

## **Women's Group Meeting January 16, 2010**

**Location:** Frances Purswell-Montoya's home

**Present:** Sharon Beaver, Barbara Krause, Frances Purswell-Montoya, Janice Hines, Sylvia Crisler, Betty Withington, Kim Pronovich, Susan Coopet, Joan Beaumont, Nancy Scott, Michelle Blake, Mary Ghormley, June Stephens, Doris Noard.

What did we learn from the ranch Christmas Dinner at Tequila's? Fantastic, great, bigger location, order off menu was good, room for dancing. Music going on with conversations was competing. Music was shut off so people could talk. Line dancing was available if people wanted to participate. Food service staff did a good job with 63 people in attendance. Women's Group bought dessert for everyone. Tequila's will be considered for future events. Party photos could be put on the ranch web site and used for promoting next year's Christmas Dinner. Kim will assist June with photos.

Valentine Dinner was discussed, but all felt it was too close to Christmas Holidays. Have an event later in spring.

Summer Picnic: Date set for 7/10/2010. Monty Beaver and Mike Carter could be asked regarding cooking at a picnic. Sharon B. will help with food. Need menu & volunteers. Discussed tables. Those volunteering to assist with picnic: Susan & Rob, Kim & Mark, Mary & RC, Betty & Jerry, Michelle & Kevin. Francie will be in charge of Sanitation and check into porta potties.

Logo wear – Question whether we need to place another order. Requests for polo shirts with collar, hats, as well as other merchandise such as pen & pencil set, mugs, Tervis Tumbler.com, blanket or throw, umbrella. There are a lot of pocket T shirts left over and may have to reduce price on those. Need a list of current inventory and will look at what to order at next meeting.

Discussed request for donation to Noah's Ark for the March 13 Peacock Ball Fundraiser. The Women's Group will not make a donation; those who want to donate can do so an individual. Those in attendance put in \$16 for the Ark; June Stevens asked that her \$12 reimbursement for the Christmas Party photos be directed to the Ark.

Sylvia reminded everyone to let her or Sue Downs know when there are new residents living on the ranch. Welcome Kits are delivered to new residents from the Women's Group.

Next meeting will be February 20 at the home of Barbara Krause, 33127 Elk Park Rd (lot 81) at 10:00 am.

Minutes by Doris Noard



## **Women's Group Meeting February 20, 2010**

**Location:** The meeting was hosted at the home of Barbara Krause. Barb and Francie provided refreshments.

**Present:** Barbara Krause, Francie Purswell-Montoya, Joan Beaumont, June Stephens, Kim Pronovich, Mary Ghormley, Carol Rankin, Lynne Parker, Sue Downs.

Both Francie and June received phone calls from Julene Gyde, thanking the Women's Group for the \$1,000.00 to assist them so soon after their house fire.

Mary read e-mails from Doris Noard and Betty Withington regarding Doris's resignation as Treasurer and Betty's and Sylvia's resignation as check signers for the Women's Group's checking account and closing of the bank account.

Kim brought all the Treasurer's records and check book from Doris to the meeting.

Mary said she felt we needed to reevaluate our policies regarding donations from the Women's Group. Kim suggested we draw up new guidelines now to be followed from today forward. They are as follows:

1. The Santa Fe Trail Women's Group will not give donations to organizations or events outside of Santa Fe Trail Ranch.
2. If a sudden loss of a primary residence renders a family destitute, we will immediately give an initial \$500.00 donation to them and if more is needed, an emergency meeting will be held with the majority ruling.
3. We will continue to support our decisions made at the March 22, 2008 meeting stating "There was agreement and support of a community center." and to "set aside \$600.00 for funeral expenses. The amount allotted for a funeral luncheon would be \$200.00."

A vote on the above three statements was taken by the ladies at this meeting and was unanimously in favor of all three.

Barbara Krause has agreed to serve as Treasurer and Lynne Parker has agreed to serve as Assistant Treasurer for the Women's Group.

Santa Fe Trail Ranch Women's Group wishes to thank Doris, Betty and Sylvia for their services in their positions and look forward to their continued participation in the Women's Group. It is our sincere desire that the women on the Ranch remain united.

It was decided the Logo Wear and Picnic would be discussed at next month's meeting. In the mean time, June and Kim will check on the condition of the tables stored at the Guard Shack.

The next meeting will be at 10:00 am, March 20 at the home of June Stephens, 33028 Cedar Way, Lot #52, phone #845-8111, with Kim providing refreshments.

