

Kanwaka Literary Club records

This series of records represents the Kanwaka Literary Club minutes, treasurer's report and attendance roll. The Club is located in Douglas County, Kansas with the mission to promote the intellectual growth of its members.

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Kamwaka Literary Club Treasurer's Report

Feb.	Dues collected	+	39.00
	Balance		<u>83.04</u>

March, Sale of serving dishes + 10.00
93.04

Mar 23	donation to Kanwaka Fire Dept. in memory of Irene Steele	10.00
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Mar. Dues Collected	18.00
Balance	<u>101.04</u>

Apr.	Founders Day Guest Meal	-	8.00
"	" "NOshow" Reservation Ruth dce	-	8.00
	Dues Collected	+	15.00
	Donation	+	6.00
	Balance		<u>106.04</u>

May	meal payment Ruth Lee	+	8.00
	dues	+	3.00

Dec 15	pd to Donna Linton	25.15
	for Club books 2017	91.89



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	18 Feb	17 Mar	21 Apr	19 May	25 June	18 Aug	15 Sept	20 Oct	17 Nov	Dues Paid
Mrs. Patricia Anderson	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	✓
Mrs. Ed Brunt	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	✓
Linda Wulfkubbe Ceschini	A	P	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	✓
Mrs. Edwin Commons	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	✓
Sarah Orr Forrest	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	✓
Mrs. Robert Gruver	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	✓
Robin Halladay	A	A	A	A	P	A	A	A	A	✓
Elizabeth Wells Hovey	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	✓
Mrs. Raymond Clee	P	P	A	P	A	P	P	P	A	✓
Mrs. Larry James	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	deferred		—
Caitlin Lindsey	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	✓
Ronan Lindsey	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	✓
Donna Linton	A	A	P	P	A	P	P	P	P	✓
Muriel Maress	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	✓
Marilynn Orr	P	P	P	A	P	P	P	P	A	✓
Diane Ethernan Page	A	A	P	A	P	A	A	A	A	✓
Mrs. Ryan Robinson	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	✓
Mrs. Raymond Schimmel	A	A	A	A	A	A	deferred			—
Mary Skinner Stauffer	P	P	P	P	A	P	P	P	P	✓
Kristin Anderson Tuschke	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	✓
Beverly Stauffer Thrauer	A	A	A	A	A	P	A	A	A	✓
Mrs. Richard Wakeman	A	A	P	P	A	A	A	A	A	✓
Miss Bethany Wells	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	✓
Miss Kathryn Wells	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	✓
Ramona Willits	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	A	P	✓
Charlene Luckan Winter	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	A	✓
Virginia Wulfkubbe	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	✓
Lynn Ward								P	A	

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February 18, 2016

The Kanwaka Literary Club met at the home of Mrs. James Orr. President Virginia Wulfkuhle read from Feb. 3, 1966 minutes. The program had a President's Day theme.

Roll call "My Funny Valentine" When Cupids Arrow Stuck, was answered by 6 members and one guest Margaret Fuston. The minutes were read and approved. The treasurer reported a balance of \$44.04.

There was discussion about the dues amount for the year. Charlene Winter moved and Marilyn Orr 2nd that we leave them at \$3.00. Motion carried. This will be confirmed at a later date as there were not 7 members present. The by-laws were read by the secretary.

There was discussion about the glass serving dishes that we have stored. No decision was made about them. The plans for Founder's Day are on-going.

President Virginia stated that Lyn Ward wants old pictures of the Literary Club to be displayed at Kanwaka Hall. She has also put old club files in archival sleeves.

Mary Stauffer read the poem "From My Armchair" by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow and gave a history of the chair presented to him by schoolchildren. It was made of wood from the chestnut tree that he wrote about in "The Village Smithy".

Marilynn Orr presented a book review of "The Children's Blizzard" by David Laskin. The book told about the blizzard of 1888 that killed many school children and also about early weather forecasting.

The club adjourned by repeating the club motto.

Mary Stauffer, Sec'y.

March 17, 2016

The Kanwaka Literary Club met at the home of Virginia Wulfschle with Linda Cecchini and Ramona Willits serving as co-hostesses. President Virginia opened the meeting by reading from the April 6, 1916 meeting notes.

Roll call "The March Wind Doth Blow, a Kansas weather story" was answered by 9 members and 3 guests, Teresa Olds, Margaret Fuston and Shirley Cox. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The treasurer reported a balance of \$101.04.

Due to the fact that there were not enough members to represent a quorum at the last meeting, there was discussion about setting the dues for this year. Charlene Winter moved and Marilyn Orr 2nd that they remain at \$3.00. Motion carried.

