

2023-24 Mah Jongg Celebration
Additional After-Action Information
March 26, 2024

We scheduled the room in January 2024. We had to take what was available through the recreation department. We will try to schedule the room for March 2025 before I leave in May 2024 and try to get a larger room

We had 38 ladies participate in the Mah Jongg Celebration 2024. The room did not seem loud to me. You could hear people naming the tiles they were placing on the table or calling for a tile, but no one was speaking in a very loud voice or being disruptive. If this was a problem for Table 1, I wish they had said something to me. We could have moved them to a table in the corner.

Tickets

Tickets were color coded. There should not have been any confusion. To save money, we used the tickets we had rather than buying more.

We did not sell tickets after 6:30 pm. We did not wish to disturb the players

Purple Tickets - DOOR PRIZES (Free).

These were stapled to each goodie bag & they 4 were placed on each table before players entered the room. Gay Birchard collected these tickets as people sat down at their tables. I placed the cup with these tickets on the ledge by the kitchen and did not use them until later in the evening. A few people did bring their purple tickets up to us on their own. Helen and I picked winners while everyone was playing Mah Jongg and taped the winning ticket on each door prize. We used ticket # only - no individual person's name. These were handed out during the evening. Ladies won Mah Jongg Mats (5), playing cards, etc. There should not have been any confusion about these tickets since one half was stapled to the goodie bag.

Orange Tickets - 50/50 (\$5)

These were sold by Helen G. on the **right** side of the room. She collected 1 half of the ticket, placed it in the 50/50 basket, and gave the 2nd half to the purchaser. There should not have caused confusion. We collected \$216 (I am checking on this amount since I gave all the money to Treasurer). Half went to AAUW. The 2 winners - Helen and Jennifer - each received \$54. We asked Barbara Fisler if we should give 1 or 2 people the winnings. She suggested we give the money to 2 women. That is what we did. We pulled the winning tickets at the end of the evening in front of all the mah jongg players. I decided to charge \$5 for 50/50 tickets because I did not want to get involved dealing with singles and making change. This decision was mine and mine alone.

5 Red Tickets & 3 White Raffle (stapled) Tickets (8 for \$5)

These were sold by Susan Gold on the **left** side of the room where all the raffles were displayed. People purchased tickets and wrote their name down on a sheet of paper indicating their ticket numbers. They then placed their tickets in the cups corresponding

to the raffle gift they wished to win. Helen & I chose Raffles 1-9, checked the sheet containing the ticket # and the corresponding person's name. We wrote the name of the winner on the ticket and taped it to the corresponding raffle. These raffles were announced and given to the winners at 7:00 p.m. We then did the same with Raffles A-I and gave them to the winners later in the evening. A list of winners is available.

We raised \$1,300.00 for scholarships. We thank everyone who supported this event & we will make changes each time we have this event.