

**Women's Group meeting minutes
August 13, 2022 10:00 am at the MOC**

Attendees were Lori Clark, Lynne Parker, Mary Bishop, Pat Nash, Sue Downs, Claudia Henning, Nancy Scott, Carol Rankin, Cyndi Hamilton, Barb Wurfel, Bea Scoones, Carol Smith, Tori Pigott, Carmen Richards, and Elsie Harris.

Sending regrets were Maureen Latham and Mary Ghormley

Business:

- 1) Fall Dinner: Claudia and Nancy presented findings after extensive research into decisions for the fall dinner. The group present thought the plans they proposed were great and agreed to the following:
 - The fall dinner will be held Saturday, November 12, 2022, beginning at 5:30.
 - It will be called "Chuck Wagon on SFTR". Decorations will be going along with a western theme with such ideas as camp lanterns, cowboy boots with floral arrangements, red bandanas, denim attire suggested, black and white checked tablecloths, etc.
 - Jay Gonzales of the Las Animas Grill will grill 10 oz. ribeyes steaks (according to individual order of doneness), have a seasonal roasted mixed vegetables, and baked potato with "fixins". An optional vegetarian Portabella Mushroom dish will be available.
 - Appetizers will be paid for from WG funds, but provided by either Jay or another caterer (Claudia and Nancy will decide with a cost from WG agreed to for \$300 for 100 persons)
 - Cakes will be provided by various volunteers from the WG.
 - Cost will be \$25/person
 - A sign up sheet was passed around for decorating tables and MOC, cake baking or buying, set up and clean up.
 - Claudia said once all information is confirmed, Jerry Peters will make flyers. Claudia will provide a flyer for placing on the website notification, and will give information to Sharon Sorenson and Deb Johnson for the September SFTR newsletter

- 2) Picnic report: The picnic in July was a great success once again. Count of attendees was approximately 100. The raffle items were exciting and kudos given to Carmen for the variety and nice items to select from. The raffle brought in \$1,688... Shannon is thanked for her diligent and wonderful work with the logowear, which is popular with us all. Sales came to \$328 with a few more items on order. Thanks to all who helped!!!

- 3) Questions proposed to Metro Board: Several questions were proposed recently to the Metro Board from the WG.
 - Would the Metro Board be willing to allow a minimum # of outsiders to attend educational events at our MOC if the sponsor of the program were to ensure the responsibility to escort the persons on the ranch and give the Metro Board the information ahead of time with all the pertinent details. - The Metro Board said no, not at this time, as they felt it has the opportunity to create issues.

- Can we, as a WG, purchase signs to limit parking at the MOC to the gravel only and not on the concrete, as there have been oil marks and tire marks. Metro said Abby has been given permission to park on the concrete esp on days there may be hail, and when it is wet and snowy. Otherwise, most of the time persons do park on the gravel, unless they are loading or unloading their vehicle. This was tabled and can be revisited if it becomes a problem in the future.

- The Women's Group wanted to think about maybe creating a "walking path" memorial area in the land to the south of the MOC. This would be for remembering residents who have passed away and could be recognised with a tree, plaque or bench, etc. The WG would be responsible for its upkeep... While some on the Metro Board felt this was a nice idea, the Metro has the special clause that they can someday sell part of the 35 acres of the current lot for a special "less than 35 acres" to a future resident. This could cause issues with the proposed Memorial Walk area. It was suggested to perhaps look into using an area of the Conservancy. A couple of the WG who are also members of the Common Area Committee will bring this up at their next meeting.

3) AED and First Aid Materials at the MOC: The possibility of the WG helping to purchase an AED and First Aid Materials to be located at the MOC was discussed. The Community Preparedness Committee is in discussion about whether these are something needed/useful for the MOC. We decided to table this until we hear more from the Committee in the future.

4) The next meeting will be held the third Saturday in September (9/17), due to the Artocade being on September 10. We had earlier thought to go into town in Sept for exploring local shops and lunch, but now will plan that for closer to the holidays. The October meeting will also need to be a Saturday other than October 8, since that is the Annual Meeting date. October's meeting date will be decided at the September meeting.

Brunch: All enjoyed the potluck brunch after the business part was completed and shared about things that have happened since COVID began, and recently in our lives. The sharing and visiting were a nice way to relax while we ate delicious food!

-Sue Downs also encouraged everyone to stop by and play games on Monday nights 4:30-6:30 during the Meet and Greet/ Games time. Cyndi Hamilton and Scott are thanked for starting this great game night idea, and Claudia for the Meet and Greet.

Meeting adjourned at noon.