The 2 bus trips to Miami went very well, even though the second bus was not full. Since several members have asked about going again, we are looking to go to the game on Wednesday, Sept. 20 at 6:40 p.m., with the bus leaving from Clover Park at 2:30 p.m. If we have at least 40 people by June 30, we will schedule it.
- Bill Zuppe gave the Minor League report. The three lower-level teams all have 3 and 6 records, while AAA Syracuse is at 10 and 5. Several of the organizations top prospects are playing here at St. Lucie.
- The date for the Annual Dinner is Saturday, November 11 and it will again be held at Clover Park.
- The St. Lucie Mets have a Theme Night each Saturday home game, benefiting a local charitable organization. The Board recommends sponsoring the School's Out/Reading Fest for the Children's Services Council on Saturday, May 27, at a cost of \$300.00 which includes 25 tickets to the game. Volunteers will be needed to staff a table where we can promote the Booster Club. A motion was made by Roger Willis, seconded by Ken Osterhoudt to participate. Motion passed.
- Membership Chairperson Mary Ann Jones welcomed new members John McDonald, Charlene Brannon, John Quagliano, Les and Jean Zucker and Tom Kelly. She also read a thank you from David Bagdade for our hospitality at the March meeting.
- The name called for the 50/50 was Janet Lapham, who was not present and won 50% of the pot.
- A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Susan Samson and seconded by Sue Grodzki. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
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New York & St. Lucie Mets Booster Club



JUNE 2023

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GET WELL

Sending get well wishes to Anna Mastroianni as she recovers from surgery.

LET'S GO METS



MESSAGE FROM JIMMY

Dear Mets Booster Club Members,

I have the cost of the bus trip to Miami on Wednesday September 20th to see the New York Mets vs. the Miami Marlins. It is \$80.00 for members and \$85.00 for non-members. If you just need a ticket and want to meet at the stadium the cost will be \$35.00 each. We need to have at least 40 people to make this trip happen so please let us know if you want to be put on the list. We need payment by our August 21st meeting. Bus will leave Clover Park at 2:00 pm since the game starts at 6:40 pm

Just a reminder that there will be NO MEETING in July. Enjoy the summer and we'll meet again on Monday August 21st.

Hope to see you at our next meeting Monday June 19, 2023 at 7:00 pm in the Conference Room at Clover Park or on Zoom.

