



Southeast Region D

Charlotte-Metrolina Section, D002

Event Report

Holiday Social

08 December 2011

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1. Event Name

Holiday Social

2. Event Date & Time

December 8, 2011; 6:00pm

3. Event Location

Boardwalk Billy's 1514 East Blvd. Charlotte, NC

4. Event Coordinators

David Causey and Mutsa Kemp

5. Attendance

Number of Members present: 6
 Number of Non-members present: 1

6. Event Sponsors & Donations

Sponsors of the event are listed with their donations in Table 1 Event Sponsors & Donations:

Table 1 Event Sponsors & Donations

Event Sponsor	Donation

7. Awards/Door Prizes & Recipients

Awards and Door Prizes that were given at the event are listed with their recipients in Table 2 Awards/Door Prizes & Recipients:

Table 2 Awards/Door Prizes & Recipients

Award/Door Prize	Recipient

8. Income & Expenses

Income, other than donations, that was received or collected for or at the event is listed in Table 3 Event Income:

Table 3 Event Income

Item	Amount	Receipt Remitted? (Yes/Pending)
	\$	



	\$	
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Expenses, other than awards or door prizes, that were incurred for or at the event are listed in Table 4 Event Expenses:

Table 4 Event Expenses

Item	Amount	Receipt Remitted? (Yes/Pending)
	\$	
	\$	

9. Event Description

Written in the format of a newsletter article.

The purpose of the SWE Charlotte-Metrolina Section Holiday social is two-fold. It is an opportunity for SWE members and non members to gather in an informal setting to fellowship and celebrate the holiday season which includes eating, drinking and being merry of course.

This year, the section met at Boardwalk Billy's in the Dilworth area in Charlotte, NC. While enjoying dinner the members talked about the reasons they joined SWE and found that outreach was one of the resounding reasons. To that, the group engaged in a very productive and strategic discussion on how the section will continue serving the community through outreach events. Even in times of relaxation, the group explored different ways and potential opportunities that would allow the group to give back to the community.

In the spirit of giving during the holiday season, members were asked to bring items to be donated to The Shelter for Battered Women, a division of United Family Services. All items donated were for the Holiday Store which allows the shelter's clients and children the opportunity to spend a few hours "shopping" in the store for holiday presents for one another. Please see the attached flyer for more information on the Holiday Store. All donations received from the Charlotte-Metrolina SWE section were dropped off on Friday December 16th at Trinity Episcopal School.

In summary, the evening went well and those in attendance had a good time. However, one of the most memorable and meaningful moments of the evening was when one of the members shared with the group her experience with the Shelter for Battered Women. She increased our awareness of domestic violence and reemphasized the importance and value of the services provided by the Shelter.

10. Lessons Learned

Things that went well and things that we could do better next time.

What worked well:

Atmosphere - The group was able to have a conversation without raising voices

Affordable - For individual checks, the food prices were reasonable

Location - Location was central

What did not work well:

Participation - We were hoping for higher attendance

11. Contact Information

For future planning.

Charlotte-Metrolina SWE - David Causey or Mutsa Kemp

The Shelter for Battered Women - Debbie Wolfe

12. Photos

Have the photos taken at event been uploaded to Section's Flickr account?

Yes

Not yet

Photos will be uploaded by date .

None taken/Unknown