

Minutes of meeting of the "Evergreen"

Feb. 6th, 1923

We opened our weekly meeting with prayer and hymns.

Motion was made and passed that our club colors be green and gold.

Club name was then discussed. No name was definitely decided upon.

Motion was made and passed that club dues be \$.05 per week.

Following officers were elected for year.

President	-	Miss Marie Schnabel
Vice Pres.	-	Miss Margaret Mueller
Secretary	-	Miss Adeline Richards
Treasurer	-	Miss Pearl Orwig

by:

Adeline Richards, Sec.

Feb. 20th, 1923

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Miss Lillian Poulsen was elected as treasurer of savings account.

It was suggested that we have a play after Easter.

Treasury	-	\$.65
Charity	-	.10

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March 13th, 1923

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After repeating our code and purpose, the treasurer gave her report.

Old Business: As we have not yet composed a club song, Miss Bertha requested each girl to compose a song to the tune of "Nancy Lee"

We have decided to sew for the aged woman at home instead of at the club for more work can be accomplished in less time if done by a machine.

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Miss Bertha is going to ask Sister Lena if she
knows of any little girl who ~~is~~ needs help
and whom we shall be glad to help.

The play was again discussed and we are going
to have it in the hall if the trustees allow
us to do so. Miss Bertha suggested that the
admission be 25¢ including a slice of ice
cream. This as yet has not been decided upon.

New Business: The question of how to raise
money? Several suggestions were:

- Box parties
- Straw Rides
- etc.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45. After which
we played games.

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Charity - 10.

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March 15th, 1923

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Treasurer gave her report.
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The weekly meeting of the "Evergreen" opened with songs and prayer. The treasurer then gave her report. The V-P suggested that two committees be appointed for arranging chairs and attending to the books. The committees appointed were:

1st	G. Farris	2nd	Anna Brunner
	Mary Mueller		Dora "
	Marie Schanbel		Anna Mack
	Ruth Buechler		L. Poulsen

Miss Bertha has asked the trustees to permit us to have a play in the hall. They have gladly given us the permission to do so. They are glad we take interest in it.

The meeting of the trustees will probably be held the first part of April. They will tell us when we may have the hall for the play.

Miss Bertha is going to send away for the book for our play. We have selected "Her Son's Sweetheart". If the title does not seem suitable we can change it. Characters for the play will be chosen this week.

It was decided upon that each girl should bring 10¢ toward the eats for the initiation party April 10th. An entertainment committee was appointed as follows:

Catherine Beacham
Margaret Mueller
Pearl Orwig
Dora Brunner
Marie Schanbel

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Dues collected \$3.30 Charity fund \$.70

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March 27th, 1923

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The weekly meeting of the "Evergreen" was held last Tues. evening. We opened the meeting with a hymn after which our president led in prayer. The treasurer and secretary's reports were heard.

Then Miss Irene played the violin while our club members sang. We repeated our code and then talked about business.

We decided to postpone the initiation party because quite a few members could not come. We will not have it until April 10th.

Miss Bertha bought candy and several of our members volunteered to sell it.

Miss Bertha suggested wearing a small bow of ribbon of green and gold on the night of the party.

The books for the play were sent for and received. Miss Bertha selected girls to take part in the play. The rest of the night was spent for gym and games for the girls who are not in the play, and those in the play want over their parts.

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April 3, 1923

The weekly meeting of the "Evergreen" was held last Tues. evening. We opened the meeting with a hymn and prayer. The treasurer and secretary's reports were read. We then sang our club song and repeated our code. We sang a few songs after which we talked about business. Miss Bertha brought more candy which was distributed among our members. The members who are in the play met at Miss Bertha's house to practise the play. Some of the girls have been selected to act in a small play which will be given at the party. By the rules of our club to be initiated we must know our code and what each phrase means. We should know the names of the president of the U.S., the mayor of Balto. and the governor of Md. The meeting adjourned at 8:30.

Dues	\$8.15
Charity	1.25

By Adeline Richards, Sec.

April 10th, 1923

The weekly meeting of the "Evergreen" was held last Tues. evening. We opened our meeting with hymns and prayer. The treasurer's and secretary's reports were heard. Being the night of the initiation party little business was discussed. The initiation began thusly:

Each one present was given a sheet of paper upon which were a number of questions to be answered by the members. After ~~one~~ one had finished filling out the blanks, each one read their answers.

All those present with the exception of two were elected into the club as members. The two have the opportunity to be initiated over again and if they pass they can become members.

Several games were played and a stunt was acted by several members which was quite passee. We were then served with the refreshments.

By: Adeline Richards, Sec.

