

SWA Business Meeting

October 13, 2018

## **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

The meeting was opened at 11:25 A.M. by Bill Mize, President.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

The Treasurer's report was given by Vince Ferrari –he submitted a treasurer's report and noted that while we had some expenses, the bank balance is still in good standing with a final balance of \$5251.67. The report was approved.

Bill welcomed a visitor, David Villareal who does relief carving and wood burning.

Bill also thanked Dave Meyers for the snacks and coffee and thanks also to Jerry Berg for his class on carving hands.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### **Health and Welfare**

- Rob Arnberger has been in touch by phone with Judith Thomasin and found that while traveling in Boston, she had been hospitalized with heart valve problems. Rob asked her for contact information so we can keep up with her progress.
- Karen Berg noted that Susan Kleismit is now in a back brace and improving.

### **Constitution and By-Laws**

Rob Arnberger asked for any changes to the proposed Constitution and By Laws.

No changes were suggested by the membership – Rob made a motion to accept the constitution as proposed, Jerry Berg seconded the motion – motion passed.

### **Nominating committee**

Gary Mims announced that he has nominees for all positions for the November elections. Other nominations will be entertained at the November meeting. All positions will be for 2 year terms

President : Bill Mize

Vice President: Jerry Berg

Secretary : Michalyn Erickson

Treasurer: Jo Mize

Board Members: Karen Berg, Rob Arnberger, Feliza Williams

Ballots will be available at the November meeting.

**Pumpkin Carving** will be cancelled for this year with the hopes and there will be more advance planning next year.

**Friendship canes:** Jerry Berg announced that only 2 blocks remain to be carved and then a determination will be made as to where the cane is to be given.

**VA Cane Project:** Trish Jennings reported that the VA is currently out of canes. The VA had also informed Trish that they would also like walking sticks to distribute. Decorative tops can be put on the walking sticks as well.

**Christmas Party :** Betty Ferrari had available at this meeting, a sign up sheet for the Christmas Party as well as a flyer and registration forms. The deadline for sending the registration forms to Betty is December 1. She also reported that all arrangements have been made with El Corral and the party will begin on December 8, 2018 at 11 am. Meal service will begin at 12 noon. There will also be a carving exchange – all items in the carving exchange are to be carved items. There will also be entertainment in the form of Blue Grass music featuring our own Jim Kersten and his group.

## **Old Business**

- **Saddlebrook Show:** Bill announced that up to 12 people are needed to volunteer for 1 hour demonstrations during the show. These demos will take place inside the building and will begin at 9am continuing until 2 pm. Any type of woodcarving skill is welcome. Demos will be posted for the public to view and decide which they would like to see.

Volunteers are also needed for Greeters and for the People's Choice aspect of the show.

Tables ( 6' by 8') will be available for \$10 each – of the 15 tables available 7 have already been requested. In order to remain apprized the use of the tables, Bill has asked that there be no swapping of tables without prior approval from Bill. Maps of tables and the skills demonstrated will be available

Volunteers are also needed for advertising and signage.

Jill Clements is accepting raffle items.

- **Club demos for 2019:** Jerry Berg announced that volunteers are needed for next year's club meeting demos. He has a couple of slots filled currently but needs more.

## **News Business**

- Brad Caryl announced that Jack Erickson is getting information regarding the Yuma carving show to be held in January

- Mark Erickson announced that the Saddlebrook Arts and Crafts fair is November 3 and all are invited to attend.

### **Show and Tell**

Gary Mims chip carved 3 boxes in different designs; one with flocking on the interior and another with patterns colored with colored pencils.

Rob Arnberger showed a Red-Shafted Northern Thrasher feasting on ants – he says he'll never do ants again.

Dave Meyers showed a coyote carved from cottonwood bark as well a 2 bowls carved from different burls.

Jo Mize showed several leather coasters on which she had done pyroraphy.

**50/50** was won by Feliza Williams

### **Raffle Prizes**

A good variety of raffle prizes were won by Rob Arnberger, Feliza Williams, Vince Ferrari, Gary Mims and Trish Jennings.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 12 noon.