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## Meeting Notes March 26, 2025 5:30PM Verona Library

### Attendees:

Kerry Metzger, Jack MacEvoy, Anne Lisa, Kristen Laporta, Marilyn Burgos, Melissa Delfino, Karen Jung, Ken Frazza, April Lehman, Hannah Kern, Daniel Murray

### Agenda & Discussion

#### Restaurant Week

- One survey has been received from Jimmy's Kitchen. You can view the response at:

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1NJBURcf9eWgBHFEinCn8iuRMeQ7hCfevgVV\\_JquqZv8/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1NJBURcf9eWgBHFEinCn8iuRMeQ7hCfevgVV_JquqZv8/edit?usp=sharing)

- Anne and Marilyn will visit participating restaurants in person to distribute additional surveys and hand out a card of all upcoming events that Kerry will design on Canva.

#### Wellness Fair

- **Date & Location:** June 29, VCC Ballroom, 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
- **Vendor Participation Fees:**
  - \$25 for Chamber members
  - \$50 for non-members (for a 6 ft table)
  - Additional space available for \$25
- **Capacity:** The room can accommodate up to 20 vendors; five have already signed up.
- **Passport Program:**

- Each attendee will receive a card listing all vendors upon arrival.
- Attendees must get their cards stamped by each vendor.
- Completed cards will be entered into a prize drawing upon departure.
- **Food Vendors:** Must have a valid license to participate. Kerry will confirm whether they are permitted to sell items.
- **Vendor Specialties:** A maximum of two vendors per specialty will be allowed.
- **Website Listing:** Once a vendor has paid, Ken will post their information on the Wellness Fair webpage.
- **Attendee Outreach:** Kerry will coordinate with the Senior Club to extend a special invitation to senior attendees.
- **Chamber Bags:** Each attendee will receive a Chamber-branded bag upon entry.

#### **Taste of Verona**

- **Date & Location:** October 20, 2025, Verona Community Center Ballroom
- **Promotion:** April will post a "Save the Date" announcement.

#### **Next Meet & Greet**

- **Date:** Wednesday, May 7th , 6:00PM
- **Venue:** Parkside Social (Jack will confirm).

#### **Summer Concert Series**

- Local restaurants will be encouraged to sign up as food vendors for the concert series. There is no participation fee.

#### **Upcoming Seminars**

- **April 23, 2025:** *Office Well-Being* – Presented by Marilyn Burgos & Melissa DelFino

- **April 28, 2025:** *Financial Tips for Small Businesses* – Presented by Rich Blaney & Karen Jung
- **June (TBD):** *MBH Physical Therapy Session*

### **Town Meeting**

- **Date & Time:** April 4, 2025, at 9:00 AM
- **Speaker:** Kevin O’Sullivan, Town Manager
- **Attendees:** Kerry Metzger, Jack McEvoy, and Anne Lisa will represent the Chamber.

### **Welcome Bags**

- The next distribution will take place at the end of May.
- Members who wish to include promotional items should contact Hannah Kern.

### **Membership Renewals:**

- July will start Membership Renewals. Those with assigned zones will visit each member coming up for renewal.

### **Meeting Minutes**

- Minutes will be emailed via **contact@veronanjchamber** and uploaded to the website following each meeting.

### **Next Meeting**

- **Date & Time:** April 9, 2025, at 8:30 AM
- **Location:** Verona Community Center, 2nd Floor