April 24, 1923

The weekly meeting of the "Evergreen" was held Tues. evening. We opened our meeting with hymns and prayer. The secretary's and treasurer's reports were heard. The treasurer reported \$8.15 for dues and \$1.25 for charity fund. We repeated our code. Two of the members who had not been initiated at the time of the party were initiated this evening and elected into the club as members. Since ~~every~~ one's hobby seems to be hiking, Miss Bertha has decided that we will discuss the matter at the club this evening and if it is decided upon we may go hiking in a week or two. Candy was brought and distributed among our members who volunteered to sell it. The meeting adjourned at 9 p.m. after which we played games.

By: Adeline Richards, Sec.

May 8th, 1923

The weekly meeting of the "Evergreen" was called to order by our president. After singing hymns and being led in prayer by our president, the treasurer reported \$9.20 in the treasury and \$1.50 for benevolences. The club repeated its code and purpose after which we discussed business. Old Business: The hike was again discussed and the date has been decided upon. It is to be on May 12th, starting out between 1 and 1:30. Several places have been mentioned where we could hike but none definitely decided on. As no one has brought in any tune for which we could write words to, Miss Bertha has again asked the girls to bring in one to night. New Business: There is to be no club on May 1st, as we are going to hear Miss Angy Manning Taylor speak in church. One more girl, Nellie Schanbel has been initiated into the "Evergreen". The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 after which we played games.

By: Adeline Richards, Sec.

May 15th, 1923

The weekly meeting of the "Evergreen" was called to order by the president. We opened with singing of hymns and prayer. Our treasurer gave her report and we have \$10.65 and \$1.50 for benevolences. Old Business: We are to meet at Miss Bertha's house on Sat. May 18th, no later than 2:00 p.m. for the hike. From there we are to take the car and ride to Woodlawn. Then we shall hike to Gwynn Falls. The play was discussed and it is to be on Thursday next week instead of Monday. New Business: The Camp Fire was talked about. Pastor Batz is not pleased with our club and is very anxious to have us form a camp fire. Miss Bertha said if we are to start one she must get an assistant. Miss Bertha said that we should think and pray about the camp fire and let her know if we want one. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30. We then played games.

By: Margaret Mueller, V-P.

May 22nd, 1923

The weekly meeting of the Evergreen was called to order by Miss Bertha as our president was absent. The treasurer gave her report, and we have \$11.60 in treasury and \$1.60 in charity fund.

New Business: The money which we have made in selling candy was turned over to our treasurer. The sum is \$4.55.

We have decided to change the play's name from "Her Sons's Sweetheart" to "Much Ado about Nothing". The play will begin at 8:00 p.m. on June 12, 1923. The tickets are to be 25¢ each. We are to have then printed (250) as we are only have it one night. Miss Bertha chose girls in groups to attend to certain things the night of the play.

The groups are: Pearl Orwig - to sell tickets at door
G. Farris, Ada Hedreck, F. Yeager, E. Brown to sell ice cream.

A. Rettman, H. Schmidt, C. Bauersfeld to sell candy and soft drinks.

M. Sahlman is going to pull the curtains.

Dora Brunner and M. Mueller are to be ushers and give out programs.

Anna Brunner and A. Snitzisker are to collect tickets.

The other girls who were not present at the

meeting will be given something to do for the play next meeting.

Miss Bertha and Miss Irene are going to ask Mr. Wieland to furnish us with a living room suite.

The orchestra is to be composed of cello and violin a cornet and piano.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m. We then played games.

By: Margaret Mueller.

May 29th, 1923

The weekly meeting of the "Evergreen" was held last Tuesday night. We were called to order by our president after which we sang songs and were led in prayer by our pres.

The treasurer then reported \$12.50 intreasury and \$1.65 for benevolences.

Minutes of last week were read and approved.

Mr. Wieland has consented to let us have a living room suite for the play.

Miss Bertha received the tickets for the play and distributed them among our members.

Miss Bertha got an exemption paper which was signed by our president. If it goes thru a war tax will not be required for the tickets.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30. We then played games.

By Margaret Mueller,

"A TRIP TO WALBROOK"

When the "Evergreen" was first organized, Miss Bertha, our advisor, suggested that we go hiking so that the girls would get better acquainted and besides as the weather was getting warmer a good walk would be quite beneficial. So arrangements were made to go hiking on Saturday afternoon (early spring, 1923) meeting at Miss Bertha's house at 1:00 p.m. From there we were to ride to Woodlawn and then hike thru Gwyns Falls Park to the Recreation Center at Walbrook.

