

THE DESERT WOODCRAFTERS Meeting Minutes

July 1, 2017

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: 30 Members and 4 Guests. The guests were introduced.

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Spencer Davis, and seconded by Bob Joint, to approve the June minutes with minor corrections as noted in emails from Terry Glover.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Our current bank balance is \$2,957.01.

50/50 RAFFLE: Ken Tower picked the winning ticket. Spencer Davis won \$33, and the Club got \$33.

BRING BACK: The Bring Back was won by William Pena. It was a mesquite cheese board with cheese cutter made by Terry Heffernan.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Bob Erickson is doing better. He is having more tests done.
Al Crosby is going in for hip replacement soon.

MEMBERSHIP:

We currently have 58 Members (3 Life Members and 55 Paid Members). All dues are current and up-to-date.
The Treasurer has settled with SAZWA on the accounting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Sam Scalzo has proposed an After-School Lathe Instruction Course for the students at Cragin Elementary School. Terry Reed and Sam Scalzo designed the curriculum and are looking for volunteers to help. See the attached flyer for more information.

OLD BUSINESS:

After the last meeting, three woodworkers (Ken Tower, Terry Glover, and Martha Garcia) assembled 33 Doodle Boxes that were turned in to the Doodle Box community project.

FOR SALE:

Nothing for sale, but there was a lot of free plywood given away!!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

None

WOODWORKING PROBLEMS (other than not enough time).

One of our guests needed help in making a chess piece that was missing from his Dad's chess set. His Dad is turning 75 soon and he would like to present it to him. Spencer Davis offered to help him.

COMMUNITY PROJECTS:

DOODLE BOXES – Chairman: Terry Glover

A goal was set at 225 for 2017 from DWA. 100 have already been made and donated to the Ronald McDonald House. 3 were sold at Spring Fling for \$7/ea. 125 more need to be made to donate to the TOY Project (chaired by Frank Pickett). 33 were assembled at the June Meeting. These will be distributed with the TOYS Project.

TOYS – Chairman: Frank Pickett

A goal was set at 2,000 toys for 2017 from SAZWA and DWA. Work on toys; bring them to Frank at the end of the year. If you need wheels for toys, see Frank. Frank does not get toys until later in the year, but suggested woodworkers interested in making toys pace themselves to achieve the best results. If you want to make 48 toys for the year, maybe do 4 a month.

BEADS OF COURAGE – Chairman: Ivan Hanna

A goal was set at 100 bowls for 2017 from SAZWA and DWA. 15 bowls have been turned in for 2017.

PURPLE HEART PENS – Chairman: Phillip Milks

Updated Total for 2016 was 200 pens. A goal was set for 200 pens for 2017 from SAZWA and DWA. There are 15 kits out for turning, and 85 more kits available. 60 pens have been turned in for 2017.

MILITARY PENS – Chairman: Jim Keown

A goal was set for 2,000 pens for 2017 from SAZWA and DWA. None turned in to date. There are 100 kits available. 700+ pens have been turned in for 2017.

SANTA'S ELVES TOY PROJECT – Chairman: Ken Tower

The purpose of this project is to build toys as a group in assembly-style fashion. Toys will be built in Ken's shop. Four woodworkers (Ken Tower, Alan Crosby, Spencer Davis, and Terry Glover) got together during the month. They built 70 doodle boxes. Contact Ken Tower if you want to schedule a time to make toys in his shop.

FLAG DISPLAY BOXES – Chairman: Paul Swane

The plans for making the Flag Display Boxes are available on the DWA website. Paul suggests you use a good hard wood. You can use glass or acrylic for the window area. A goal was set for 8 for 2017. So far 2 have been turned in for 2017.

NESTING BOXES – Chairman: Paul Swane

The Audubon Society would like us to commit to making birdhouses for AZ birds in 2017. Although no specific goal was set for 2017, 154 Nesting Boxes have been turned in so far this year.

INSTANT GALLERY – 14 members participated. The drawing winner was Sam Scalzo, who won \$25.

Participants:

Pete DeMarco – 4th of July Sign
Ken Green – Pens
Terry Heffernan – Cheese Board and Cheese Slicer
Steve Nelson – Hinged Butterfly Jewelry Box
John Nicholson – Cane
William Pena – Sign
Mike Phillips – Pens
Frank Pickett – Celtic Box
James Pruett – File Tray
Sam Scalzo – Cheese Slicer and Lidded Box
Paul Swane – Bowl
Ken Tower – Cutting Boards
Ron Walter – Celtic Cross and Trivet
Rod Wiederin – Bowl

PRESIDENT'S CHOICE – 5 members participated this month. Next Drawing will be in September.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:50am.

President's Choice for August will be “Something Using The Alphabet”, or a Charity Project Item.

Today's Demonstration: “Setting Up and Maintaining a Band Saw” by Ken Tower.

August's Demonstration: “Rough Cut Segmentation” by Frank Pickett.

The Next Meeting: Saturday, August 5th, 9:00am at FLOWING WELLS HIGH SCHOOL Auto Shop or adjourning shop area.