

THE DESERT WOODCRAFTERS Meeting Minutes

November 4, 2017

Terry Glover, President, called the meeting to order at 9:00am in the Flowing Wells High School Auto Shop. We had 39 Woodworkers in attendance: 37 Members and 2 Guests. The guests were introduced: Chris Roads, who heard about the club from the Home Show, and Michael Mansfield, a friend of Spencer Davis.

MINUTES:

A motion was made by James Thacker, and seconded by Sam Flores, to approve the October minutes with the following corrections: 1) Chairperson of the Nesting Box Project is Ivan Hanna, and 2) the November Demonstrator is Ken Tower.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Our current bank balance is \$2,847.65.

50/50 RAFFLE: The total was \$92. Spencer Davis won \$46 and the club got \$46.

BRING BACK: The Bring Back was a toy car made by Frank Pickett. William Pena won it.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Spencer Davis thanked everyone who helped out at the Home Show. They made pens, tops and Christmas Ornaments. Everything went well. There was a lot of interest. Twelve pens were made to donate to the Military Pen Project. If we decide to attend the show in the Spring, Spencer volunteered to be the Chairperson.

Sam Scalzo mentioned that the Freedom Pen Project started in 2004. Sawmill Creek has sent 229,000 pens to the troops.

SAZWA was at the meeting collecting for the SAZWA Holiday Party. It will be held at the Viscount Suites, 4855 E Broadway, Tucson, AZ, Saturday, Dec 9th. The cost is \$25/person. The Party starts at 10am; Lunch will be served at noon. The Party will include Door Prizes, 50/50 Drawing, President's Choice Yearly Drawing, Christmas Ornament Auction, Lunch, and an optional Gift Exchange. To participate in the Gift Exchange, bring a wrapped, handmade item. If you bring a gift, you will get a gift. For more details go to the SAZWA website. Don (SAZWA) will be at our December meeting for signups.

Woodcraft (Orange Grove and Oracle) is having a Swap Meet on January 27, 2018 from 9:00am-3:00pm in their parking lot. No cost to get a space. Just bring your own table and well whatever tools or woodworking items you want to sell. DWA is looking for volunteers for Demonstrations, as this is a great Membership opportunity. We would like to have 2 Demonstrations, 45 minutes each. We can use the DWA equipment if necessary. If you would like to volunteer, contact Jim Keown.

MEMBERSHIP:

We currently have 59 Members (3 Life Members and 56 Paid Members). We received twenty-nine (29) 2018 renewals to date.

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).

EARLY RENEWAL SPECIAL - Members can renew their membership to DWA or SAZWA for 2018 in NOV or DEC for a discounted price of \$20/club. We are not combining the dues. Pay each club separately. If you want to take advantage of the Early Renewal Special, pay \$20 to DWA and \$20 to SAZWA in NOV or DEC. In January the price will be \$25/club.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ken Tower passed out the AZ School Tax Credit forms. Arizona law allows taxpayers to receive a tax credit of up to \$400 for donations that benefit students in our public schools. That's not just a deduction, it's a tax credit – it reduces what you owe in state taxes, dollar-for-dollar! This is a great way to help the Flowing Wells High School Auto Shop, and to thank them for letting us use their facility for free. If you did not get a form, and would like one, contact Ken Tower.

DWA will be featured in the AZ Daily Star on Veteran's Day. The interview and photos were taken in Ken Tower's Shop. Buy a Daily Star paper on that day and check us out!

NOMINATIONS FOR 2018 Officers. Nominations were made for 2018 Officers. A motion was made by Sam Scalzo and seconded by Sam Flores, to close nominations and vote for the Officers at today's meeting. The motion passed. The new Officers will take office in January.

2018 OFFICERS:

President: Spencer Davis
Vice-President: Alan Crosby
Secretary: Paula Flores
Treasurer: Jim Payne

OLD BUSINESS: None Mentioned

AUCTION:

An Eric Rhoten sign (finished by William Pena) – Paula Flores \$27
Scale Model Crane – Bob Joynt FREE

FOR SALE:

Several items were for sale at the meeting. Xerocraft is selling some items. Contact Terry Glover for items Xerocraft is selling.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

SAZWA Holiday Party – see Announcements above, or go to the SAZWA website for details.

DWA Holiday Party - Held during the DWA December Meeting. We will be auctioning off Christmas Ornaments. There will be food and water and time to socialize after the meeting.

WOODWORKING PROBLEMS (other than not enough time). None mentioned.**COMMUNITY PROJECTS:****DOODLE BOXES** – Chairman: Terry Glover

A goal was set at 225 for 2017 from DWA. We have met our goal. 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. If you need wheels for toys, see Frank. Contact Frank if you need to deliver toys to him. Toys to be delivered NLT the December meeting.

BEADS OF COURAGE – Chairman: Ivan Hanna

A goal was set at 100 bowls for 2017 from SAZWA and DWA. 25 bowls have been turned in for 2017.

PURPLE HEART PENS – Chairman: Phillip Milks

A goal was set for 210 pens for 2017 from SAZWA and DWA. 160 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. 1,244 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. 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. A goal was set for 7 for 2017. So far 6 have been turned in for 2017.

NESTING BOXES – Chairman: Ivan Hanna

154 Nesting Boxes have been turned in so far this year. We are done with this project. We will wait to see how the boxes work out before we commit for next year. The design has changed for the Lucy Warbler boxes. More info in 2018.

INSTANT GALLERY – 17 members participated.

The Drawing (\$25) was won by Mike Phillips

Participants:

Alan Crosby – Lighted Nativity Scene
Bob Erickson – Bowls
Terry Glover – End Table
Terry Heffernan – Flag Case
Michael Mansfield (Guest) – Jewelry Boxes
Phillip Milks - Pen
John Nicholson – Black Cat Plaque
William Pena – Key Holder Sign
Mike Phillips – Carved Figures
Frank Pickett – Christmas Ornaments
James Pruett – Pens
Gene Rittenhouse – Simi-Rig Toy
Sam Scalzo – Christmas Ornaments
David Stagg – Wall Shelf w/Hidden Compartment
Ken Tower – Bookcase
Frank Westerlund – Snowman Plaque
Rod Wiederin – Segmented Bowl

President's Choice – 7 members participated.

The Next Drawing for President's Choice is December.

Participants:

Pete DeMarco – Pens

Terry Glover – Christmas Ornament, Doodle Boxes

John Nicholson – Cam Shaft, Christmas Ornaments

Mike Phillips – Toy Cars

James Pruett – Pens

Sam Scalzo – Scroll Saw Train Engine

Ken Tower – Ducks, Push Sticks, Ornaments

Meeting Adjourned at 10:10 am.

President's Choice for December will be “Christmas Ornaments”, or a Charity Project Item.

Today's Demonstration: “Basic Cabinet Making” by Ken Tower.

December Demonstration: “Turning Ornaments” by Mike Phillips.

The Next Meeting: Saturday, December 2, 9:00am at FLOWING WELLS HIGH SCHOOL Auto Shop.