Jim Fertitta
President
Mets Booster Club

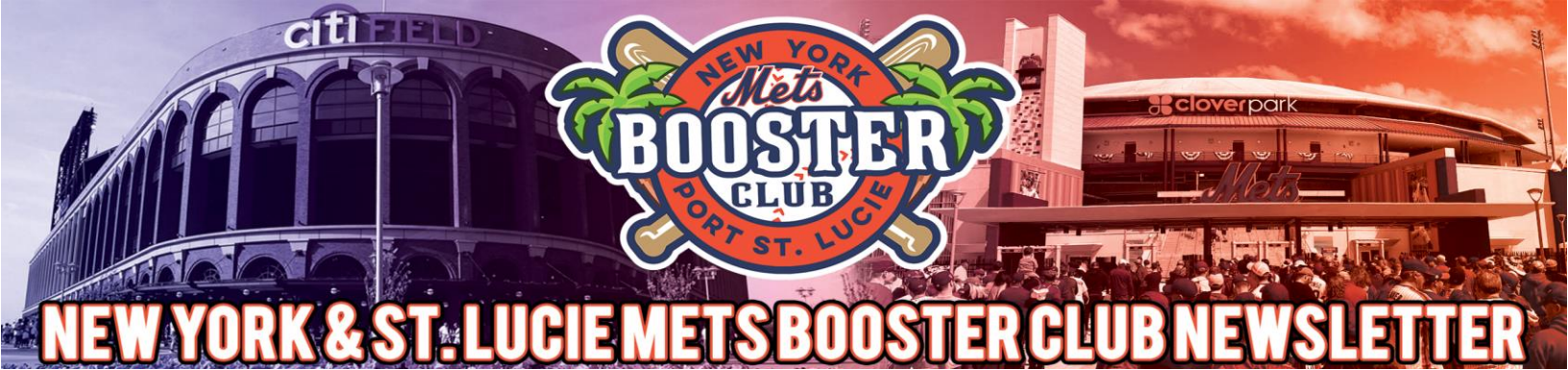
BOOSTER CLUB MINUTES



MONDAY, MAY15 2023

- The monthly Booster Club Meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. After the Pledge of Allegiance, a moment of silence was held for former Mets pitcher Dennis Ribant. Roll call was taken. All Officers were present.
- The minutes of the April 17, 2023 meeting were read. A motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Joyce King and seconded by Roger Willis. Motion passed.
- The Treasurer's Report was read by Judy Fitzgerald. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as read was made by Stephen LaBargo and seconded by Joyce King. Motion passed.
- Wilma Osterhoudt introduced representatives of the Salvation Army Food Pantry, who thanked us for our generous donation. They let us know that over 2000 people use the pantry each month.
- We thanked Ed Delany for providing photos for our meeting raffles.
- Jim is working on the tentative bus trip to Miami on Wednesday, September 20th for the 6:40 p.m. game. As long as we have 40 people confirmed for the bus, we will make the trip.
- There will be a watch party at Duffy's in St. Lucie West on Saturday, June 3rd for the Blue Jays vs. Mets 4:10 p.m. game. We will meet in the back room at 3:30 p.m. Wear a Mets shirt and you will get a free raffle ticket. Each person will be responsible for their own food and drinks.
- Bill reported that none of our Minor League teams have a winning record. He highlighted St. Lucie Mets right-handed pitcher Jawilme Ramirez, who currently has a 2.73 ERA.
- Our Annual Dinner on Saturday, November 11, 2023 will have a "Ya Gotta Believe" theme, celebrating the 50th anniversary of the 1973 Mets.
- We have the volunteers for our table at the St. Lucie Mets game on Saturday, May 27th. We will be handing out small toys to the children and will also have information about the Booster Club available.
- Please remember that there is no meeting in July. We will call the July 50/50 number based on the June attendance.
- The name called for the 50/50 was Janet Lapham, who was not present and won 50% of the pot.
- A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Wilma Osterhoudt and seconded by Ken Osterhoudt. The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Urso, Secretary
New York & St. Lucie Mets Booster Club



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FUTURE MEETINGS

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ZOOM MEETING

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Bus Trip to Miami – September 20 (this is pending 40 people signing up)
Annual Dinner – November 11

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SYMPATHY

We send our sincere condolences to Max Scarongi and family at the passing of his mother, Assunta.

LET'S GO METS



MESSAGE FROM JIMMY

Dear Mets Booster Club Members,

We are still looking for anyone who wants to attend the Mets vs Marlins bus trip to Miami on Wednesday, September 20. We are leaving from Clover Park at 2:00 pm for the game that starts at 6:40 pm. The cost is \$80.00 for members and \$85.00 for non-members. If we do not have 40 people signed up by the cut-off date of August 21, we will have to cancel.

Hope to see you at our next meeting on August 21, 2023 at 7:00 pm in the Conference Room at Clover Park or on Zoom.

