

THE DESERT WOODCRAFTERS Meeting Minutes

March 3, 2018

The President, Spencer Davis, called the meeting to order at 9:00 am in the Flowing Wells High School Auto Shop. We had 36 Woodworkers in attendance: 34 Members and 2 Guests. The guests were introduced.

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Paul Swane, and seconded by Bob Joynt, to approve the February minutes. No corrections were noted.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Our current bank balance is \$3,778.99.

50/50 RAFFLE: The total was \$84. Frank Pickett won \$42 and the club got \$42.

BRING BACK: The Bring Back was a silver-wrapped, Saguaro-rib necklace made by Gene Rittenhouse. Will Pena won it.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

SPRING FLING:

Spring Fling – Saturday, April 7th

Short DWA meeting (updates only) before Spring Fling

Agenda:

9:00	Welcome, Coffee & Cookies
9:30-10:45	Demonstrations
10:45	50/50 Plus
11:00	Auction
Noon-1pm	Lunch (Bianchi's Italian Pizza, potato salad & chips) – Cost \$7.50/person Lunch can be paid the day of event. Drinks furnished by the club.

Looking for help: Demonstrations, Donation of Auction Items, Setup and Cleanup

Contact Clem McLay, (520) 579-7125, to volunteer

FLOWING WELLS AFTER-SCHOOL TURNING PROGRAM:

Update on After-School Turning Program. Lathes are in place. Program will start in April. It will be at Flowing Wells High School from 4:00-5:00pm (after school). Volunteers needed (1 person per lathe) to mentor the kids. To volunteer, contact Sam Scalzo, (520) 400-5540.

VIETNAM VETERANS MEMORIAL:

Oro Valley will host the all-new (and larger) "The Wall That Heals" Exhibit on March 15-18. The Exhibit will be at Riverfront Park on Lambert Ave. The "Wall That Heals" honors the more than three million in the U.S. Armed forces in the Vietnam War and bears the names of the more than 58,000 soldiers who made the ultimate sacrifice in Vietnam. Paul Swane offered to take and distribute several of our Purple Heart pens to the event.

MEMBERSHIP:

We currently have 51 Members (4 Life Members and 47 General Members).

We will be attaching the Roster to the email when we send out the minutes each month. The version will be the same version that is on the WEBSITE (only name, phone number, and email address).

NEW BUSINESS:

For anyone wishing to make a Flag Case for our Flag Case Community Project, a new pattern for the Flag Case can be found on the DWA Website. It's an easier pattern to follow than the original one.

OLD BUSINESS:

In response for the need for Lucy's Warbler's nesting boxes ASAP from the Tucson Audubon Society, Spencer Davis (with the help of his friend Mike) made and assembled 32 boxes.

AUCTION: None

FOR SALE:

Out Feed Rollers (contact Terry Glover).

COMMUNITY PROJECTS:

DOODLE BOXES – Chairman: Terry Glover

300 Doodle Boxes were donated in 2017. A goal was set at 300 for 2018 from DWA. Terry will buy materials for the Doodle Boxes and the Club will reimburse him. This is part of the Toy Project. Terry cuts out the Doodle Boxes at Xerocraft. Anyone wanting to volunteer assembling them can show up at Xerocraft on Mondays. So far Terry has 20 Doodle Boxes; 14 still need assembly.

TOYS – Chairman: Frank Pickett

2,004 Toys were donated in 2017. A goal was set at 2,000 toys for 2018 from SAZWA and DWA. Anyone wanting to volunteer making toys, Frank's suggestion is to pace yourself throughout the year (ex: Frank makes 50 toys/month which comes out to about 600 toys by the end of the year.). Toys need to be turned in the 1st week of December.

BEADS OF COURAGE – Chairman: Mike Phillips

40 bowls were donated in 2017. A goal was set at 100 for 2018 from SAZWA and DWA. 18 bowls have been turned in this year.

PURPLE HEART PENS – Chairman: Phillip Milks

185 Purple Heart Pens were donated in 2017. A goal was set at 200 pens for 2018 from SAZWA and DWA. 20 pens have been turned in to date. Paul Swane will be distributing some of these at the Vietnam Veteran's Memorial later this month.

MILITARY PENS – Chairman: Jim Keown

1,480 Military Pens were donated in 2017. A goal was set at 2,000 pens for 2018 from SAZWA and DWA. (no status – Jim is still looking for a volunteer to take over this Community Project by September.)

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. Contact Ken Tower if you want to schedule a time to make toys in his shop.

FLAG DISPLAY BOXES – Chairman: Paul Swane

6 Flag Display Boxes were donated in 2017. A goal was set at 7 for 2018 from DWA. 2 Flag Display Boxes were donated at the January meeting. There is a need for 5 more. Check the website for the new updated (easier) Flag Box pattern.

NESTING BOXES – Chairman: Spencer Davis

244 Nesting Boxes were donated in 2017. No goal was set for 2018.

Spencer Davis (and friend Mike) made 32 Lucy's Warbler nesting boxes and turned them in to the Tucson Audubon Society

INSTANT GALLERY – 14 members participated.

The Drawing (\$25) was won by Terry Heffernan.

Partiipants:

Pete DeMarco – Bird House
Bob Erickson – Bowls
Greg Forst – Alder Bowl and Platter
Terry Glover – Small Lidded Box
Terry Heffernan – Wave Cutting Jig
Clem McLay – Scroll Saw Sign
Mike Phillips – Press
Frank Pickett – Car
Gene Rittenhouse – Pendants
Sam Scalzo – Tractor Clock
Paul Swane - Pens
Ken Tower – Cutting Board
Frank Westerlund – Scroll Saw Coffee Sign
Rod Wiederin - Vessel

President's Choice –

The Quarterly (March) Drawing (\$25) was won by Frank Pickett

The Next Drawing for President's Choice is June

2x4 Contest:

Winners: \$50 Terry Heffernan; \$25 Pete DeMarco

Meeting Adjourned at 10:20 am

Today's Demonstration: Making Wood Spoke Wheels by Frank Pickett.

No April President's Choice due to Spring Fling

May President's Choice: Name Plates, or a Charity Project Item.

April Demonstration – Several at Spring Fling!

May Demonstration: TBD (reference April DWA Meeting Minutes.

The Next Meeting: Saturday, April 7, 9:00am at FLOWING WELLS HIGH SCHOOL Auto Shop.
Short Meeting before Spring Fling!