Ladies of the Lake – May 2018 By Barbara Galvin

On May 2, 2018, the Ladies of the Lake met for another gathering. The clubhouse was prepared by hostesses, Patty Anderson and Nancy Hoppes. The day was delightful so attendance was up! Of course, maybe the return of our "snow birds" added to the number.

A guest, Bobbi Anderson, who is the General Manager of a new business in Avon, also joined the group. Located at 105 N. Main St, "Push & Pray Hideaway" will serve specialty coffees. For something different, give it a try!

A dear friend, Gail Maher, gave an update on my healing. Thank you for all the prayers and cards. Did she mention that St. Francis Hospital in Peoria has wonderful staff, especially my surgeon, Dr. Fischer? Of course, Gail did so.

Next, Bev Ver Steeg, who has also been mending from a nasty fall, thanked the ladies for all their cards and especially prayers. Bev has made remarkable progress. See the power of prayer and fellowship at work right here.

Carlene Adams was the next speaker to tell the ladies about a "new" item, Welcome Bags. They are \$8.00 and do come in handy, since they are well made to carry all that extra stuff we ladies carry. Judy Brown informed the ladies about Bob Wright, who has a vegetable stand at the end of Cortland Street. Eat healthy and stay strong.

On another note, the Ladies of the Lake strive to be inclusive. We welcome new people as they move to the area. In fact, please, if you have not already done so, greet and meet a new neighbor and then invite her to join you for the next meeting on June 6th at the club house. Better yet, pick up your new neighbor and bring her with you!

The ladies joining the May 2nd meeting were:

Carlene Adams, Jane Stevens, Nancy Hoppes, Pam Gasgill, Barbara Jonckheere, Gloria Bewley, Barb Dunlap, Gail Maher, Bev VerSteeg, Sharon Butler, Sandy Morrow, Barb Potter, Laura Jennings, Mariana Schrader, Chrisa Anderson, Bobbi Anderson, Peggy McGrew, Judy Brown, Nona Kempton, Kay McKinley, and Patty Andersen.

The May hostesses, Patty Anderson and Nancy Hoppes, also added some fun to the luncheon by giving out door prizes. The winners were Carlene Adams, a garden ornament, Judy Brown, a garden ornament, Sharon Butler, garden gloves, Gloria Bewley, garden gloves, and Kay McKinley, chocolate covered pretzels. Congratulations, ladies!

Take time to speak kind words and to remember the many blessings we share. In the meantime, think about dazzling the Ladies with your own special creation to bring on June 6, 2018, at the Pavilion, when Barb Dunlap and Kay McKinley will host our potluck, and everyone will be welcomed warmly. Join us!