Virginia showed the old club records that she had put in acid free folders. There was discussion about the old record containers. Ramona moved and Vivian Commons 2nd that we give them away. Motion carried. The breadbox went to Charlene Winter and the can to Mary Stauffer. The luncheon sets that had been donated by Irene Steele were discussed. Mary Stauffer moved and Ramona Willits 2nd that we sell them and donate the money to the Kanwaka Fire Department in memory of Irene. Motion carried. Margaret Fuston bought them for \$10.00.

The club had brought food and money for the Stull and Lecompton Food Banks. Margaret Fuston and Virginia Wulfschle will deliver them.

Ramona Willits gave a founder's day report. It will be held 12:30 p.m., April 21 at Kanwaka Hall. The cost will be \$8.00 per person. She passed around a reservation sheet.

Ramona read the poem "Daffodils" by William Wordsworth and also a poem "And I Broke My Femur", that she had written.

Linda Cecchini presented a book review, "The Witches, Salem 1692", by Stacy Schiff. It concerned the Salem witch trials of Salem, Ma.

The meeting closed with the club motto.

Mary Stauffer

Secretary

April 21, 2016 117th Founder's Day Program

The Kanwaka Literary Club celebrated their 117th Founder' Day at Kanwaka Hall. There were 10 members and 3 guests present. President Virginia Wulfkuhle welcomed everyone. The celebration opened with the group singing "America the Beautiful", led by Mary & Dennis Stauffer. Mr. Stauffer accompanied the group by playing the guitar.

Mary Stauffer had arranged the history table to reflect the importance of music in the club's history. A memorial to our member Ailene Bieber was displayed also. Mrs. Bieber passed away in April of 2015.

The theme of the party was a picnic, so box lunches were provided to everyone. Dennis played and sang, "Quilting Party" and "Mockingbird Hill", while lunch was being served.

After lunch Ramona Willits led the group in singing, "Bicycle Built for Two", with accompaniment by Dennis.

Mary Stauffer sang a solo, "Loves Old Sweet Song" accompanied by Denny. Then Ramona headed an activity called Conversation Starters, where she asked topical questions and everyone responded. This was followed by visiting.

President Virginia thanked the committee, Ramona Willits, Marilyn Orr, and herself for their work in setting up the program and Mary & Dennis for their participation.

The meeting closed with the club motto.

Mary Stauffer

Secretary

May 19, 2016

The Kanwaka Literary Club met at the home of Charlene Winter. President Virginia Wulfschuhle opened the meeting by reading from the April 19, 1916 meeting notes. They met at the Armstrong house. The subject of the meeting was Alfred Lord Tennyson.

Our roll call, "M is for the Million Things, remembering Mother" was answered by 9 members. The minutes of the previous two meetings were read and approved. The treasure reported a balance of \$117.04.

Virginia reported that a donation of \$10.00 was made to the Kanwaka Fire Dep't. in memory of Irene Steele. The Stull and Lecompton food banks had received our donations also.

We discussed a calling tree for meeting times, but suggested that all members call the hostess to let them know if they're coming to the meeting or not.

Ruth Ice read the poem, "A Wonderful Mother", by Pat O'Reilly.

Donna Linton presented a video of her diving trip to the Bahamas. It contained lovely movies of fish and coral in the area.

The meeting closed with the club motto.

Mary Stauffer, Secretary

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June 25, 2016

Hostesses Robin Holladay and Diane Page served an elegant brunch of egg and ham biscuits, cinnamon buns, fresh fruit, and beverages.

President Virginia Wulfschle called the meeting to order, relating an item from the June 1st meeting of 1916, when the opening song was accompanied by six hands on piano.

Ramona Willits was appointed acting secretary in the absence of Mary Stauffer. The roll call, "A Rose Is a Rose" My Favorite Flower, was answered by eight members and one guest, Lynn Ward. The minutes of the May 2016 meeting were read and approved. The treasurer's report was unchanged since last report.

Communications included the news that former member Tillie Petesch recently celebrated her 100th birthday. Virginia distributed contact information for those who wish to send greeting cards (see below). Charlene Winter reported that Mary Schimmel suffered another stroke from which she is recovering.

There was no unfinished business. In the way of new business, Virginia stated that, with election of officers in October and distribution of programs in November, program and even Founders Day committees should be appointed by September. She asked those present to consider volunteering for offices and committee members. Robin agreed to continue serving on the program committee, and Muriel Maness volunteered to be a member of the Founders Day committee. Virginia will enlist others by the August meeting.

A discussion was introduced about strategies for involving current members and recruiting new ones. It was agreed that not all members need to entertain or present programs.

