

Sat. Feb 11, 2012

## Santa Fe Trail Ranch Women's Meeting

We all woke up to frost on the trees and a misty, cold, morning but that did not deter the commitment or the excitement of the passengers in each car as we all headed over to Greg and Joan Beaumont's home. Joan had a warm, inviting fire in her living room that greeted us as we said hello and started visiting. In the living room that morning were Carol Rankin, Sylvia Crisler, Sue Downs, Mary Ghormley, Lynne Parker, Carol Smith, Joan Beaumont, and a new neighbor to some of us, Vicki Mumma who lives in the Turkey Creek neighborhood, and this recorder. We started our meeting with introductions around the room so Vicki could get to know us.

It was suggested by Mary that we pass a calendar so each of us could choose a month to hostess our meetings; once that was completed we moved on to discussing logo wear. Sue had the names of a couple of neighbors that are interested in ordering items that were currently out of stock, so we discussed possibly placing a special order for those items. We talked quite a bit about the decision whether we should place a special order or whether we should reconvene our logo wear committee to gather the inventory and decide what is needed, and then place a large order to include the special items and refilling our stock for sales at the annual picnic. At the end of our discussion we decided that the logo wear committee could reconvene with a budget of \$1500. Lynne, Carol S, and myself volunteered to be the committee, while hoping that Barb Wurfel and Francie Purswell-Montoya would join in once they got back home. Contact was made with June Stephens about staying in the committee and she agreed. The date for the committee to meet is pending until all parties are home.

Barb Krause was busy volunteering to file senior income tax forms in town, so the treasurer's report was not given.

Discussion moved to our March 10 meeting. Carol R. spoke to Chris Simpleman, at Mt. Carmel, and he still invites us to meet at the new facility in Ziccardi Hall. She reported that an ice machine is available, and a coffee maker. Chris Simpleman would like to show a 7 minute video and then spend about 10 minutes with questions and answers and take us on a tour of the building. After the tour, our meeting will begin. Chris asked for a sign in sheet so Mary said she will provide one and also put the announcement on our website with a two week reminder. Mary and Sue agreed to be the contact persons for this event. We all agreed to invite as many of our neighbors as we could think of. We are hoping for a great turn out for this event and are hopeful that some of our neighbors would like to join or rejoin our group. We are going to meet at the mailboxes between 9:30 and 9:40 to carpool over to Mt. Carmel. I offered to bring cold drinks, 12 ceramic coffee cups, dairy and non dairy creamer, and spoons. Sylvia offered cookies, Carol R, Lynne, and Carol S will bring a goodie. Sue will make the coffee and Carol S will bring an additional coffee pot to the facility if needed. At this time, we are still in need of additional cups, sweeteners, napkins and little plates.

Discussion moved to our annual picnic. We set the date for July 7. Mary will put a save the date on our website. Once the cow pie committee is formed, we thought it would be nice if they could begin clean up the Saturday before the picnic with a couple of additional days for

final cleanup. We are also very hopeful one of our good neighbors can help us set up a fence around the picnic area to keep our lovely cows from roaming onto our newly cleaned designated picnic area.

*Food committee:* Sharon Beaver and Lynne Parker will chair that committee. Lynne will make the food purchases.

*Publicity:* Mary

*Bingo:* Kim P will collect Bingo prizes. It would be good to have another volunteer from the south end to collect Bingo prizes also. Mary passed around a set of note cards produced by her daughter and offered them as prizes. When asked about her daughter's website for further viewing, Mary said it is [jengstudios.wordpress.com](http://jengstudios.wordpress.com) or [jengstudios.etsy.com](http://jengstudios.etsy.com).

*Vendors:* We thought we could contact June about chairing the vendors for the picnic and once she was contacted, she happily agreed to that chair position.

Additional committee chairpersons will be needed, however we tabled further picnic discussion until our next meeting.

Sylvia reminded us that she and Carol R are the Ranch Welcome Committee and they are always looking/asking for names of our new neighbors.

Our meeting went quite long this month and I think it was the warmth and welcome of the Beaumont home as well as the enjoyable fellowship of our women friends. We closed the meeting about 12:15.

very kindly,  
Kim Pronovich