

Friends for Life of America
General Meeting Minutes
11/1/2001

8:00 PM—meeting called to order

- I. Welcome
- II. Hearts for the Holidays
 - a. Other FFL chapters have been asking ours about what to write in the cards. Members may write down suggestions during the meeting and the best will be posted on the website.
 - b. Members are needed to table for this event from 9 AM-4 PM the week before Thanksgiving (11/19/2001-11/21/2001) and the week after (11/26/2001-11/30/2001).
 - c. Eckerd and Albertson's have donated supplies for this event, primarily markers.
 - d. Christie Milsted (hearts@friendsforlife.com) and John Crane have contacted the Resident Assistants about setting up more tables for this event.
 - e. This event will be opened to other organizations to table, but a *Friends for Life of America* representative would be present at all times. An informative meeting for all staffers will take place the evening before the first tabling day to make sure everyone is informed and ready for the event.
 - f. Members are asked to sign up to help with various aspects of this event on the sheets being passed around.
 - i. Announcing
 - ii. Banner Painting—Saturday, Nov. 17, 2001, at 12 PM.
 - iii. Quilt Making to hang on Reitz 3rd Floor
- III. Leukemia and Lymphoma Society Team in Training
 - a. Members are introduced to Team in Training, an event that raises money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society by having participants run a marathon or half-marathon.
 - b. Nov. 28, 2001 at 6 PM is the first information session.
 - c. Interested members can take a pamphlet as they are being passed around.
- IV. National Board of Directors Meeting
 - a. All members are invited to attend the first National Board of Directors meeting.
 - b. Sunday, Nov. 4, 2001, at 3 PM.
 - c. Log on to www.friendsforlife.com. Enter the Members section and enter the Virtual Community at the bottom of this page.
- V. Atrium Performance
 - a. Friday, November 9, 2001 at 12 PM.
 - b. This program is running in the Shands Atrium in conjunction with the ARTES organization.

- c. All interested members are asked to sign up on the sheet that is passed around.
 - d. The ARTES organization travels around Gainesville and spreads therapy to patients through music and other artistic means.
- VI. Five Year Anniversary
- a. *Friends for Life of America* is cosponsoring an event that highlights Patch Adams as a keynote speaker at the University of Florida.
 - b. As the date approaches, members will have opportunities to help promote this exciting event.
- VII. Member Retreat
- a. Stop! Cancer Program
 - i. Five local high schools perform at the CPA on Dec. 9, 2001.
 - ii. Help is needed setting up for this event and the week before this event running errands, making decorations
 - b. Boggy Creek Camp
 - i. Night of Dec. 7—morning of Dec. 8, 2001
 - ii. Patients get to experience camping.
 - iii. Members would attend for one day at the holiday party as ambassadors from *Friends for Life of America* to help set up, leaving Friday evening and returning Saturday morning.
 - c. The Stop! Cancer Program was voted the preferred program by the members.
- VIII. Announcements
- a. Dance Marathon
 - i. A 32-hour standing-only event that raises money for the Children's Miracle Network.
 - ii. Organizations can participate by giving each member 20 letters to send to various organizations. Twenty percent of all money raised goes to the philanthropy group of the organization's choice or the Red Cross.
 - iii. April 6-7, 2002.
 - iv. All participants must raise \$200 to dance.
 - v. For more information, please contact Cassy Zwingelberg at 336-3037 or chzberguf@aol.com.
 - b. The Air Force ROTC is running a food drive for St. Joan's house. Members are asked to bring canned food to the next meeting for this event.
 - c. SHOUT, an organization dedicated to promoting low to no-cost health insurance, has their next meeting on Thursday, Nov. 8, 2001 at 6:30 PM at La Casita.
- IX. Member Activity

8:54 PM—meeting adjourned