

Santa Fe Trail Ranch Womens Meeting 5-21-11

In attendance at Susan Coopet's home: Barb Wurfel, Francie Purswell-Montoya, Sue Downs, Lynne Parker, Sharon Beaver, Mary Ghormley, Kim Pronovich.

Our first order of business was to accept the resignation of Sue Downs as half of our Welcoming Committee, a job she shares with Sylvia Crisler; Susan Coopet volunteered to take Sue's position. Sue also resigned as our Raffle Queen at this year's Ranch picnic; Susan and Francie volunteered for that position. To date, we have a wall hanging, table runner, two birdhouses made by Steve Smith and a marble game made by Bob Krause for the raffle. As a part of Susan's queen position, it was suggested that any further donations received for the purpose of the raffle could be given to her and any donations for the Bingo Hall from the South end of the Ranch could be given to Susan, Kim will accept bingo donations from the North end of the Ranch.

Sharon Beaver offered to make the raffle boxes and Susan offered to sell the raffle tickets at the Welcome table. Susan will also direct our residents and their guests coming in to the logo wear table and provide a price list.

LogoWear: A brief discussion began due to the change in our costs with the logo wear; it was decided to remain at our decision last year, our cost plus 25% . We will be able to sell a few pocket t-shirts at clearance prices and Kim volunteered to bring the clearance basket to the picnic.

Mary Ghormley next took the floor and reviewed the signage for the picnic. First, those who had seen the sign at the mail boxes greatly thanked Mary for her superb sign making. We all agreed it was easy to see and is attention-getting. We carefully reviewed the next set of notices to be listed on the website and the poster at the mailbox, made some adjustments and again thanked Mary. We discussed the option of fencing off the cattle from the picnic area and decided that if anyone would offer that solution to the group, we would accept it, if not, we would leave the area as is.

We briefly discussed our two new additions to the picnic, bingo and vendor tables. We mentioned that each of these ideas would be tried and, based on participation at this year's picnic, would determine going forward if they would be welcomed again.

VENDORS: One for sure has committed to the picnic and several more people expressed interest in renting space to display/sell their handiwork.

BINGO: The group voted to rent the Sayre Senior Centers bingo game for \$50. The bingo calling will begin after lunch in a separate tent, each person playing will bring their own chair to the tent. Prizes will be awarded to the winners of each game, with a special prize for a cover all.

FOOD!! We would really like those who bring a covered dish to use a recipe from the SFTR cookbook. Sharon will provide 3x5 cards to put at each dish to list which page the recipe can be found or as a notice for any food allergies. We discussed the arrangement of food tables to assist with the easy flow of people and we talked about where we thought the water cooler should go. We will ask Joe Richards to lead a Blessing before the meal.

MC: Mary is loaning her bull horn to the event and we would like to ask Dave Wurfel to be our MC for the day.

RELIEF: Francie reported that the toilet has been ordered and will be set the day of the picnic. It was again suggested that we offer a hand sanitizer at the toilet site.

ENTERTAINMENT: Francie reported that Will Dudley will arrive approx 12:30, have lunch and then begin his entertainment. Everyone agreed that last year Will was a smash hit and again he will move

through the tents.

SHUTTLE: Again we have asked Al Tucker and Mark Pronovich to shuttle folks from their car to the picnic site. This was well received last year.

PICNIC PREP: Kim will accept all volunteers to come the Tuesday before the picnic and the Friday before the picnic to remove cow pies. Also Friday we will outline where we would like tents, tables, vehicles, food and the bingo hall. June Stephens thoughtfully provided an agreed upon diagram of the area. Francie will accept all volunteers for the set up and the clean up of our picnic site. Set up will begin at 8:30 the morning of the picnic.

The meeting closed as we gathered around the diagram reviewing all possible details.

Nancy Scott will hostess our next meeting, June 18.

We welcome all women to come and participate with us.