Minutes submitted by Sue Downs

## **Women's Group Meeting April 10, 2010**

In attendance were: Sue Downs, Sharon Beaver, June Stephens, Joan Beaumont, Mary Ghormley, Barb Krause, Frances Purswell-Montoya and Kim Pronovich who was our hostess.

Francie started the meeting with a save the date fund raising postcard from Angel Eyes (formerly The Colorado SIDS Program). For more information about Angel Eyes, please visit their website: [www.angeleyes.org](http://www.angeleyes.org).

Francie then read a thank you note from Pam Russell, Rich and Patty Kinder thanking our Ranch Family for their support during Pam and Patty's mother's passing.

June Stevens read a letter received from Julene Gyde updating the group about her move to California.

The group spent a lot of time discussing and planning our Ranch Picnic this year. The date is Saturday, July 10, 2010 starting about 11 am.

Here is a listing of current chairs/responsibilities:

Picnic Area Prep 4 days prior to the event:

Kim, Michelle Blake, Sue Downs, Deb Roberts. It was agreed that 4 days prior to the picnic a group of us should mow and spray (to deter bugs) the area. We also agreed that we would use earth friendly spray paint to mark out where we would like folks to park, where we would like the food tables etc to be. Sue Downs volunteered to head the spray paint effort.

We are in need of several people to help on the picnic area set-up. We need people to lift, move and set up tables, tents, grills.

Francie is our entertainment chair: It was discussed and voted unanimously that the Women's Group would like to sponsor entertainment that day, so we are hiring Will Dudley to play his acoustic guitar for us. His fee is \$150 + meals. Francie is also our porta-potty chair person this year and is working out those details for us. She will be at the next meeting with costs and criteria for that well needed luxury. Francie also volunteered to bring her coolers to the picnic for water.

Food Set Up Crew: Lynn Parker and June Stephens

Cooks: Mike Carter and Monte Beaver. I think Sharon said she will look into the grill we are going to use.

Mary volunteered to bring sunscreen for the group, a Donation Jar (meat reimbursement), name tags and a create a poster for the website for our picnic.

This year we agreed to ask each person coming to the picnic to bring their own table setting , silverware, drinks, seats and tents (if you have one. We will provide table settings and such for our out-of-towners who are coming to the picnic, all of whom we would like to have here to get to meet and greet.

We are asking each family to bring one or two dishes either a side dish or dessert or both, except our out-of-towners.

June and Tom Stephens are donating two 50 lb. barrels to the group for use as trash cans whenever the ranch needs them. June announced the Raton Health Fair April 22 9-4 at the Convention Center and Kim announced the Trinidad Health Fair at San Raphael Hospital April 24, 8-12.

Sharon Beaver offered to host our next meeting May 1, 2010 10 am. If you are traveling west on Cottonwood Canyon, go over Mountain View "over the hump and down to the end". Lot B3.

As if that were not enough, the meeting moved to discussing logo wear. This was done with Francie, Kim, June, Barb, Sharon and Mary. We reviewed past sales and agreed on former and new products that needed to be ordered. We all went through the catalog and agreed on sizes, styles and colors. We are submitting a large order and are looking forward to our new products and hot sales at the annual picnic.

## **Women's Group Meeting May 1, 2010**

Those attending included Linda Austin, Sharon Beaver, Denisa Derrick, Sue Downs, Barbara Krause, Francie Purswell-Montoya, June Stephens, and Barb Wurfel. Sending regrets were Mary Ghormley and Kim Pronovich.

Prior to the beginning of the business meeting, Francie informed the group that there is a new church forming in Trinidad. It's called New Hope Ministries and it will be sponsoring a food ministry for the community. She asked that any who wish to support such a ministry to bring nonperishable food to the meetings. She and Barb Krause will see to it that the food will get to the right place. Francie also reminded everyone that Angel Eyes Lobster Fest orders are due soon and orders will be delivered to her office.

June informed the group that there will be an Arts & Crafts Show and an Old Time Car Show in Raton on May 22, 2010.

Items discussed included:

- Barb Wurfel has submitted the logo-wear order and is waiting for price quotes. She estimates that the total cost will be between \$1600 and \$1800. The consensus was that Barb should finalize the order regardless of the cost. The sale prices per item will be decided upon at the June meeting.
- Michelle Blake will be asked to re-do the logo-wear sign. Sue Spanner has volunteered to provide a logo-wear display.
- It is noted that although logo wear is typically sold at the picnic and the annual meeting, it is always available on the ranch's website. Just link to Women's Group.
- In order for the picnic to be a success, the Women's Group will need help from others. Mary Ghormley will coordinate information with Pat Roehl so that all can be properly informed about the picnic plans. To improve the efficacy of the planning, **FRANCIE AND SUE WILL BE THE CONTACT PERSONS FOR ALL WHO WISH TO VOLUNTEER.**

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR THE FOLLOWING AREAS:**

- **PICNIC AREA PREPARATION**  
(To date we have commitments from Michelle Blake, Sue Downs, Deb Roberts, Kim Pronovich and Nancy Scott.) Bob Krause will be asked to mow the area several days in advance of the picnic.