Jim Fertitta
President
Mets Booster Club

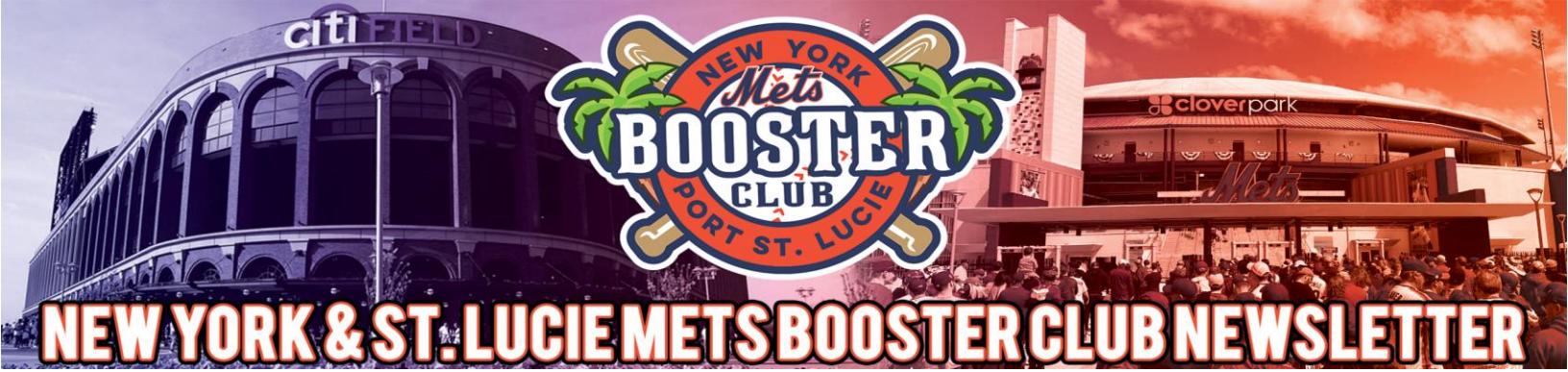
BOOSTER CLUB MINUTES



MONDAY, JUNE 19, 2023

- The monthly Booster Club Meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm. After the Pledge of Allegiance, a moment of silence was held for John Sullivan and original Met Roger Craig. Roll call was taken. All Officers, except Mary Ann Jones, were present.
- The minutes of the May 15, 2023 meeting were read. A motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Paul Samson and seconded by Roger Willis. Motion passed.
- The Treasurer's Report was read by Judy Fitzgerald. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as read was made by Susan Samson and seconded by Les Zucker. Motion passed.
- The watch party went well, with 30 people in attendance. We have scheduled another one for Saturday, August 26 for the Mets vs. Angels game at 7:10 pm. Plan to meet in the back room at Duffy's in St. Lucie West by 6:30 pm and remember to wear a Mets shirt for a free raffle ticket. Let Jim know if you plan to attend.
- There is no meeting in July. Our next meeting is Monday, August 21.
- Bill reported that our minor league teams have been improving. One standout player is outfielder Bill Rudick in Binghamton.
- We have tentatively scheduled a bus trip to Miami on Wednesday, September 20 for the 6:40 p.m. game. If we have 40 people confirmed for the bus, we will make the trip. The cost will be \$80.00 for members and \$85.00 for non-members. The deadline to sign up is August 21.
- We are starting to get some nice prizes for our Annual Dinner on Saturday, November 11, 2023.
- We welcomed new members Jennifer Amaro, Marco Cruz and Linda and Al Solanick.
- The name called for the June 50/50 was Chrissy Friello, who was not present and won 50% of the pot. The name called for the July 50/50 was Christine Mathison, who was not present and won 50% of the pot.
- A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Roger Willis and seconded by James McKeon. The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Urso, Secretary
New York & St. Lucie Mets Booster Club



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FUTURE MEETINGS

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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SYMPATHY

We send our sympathy to Ed Melage and family at the passing of his father.

LET'S GO METS



MESSAGE FROM JIMMY

Dear Mets Booster Club Members,

As most of you already know, the 2024 Spring Training schedule has been released. All I can say is book early as the hotels in the area fill up fast. Here are some dates to keep in mind to help you plan. The meeting dates are January 15, February 19 and March 11. The Spring Gathering is Saturday, March 9. And we will be attending a road game in Palm Beach on Saturday, March 16. Prices and times will be announced in the next few months.

Hope to see you at our next meeting on September 18, 2023 at 7:00 pm in the Conference Room at Clover Park or on Zoom.

