

THE DESERT WOODCRAFTERS Meeting Minutes – December 3, 2016

The President, Terry Glover, called the meeting to order at 9:00am in the Flowing Wells High School auto shop. We had 34 Woodworkers in attendance: 33 Members and 1 guest. George Lewis, the guest, was a former member.

MINUTES: There was one correction to the November minutes. The name of the 50/50 raffle winner was Fred (not Frank) Frankenfeld. A motion was made by Martha Garcia and seconded by Spencer Davis to approve the November minutes as corrected above.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Our current bank balance is \$2,756.62. We are still collecting 2017 dues.

50/50 RAFFLE: Fred Frankenfeld picked the winning ticket. Frank Westerlund won \$45, and the Club got \$45.

BRING BACK: Jim Keown provided the Bring Back item, which was a turned pen. The winner of the Bring Back was Paul Swane.

WOOD SPECIES OF THE MONTH: The "Wood of the Month" was WALNUT. Walnut is somewhat brittle. There are six different types of walnut. Walnut smells good, but is dirty to work with. For more info, go to wooddata.com.

AUCTIONS: Christmas Ornaments

Several Christmas ornaments were auctioned off, bringing in \$269 for the club. More things to be auctioned off at the Christmas Luncheon.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- 1) DW Christmas Luncheon: There are 116 guests currently coming to the luncheon.
- 2) A Tucson Audubon Society Representative was invited to the January meeting to provide a program on Tucson Bird nesting boxes.
- 3) Take Advantage of the AZ School Tax Credit (\$400/couple – no cost to you!). Must be paid by end of year. On the form, please choose: Flowing Wells High School, Specific Activity: Auto Shop Skill USA.

MEMBERSHIP: We currently have 53 Members (3 Life Members and 50 Paid Members) for 2016. For 2017, we have 33 members paid and 17 members not paid.

NEW BUSINESS: 2017 BUDGET

- 1) Purple Heart Pens project needs \$350 for next year. A motion was made by Frank Pickett to fund ½ from DW, \$175. Ron Pullen seconded them motion. There was some discussion about where the pens were going. Maybe they should go to the VA here in Tucson instead of sending them to other states. The motion was withdrawn and put on hold until January.
- 2) The President discussed adding some funding to the budget for tools. Paul Swane made a motion to budget \$100 for small tools that may be necessary for our club. Sam Scalzo seconded the motion. Motion Passed
- 3) Budget Item: \$17.26 was paid out for 2016 Facebook advertisement.

ITEMS OF INTEREST:

Would anyone be interested in workshops 2-3 hours on a weekend afternoon to do some woodworking using the club tools? Add your interests to the Demo List if you are interested.

OLD BUSINESS: None

UPCOMING EVENTS:

DW Christmas Luncheon - Dec 10 at the Viscount - Tickets \$22 (available at the Meetings)

COMMUNITY PROJECTS:

TOYS – Chairman: Frank Pickett A goal was set at 2,000 toys for 2016 from SAZWA and DWA. He will be sorted and counting them this month. A total end-of-year count will be available in January.

BEADS OF COURAGE – Chairman: Ivan Hanna
A goal was set at 130 bowls for 2016 from SAZWA and DWA. There have been 90 bowls have been turned in for 2016.

PURPLE HEART PENS – Chairman: Phillip Milks
A goal was set for 250 pens. 170 pens have been turned in for 2016 from SAZWA and DWA. No status for December. A total end-of-year count will be available in January.

MILITARY PENS – Chairman: Jim Keown
There have been 1,700-1,800 pens turned in for 2016 from SAZWA and DWA. There are several pen kits still out. We have a goal of 3500 pens for 2016. Please participate if you have time to turn a few pens. A total end-of-year count will be available in January.

INSTANT GALLERY – 15 members participated. The winner was Stephen Dickenson who won \$25.

Participants:

Steve Bell – Pen Carbide Turning Tools
Alan Crosby – Scroll Saw Nativity Scene
Pete DeMarco – Pens
Steve Dickinson – Toy Cars
Bob Erickson - Boxes
Terry Glover – Cutting Board & Cheese Platter
John Nicholson – Cholla Cactus Lamp
William Pena – Sign
Frank Pickett – Segmented Bowl
Ron Pullen – Turned Beads-of-Courage Bowls
Gene Rittenhouse - Necklace
Sam Scalzo – Clock
Ken Tower – Christmas Ornaments
Frank Westerlund – Scroll Saw Figures
Ron Weiderin – Bud Vase

PRESIDENT'S CHOICE – 7 members participated this month.

The item this month was: Ornaments for auction.

Steve Bell – Ornament
Pete DeMarco – Ornament
Steve Dickinson – Toy Cars & Pens
Terry Glover – Ornament
Sam Scalzo – Ornament
Ken Tower – Ornament
Frank Westerlund – Ornament

The President's Choice item for January will be: Scroll Saw Item or a DW Charity Item

Meeting Adjourned at 10:00am

Today's Demonstration:

Scroll Saw Christmas Ornaments by Stephen Dickenson and Frank Westerlund

January's Demonstration:

Audubon Society "Birdhouses or Nesting Boxes for AZ Birds"

THE NEXT Meeting will be held at 9:00am Saturday, January 7th at FLOWING WELLS HIGH SCHOOL Auto Shop.