

DESERT WOODCRAFTERS ASSOCIATION (DWA)

Meeting Minutes

December 7, 2024

President	Bud Bencic
Vice-President	Adrian Barton
Treasurer	Jim Payne
Secretary	Paula Flores
Board Members	Frank Pickett, Paul Swane
Webmaster:	Fred Frankenfeld. Assistant: Chip Jarvis

President, Bud Bencic, opened the meeting held at the Flowing Wells High School Auto Shop, at 9:00am with 21 members and 4 guests. Guests were introduced.

MINUTES: Minutes for November were accepted and approved as distributed with no corrections.

50/50: The total was \$73. Curt Peters won \$36 and \$37 went to the club. Curt will pick the winning ticket next month.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Current DWA bank balance is \$5,702.83.

BRING BACK: Alan Crosby won the Bring Back, which was a laser engraved clock made by Curt Peters (the resident laser expert). Alan is responsible for bringing an item he made for the January Bring Back.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

SAZWA Christmas Party is Dec 14th
You can pay at the SAZWA meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

Remember when doing your taxes to try to use the ARIZONA TAX CREDIT by donating to Flower Wells Auto Shop. You can make a donation of \$400 for a married couple, choose Flowing Wells Auto Shop and deduct it. It will be credited back to you.

NEW BUSINESS:

Remember DWA DUES are due in January - \$35.

COMMUNITY PROJECTS:

DOODLE BOXES (Part of the Toy Project) – Chairman: Terry Glover (520) 290-8503

Each Doodle Box comes with a set of 4 colored, dry-erase makers)

Goal Set for 2024: 1,000 (including 220 for Day Care Center for Autistic Kids; 400 for Toys) (between DWA & SAZWA). Total amount will be reported at the January meeting.

TOYS – Chairman: Frank Pickett (520) 546-7646

Goal set for 2024: 3,000 (including Doodle Boxes)

Amount to Date: TBD - Toys will be counted after final date to turn in - Dec. 7th

SANTA'S HELPERS - Need 4 elves to help distribute the toys to the children at the schools. It entails about 2-3 hours time.

BEADS OF COURAGE – Chairman: Curt Peters (520) 240-4876

Goal set for 2024: 50

Amount to Date: 37

Beads of Courage will be moving to 1st Avenue (between Ft Lowell and Prince).

PURPLE HEART PENS – Chairmen: Ken Tower (520) 326-5839 & Paul Swane (520) 818-0446. Spencer Davis volunteered to be the Chairman for 2035.

Goal set for 2024: 200 (between DWA & SAZWA)

Amount to Date: All Inventory given to Bud Bencic for distribution.

Decision to be made for the 2025 Budget whether we want to continue this Community Service.

Budget for 100 kits cost ~\$200 and another \$100 for the Flag kits.

PENS FOR THE TROOPS – Temporary Chairman: Bud Bencic (972) 533-8752

Goal set for 2024: 2000 (between DWA and SAZWA).

Amount to Date: 1980

Still have 475 kits on hand. We got a late start with no kits for 3 months.

DIAPER BANK – Chairman: Jim Payne (520) 591-9876

Fundraiser Event for 2025 TBD.

NESTING SHELTERS (HOUSES) – Chairman: Spencer Davis (520) 471-2480.

Goal set for 2024: 50

Amount to Date: 60.

Still have wood. Spring coming up fast - they need more. Pattern is provided and is easy.

SHOW & TELL: \$25 Monthly Award Winner was Pete DeMarco.

PRESIDENT'S CHOICE: \$25 Quarterly Award Winner was Pat Glover.

Next Quarterly Award will be in March.

PRESIDENT'S CHOICE FOR JANUARY: "Something New". A new idea, new stain, new technique, or something you never tried before.

NO DEMO TODAY -- Replaced by our Holiday Auction. There were a lot of beautiful things auctioned out. Proceeds will be reported in the Treasurer's Report in January 2025/

JANUARY DEMO: "Tool Sharpening" by Dale Benson

The next meeting will be held on January 4, 2025 at 9:00am at the Flowing Hills High School, Auto Shop.

DESERT WOODCRAFTERS ASSOCIATION (DWA)

Meeting Minutes

November 2, 2024

President	Bud Bencic
Vice-President	Adrian Barton
Treasurer	Jim Payne
Secretary	Paula Flores
Board Members	Frank Pickett, Paul Swane
Webmaster:	Fred Frankenfeld. Assistant: Chip Jarvis

Vice-President, Adrian Barton, opened the meeting held at the Flowing Wells High School Auto Shop, at 9:00am with 26 members.