Jim Fertitta
President
Mets Booster Club

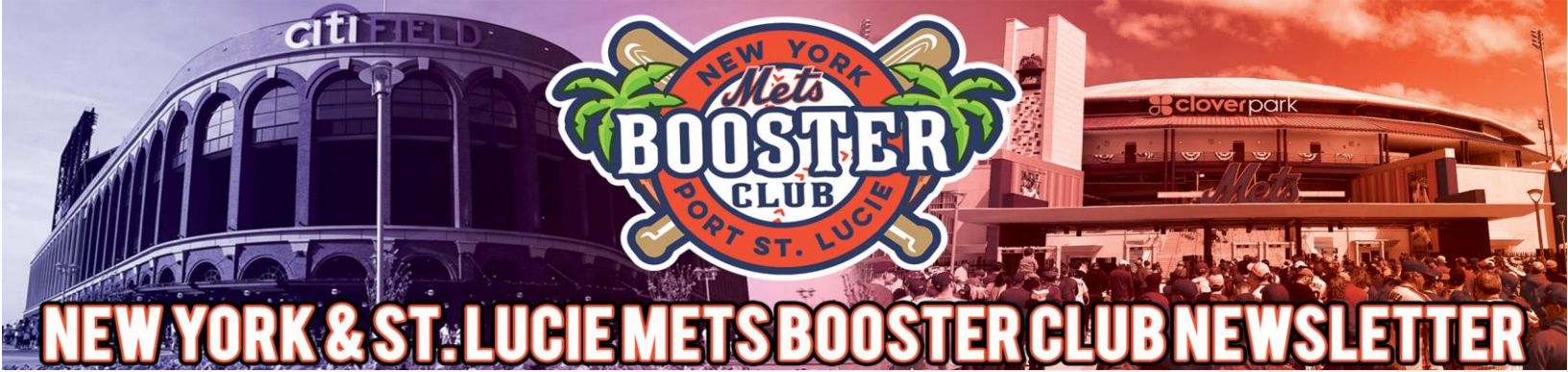
BOOSTER CLUB MINUTES



MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 2023

- The monthly Booster Club Meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm. After the Pledge of Allegiance, a moment of silence was held for former Met Ed Bressoud. Roll call was taken. All Officers were present, with Bill Zuppe attending via Zoom.
- The minutes of the June 19, 2023 meeting were read. A motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Carol Hardy and seconded by Doug Weiss. Motion passed.
- The Treasurer's Reports for July and August were read by Judy Fitzgerald. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Reports as read was made by Joyce King and seconded by Roger Willis. Motion passed.
- The bus trip to Miami on September 20 is cancelled since we only had 25 people sign up. We will try again next year on May 18 and July 20.
- Since the Mets play in Tampa from Friday to Sunday, May 3, 4 & 5, 2024, we are planning a road trip. The Club will be getting the tickets for the Friday and Sunday games. We will be joining the 7-Line Army on Saturday. Jim has reserved a block of rooms at the Tru by Hilton. An email will be sent with more details. You will be on your own for travel arrangements.
- Bill reported that the Cyclones have a chance at making the playoffs. He highlighted top prospect outfielder Drew Gilbert playing in Binghamton, who the Mets acquired in the Verlander trade. The Florida Complex League Mets will play in the first round of playoffs on Thursday.
- Judy has a donation request letter available if anyone would like to use it to help us get prizes for our Annual Dinner on Saturday, November 11, 2023.
- Our Spring Gathering will be on Saturday, March 9, 2024.
- Membership chairperson Mary Ann Jones welcomed new member Bob Donohue.
- Wilma Osterhoudt thanked us on behalf of the children we brought to the game last month.
- The name called for the 50/50 was Richard Talbot, who was not present and won 50% of the pot.
- A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Doug Weiss and seconded by James McKeon. The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Urso, Secretary
New York & St. Lucie Mets Booster Club



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FUTURE MEETINGS

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2024 meetings scheduled so far are January 15 and February 19.

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SYMPATHY

We send our sympathy to Michelle Horvath at the passing of her mother.

LET'S GO METS



MESSAGE FROM JIMMY

Dear Mets Booster Club Members,

Well, the season is over so that means one thing, Spring Training is just around the corner. As I said before, please book early as everything books up and prices increase the longer you wait.

