

Newcomers/Longtimers Luncheon Meeting Minutes

April 16, 2026

WELCOME and CALL TO ORDER – President Jackie Zimmerman called the meeting to order at 11:35 a.m. The meeting was held at Tavern at Trails End. The April Charity is Angels with Tails.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Gina Davis

RECORDING SECRETARY – Tracy Siegel

Minutes from the March 19, 2026 luncheon were distributed on the tables for members to review. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Pat Kreger. It was seconded by Janet Bub. The minutes were approved and will be forwarded to the Webmaster to be posted.

TREASURER REPORT – Anita Kness, absent

The Treasurer's report was given by Jackie Zimmerman, the balance in the operating budget is \$8,256.38 (\$1,080.00 of that are dues paid for the 26/27 year). The balance in the Scholarship fund is \$10,291.75 after redemption of the CD.. A motion to approve the Treasurer's report was made by Judy Cullen. It was seconded by Lusica Hankins. It was approved.

BUSINESS – Jackie Zimmerman

Nominating Committee – The nominating committee consisting of Judy Cullen, chairperson, Carole Olivarri, Susan Letterman, Susan Akscin, and Judi Campau have presented a recommendation for the 2026/2027 Executive Board. The recommended slate was read by Jackie Zimmerman and includes:

- Holley Smothers, President
- Gina Davis, 1st Vice President
- Michelle Clauson, 2nd Vice President
- Linda North, Treasurer
- Marti Gambill, Recording Secretary
- Nicole Francis, Corresponding Secretary

A request for additional recommendations was asked with no responses. A motion to approve the above recommended board was made by Pat Thompson, seconded by BJ Manire. The motion was approved

September Canadian Cruise – Dee Long spoke to the group and provided additional verbal information regarding the upcoming cruise scheduled for the Fall of 2026.

N/L Cookbook – A cookbook is being generated to commemorate the 60th anniversary. Anyone interested in participating in the committee should let Holley Smothers know. A pre-order form for cookbooks was available at the tables and will be distributed via Evite. There are currently 13 pre-orders, 100 pre-orders are needed to cover the printing costs. The books should be available by the September kick-off.

Scholarship – Abbie Cobb presented the recipients of the NL scholarships, Kendra Varner and Gracie Mitchell. Each recipient attends Columbia College and will receive a \$2,500 scholarship. Abbie read a letter provided by Gracie as she couldn't attend the luncheon. Kendra was present to accept her scholarship and thanked the group. Also in attendance were 2 representatives from Columbia College.

ADJOURNMENT OF THE BUSINESS MEETING

A motion to adjourn the business meeting was made by Mary Kay Kowalski and seconded by JoAnne Engel. The meeting was adjourned at 11:45.

Mary and Mark Major, owners of Angels with Tails, gave a presentation on their rescue facility. They spoke about what animals they have, how they care for them, how volunteers can help, and other opportunities on their property. N/L presented Mary and Mark with a check for \$390.

Holley Smothers, 1st Vice President, announced raffle ticket and attendance prize winners, then thanked everyone for attending. Our next meeting is May 21st at Mama Cita's The program will be the installation of the new officers.