On the appointed day at 1:00 p.m. we met at 606 S. Clinton St. We boarded the 10 car at Eastern Ave. & Clinton St. and transferred at Richmond market, to the Woodlawn car and rode to the end of the line. While on the car we sang small ditties and our club song. After we alighted from the car we formed line in two's and with a mighty cheer our hike began. What a lovely walk we had thru the park. When we had walked along for quite a way among the fragrant flowers and spicy evergreens we saw a baseball game, and on inquiring which teams were competing we found that the "Evergreens" were playing the "Walbrooks". Standing on a hill overlooking the game the bunch of girls cheered their namesakes. Treading onward at a steady pace, we soon arrived at the recreation center. We ate our lunch and sang and later played games although by this time it had started to drizzle and we looked for all the world like a bunch of half drowned rats. We danced the Virginia Reel to Turkey-in-the-straw and the rain as it fell reminded us of thousands of tiny fairies dancing with us. What fun we had and before we knew it, it was time to go home. How sorry we were but with the hope of having many more good times we turned our noses toward home. On the cars enroute to Highlandtown, we again sang and yelled and ate fish pretzels. "Such an enjoyable afternoon," was said, and with the promise to go again in the near future we departed.

by Margaret Mueller

"OUR 1923 THANKSGIVING PARTY"

As Thanksgiving day was drawing near, we girls of the "Evergreen" wondered what we could do to show that we too might take part in this blessed day. We decided to show and prove that we were grateful for the countless blessings bestowed upon us, by giving some folks less fortunate than we, something to be thankful for, something to make them happy. Many suggestions were made, but we finally decided to give a Thanksgiving party to a number of poor children in Baltimore City. We planned to have a festival dinner and prepared for about 30 children. Sister Lena Nos, deaconess of our church, gave us a number of names of children that we thought would like to come to our party. Different committees were appointed to go to the homes of the children and take an invitation to each family and also assure the parents that the children would be safe. The girls that were appointed also had to see that the children arrived at the party safely and then escort them home. So friends who had machines were asked to go after our guests and then take them home after the party and were only too glad to assist us in anyway they could for such a cause. Therefore we had no trouble getting the children altho we would have had a difficult task getting them to the party via street cars.

As the day drew near we were greatly excited over the good time in store for all. We came down the night before the party and decorated the hall and set the tables and made necessary arrangements. All were anxious to see what a time the children were going to have and could hardly wait until the next day, it seemed so long coming.

Miss Margaret Paulsen, Mrs. O. Norden and Mrs. Margaret Bechtold kindly consented to take care of preparing the dinner for us .

Saturday morning just seemed to fly and before we knew it, it was time to call for the children. When they came they seemed so shy that we played "Going to Jerusalem" to make them feel at home. We gave a prize to the one who stayed in the game the longest. After that they seemed more at ease, so we separated the larger children from the smaller ones and played games such as

"CHRISTMAS, 1923"

Several weeks before Christmas, it was suggested and decided upon that the members of the "Evergreen" whom the Lord had so richly blessed, devote their time and effort on Christmas Eve to bringing joy and sunshine into the lives of several shut-ins whom Sister Lena Nos had acquainted us with. It was also decided that we outfit a baby whom Sister Lena had told us about. To each shut-in we planned to take a basket of fruit or a flower.

After making a list of baby clothes - diapers, night gowns, petticoats, dresses, etc. Mrs. Norden purchased the necessary material, needles, thread, etc. and we commenced sewing. Remarks such as these could have been heard by a passerby during this busy season: "Hey, where's that cotton" "Doggone it I lost my needle" "Ouch my finger!" But at last the cotton was brought forth, the needle found, and the wounded finger healed and we again started to work.

After the articles which could be made by hand were finished, we all went to Highlandtown and purchased such things as a white coat, woolen cap and sweater, stockings, shirts, booties and a friend of the "Evergreen" Miss L. Leimbach presented a blanket and a rattle. Sister Lena however, thought that it was too much to give to one child when there were so many other poor children needing clothing, so as per her suggestion, we divided the clothing into three parts and instead of clothing one baby we had the pleasure of clothing three.

On Dec. 24th, (Christmas Eve) we all met at Miss Bertha's home at 6:15, and after each girl had been given something to carry, either a basket of fruit, or a plant, or a bundle of clothing, or hymnals, etc. we started out on our blessed mission. At the first house we sang Christmas carols, read the scriptures, and someone prayed. Then our gift was presented. This was the house of an old invalid and all

who witnessed the scene, knew that the invalid enjoyed our visit as well as other members of the household.

As we went from house to house, we sang Christmas carols. The last house to which we went was occupied by a middle aged man who was crippled. All enjoyed watching the delight and joy which shone forth from this man's face. After singing, reading the scriptures and praying, we presented our small gift of love. It was so very little, the least and the most that we could give, yet it was given in the spirit of Christmas and received in the same way. After all it isn't how much we give that counts but the manner in which it is given. And the cheery smiles of the girls and the songs and prayer meant more than the little basket of fruit.

As it was grow~~ing~~ing late, we decided to keep the remaining packages until a later date. One of the girls volunteered to deliver one of the remaining packages on Christmas Day and the last package was kept by Miss B. who delivered it a few days later.

Going home we talked out our visits and all agreed that we had had a blessed time in showing others less fortunate that someone cares. We remembered Christ's words: "What ye do unto the least of these my brethern, ye do unto Me" and so the "Evergreen" presented their birthday gift to Christ.

by: Margaret Mueller