MINUTES: Minutes for October were accepted and approved unread.

50/50: The total was \$57. Chris Roads won \$28 and \$29 went to the club. Chris will pick the winning ticket next month.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Current DWA bank balance is \$5,702.83.

BRING BACK: Curt Peters won the Bring Back. Bob Deines forgot to bring his Bring Back item. Bob will bring it to the December Meeting. Curt is responsible for bringing an item he made for the December Bring Back.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Demo & Day Class by Sally Alt (talented San Diego Turner) will be held at SAZWA 10/6 & 10/7.

Demo	Sat Nov 9 th	9:00-Noon	Cost \$25 (Lunch Provided)
Day Class	Sun Nov 10 th	9:00am-3:00pm	Cost \$50 (Bring your own Lunch)

Holiday Auction:

Bring in a wooden item or Holiday ornament to Auction for the Club.

Pot-Luck - bring in snacks, cakes, etc.

OLD BUSINESS:

Jim Click Raffle Tickets are still available. \$25/each or 5/\$100. All money goes to DWA.

Last month we sold 2 sets of 5 = \$200. The stubs should be sent to Paul Newall @ SAZWA.

NEW BUSINESS:

The SAZWA Holiday Luncheon will be held at the SAZWA December 14th Meeting. The Lunch will consist of Subs & Chips. Pricing TBD. More information at the SAZWA Meeting next Saturday.

COMMUNITY PROJECTS:

DOODLE BOXES (Part of the Toy Project) – Chairman: Terry Glover (520) 290-8503

Each Doodle Box comes with a set of 4 colored, dry-erase makers)

Goal Set for 2024: over a 1,000 (including 220 for Day Care Center for Autistic Kids; 400 for Toys) (between DWA & SAZWA).

Amount to Date: 1100 - This year was an outstanding year! Biggest year ever!

TOYS – Chairman: Frank Pickett (520) 546-7646

Goal set for 2024: 3,000 (including Doodle Boxes)

Amount to Date: TBD - Toys will be counted after final date to turn in - Dec. 7th

Frank has wheels and axles if anyone needs some for the cars. Need to finish and turn in by December meeting.

SANTA's HELPERS (Elves) needed to help distribute the toys to the children at the schools.

BEADS OF COURAGE – Chairman: Curt Peters (520) 240-4876

Goal set for 2024: 50

Amount to Date: 34

Curt has some interesting beads if anyone wants some for their covers.

PURPLE HEART PENS – Chairmen: Ken Tower (520) 326-5839 & Paul Swane (520) 818-0446.

Goal set for 2024: 200 (between DWA & SAZWA)

Amount to Date: 0 - All Inventory given to Bud Bencic for distribution.

Decision to be made for the 2025 Budget whether we want to continue this Community Service.

Budget for 100 kits cost ~\$200 and another \$100 for the Flag kits.

PENS FOR THE TROOPS – Temporary Chairman: Bud Bencic (972) 533-8752

Goal set for 2024: TBD (between DWA and SAZWA).

Amount to Date: 1200 turned in; another 369 ready to turn in. 300 kits available.

Last chance to turn in pens was the October meeting.

PERMANENT CHAIRMAN NEEDED FOR 2025

Chairman Responsibilities:

- Picks up the kits in 400 increments from Woodcrafters
- Distributes the kits to members to turn
- Members return the finished pens to the Chairman
- Pens are then packaged and turned into Woodcrafters in 400 increments. For every 400 completed pens turned in, Woodcrafters gives us another 400 to turn.

John Nicholson has volunteered to package the pens for the Chairman.

DIAPER BANK – Chairman: Jim Payne (520) 591-9876

Fundraiser Event. Turn in items to auction to Jim. Toys are also welcome to auction.

Amount to Date: OCTOBER is the last month to turn in items for the Diaper Bank auction.

NESTING SHELTERS (HOUSES) – Chairman: Spencer Davis (520) 471-2480.

Goal set for 2024: 50

Amount to Date: 40. No update for November.

SHOW & TELL: \$25 monthly award winner was Bobby Spillman

PRESIDENT'S CHOICE: Next Quarterly Award will be December.

TODAY'S DEMO: Band-Saw Demonstrations

NO DECEMBER DEMO: Replaced by Holiday Auction.

The next meeting will be held on December 7, 2024 at 9:00am at the Flowing Wells High School, Auto Shop.

