

Supreme Scratch
2010 National Convention in Greensboro, NC
August 11, 2010

Everyone met around 0800 to be present in the room to participate in the dogs going through the de-fleaing process. We had approximately 120+ dogs and they all had a ball.

After all the dogs left, at approximately 0945, the initiation team took "care of" the new nits and crawlers moving up to become a prestigious flea.

MBF Adams brought the scratch to order (oh boy... you really think that happened). MBF Adams asked Holy Flea, Glenda Travis to hop on up and open the Bible, read the opening prayer and then close the Bible.

A motion was made by Janet Voltaggio, 2nd by all the fleas to pay \$1.00 to stop scratching; all were in favor, motion carried and all paid!!!!

Medium Flea Karen Washabaugh and Little Flea, Barbara Nobile, performed their parts.

Before Roll Call, I did my normal thing and paid \$10.00 so everyone would leave me alone to do my duties but that never works.

Tracey Killinger, Nat'l Scratchy Flea, (me) proceeded to take roll call. See below!

Big Flea – Inda Adams (Present)	Medium Flea - Karen Washabaugh (Present)
Little Flea – Barbara Nobile (Present)	Smart Flea – Janet Voltaggio (Present)
Scrappy Flea – Lois Payne (Present)	Holy Flea – Glenda Travis (Present)
Police Flea – Colleen English (Present)	Studios Flea – Patricia Engel (Present)
Waggy Flea – Rogene Hackbarth (Present)	No Name Flea – Nancy Calleja (Present)
Trusty Flea #1 – Donna Jean Peterson (Present)	Trusty Flea #2 – Dotty Sanning (Present)
Trusty Flea #3 – Joyce Brickett (Present)	Scratchy Flea – Tracey Killinger (Present)
Shopper Flea – Marine Williams (Present)	

After roll call I proceeded to state that I would read the minutes from the last meeting, and believe it or not, Little Flea Barbara Nobile made a motion and it was 2nd by a lot of fleas that they wanted me to read them.... AND I DID... The scratchings are put in the book and also placed on the Flea Webpage; www.nationalmoddfleas.org for your viewing pleasure (normally on webpage by end of September)

Bills: I received one bill from Cindy Marshall, but this is an every year expense type of thing for the Flea of the Year plaque and is ALWAYS paid, no questions!!!! Motion was made/2nd and agreed on by all the pay all the bills.

Cindy Marshall read a note from PNP Marilyn Loeven excusing her from the scratch along with a donation of \$10.00. From this point on, Flea Twila Gensel helped me with the minutes since I was reading the minutes, reading the bills, communications and financial report. THANKS TWILA!!!!!!

Scratchy Flea reported on our finances. Our balance on hand on 8/2/10 was \$1,399.70.

No committee reports.

Unfinished Business: PBF Alice Blackford made a donation of \$10.00 as an answer to Marilyn's challenge. I'm not sure what this challenge was however. I must have missed it!

New Business:

1. Little Flea, Barbara Nobile made a motion to donate \$200.00 to the Scratchy Flea for all her time and voluntary giving, 2nd by all.
2. Scrappy Flea Lois Payne made a motion, 2nd by Scratchy Flea Tracey Killinger to send the extra scrapbooks (not current year) down to National Headquarters for safe keeping. There is no need for the Scrappy Flea to carry these back and forth to each convention.
3. PBF Alice Blackford that everyone for all their concerns and sympathies for last year when we couldn't fulfill her obligation as Big Flea.

Initiation – MBF Inda had all the initiates come up front and the 8 of them were given the oath of membership. New initiates were Etta Gill (PA), Margo Reed (MO), Alma Lowe (FL), Frances Cona (FL), Kathleen Ashley (FL), Karen Hightower (FL), Sandra Tolz (FL), and Beverly Hill (TX).

Below are the places we are donating to this year.

West Palm Beach VA Center	\$100.00
Haley House Fund	\$200.00
Leatherneck Foundation	\$200.00
Auxiliary's Memorial Fund	\$200.00
Lake City VA Hospital	\$200.00
Fisher House	\$200.00 (MBF's choice)
MCLA General Fund	\$200.00
Carolyn's Place	\$200.00
MCLA Operation Little Angel Program	\$200.00
Citizen's Against Domestic Violence	\$200.00
Special Learning Jefferson City, MO	\$200.00
Marines Helping Marines	\$200.00
Wounded Warriors	\$200.00
Moms 4 Marines Stocking Stuffers	\$200.00
Marine Corps League Scholarship Fund	\$200.00
POW/MIA VAMC, Saginaw MI	\$200.00
Canine Corp	\$200.00

The Bible was re-opened and we moved on to the election and installation of the new officers for the 2011 year. Below is the slate of officers:

Big Flea – Karen Washabaugh	Medium Flea – Barbara Nobile
Little Flea – Janet Voltaggio	Smart Flea – Lois Payne
Scrappy Flea – Glenda Travis	Holy Flea – Colleen English
Police Flea – Patricia Engel	Studios Flea – Rogene Hackbarth

Waggy Flea – Nancy Calleja
Trusty Flea #1 – Dotty Sanning
Trusty Flea #3 – Evelyn Joppa
Shopper Flea – Marie Williams

No Name Flea – Donna Jean Peterson
Trusty Flea #2 – Joyce Brickett
Scratchy Flea – Tracey Killinger

MBF Adams gave the oath of installation to all new officers. New MBF Karen Washabaugh gave PBF Inda Adams her medallion and they exchanged ribbons/tassels.

Scratchy Flea Tracey announced that her books were audited and all agreed with my reports.

Before closing PMBF Adams stated that the Flea of the year will be announced tomorrow at the Devil Dog and Devil Dog Flea luncheon. MBF Washabaugh spoke about next year's scratch theme, maybe a Toy Box or Toy Shop something along those lines (rather than potatoes)...

Colleen English, new Holy Flea closed the Bible and the Scratch was turned over to the New BF Karen Washabaugh for the closing. MBF Washabaugh requested that we have a moment of silence in memory/honor of deceased PMBF Merveena Wing. New Medium Flea, Barbara Nobile lead all in the Flea Hymn.

Madam Big Flea, Karen Washabaugh closed our scratch according to our ritual. The scratch was closed to reopen Wednesday morning at the convention in Boise, Idaho.

Semper Mordendi,

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P.S. Dorcas Simpson from Texas is the 2010 Flea of the Year...