Our Annual Dinner is Saturday, November 11, beginning with the cocktail hour at 6:00 pm in the Clubhouse, followed by dinner and raffles in the Conference Room. We are limited to 80 people, so let us know ASAP if you plan to attend. Payment of \$50.00 per person must be received by October 31.

Hopefully I will have the times and prices for the Spring Gathering and the road game to West Palm by the next meeting.

Hope to see you at our next meeting on October 16, 2023 at 7:00 pm in the Conference Room at Clover Park or on Zoom.

Jim Fertitta
President
Mets Booster Club

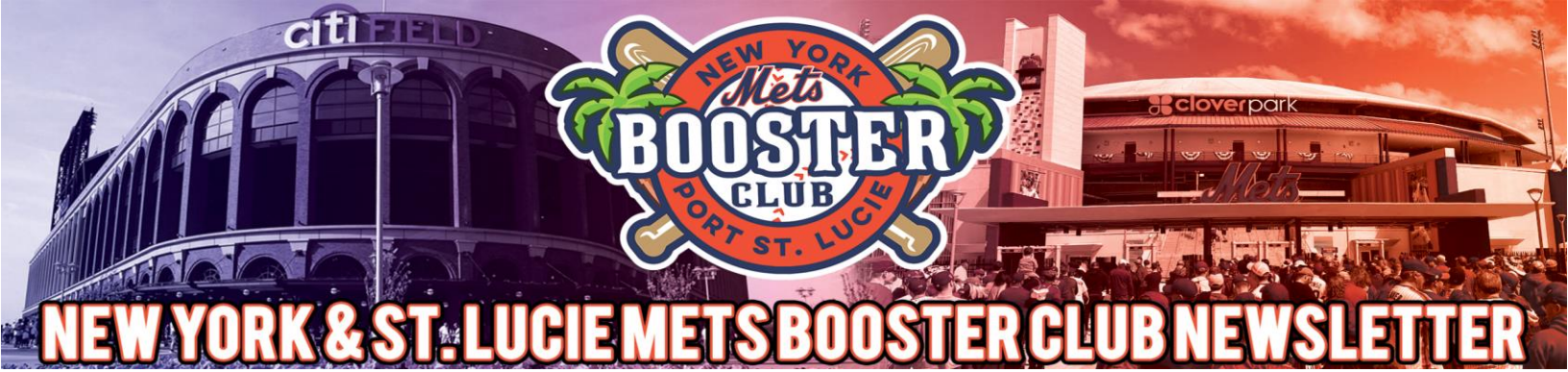
BOOSTER CLUB MINUTES



MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2023

- The monthly Booster Club Meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm. After the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call was taken. All Officers were present.
- The minutes of the August 21, 2023 meeting were read. A motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Joyce King and seconded by Roger Willis. Motion passed.
- The Treasurer's Report was read by Judy Fitzgerald. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as read was made by Roger Willis and seconded by Joyce King. Motion passed.
- We ended up booking 30 rooms for the Mets series in Tampa in May. If you did not reserve through Jimmy, you are on your own. Ticket arrangements will be finalized once we know the cost.
- Since Doc Gooden has been such a good friend to the Club, we will invite him to the November meeting and present him with a gift.
- Judy gave us the details of our Annual Dinner on November 11, beginning with the cocktail hour in the Clubhouse at 6:00 pm. There will be a reasonably priced cash bar available. Dinner will be served in the Conference Room, with the raffle drawings to follow. We are only able to have 80 people and payment of \$50.00 per person must be received by October 31.
- Bill reported that the brightest spot in our Minor Leagues is Binghamton, who play in the first round of the Eastern League playoffs beginning tomorrow. Hopefully, Luisangel Acuna will help them win. Brooklyn tied for first place in the second half but did not qualify for the playoffs based on head-to-head records. Bill also let us know that CitiField will host a Dominican Winter League series in November.
- Some dates to keep in mind for next year are the meetings on January 15 and February 19, the Spring Gathering on March 9 and the road game to Palm Beach on March 16.
- The name called for the 50/50 was Maria Laue, who was not present and won 50% of the pot.
- A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Carolyn Willis and seconded by Paul Samson. The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Urso, Secretary
New York & St. Lucie Mets Booster Club



NEW YORK & ST. LUCIE METS BOOSTER CLUB NEWSLETTER

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FUTURE MEETINGS

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SYMPATHY

We send our sympathy to the Zuppe families at the passing of their dad, John.