DESERT WOODCRAFTERS ASSOCIATION (DWA)

Meeting Minutes

October 5, 2024

President	Bud Bencic
Vice-President	Adrian Barton
Treasurer	Jim Payne
Secretary	Paula Flores
Board Members	Frank Pickett, Paul Swane
Webmaster:	Fred Frankenfeld. Assistant: Chip Jarvis

The DWA President, Bud Bencic, opened the meeting held at the Flowing Wells High School Auto Shop, at 9:00am with 22 members and 3 guests. Two guests joined the club today. Welcome Bryan Jones and Jonathan Russell.

MINUTES: Minutes for September were accepted and approved with 1 correction.

50/50: The total was \$124. Curt Peters won \$61 and \$63 went to the Club. Curt Peters will pick the winning ticket next month.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Current DWA bank balance is \$5,912.83.

BRING BACK: Bob Deines won a decorative, carved wooden spoon carved by Dan Williams. Bob is responsible for bringing an item to the Bring Back to the November meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Sad News. Bud Bencic's wife, Pat, suddenly passed away on September 8th. Sympathy card distributed to club to sign. Our sympathy goes out to Bud and his family.

Demo & Day Class by Sally Alt (talented San Diego Turner) will be held at SAZWA 10/6 & 10/7.

Demo Sat Nov 9th 9:00-Noon Cost \$25 (Lunch Provided)

Day Class Sun Nov 10th 9:00am-3:00pm Cost \$50 (Bring your own Lunch)

SAZWA Holiday Celebration is scheduled for December 14. More information coming next month.

Xerocraft MakerSpace: Tucson Arizona's Local Makerspace, Hackerspace, and Public Workshop (talk to John Nicholson or Adrian Barton for location and hours)

Join like-minded Artists, Hobbyists, Scientists, Craftsman and more already using Xerocraft.

- Artists: Perfect for looking to broaden their horizons and become inspired by possibilities.
- Makers: With a fully-stocked metal space, woodshop, 3D printing station and electronics there's practically nothing you can't make.
- Education: We teach classes at Libraries, to the Public, and even hosted public school classes. See how our classes can open a new world to you or to a student.

OLD BUSINESS:

Jim Click Raffle Tickets are still available. \$25/each or 5/\$100. All money goes to DWA. The stubs should be sent to Paul Newall @ SAZWA.

NEW BUSINESS:

George Garcia is continuing with the Garage Sale for Martha's estate.

DWA Officers: Vote was taken and approved to retain the Current Officers for another Year, except for the replacement of Martha Garcia by Bob Deines as a Board Member.

AUCTION:

- 1) Walnut Seam Ripper turned by Martha Garcia.
- 2) Pen Blank Stacks

COMMUNITY PROJECTS:

DOODLE BOXES (Part of the Toy Project) – Chairman: Terry Glover (520) 290-8503

Each Doodle Box comes with a set of 4 colored, dry-erase makers)

Goal set for 2024: 1000 has been met

Additional 150 are ready to be assembled by our members at the after-meeting workshop October.

TOYS – Chairman: Frank Pickett (520) 546-7646

Goal set for 2024: 3,000 (including Doodle Boxes)

Amount to Date: TBD Need toys delivered by the meeting Dec 7th.

Frank has wheels and axles if anyone needs some for the cars.

BEADS OF COURAGE – Chairman: Curt Peters (520) 240-4876

Goal set for 2024: 50

Amount to Date: 26

Curt has some interesting beads if anyone wants some for their covers.

PURPLE HEART PENS – Chairmen: Ken Tower (520) 326-5839 & Paul Swane

(520) 818-0446. *Note: If attending an event that may possibly have Veteran's in attendance, contact Ken Tower to borrow the poster and display of Purple Heart Pens and Boxes, which are stored in the DWA Library. No verification of the Purple Heart recipient is needed to get a pen. It's the Honor System.*

For American Flag Clips for pens, see Ken.

Goal set for 2024: 200 (between DWA & SAZWA). Have enough in Inventory for now.

PENS FOR THE TROOPS – Temporary Chairman: Bob Bencic

Goal set for 2024: 1200 (between DWA and SAZWA).

Amount to Date: 800 turned in; another 30 pen kits available.

Last chance to turn in pens is the October meeting.

DIAPER BANK – Chairman: Jim Payne (520) 591-9876

Fundraiser Event. Turn in items to auction to Jim. Toys are welcome.

NESTING SHELTERS (HOUSES) – Chairman: Spencer Davis (520) 471-2480.

Goal set for 2024: 50

Amount to Date: 40. No Updates for October

SHOW & TELL: \$25 monthly award winner was Stan Reis.