- SET UP THE MORNING OF THE PICNIC--to begin at 8:30 a.m. We will need 8-10 people at the minimum. We will need MEN to help set up the tents, tables, and grills. Chuck and Linda Austin will again lend their large tent to cover the food tables. Chuck has volunteered to supervise the setting up of this huge tent but he needs 8-10 men to help--more if the day is windy.
- PARKING DIRECTORS  
(Volunteer!)
- CLEAN UP AFTER THE PICNIC  
(To date we have no commitments here. PLEASE volunteer!)
- LOGO-WEAR SALES TABLE DURING THE PICNIC  
Sylvia Crisler, Sue, Denisa, Francie, Deb Roberts, and Barb Wurfel will handle sales.
- Numerous "details" about supplies on hand or available for the picnic were shared. Sue will pick up the tents and water cooler now being stored by Doris Norad. June reported that she and Tom have purchased two new tables and that the tables in the guard house are in good shape Francie and Mary Ghormley have plenty of plastic tableware, cups, and trash can liners. Francie has foil and plastic wrap and several plastic table coverings. Others will be bringing tablecloths. We will need to provide paper plates for our out-of-towners.
- We will provide hand cleaner at the head of the food tables and near the toilet facilities, which Francie will order.
- Sharon will bring a first aid kit and ice--in case of insect stings.
- Lynn Parker, June, and Sharon will organize the food purchases and food tables.
- Mary Ghormley will be preparing the flyers for the bulletin board and the website. She will be sure that everyone knows that anyone except those coming from out of town/state should bring his/her own table service. In addition, LETTUCE AND TOMATOES WILL NOT BE PROVIDED FOR THE BURGERS. The flyers will make it clear that people need to RSVP by July 1, 2010 to June Stephens (845-8111 or [ositocanon@mindspring.com](mailto:ositocanon@mindspring.com)) or Barb Wurfel (846-8773 or [barbwurfel@yahoo.com](mailto:barbwurfel@yahoo.com) ). The flyer should also indicate that people should look for signs to direct them to the picnic.
- June will have signs at the guard house and at Gallinas Pkwy.
- Francie reported that Will Dudley is a "go" for the entertainment.
- Sue will order more maps of the ranch--10 laminated and 10 not laminated.

- Sue will also be sure that welcome packets are delivered to the Coopets and the Lamberts.

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON JUNE 12, 2010 AT THE HOME OF SUE DOWNS.

## Women's Group Meeting June 12, 2010

Women's Meeting Saturday, June 12, 2010 at Sue Downs home. Sharon Beaver provided our yummy cookies and snack crackers.

In attendance were: Lynne Parker, June Stephens, Sharon Beaver, Barb Krause, Mary Ghormley, Francie Purswell-Montoya, Kim Pronovich, and Barb Wurfel and of course, our hostess, Sue Downs

We began our meeting with a discussion of our Ranch logo wear. It was decided that we would have a markdown on the pigment dyed and pocket tee shirts. The regular sale price is \$14.00, the group decided we would sell them for \$12.00 at this year's annual picnic. We also took a moment to review the goal of logo wear sales. **The goal is to raise money for the needs determined by the members of the Women's Group.**

Barb W began the discussion of the most recent logo wear order placed by the group. We discussed the mark up of each item based on its cost to us. Kim made a suggestion that going forward, we mark the sale price up 25 % (to the nearest dollar) of the cost to us thereby reducing the amount of time spent on the discussion of the prices.

Discussion moved to the need of additional ranch maps. Sue D has ordered 10 unlaminated maps and 10 laminated maps. She will check with the printer on the cost and we can determine the selling price.

We talked about the great job Michelle Blake did making our current pricing poster. We noted that it is necessary to ask her to create another one based on price changes in logo wear as well as new items. We also wondered if Michelle could make up another "Donations Appreciated" sign for the events the Women's Group sponsors. Barb said she sent an email asking Michelle to do this. Mary volunteered to take the posters to Michelle to update.

We also spent a moment talking about getting the SFTR website updated with our new products and prices. Sue Spanner had volunteered to work with Barb to get this done. Thank you Sue S.

