

**Friends for Life of America**  
General Meeting Minutes  
11/29/2001

8:06 PM—meeting called to order

- I. Welcome
- II. Tea for Two
  - a. This project raised almost \$1000 for *Friends for Life of America*.
- III. Hearts for the Holidays
  - a. We have collected 6,047 cards as of tonight's meeting.
  - b. This event has garnered great support from the community, but to reach our 8000 card goal, we need even more support in the next two days.
  - c. We have permission to table in front of the Gator Corner dining center and the Reitz Union this Saturday from 12 PM-4 PM. We need member support to staff these tables.
  - d. The hand delivery of cards to Shands Hospital only allows six participants, which have already been filled.
  - e. We will package and box the cards on Sunday, Dec. 2, 2001 at the Reitz Union, room 355.
  - f. The media attention for this program has been phenomenal. This event has been a huge success, due to the fantastic support of the members and the student body.
- IV. Holiday Atrium Performance
  - a. We need a few members to volunteer for an atrium performance from 12:40-1 PM on Dec. 7, 2001.
  - b. Please sign up at the front table at the end of the meeting. Contact Valerie Lynch ([vlynch@friendsforlife.com](mailto:vlynch@friendsforlife.com)) for further information.
- V. STOP! Cancer Volunteering Opportunity
  - a. This volunteering event will take place on Sunday, Dec. 7, 2001.
  - b. About 250 high school chorus students and the Alachua county youth orchestra will perform to benefit the STOP! Cancer organization.
  - c. We need members to sign up to staff shifts for various activities, including the following: setting up décor, lunch help, overlooking elementary school performance outside the entrance, helping organize singers before each performance, and cleanup.
  - d. Please contact Shelley Rood ([srood@friendsforlife.com](mailto:srood@friendsforlife.com)) to participate. She needs advance notice to obtain a backstage pass and a complimentary concert ticket for each volunteer.
- VI. Team in Training
  - a. An informational meeting for participating in a marathon for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society will take place on Dec. 4, 2001, at the Holiday Inn.
  - b. Please contact Valerie Lynch ([vlynch@friendsforlife.com](mailto:vlynch@friendsforlife.com)) for further information.
- VII. Mile for a Child 5K

- a. This event is scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 23, 2002, at 9 AM. The race route will start and end at the North/South Commuter Lot, following a course around Lake Alice.
  - b. We have Smoothie King as a confirmed sponsor, and we are currently recruiting others.
  - c. We need members to help recruit racers. We are hoping to have 300 participants for this event.
- VIII. Painting for Patients
- a. This program is scheduled for the first meeting of the spring semester. Please make sure to attend to take part in this exciting event.
  - b. This program involves donating a painting created by to a local hospital.
- IX. Planned Spring Events
- a. Painting for Patients (January)
  - b. Mile for a Child (February)
  - c. Global Outreach (March)
  - d. Patch Adams/Five-Year Celebration (April)
- X. Members are asked to submit any changes they would like to see in the organization to Steven Cohen ([scohen@friendsforlife.com](mailto:scohen@friendsforlife.com)) and any website improvements to Dewayne Allen ([webmaster@friendsforlife.com](mailto:webmaster@friendsforlife.com)). Members are also asked to offer any suggestions for the Fifth Anniversary Celebration to Tonya Carr ([tcarr@friendsforlife.com](mailto:tcarr@friendsforlife.com)).
- XI. Member Activity
- a. Each member made four cards to help with the Hearts for the Holidays campaign.

8:42 PM—meeting adjourned