Christamore House Guild General Meeting

November 18, 2025

Meeting Overview

- **In attendance:** Emily Winters, Nicole Ongwigitwat, Karen Momper, Anita Nguyen, Meghan Turner, Kelly Garverick, Nicki Griffin, Emily Wehmeyer, Giovanna Burris, Wava Raymond, Robin Hines, Meghan Coyle, Stephanie Thompson, Cara McMains, Kristin Monnet, Valerie Riley, Jen Morris, Jen Detmer, Alyssa Riddhagni, Kristen McConnell, Krissy Schenck, Christine Rainey, Debbie Maas
- **Called to order:** 7:30 am by President Emily Winters

President Report- Emily Winters

- **Welcome & Updates**
  - Hygiene and period kits were assembled and will be delivered to the house
  - The $12,000 in profit from the Polo event was given directly to the house and was deemed unrestricted for use. Latoya gives her heartfelt thanks!
  - BIG ANNOUNCEMENT! The Guild is going to pledge a $250,000 donation to the house earmarked for the Senior Center Capital Campaign. Latoya needs 3 million dollars to complete the project. Eli Lilly has pledged 1.5 million dollars but the remainder of the funds need to be pledged by a certain deadline or the Lilly donation will be revoked. Latoya needs approximately $400,000 pledged to reach the 3 million. The Senior center will be the new home for the Seniors who currently gather in the auditorium of the Christamore House. When the Seniors have their new location then Latoya can open up another preschool class at the house. Also, the senior center can be a money generator by renting it out as a center for community events.
- **Reminder- Thanksgiving Food Drive/Coat Drive and Giving Tuesday**
  - Email sent out with the specifics
- **Directories available**

Secretary- Brenda Cacucci

- October meeting minutes approved

President Elect- Meghan Turner

- Halloween party with new members and preschool went well

Treasurer- Nicole Ongwijitwat

- Reminder to pay dues

Christmas at Christamore- Giovanna Burris & SaraBeth Jones

- December 3: 9 am meeting, then house decorating and senior party
- December 17: Kids party for preschoolers and after-school children 2:30
- Adopt-a-preschooler program: 18 children

Book & Author- Cara McMains & Kristen Monnot

- **Book & Author Luncheon- April 17, 2026** Theme is bringing it back to the house.
- Indiana Roof Ballroom (recently renovated)
- Grace Trahan-Rodecap confirmed as emcee
- 5 authors have been confirmed
- Working with new graphic designer

Sponsorship- Julie Morton & Robin Hines

- Sponsorship request letter finalized and will be sent out to Guild members
- Please let Julie and Robin know of any potential sponsors. They will contact them.

Scholarship- Krissy Schneck

- Called the Frances Carter Coburn Scholarships
- 15 total scholars this year
- 14 returned to school this fall
- The one withheld transcript has been resolved and will return to school this spring
- The direct banking transfer has been completed! No more mailed checks.
- Marge Kroeger award application deadline is the end of February and there are 4 seniors eligible to apply for the award. This is a $5,000 award given to a senior scholar who has demonstrated exceptional volunteerism at the Christamore House through their tenure as a scholar. The award winner is chosen by Latoya with input from the scholarship committee.

Associate Representative- Nicki Griffin

- Holiday party at Linda Goeke House on December 17th. It is a chance to meet and mingle with Associates
- Watch for email with specifics

Next Meeting
Wednesday December 3rd 9:00am
Christamore House