Francie came into the meeting after her attendance at the POA meeting. She reported on the agenda of that meeting. Please go to the SFTR website to read those minutes.

She also reported that the porta potties for the picnic are \$75 each. We have been receiving positive responses on the need for help in the setting up and taking down at the picnic site. Bob Krause volunteered to mow the picnic area before the day of the picnic. Chuck and Linda Austin will assist with the tents going up. Sharon is heading up the food service. Kim is heading up the pre clean event. Sue Downs will be purchasing spray paint to use as an indicator for parking, tent placements etc.

Barb W will act as logo wear chair.

Kim will host the next meeting Saturday Aug 14, 10am. Mary and Lynne offered to bring the refreshments. If it has been a while since you last attended the Women's Meeting, please know that we miss you and welcome you.

Minutes submitted by Kim Pronovich.

## Women's Group Meeting

August 14, 2010

In attendance: Kim Pronovich (host), Sue Downs, Mary Ghormley, Sylvia Crisler, Lynne Parker, Francie Purswell-Montoya, June Stephens, Loretta Medina, Susan Coopet, Barb Wurfel

Picnic - The estimated head count at the picnic is 118. We sold \$986 in logo wear, \$293 in raffle tickets and collected \$48 in donations. The food cost was \$162. Many people commented that the picnic was very enjoyable and well organized. We discussed what we would continue to do and what we would do differently at the next picnic. Suggestions included:

- Need additional space for logo wear tables. It was too crowded. Maybe we could use part of one of the Women's Group big tents.
- The big tents are essential to have at the picnic.
- Continue doing a raffle. Have items selected early enough to put in the flyer and other notices.
- Have games for both children and adults. Loretta volunteered to handle the planning and be in charge of games.
- Remember to bring calculator for logo wear sales.
- Ask attendees to put property number on name tag.
- Continue to use ATVs to shuttle people from car to picnic area.
- Continue having a singer for entertainment.
- Designate a "master of ceremonies" and announce with a battery operated megaphone or microphone when food is ready, raffle drawing, etc.
- Need more trash cans. June mentioned they have 2 more 55 gallon drums.
- Need more volunteers to do "cow pie" duty.
- Put donation jar closer to the food table.
- Continue to provide cold drinking water.
- Continue to have people bring their own plates and utensils.
- Set food tables in a U shape or in a manner that will move the line quicker.
- Ask people to make a card indicating the name of the food dish they brought.
- Continue to have picnic committee meet a few days before the picnic.
- The number of volunteers was fantastic. We need to continue that trend.

It was suggested that we buy 2 new tables. It was not acted upon and will be brought up at the next meeting. We also discussed allowing people to sell their crafts, handmade jewelry, etc. at the next picnic. We could set up a separate area and either charge per table or collect 10% of the sales. Thanks was given to all that helped and to Sharon Beaver for her donation of thin buns and Kim Pronovich's donation of tent supplies.

Annual Meeting – The annual POA meeting is October 9. The Women's Group will again provide coffee and cookies as well as sell logo wear. Barb will ask the POA

Board for permission to do this. Volunteers to sell logo wear include Sue D, Francie, Kim, Mary and Barb. We will need additional volunteers. We

also need a volunteer to order food and make sure we have the tables, space etc. set up in the meeting room.

Christmas Party - We will plan a Christmas dinner again this year. The tentative date is December 5. Francie will talk to Manuel at Tequila's about using that restaurant again. She will ask him what he would recommend for improvements, etc. We will not sell logo wear or have music play during dinner. It was suggested that we have games or have each table sing a Christmas song. We also discussed doing an ornament exchange. It will be further discussed at the next meeting.

Next Meeting -The next meeting will be at the home of Joan Beaumont on September 18 at 10:00. Joan lives at 33171 Fishers Peak (lot F22). Kim P and Susan C volunteered to provide the treats.

Minutes were taken by Francie Purswell-Montoya.

## SFTR Women's Group Meeting September 18, 2010

In attendance: Joan Beaumont (host), Barb Krause, Sharon Beaver, Francie PurswellMontoya, Sharon Pavletich, June Stephens, Mary Ghormley, Susan Coopet, Carol Riles, Kim Pronovich, and Sue Downs.

Welcome to Carol Riles and Sharon Pavletech.

SFTR POA Annual Meeting, October 9, 2010, at TSJC.

1. We will need 4 tables, cold and hot water, 5 gallons of coffee and 10 dozen cookies (White Chocolate Macadamia Nut, Oatmeal Raisin and Chocolate Chip). Kim will check with Doris Noard about ordering them.

