

# THE DESERT WOODCRAFTERS Meeting Minutes

## May 6, 2017

The Vice President, Spencer Davis, called the meeting to order at 9:00am in the Flowing Wells High School Auto Shop. We had 37 Woodworkers in attendance: 30 Members and 7 Guests. The guests were introduced.

### MINUTES:

A motion was made by Spencer Davis, and seconded by Paul Swane, to approve the April minutes with one correction. Fred Frankenfeld was not a demonstrator for Spring Fling as indicated in the April minutes.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Our current bank balance is \$2,995.01. We are still collecting 2017 dues.

**50/50 RAFFLE:** Ron Pullen, picked the winning ticket. Dave Rhoten (one of our Guests) won \$67, and the Club got \$67. Dave is the owner of Dave's Signs and drove here (with his son and daughter-in-law) to assist William Pena in the sign demonstration. Dave was happy to win! He said it helped "pay his gas" as he came from Golden Valley (just outside Kingman).

**BRING BACK:** The Bring Back was won by Ron Pullen. It was a wine bottle holder made by Terry Hefferman.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

If anyone has not done so, please pay your 2017 dues ASAP. We are still waiting for the income from SAZWA of members who joined on the Price Break for joining both clubs in December. Our Treasurer will contact SAZWA to try to straighten this out.

### MEMBERSHIP: MAY STATUS:

We currently have 57 Members (3 Life Members, 42 Paid Members, and 12 Non-Paid Members). Many of the Members showing up as Non-Paid may be those who paid SAZWA in December. Hopefully we can get that straightened out soon.

### NEW BUSINESS:

Terry Glover would like to request \$200 to cover pens for the Doodle Boxes. Terry donated 50 Doodle Boxes to the Ronald McDonald House. We will table this request until next month after we get more info from Terry.

Jim Keown was wondering if the club was interested in doing the Home Show this Fall. If so, he can coordinate it, but will need some volunteers to carry it through, as he may be out-of-town on the day of the show. More discussion on this next month.

BEWARE!!!!!! Anyone who has a pacemaker BEWARE. Your nametag is magnetic. Wear it on your RIGHT SIDE. A member had his on his left side and it actually turned his pacemaker off!

### OLD BUSINESS:

XEROCRAFT: The children from Greenfield Country Day School who met at Xerocraft during their Spring Break (Wed April 5<sup>th</sup>) had a great time. They were there for 3 hours and made Bird Nesting Box. Each student got to keep his or her Bird Nesting Box. Thank you to all who showed up to volunteer to help with that.

SPRING FLING AUCTION: Thank you to everyone who donated things for the Auction for Spring Fling. We made \$571.80.

### FOR SALE:

Several items were identified and displayed for sale. Paul Swane had stainless steel bottle stoppers for \$5.

**UPCOMING EVENTS:** None

### COMMUNITY PROJECTS:

#### 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

Updated Total for 2016 was 82 bowls between SAZWA and DWA. A goal was set at 100 bowls for 2017 from SAZWA and DWA. 8 bowls have been turned in for 2017.

#### PURPLE HEART PENS – Chairman: Phillip Milks

No May Status.

Updated Total for 2016 was 220 pens. A goal was set for 200 pens for 2017 from SAZWA and DWA. None turned in to date. There are 15 kits out for turning, and 85 more kits available. 40 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. 324 pens have been turned in for 2017.

**SANTA'S ELVES TOY PROJECT** – Chairman: Ken Tower

No May Status.

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

No May Status.

The plans for making the Flag Display Boxes will be sent out with these minutes and available on the DWA website. Paul suggests you use a good hard wood. You can use glass or acrylic for the window area.

**NESTING BOXES** – Chairman: Paul Swane

The Audubon Society would like us to commit to making 50 birdhouses for AZ birds in 2017. 154 Nesting Boxes have been turned in so far.

**INSTANT GALLERY** – 12 members participated. The drawing winner was Pete DeMarco who won \$25.

**Participants:**

Pete DeMarco – Fidget  
Bob Erickson – Bowls  
Dennis Minsical – Chess Board and Pieces Stand  
Paul Newell – Toy Cars  
William Pena – Signs  
Mike Phillips – Bowl  
Frank Pickett – Intarsia Wall Plaque  
Gene Rittenhouse – Finials  
Paul Swane – Pen and Goblet  
Ken Tower – Little Free Library Stand  
Frank Westerlund – Trivet and Thing-A-Ma-Jig  
Rod Wiederin – Segmented Bowl

**PRESIDENT'S CHOICE** – The President's Choice item this month was a Sculpture or Charity Project Item.

7 members participated this month: Pete DeMarco, Ivan Hanna, Dennis Minical, Nolan Parrett, Mike Philips, Frank Pickett and Ken Tower. The next Drawing will be in June.

**Meeting Adjourned** at 9:45am.

**President's Choice for June will be a Wooden Sign using a Router or a Charity Project Item.**

**June Demonstration will be: Scroll Saw Nameplates by Al Crosby.**

**Today's Demonstration:**

William Pena demonstrated making signs. For those of you who missed the demonstration, it was great. William Pena learned to make signs from mentoring by Dave Rhoten and watching YouTube videos from their business, Dave's Signs. Dave Rhoten (and his family) has been in the sign-making business for years. They made several videos on how to make signs and helpful tips on making signs. They also sell product associated with sign making. For more information go to their website [www.davesigns.com](http://www.davesigns.com). It was an honor to have Dave, his son Eric, and daughter-in-law Vicki at the meeting. Vicki videotaped the demonstration to use in one of their future YouTube videos. The Rhotens joined our club (as a business). It's an honor to have them as members!

**The Next Meeting:** Saturday, June 3, 9:00am at FLOWING WELLS HIGH SCHOOL Auto Shop.