Diane Page read "The Fourth of July," a poem by Bob Balliet. Robin Holladay reviewed the book, *The Center of Everything*, by Kansas author Laura Moriarty.

Virginia previewed the August program, and the meeting was adjourned with the club motto.

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Mary Stauffer, Sect.

Aug. 18, 2016

Kanwaka Literary Club met at the home of Ruth Ice with Donna Linton as co-hostess. President Virginia Wulfskuhle called the meeting to order by reading from the minutes of the 1916 meeting. There was a recitation by Mrs. Bixby, called "Watermelon Time", and a discussion of Mrs. Buchheim's new automobile.

Roll call, "A bunch of Blue Ribbons, County Fair Memories", was answered by 10 members and 2 guests, Lynn Ward and Karen Ice. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. There was no Treasurer's report.

President Virginia appointed the program committee for next year. They are Robin Page, Donna Linton and Muriel Maness. The Founder's Day committee is Charlene Winter, Virginia Wulfskuhle and another to be announced. There was discussion about meeting dates for next year.

Charlene Winter read the poem "Country Folks" by Joe Charles.

Ruth Ice presented a demonstration of spinning yarn from wool. It was most interesting.

The meeting closed with the club motto.

Mary Stauffer, Secretary

Sept. 15, 2016

The Kanwaka Literary Club met at the home of Charlene Winter. Muriel Maness and Donna Linton served as hostesses. President Virginia Wulfkuhle called the meeting to order and read from the minutes of the Sept. 14, 1916 meeting notes.

Ten members and one guest Lynn Ward answered roll call, "Mother May I?" and other schoolyard games.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. There was no treasurer's report.

A list was passed for members to sign up for the 2017 meetings and programs. President Virginia appointed Ramona Willits to the Founder's Day committee.

Vivian Commons read the poem, "School Day Memories", by Glenn Litwiller.

Charlene Winter shared 3 books. "The Story of Leo Buerman", by Robert Jones, "The Life of Earle Kasson", by Robert Jones and "Voice of God" by Larry Manes.

The name of Lynn Ward was proposed for membership by Virginia Wulfkuhle. The meeting closed with

The club motto.

Mary Stauffer, Secretary

Oct. 20, 2016

The Kanwaka Literary Club met at the home of Vivian Commons. President Virginia Wulfkuhle called the meeting to order and read from the Oct. 26, 1916 meeting notes.

Roll Call, "Shine on Harvest Moon" Something I've Done by Moonlight", was answered by 9 members.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Lynn Ward was voted in as a new member.

Donna Linton gave a report on the progress of the Program Committee and passed a sign-up sheet .

The election of officers was held. Muriel Maness moved and Marilyn Orr 2nd that we keep the same officers as last year and cast a unanimous ballot. Motion carried. Officers will be retained another year.

A change in by-laws for membership was discussed. Charlene Winter moved and Donna Linton 2nd that we change Section V, Article I,II,and III with a new by-law to read as follows, Membership in the Kanwaka Literary Club is open to any interested individual. Good standing is maintained by payment of annual dues. Motion carried.

Mary Stauffer moved and Charlene 2nd that we do a food project in Nov. to benefit the Lecompton and Stull food banks. Motion carried. Members will bring donations of food or money to next meeting.

Marilynn Orr read the poem, "The Moon", by Robert Louis Stephenson.

Mary Stauffer gave the program on Halloween customs around the world. She also showed some Jack O'Lanterns that she had decorated.

The meeting adjourned by repeating the club motto.

Mary Stauffer, Secretary

Nov. 17, 2016

The Kanwaka Literary Club met at the Kanwaka Hall with Mary Stauffer as hostess. President Virginia

Wulfschle opened the meeting by reading excerpts from the Nov. 9, 1916 meeting. Grace Elkin was appointed to the "Spoon Committee" at that meeting.

Roll call at the 2016 meeting was answered by 7 members. The members related "Over the River and Through the Woods", memories of Thanksgiving at Grandma's house.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The treasurer reported a balance of \$117.04.

President Virginia showed newspaper clippings about the Lecompton Historical Society.

Donna Linton passed out the 2017 club books. President Virginia thanked the committee. She also pointed out the display of photos in the hall.

A Christmas present for Mary Schimmel was discussed. Muriel Maness moved and Ramona Willits 2nd, that we give one. The motion carried.

A collection for the food banks at Lecompton and Stull was held.

Virginia Wulfschle read the poem "Almanac", by Lois Parker Edstrom.

Vivian Commons gave a program on the Angel Tree at the New York Metropolitan Museum of Art. It has a very fine collection of nativities from Italy.

The meeting ended with the club motto.

Mary Stauffer, Secretary