

Study Club Records.

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Ella Crosby hosted the Business Meeting of The Study Club on December 3, 1998.

Joanie Case thanked Ellie Ogden and her committee for organizing the stimulating program on China with Edward L. Farmer. As out-going President, Joanie Case asked Laura Crosby (Vice President) to chair the meeting on behalf of Peggy Cost (President) who was out of town.

Laura Crosby brought up the following:

1) The mailer announcing the May 1999 meeting will ask the members to RSVP to:

The meeting only

Or

The meeting plus lunch.

2) Our general voting procedure will be discussed at the upcoming May meeting. Laura Crosby will send the members a summary of the existing voting method plus an alternative method for purpose of discussion.

Ella Crosby gave a brief history of The Study Club and read a letter from her mother (Mrs.Eleanor L. Pillsbury) that described the beginning of The Study Club. The letter was dated 1913. Then Ella opened a discussion on the organization and future of The Study Club. She noted that the club began because there was no outlet for women intellectually while today that is not the case. She felt that the energy of the club had waned a bit and raised the question whether or not we want to continue with renewed commitment or die a slow death. The discussion, which was brief, supported the continuation of The Study Club. The members commented on the value of the club and the tradition that the club embodies.

The following was discussed and decided that:

- The Study Club will meet on Wednesday (This will be tried for one year).
- The Study Club is a serious commitment but we need to recognize that there are times when some members will not be able to attend due to travel.
- If someone rarely attends meetings the president will call them and ask about their interest in membership.
- The meetings will start at 9:30am. This will make it easier for members who have a noon meeting. If a member has to leave early, she is to let the speaker know.
- The meetings will be held at member's homes except when the speaker wants to show slides. Then the meeting will be held at Woodhill Country Club or at Eleanor Winston's.
- If a member has signed up to host a meeting and has to cancel, it is her responsibility to notify those members who were not present when the announcement was made.
- The first meeting in the fall will be held at Woodhill Country Club at 9:00am. We will
 meet for 1/2 hour to decide who our hosts will be for the upcoming year. Once
 the hosts are identified they will give directions to their homes.

- When the Program Committee compiles the booklet for the up-coming year a space
 will be left under each member's name so members can write directions to
 member's homes. The Program Committee will also make two sets of address
 labels and give them to the secretary to facilitate the notification of schedule
 changes.
- It was affirmed to keep the number of meetings to 10.

The following topics were proposed for 1999:

- 1. Toni McNaron
- 2. Joy Davis
- 3. The History of Millennia and Other Apocalyptic Moments
- 4. Trends in the Coming Millennium
- 5. Our Responsibility in the Next Millennium

The group decided that #3, 4,and 5 could be grouped together to form one topic. This won handily.

Laura Crosby thanked Margaret Wurtele for agreeing to chair the Program Committee and El Winston and Hope Hickok for agreeing to serve on the committee. Laura Crosby offered to compile the following for the members and will distribute at the next meeting:

- 1. Mrs. Pillsbury's letter dated 1913
- 2. A List of topics studied to date
- 3. The voting procedure

The balance in the treasury is \$1,239.30

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura A. Crosby Secretary/Treasurer