LET'S GO METS



MESSAGE FROM JIMMY

Dear Mets Booster Club Members,

Just a reminder that dues for all members should be paid by December 31, 2023. Membership cost is \$15.00 for one, \$20.00 for two in the same household and \$25.00 for a family of three or more. And remember, to have your name in the 2024 Mets Spring Training program, your dues must be received by the January 15, 2024 meeting.

Here are the details for our Spring road game (no bus) on Saturday, March 16 in Palm Beach. The Mets vs. Astros game starts at 6:05 pm. The cost is \$31.00 per ticket, and I only ordered 30 seats. Your name goes on the list once you pay, so don't wait to send in your payment.

Our next meeting on November 13 is when we collect unwrapped toys for boys and girls 14 and under for the WPSL toy drive and also non-perishable food for the Children's Home Society Wavecrest Shelter. Please continue your support of these two charities that help kids during the holiday season and all year round.

Hope to see you at our next meeting on November 13, 2023 at 7:00 pm in the Conference Room at Clover Park or on Zoom.

Jim Fertitta
President
Mets Booster Club

BOOSTER CLUB MINUTES



MONDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2023

- The monthly Booster Club Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. After the Pledge of Allegiance, a moment of silence was held for original Met Joe Christopher. Roll call was taken. All Officers were present.
- The minutes of the September 18, 2023 meeting were read. A motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Steven LaBargo and seconded by Joyce King. Motion passed.
- The Treasurer's Report was read by Judy Fitzgerald. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as read was made by Floyd Spanier and seconded by Joyce King. Motion passed.
- Our Annual Dinner will begin with a cocktail hour at 6:00 pm on Saturday, November 11. A cash bar will be available and your payment of \$50.00 per person must be received by October 31. The Board will be inviting Buzz Capra and Felix Millan to join us.
- We will be collecting toys for the WPSL Christmas Kids and non-perishable food for the Children's Home Society Wavecrest Shelter at the November meeting. At the Board's recommendation, a motion to donate \$250.00 to each of these organizations was made by Roger Willis and seconded by John Gregorovic. Motion passed.
- All Officer positions are up for election in December for a two year term. Members in good standing, aged 18 or older, having attended at least four meetings during the year, are eligible to run. You can nominate yourself by having a letter of intent read at the November meeting.
- Bill reported on the final records for the minor league teams. Syracuse was 61-85, Binghamton was 74-61 and ended in 2nd place in the Eastern League, Brooklyn was 66-65, St. Lucie was 44-84, and the FCL Mets were 32-18. The organization's player of the year was Jett Williams, and the pitcher was Christian Scott. Both advanced through three levels during the season.
- The location for the February and March meetings has not yet been determined.
- Wilma Osterhoudt has Enjoyment Books for sale at \$35.00 each, benefiting Faith Congregational Church.
- Kasey Blair went over the Silver Sluggers program, as there are now two levels of membership, \$50.00 for Tuesday games and \$90.00 for Tuesday and Friday games. You can check the St. Lucie Mets website for details and to sign up.
- Mary Ann Jones let us know about some community support opportunities. The local libraries are holding a Peanut Butter Drive and Sprouts Farmers Market has Grab and Give Bags for donations of \$10.00 or \$13.00, with items given to the Treasure Coast Food Bank.
- The name called for the 50/50 was Steve Mance, who was present via Zoom and won 75% of the pot.
- A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Steven LaBargo and seconded by Betty Brennan. The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Urso, Secretary
New York & St. Lucie Mets Booster Club



DECEMBER 2023

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FUTURE MEETINGS

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Next meeting is Monday, December 11, 2023.

