



Morning Mingle Minutes Thursday, August 1, 2024

Cindi Manning, Teresa L. Gilles, John Dunn, Denise McCarty, Joni Poli, Francisco Bonilla, Terri Kiedrowski, Sandy Kaiser, Mike Ciu, Shelby Gillespie, Cherie Stempowski, Andrew Kreger, Peggy Sinibaldi, Deb Gelenius, John Sekletar, Larissa Berisuill, Jeri Leigh Siss, Holly Salata, Christine Burman, Shelley Beard, Becky Denes, Kristian Smith, Scott Nelson, Nick Hurst, Brandon Thinke, Derek Hamons, Lara Potter Sadowski, Jennifer Denn, Josh Smith, Michelle Balas, Jeremy Watson, Daren hooks, Cookie McLoda, Les Kreeger, Dustin Gray, David Janik

President ~ Denise

- Denise called the meeting to order at 9:02AM and welcome everyone in attendance
- Prayer was given by Josh Smith from Grow Point
- Went around the room and each person introduced themselves
- Teresa made a motion to approve the minutes from the June meeting, seconded by Joni, all in favor, motion passed.
- Denise thanked Shelby L. Photography for providing the goodies this month.

Vice President ~ Ginni

- Ginni talked about the Alzheimer's Walk which will be on Saturday, September 7 at LCCC. MSA is looking for people to join their team. Please sign up online or let Ginni know.

Promotional Chairs ~ Joni & Cindi

Walkin' on Wednesday Aug. 14 & Sept. 11 ~ David & Francisco – the WOW committee is looking for volunteers for this event. Les & Cookie has graciously volunteered to help. If you cannot help the entire time, we would love to have you for 1 or 2 hours either before or after the event is done.

Denise & Cindi – July 10 to August 14 - Kid's Explorer Club – the Explorer is coming to an end on Friday, August 16. Kids may get their prize during WOW at the MSA table or come to the MSA office during the day. Thank you to all that participated.

Joni & Cindi – Miracle on Main Street, Fri., Dec 6 – The next committee meeting is Tues., August 7 9am at inside the MSA office. Come and help us plan this family friendly event. MSA



is doing a Frosty 50/50 and the hopes is to raise \$10,000 so that one lucky winner will walk away with \$5,000 right before the holidays. Tickets may be purchased by any board member, inside the office or online at www.mainstreetamherst.org under events.

Organizational Chair & Economic Enhancement ~ Francisco

- No report at this time.

Design ~ Terri

- No report at this time.

Executive Director's Report ~ Teresa

- Leo Club's back pack program – our goal is to get 12 individuals to supply an item to the Amherst students for September and October. Please consider signing up. We all go to the grocery store. Thank you.
- I am sending around a sign-up sheet for the Main Street Lives. They are done on Wednesday's at 12:30pm and this is for our \$125 or higher members. This is a great way to promote your business as we have over 11,000+ followers on our Facebook page.
- Please consider signing to provide goodies in 2025.
- MSA has done some Renovations to the building with a deep clean, painting that was done by New Beginning Church, Teresa and Mike scraped the ceiling and painted over areas with special paint, the roof was repaired, and the city of Amherst reconstructed the cupola).
- Olivia Sliman is having a gathering called "Wonderful Women" and her topic was about Blessing House. This is a place that children can go and stay if the parents need help. To learn more about Blessing House please go to <https://www.blessinghouse.org/>.
- MSA will be offering the military banners again this year. We are looking another banner company that can make the banners a little longer as they are sticking to the poles.
- The hanging baskets are finally look good and they will stay up until after Labor Day. Thank you to John Dunn for volunteering to head this committee up again this year.
- Teresa has been successful in getting the retailers together to have them work on events throughout the year. She is now in the beginning stages of working with the tavern owners to do the same thing.



Open the Floor

Please only take 2 to 3 minutes and only one person per organization speak in order to give everyone a chance to talk - Police, City Council, School District, Rotary, AHS, and Veterans Wall

APD will be at the Elyria Walmart today for knock down the barrier of addiction.

Rotary is meeting once a month at noon inside Doc Watson's Market. They will be having their wing event on Wednesday, Sept. 11 during Walkin' on Wednesday. If you would like a ticket (\$25) to the event please see Jeri Leigh Siss or any Rotary member. Veteran's event will take place on November 11, 2024 at 11am in front of the Mural. There will be 11 new paintings and a new fence will be installed into the parking lot.

City Council – the Dewey Road project is almost finished. City Council meetings will begin again on Monday, September 9, 2024.

Restore is having a special event called "Get Thrifty with Us" on Saturday, August 17t from 10am to 4pm.

Amherst Historical Society has many events coming up, please check out their website or Facebook page for all the details.

Next Morning Mingle will be held on Thursday, September 5, 2024.

Teresa Gilles made a motion to adjournment, seconded by John Dunn, all in favor, motion passed.