

MBCA General Meeting
August 9, 2016
Location: HomeMakers Club

BOD members attending: Deb, Linda, Rebecca, Tim and Stasia

Deb convenes meeting at 12:00 noon. Deb goes around the room so that the approx. 20 people attending can introduce themselves and update group on events etc.

Highlights include: Sheree/Cj from library, Pastor Paul Daniels (Pac a Sac starting soon), Sheila Bullock presents a check from Melrose Bay NA.

Deb presents a member update and shows members an issue of the Keystone Biz Directory which now includes Melrose local groups/businesses.

Deb introduces a new concept of a **“multi-market”** to be held at park every quarter. December 1st will be the first one. Fran Rosanno suggests calling it a **“Melrose Bazaar”**.

Deb introduces Tim Parker who gives a thorough presentation including video/slides on various current topics including: upcoming amendments on the primary/general election ballots, Putnam Counties PR program and property tax info. Tim explains the role of the taxing authority and discusses “portability”. *All agreed that his presentation was very informative and well presented.*

Katy/Megan from Melrose Library present their concept of **“Four days in Melrose”** beginning November 2nd. Big fund raising events for Melrose Public Library. Oona Lewis, who created the new mural for library, is Mossman Gallery 26’s “artist of the month”. More to come....

Bob Byrd highlights the grand re-opening of “farmers market” on September 2nd.

Deb mentions that we need **Labor Day coverage at the beach**. Deb reminds all that it is a volunteer job but it can be really fun!

Judy MacLaren tells group that the **Historic Melrose Christmas Tour** is a go! Sunday December 11th. Tickets will be \$10.

Pastor Paul says Pac a Sac will welcome all donations. CJ reminds group that children’s books are also needed.

September 9th General meeting will be an evening meeting at Mossman. Deb will be contacting community leaders to sponsor “info” tables.

Parade is on! Issue with DOT has been cleared up!

No further business, meeting adjourns at 1:01PM

minutes submitted by S Rudolph