

APSU Women's Club  
Minutes  
November 10, 2011

In Attendance: Rose Austin, Theresa Everett, Juliette Roake, Marjorie Perrault, Kay Wadia, Debbie Polston, Phyllis Whittaker, Diane Sperry, Carolyn Schillinger, Candace DeSantis

**Program**

Diane Sperry opened the meeting. Program schedules were made available for anyone who was unable to attend the Fall Reception. A sign-up sheet for desserts, paper products and beverages was available for members to volunteer to bring items for future meetings.

Guest Speakers – Joanne Pollard and Rose Pollard – Project Linus

Joanne Pollard, Coordinator of the local Project Linus Chapter, presented members with hand-out information on the origins of Project Linus. She told us the local chapter makes blankets for distribution to local organizations such as emergency stations, Red Cross, Children's Services, Fort Campbell, the Safe House, the Pregnancy Center, and individuals. Members of the local chapter meet at the First Christian Church once a month, every second Sunday, starting at around 1:00 p.m. A typical meeting lasts two to three hours. Members present the blankets they have made since the previous meeting. They have a quick business meeting and a potluck meal. They also trade supplies and coordinate blanket projects among members. Joanne collects completed blankets at the meetings, tags the blankets, washes the final products, and distributes them to organizations in need.

Joanne provided a wish list of items that can be donated to support Project Linus: washable 100% cotton fabric, flannel, and fleece in child-friendly prints or colors, washable 4-ply yarn, quilt batting, sewing thread, postage stamps, clear plastic bags, storage totes, gift cards (Wal-Mart, Hancock Fabric, etc.), and monetary donations. Monetary donations can be made online directly to Project Linus headquarters at [www.projectlinus.org](http://www.projectlinus.org), or you can coordinate donations through Joanne Pollard or Carol Ballard. Call (931) 647-1827 for more information on monetary donations.

Diane announced we will donate to Project Linus as a Women's Club Project and requested that members bring an item from the wish list to the December meeting. For those who would like to give items before the December meeting, they can deliver them to the Testing Center in Ellington, Room 202. Once all donation items have been collected, Diane Sperry will deliver them to Joanne Pollard or Carol Ballard.

Diane reminded members to bring a \$5.00 or less ornament for our Christmas Ornament Exchange and a potluck dish to our December meeting. Joanne Shepard will provide the drinks and Candace DeSantis will provide paper products for this meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 pm.