

SANTA FE TRAIL WOMEN'S GROUP MEETING—SEPTEMBER 15, 2018

The Santa Fe Trail Women's Group met at the home of Dena Wagner on September 15, 2018. Those attending included Stacey Alexander, Sharon Beaver, Mary Bishop, Sue Downs, Mary Ghormley, Claudia Henning, Nancy Scott, Carol Smith, June Stephens, Dena Wagner, and Barb Wurfel. Sending regrets were Margaret Carone, Deb Johnson, Karen Migdalski, and Lanae Rossi.

It was difficult for those attending to pull away from the absolute feast Dena had prepared, but once everyone was settled, the following items were discussed:
-----The Women's Group will provide refreshments for the Annual POA meeting on October 6, 2018. The meeting will take place at the Trinidad Community Center. Any who can are to bring cookies or brownies. Set up will begin at 9:00 a.m. Carol will set up chairs/tables the evening before. (She will send notice of the time so that any who can help will know when.) Sharon has nametags, plates, cups and napkins for the event. Dena will bring drink dispensers and Carol will bring the drinks. Dena will be spokeswoman at the meeting and will briefly inform everyone of what the group's activities entail.

-----Dena suggested that since the logo-wear aprons are not selling so well, a bonus of two potholders she makes could be included with an apron. All agreed but also were concerned that Dena not be expected to cover the cost of the yarn needed. The consensus was that she be reimbursed for whatever materials she uses to make the potholders.

-----Dena reported a treasury balance of \$5424,02.

-----Stacey brought welcome bags for others to deliver and reported that there have been twenty delivered this year so far. She expressed the need for more bags and hats. After discussion all agreed that Dena should order fifteen more of each ASAP. In conjunction, Stacey will purchase more ranch maps as well. **THANK YOU, STACEY, FOR BEING SUCH AN ENTHUSIASTIC, POSITIVE "AMBASSDOR" TO THE TRINIDAD COMMUNITY FOR BOTH THE WOMEN'S GROUP AND THE RANCH!**

-----The Fall Harvest Dinner will be held at Tequila's on November 3, 2018. Happy hour will begin at 5:00 p.m. and dinner at 6:00 p.m. Mary G. will prepare the flyer with the anticipation that it will be ready to pass out at the POA meeting.

-----Sharon and Claudia will take RSVP'S, the deadline for which is Thursday October 25. RSVP's must include the pre-pay of \$20 per person and the entrée choice per person. The cost includes chips and salsa, entrée, non-alcoholic beverage, dessert, tax and gratuity. Checks are to be made out to SFTR Women's Group. Entrée choices include Tequila's Shredded-Beef Enchiladas with rice and beans (whole or refried), Mexican Shrimp Salad (gluten free), Carnitas de Pollo (chicken), or Guiso Ranchero (vegetarian). Barb will check about a children's menu option.

-----Stacey and Sharon will create a "mixer questionnaire" to encourage more mingling among those attending.

-----Carol expressed a need for a small portable microphone for such events. After discussion, the consensus was for Stacey to check first with Ike's Music about the

availability of a good microphone and to purchase one if the cost is no greater than \$200. She can look elsewhere if need be.

-----Carol reported that Deb Johnson has seen 48"-74" lockable floor display cases on Craig's List for possible location in the upcoming Metro Center. She will suggest to the POA Board that a committee be formed for the purpose of sorting out/organizing what will go into the Center. She also asked that everyone think about what the Women's Group should do with the largest tent once the Center is completed and in full operation.

-----June and Sue will meet with the fire chief to empty out whatever remains stored in the fire station from the former women's auxiliary. They may get rid any and all of it as they see fit.

-----Sue suggested that a list of updated phone contacts and e-mails be created since so many now have only cell-phone contacts and so many newcomers have arrived. Carol volunteered to contact people to determine what information they might choose to have included—phone number(s), e-mail and/or home addresses.

There will be no formal meetings for October through December. Mary B will contact La Plaza in Walsenburg to reserve a luncheon outing on December 8. Some also suggested including a trip to the Rosemont Mansion as well. Watch to web site for further details.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharon Beaver