2024 meetings are January 15, February 19, Tuesday, March 12, April 15, May 20, June 17, August 19, September 16, October 21, November 18 and December 16. The February and March meetings will be held at the Holiday Inn Express, 1601 NW Courtyard Circle, Port St Lucie, FL (across from Duffy's)

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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GET WELL

Get Well wishes to Barbara Borab as she recovers from hip surgery.

LET'S GO METS



MESSAGE FROM JIMMY

Dear Mets Booster Club Members,

DUES – PIZZA - DUES – PIZZA! Yes, it's December and we have pizza and soft drinks at our meeting. We will begin serving at 6:00 pm, so come around 5:45 pm. It is also a good time to pay your 2024 Booster Club dues. Please remember that to have your name in the 2024 Mets Spring Training program, your dues must be received by the January 15, 2024 meeting.

We only have about 20 tickets left for our March 16th road game (no bus) to Palm Beach to see the Mets vs. Astros starting at 6:05pm. Names will go on the list once you pay, so don't wait to send in your check for \$35.00 per ticket.

I want to thank the members again for coming through with their donations of toys and food at last months' meeting. WPSL and the Children's Home Society really appreciate our support.

Hope to see you at our next meeting on December 11, 2023 at 7:00 pm (by 6:00 pm for pizza!) in the Conference Room at Clover Park or on Zoom.

Jim Fertitta
President
Mets Booster Club

BOOSTER CLUB MINUTES



MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2023

- The monthly Booster Club Meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm. After the Pledge of Allegiance, a moment of silence was held for former Met pitcher Rob Gardner and Frank Howard. Roll call was taken. All Officers were present.
- The minutes of the October 16, 2023 meeting were read. A motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Joyce King and seconded by Jim Tourville. Motion passed.
- The Treasurer's Report was read by Judy Fitzgerald. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as read was made by John Gregorovic and seconded by Steven LaBargo. Motion passed.
- Thank you to all who brought food for the Children's Home Society WaveCREST Shelter and Toys for the WPSL Christmas Kids. Carol and Greg Wyatt from WPSL explained the history of the Christmas Kids and told us that 500 children will receive 3 toys each. The Amazing Mets Foundation has given them a \$5000.00 grant to support all their programs, which include back to school clothes for homeless students and water safety lessons.
- Jack Pallen is here tonight with baseball cards for sale.
- Judy reported that the Annual Dinner was very successful, with a profit of over \$1780.00. We thanked everyone who donated raffle prizes. We all had a good time and enjoyed the food.
- The location of our Spring Gathering on March 9th is yet to be determined, since we may have a scheduling conflict at the stadium.
- We will have our Pizza Party beginning at 6:00 pm before the December 11th meeting.
- The Board recommends making the following donations: \$500.00 to the Boys and Girls Club of St. Lucie County, \$500.00 to Hibiscus Children's Center, \$500.00 to the Treasure Coast Food Bank, \$400.00 to the Port St Lucie Police Department Shop With a Cop program and \$400.00 to the Salvation Army Food Pantry. A motion to make the donations was made by Stephen LaBargo and seconded by Carol Hardy. Motion passed.
- Dues for 2024 should be paid by December 31st and no later than the January 15th meeting to have your name listed in our ad in the Mets Spring Training program.
- We are still working on finding a location for the February and March meetings.
- Please see Wilma Osterhoudt if you would like to purchase an Enjoyment Book for \$35.00 each, to benefit Faith Congregational Church.
- Self-nomination letters for officers were read. They were Jim Fertitta for President, Bill Zuppe for Vice President, Pat Urso for Secretary, Judy Fitzgerald for Treasurer and Mary Ann Jones for Membership Chairperson. Since there was only one candidate for each position, a motion to accept the new Board was made by Jim Tourville and seconded by Joyce King. Motion passed.
- The name called for the 50/50 was Scott Williams, who was present and won 75% of the pot.
- A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Paul Samson and seconded by Susan Fertitta. The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Urso, Secretary
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