

SPSA Member Meeting – December 14, 2025

Approved Minutes

In attendance: 6 members plus 9 Board members.

Meeting was called to order by President Denise Schneider at 11:10 am.

Minutes: were reviewed by Denise Schneider from the previous November 9th meeting. The motion to accept the minutes was made by Flip Folds and seconded by Jack Vida. Motion carried.

Financials: were reviewed by Denise Schneider. November showed a net loss of -\$255.28. This was expected since the last week of November deposit was not put in the bank until December 1st. Steve Colvin moved to accept the financials, seconded by Don Schneider. Motion carried.

Bell Jar Report: was given by Jack Vida. The November monthly net increase was \$5,101 following checks were written this month:

- \$ 1000.00 – Sandy Creek Friendship Shop
- \$1000.00 – Sandy Creek United Methodist Church for their Backpack program
- \$538.40 – Ralston Supply for Supplies

The end of the month balance for November Bell Jar is \$37,924.08. The new cooler for the upstairs bar was purchased on the credit card, and it will be paid out of this account in December, when the bill comes. The motion to accept the report as read was made by Frank Salvett and seconded by Aaron Wood. Motion carried.

Queen of Hearts Report: was given by Bryan Mattison. The current game had a winner on week #28. The winner of \$8,058,60 was Tracy Majewski, with winning card #21. Tracy picked up her check and left \$100 on the bar for people to have a drink on her. The club had a deposit of \$7,585.90 which includes the Queen of Heart portion as well as raffles from behind the bar. The next Queen of Heart game will start on January 19th (the first drawing) people can sign up and buy tickets beginning on January 12, 2026.

Denise announced that Flip Folds have resigned from the Queen of Heart committee and that Jules Landy will take his place.

Membership: Jack Vida read the names of 7 new members and 4 lifetime members approved by the Board at this morning's meeting (see attached list).

Building report: was given by Steve Colvin

Patio extension, Drop down covering for back wall of pavilion, Pavilion Roof Leak, Pavilion Kitchen: all on back-burner for discussion in the spring.

Cameras: Denise Schneider and Jim Fowler working on this, with Volney Multiplex, also a spring project.

Foam Installation of the roof: this is priority focus, as we look to utilize the upstairs bar more and also to keep the ice from building up and causing damage.

Handicap Ramp: Looking at replacing it with an aluminum ramp but again will be a spring project.

Flip Folds noted that the Event's committee needs to meet again (shortly after the first of the year) and that Steve Colvin will join the committee.

Events: Denise updated events that occurred since our last meeting.

- Tom Kingsley was the winner of the Veterans raffle; he elected to take a lifetime membership.
- Angel Tree, many members donated the gifts that were listed on angels, Denise Schneider and Vicky Gregory coordinated and will organize the gifts to get to the school next week.

- December 13th was a highly successful Children's Christmas Party, It was hosted by Shawn Barnett and friends. Approximately \$2000 was spent on gifts for the kids. Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus donate their time. The event was enjoyed by all.

Upcoming Events:

- December 20th (6-9pm) is the Adult Christmas party. Entertainment is going to be by Dave Domicolo, and the party will be held upstairs. Bring a dish to pass. There will be no gift exchange.
- January 1st is the New Years Day Party being held 4-7 pm upstairs bar with Mike Place as entertainment.

Bar Manager: Denise Schneider announced that Karen Galloway is retiring from her club jobs. She has given very generous notifications of her last days. She will be a bartender for the remainder of the month of December. She will be finished as assistant bar manager at the end of March and the Bell Jar Manager will be effective April 15th. Applications for Bartenders are available behind the bar.

Abby Colvin noted the conversation with Karen was bittersweet, Karen is such a big part of the club and does so much behind the scenes, but she also understands when you are ready to be done, you know it and appreciate how much time that Karen has given to get others trained. Abby also noted that the new bartender, Amber, was trained by Karen and is doing great.

Wellness: Vicky Gregory reported two sympathy cards were sent this month along with seven well cards for people that are ill and had surgery. One thinking of you card was sent to a member having back issues.

Old Business:

Event Committee Report – will meet after the first of the year.

Rental Charges: No update

Clothing Sale: Denise shared that 2 Broke Moms information is available. Have stocked a handful of unisex tee shirts at the club for sale as well as some caps and koozies.

Computer and colored printer: has been purchased for the club. The old black and white printer was donated to 2 Broke Moms.

New Business:

Received a thank you from the Lewis County for the donation from the Bartender Challenge.

Suggestion Box:

Three suggestions this month:

- Get Drunkin Bean Whiskey at the bar – unavailable at the distributor at this time
- Benefits, don't charge for the space, just clean-up fee, if not cleaned up – the Board decided, donate if the benefit is for a member, if a member is having a benefit for a community member or family member, discount the cost. Allow one benefit at reduced cost once per year.
- Queen of Heart, if winner is not present, the payout is less than 50% (vs the 60%/40% split) and not allow others to buy tickets for those not present to buy for themselves. – the Board will look in the NYS gaming rules.

Open Business: Nothing from membership.

Steve Colvin moved to adjourn, seconded by Bryan Mattison. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 11:51am.

Next meeting: January 11, 2026, at 11 am

Respectfully submitted by:

Darlene Upcraft

Membership applicants accepted at the December 14, 2025, Board Meeting

Lifetime Members

James Hatton

John Phillips

Florence Stevens

Gary Stevens

New Members

Sam Hatton

Brian Hollister

Wayne "David" Kimber

Kathy Marsh

Heather Shek

Patrick Shek

Richie Smith