PRESIDENT'S CHOICE FOR NOVEMBER: "Finish It". Share Information. Bring in a wood item, what finish product was used, and the pros & cons of the product.

Next Quarterly Award will be December.

TODAY'S DEMO: Band Saw Demonstrations

The next meeting will be held on Saturday, November 2, 2024 at 9:00am at the Flowing Hills High School, Auto Shop.

DESERT WOODCRAFTERS ASSOCIATION (DWA)

Meeting Minutes

September 9, 2024

President	Bud Bencic
Vice-President	Adrian Barton
Treasurer	Jim Payne
Secretary	Paula Flores
Board Members	Martha Garcia, Frank Pickett, Paul Swane
Webmaster:	Fred Frankenfeld. Assistant: Chip Jarvis

Bob Deines, member, opened the meeting held at the Flowing Wells High School Auto Shop, at 9:00am with 19 members and 2 guests. Good job, Bob!

MINUTES: Minutes for August were approved with the following corrections. Two typos on Martha's Estate Sale (sent in via email). Corrected and minutes approved.

50/50: The total was \$52. Will Mikus won \$26 and \$26 went to the club. Will Mikus will pick the winning ticket next month.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Current DWA bank balance is \$5,912.83.

BRING BACK: Dan Williams won a segmented vase made by Ken Tower. Dan is responsible for bringing an item to the Bring Back to the October meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Bud Bencic was ill and designated Bob Deines to run the meeting. Good job, Bob. Hope your feeling better, Bud.

SAZWA is having a Guest Demo the 2nd Saturday in November.

Dennis Cole slipped in the shower and broke his hip. He is at TMC Rm40. Hope you are feeling better, Dennis.

OLD BUSINESS:

Jim Click Raffle Tickets are still available. \$25/each or 5/\$100. All money goes to DWA. Last month we sold 2 sets of 5 = \$200. The stubs should be sent to Paul Newall @ SAZWA.

NEW BUSINESS:

There is going to be a final Garage Sale to finish cleaning out Martha Garcia's estate - Sept 21 9:00am. There are still many small tools. Martha had 5 scroll saws and miscellaneous parts for scroll saws, and 7 band saws. There will be signs put up along the route to her house, and publicity on FB Marketplace & Craig's List. Address is: 1715 S Marfora, Tucson, AZ. Some partially made cars were found in Martha's workshop. If anyone wants to finish them up and donate them in Martha's name, get wheels from Frank.

Xerocraft is looking for a tall stand, full-size drill press (buy or donate). Contact John Nicholson.

Jim Payne is asking for donations for the AZ Senator's Inauguration DC trip offered to students. Donations can be used for Tax Credit. Contact Jim for more information;

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Goal Set for 2024: over a 1,000 (including 220 for Day Care Center for Autistic Kids; 400 for Toys)
(between DWA & SAZWA)

Amount to Date: TBD – **October Demo will be “Assembling Doodle Boxes” - need assemblers!**

TOYS – Chairman: Frank Pickett (520) 546-7646

Goal set for 2024: 3,000 (including Doodle Boxes)

Amount to Date: TBD - Toys are usually brought in closer to year-end.

Frank has wheels and axles if anyone needs some for the cars. Need to finish and turn in by December meeting.

BEADS OF COURAGE – Chairman: Curt Peters (520) 240-4876

Goal set for 2024: 50

Amount to Date: 26

Curt has some interesting beads if anyone wants some for their covers.

PURPLE HEART PENS – Chairmen: Ken Tower (520) 326-5839 & Paul Swane

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Goal set for 2024: 200 (between DWA & SAZWA) There is still Inventory from previous years.

PENS FOR THE TROOPS – Chairman: Martha Garcia

(Martha temporarily unavailable. LEAD is Bud Bencic (520) 533-8752 until further notice.)

Goal set for 2024: TBD (between DWA and SAZWA).

Amount to Date: 800 turned in; another 223 ready to turn in. Last chance to turn in pens is the October meeting.

DIAPER BANK – Chairman: Jim Payne (520) 591-9876

Fundraiser Event. Turn in items to auction to Jim. Toys are also welcome to auction.

Amount to Date: OCTOBER is the last month to turn in items for the Diaper Bank auction.

NESTING SHELTERS (HOUSES) – Chairman: Spencer Davis (520) 471-2480.

Goal set for 2024: 50

Amount to Date: 40. NO update for September.

SHOW & TELL: \$25 monthly award winner was Pete DeMarco.

PRESIDENT'S CHOICE: \$25 quarterly award winner was Jeff Goldberg. Next Quarterly Award will be December.