2. Mary, Kim, Francie, Sue and Barb W. will be at the college at 8:00 a.m.

3. Logo Wear Sales Table: Sue D, Francie, Kim, Mary, Barb K, Joan, June, Lanae Rossi, Barb W will sell Logo Wear and serve refreshments. Kim will bring an easel for our sign and Mary will bring the cash box, change and calculator. We will sell the Ranch Cozies for \$1.00 and Note Cards for \$8:00 per set. June and Sharon P have reserved one set each of Note Cards. 4. June will buy Name Tags.

5. June will be Spokes Person to announce the Christmas Party and about our Mission Statement, etc

Christmas Party, Sunday, December 5 at 5:00 p.m for Cocktails and Dinner at 6:00 p.m.

Francie talked with Tequila's owner, Manuel. He requested we choose specific entree's to make service better and more efficient. We discussed this and chose: Ranchero Salad, Carney Asada (Beef), Cheese Enchiladas, Vegetable Burrito, Chicken Fajitas.

Kim and Loretta are in charge of Entertainment.

Women's group will pay for Dessert.

Other Business:

Motion was made by June Stephens to buy 2 new tables and seconded by Sue Downs.  
Motion carried.

There was a discussion about ordering Women's Group Original Cookbook. June will do some investigation of the cost of ordering and will present the information at the next meeting.

June suggested we make the "Bears in the Woods Quilt to be raffled at the Picnic.  
More discussion to follow.

Mary said Tom and Margaret Carone are now living in their new home on E36. There is no official address listed on the web site. Carol Riles is now living in their new home. B13. Her e-mail address is capgw@aol.com. Sue will deliver Welcome Bags to these new residents. Sharon Pavletich's e-mail address is spinmichigan@earthlink.net.

Thank you, Joan for hosting our meeting this morning.

Next Meeting will be November 6th, 10:00 a.m., at Sharon Beaver's home, 33330 Cottonwood Canyon, Lot B3, phone number is 846-7831. Sharon will be serving refreshments



## SFTR Women's Group Meeting 11/06/10

The meeting was hosted by Sharon Beaver. Attending were Susan Coopet, Sue Downs, Mary Ghormley, Janice Hines, Barb Krause, Kim Pronovich, Nancy Scott, and Barb Wurfel. Sending regrets were Francie Purswell-Montoya and June Stephens.  
SFTR POA Annual Meeting Report

---The Women's Group provided coffee and cookies at the cost of \$193.22. Donations at the meeting amounted to \$55. It was the consensus that it is a good idea to separate the refreshments table from the logo-wear table. ---Pre-paid orders at \$10 each for We've Come a Long Way (Women's Group original cookbook 2nd edition) brought in \$180. Pre-paid cookbooks will be available at the POA Board meeting or may be obtained by contacting Barb Wurfel. The current cost of the cookbooks is \$12. ---- Logo wear netted \$969 with the best seller being the raglan sleeve jerseys and the men's denim shirts. (Since the meeting, Barb has sold over \$100 more of the logo wear.) Treasurer's Report ---Barb Krause reported that we have paid \$75 for the port-a-potty provided for the picnic. There is a current balance of \$6092.97. Christmas Party on Sunday, December 5 ---Mary Ghormley has beautiful flyers out on the bulletin board and on the website. Reservations and menu choice should be made to Mary or to Barb Wurfel ASAP. ---Francie was "volunteered" to order dessert for all who attend. The Women's Group will pay for the desserts. ----After MUCH discussion those attending decided that entertainment will center on singing of Christmas songs, with tables drawing a song from hat and singing that song. Dave Wurfel will set up music for dancing for any who wish to dance. There will be no pressure to dance and there will be areas for simply visiting with our neighbors. ---- Mary Ghormley will bring audio amplification equipment. ---Mary Ghormley made the motion that we have a table for selling the cookbooks at the party. Kim Pronovich seconded the motion, which passed. Suggestions for the Summer Picnic ----June Stephens has suggested that the group create a "Bear in the Woods" quilt for auction at the picnic. Anyone who is interested in helping to create such a quilt--or perhaps a throw--should contact June. ----It might be a good idea to provide something for auction which would appeal to the males as well. Be thinking of possibilities.

----For entertainment at the picnic a bingo tent might be a possibility. Prizes could come from items in the logo wear and other "goodies" we have on hand. Other ---- Sue Downs had two welcome bags. Please let her know of any newcomers who should receive one. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mary Ghormley on January 8, 2011 at 10:00 A.M. Mary lives on Lot D81 at 33271 Fox Trail. Sue Downs will make arrangements for refreshments.