

**Minutes**  
**3/1/24 6:30-7:30**  
Asbury Park Library  
12 members in attendance  
1 guest

**Bylaws** which are part of the election process were voted on, 12/12 present members voted yes to the new bylaws. No abstentions. Steve Everk President, Claire Woodrow Treasurer, Shannon Shine and Joanne Papaanni Co-Secretary

**Book Ark #2 Launch** (Thurgood Marshall) – Done!

**Covenant House** (Karen)

- Continued Support. Food, life skills, etc. We need help. • Whole house (interior) painting project being planned for April/May. We will discuss pizza night, it is getting costly, no new kids moving in or out

**Mercy Center**

- Food Pantry After-Hours Success -- 1<sup>st</sup> Mondays, 4-7. Sign up! • Weekday Support Needed from 9-12 or 1:30-4. If interested, see Steve

**4<sup>th</sup> Wave Event for 180 Turning Lives Around** Sponsorship

**St. Pat's Parade** a success!

- Next year, we need a new tabling location.

**ACTIVE PROJECTS**

**Little League Team Sponsor**

- Our team is the Red Sox
- Coaches needed for all age brackets!
- Games Start in April, we will post the schedule. Sign up to help with snacks!
- Muldowney to coach Pony Red socks
- Muldowney put a flier for Eat Here Now in the Talking Heads barber shop.
- Kevin Strickland discussed a town wide scavenger hunt

**AP Girls Softball Has Started**

- Kiwanis Will Have A Team! • All thanks to Kevin! He sponsored the team on behalf of us.
- Kevin will manage the Tigers – he needs help

**EAT HERE NOW 2024:** Going OK But...

- Sales Since Launch on Feb 8th
- 215 Orders, 300+ sold
- Well behind last year's pace

- A longer selling cycle than last year's 4/3 launch
- Marketing is Ongoing – Need help! Push the link to friends, post it, help put together “reels” of restaurants, etc.

## **HOUSEKEEPING/UPCOMING**

**Background Checks** – Shannon stated she sent an email to everyone who is due for one, they will be getting the background checks soon.

**Service Projects** Planner, incl. Finance Process Comes Next

**Membership & Volunteers Drive:** Jeannine has crafted messaging, will actively solicit members via social media, other events

**Socials:** We need to set some dates Fashion Show for School Uniforms – TBD, Cori heads this committee Westside Community Center Support – TBD

**Westside Streets Cleanup** – TBD

**NARCAN**, etc. Training – Deena said it will be coming soon on the west side'

**Movie Day** at the Showroom – Needs a Committee Leader

**New Partnership Requests** have been received from the Boys & Girls Club, GearUP, and other Kiwanis Clubs – will keep you posted!

## **UPCOMING KIWANIS EVENTS OF INTEREST**

**Kiwanis of Western Monmouth Cornhole Tournament** • “Tossing for a Cause” on 4/7, in Freehold • 4-person teams (\$90) or spectate (\$30).

- Food/drinks included. We will cover the cost!

**Kiwanis Conference** on 4/13, from 9-3

- Excellent training opportunity
- Mercer County College -- please try to attend • Club will cover the cost – let Steve know

We need a QR code and a frame for tabling events so that people can just scan to be a member or volunteer. Linda updated this on the web site.

**The Women's Club** was successful in selling books at their event.