TODAY'S DEMO: JIGS (who made them & what they were made for). Demos on all JIGS.

OCTOBER DEMO: Assembling Doodle Boxes for Community Project. Offering a \$30 Gift Card for “speed in assembling the Doodle Boxes”

The next meeting will be held on Saturday, October 5, 2024 at 9:00am at the Flowing Hills High School, Auto Shop.

DESERT WOODCRAFTERS ASSOCIATION (DWA)

Meeting Minutes

August 3, 2024

President	Bud Bencic
Vice-President	Adrian Barton
Treasurer	Jim Payne
Secretary	Paula Flores
Board Members	Martha Garcia, Frank Pickett, Paul Swane
Webmaster:	Fred Frankenfeld. Assistant: Chip Jarvis

The President, Bud Bencic, opened the meeting, held at the Flowing Wells High School Auto Shop, at 9:00am with 27 members and 2 guests

MINUTES: Minutes for July were approved with the following corrections. Bring Back change: should be **for August not July** and under Community Projects (Bird Houses) change **June to July**.

50/50: The total was \$82. Curt Peters won \$41 and \$41 went to the club. Curt will pick the winner next month.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Current DWA bank balance is \$6,330.13.

BRING BACK: Ken Tower won a small container w/lid, inside flocked brought in by Terry Glover. Ken is responsible for bringing an item for the Bring Back to the September meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mike Phillips will deliver plaque for Elks Club in Oro Valley for their generous donation to our club (via Paul Swane).

John made pizza cutters out of hard-drive discs and personalized the handle on a 3D printer - donated to the diaper bank for their raffle..

OLD BUSINESS:

Jim Click Raffle Tickets are still available. \$25/each or 5/\$100. All money goes to DWA. Last month we sold 2 sets of 5 = \$200. The stubs should be sent to Paul Newell @ SAZWA.

NEW BUSINESS:

Unfortunately, Marcia Garcia is not coming back. An Estate Sale will be posed on our website. She has a lot of wood. And big bins full of pieces of wood. Also a small shed stuffed with woodworking stuff. POC: Bud Bencic. The money will go to Martha's brother, who is handling her estate. The club donated \$500, designated for Martha's Assistant Living expenses. The check will be sent directly to Venizia Assisted Living Center). Anyone wishing to donate to her care make checks out to Venizia for Martha Garcia.

COMMUNITY PROJECTS:

DOODLE BOXES (Part of the Toy Project) – Chairman: Terry Glover (520) 290-8503

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Goal Set for 2024: 1,000 (220 for Day Care Center for Autistic Kids; 400 for Toys)
(between DWA & SAZWA)

Amount to Date: TBD – Kits brought in that need assembly. Anyone wanting to help assemble, contact Terry.

TOYS – Chairman: Frank Pickett (520) 546-7646

Goal set for 2024: 3,000 (including Doodle Boxes)

Amount to Date: TBD - Toys are usually brought in closer to year-end.

Frank has wheels and axles if anyone needs some for the cars.

BEADS OF COURAGE – Chairman: Curt Peters (520) 240-4876

Goal set for 2024: 50

Amount to Date: 24

Curt has some interesting beads if anyone wants some for their covers.

PURPLE HEART PENS – Chairmen: Ken Tower (520) 326-5839 & Paul Swane

(520) 818-0446. *Note: If attending an event that may possibly have Veteran's in attendance, contact Ken Tower to borrow the poster and display of Purple Heart Pens and Boxes, which are stored in the DWA Library. No verification of the Purple Heart recipient is needed to get a pen. It's the Honor System.*

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Goal set for 2024: 200 (between DWA & SAZWA) There is still Inventory from previous years.

PENS FOR THE TROOPS – Chairman: Martha Garcia

(Martha temporarily unavailable. LEAD is Bud Bencic (520) 533-8752 until further notice.)

Goal set for 2024: TBD (between DWA and SAZWA).

Amount to Date: 879 turned in. Have another 400 pen kits. Last chance to turn in pens is October.

DIAPER BANK – Chairman: Jim Payne (520) 591-9876

Fundraiser Event Sept 21st. Turn in items to auction to Jim. Toys are also welcome to auction.

Amount to Date: SEPTEMBER is the last month to turn in items for the Diaper Bank auction.

NESTING SHELTERS (HOUSES) – Chairman: Spencer Davis (520) 471-2480.

Goal set for 2024: 50

Amount to Date: 40. NO update for August

SHOW & TELL: \$25 monthly award winner was Jeff Goldberg.

PRESIDENT'S CHOICE FOR SEPTEMBER: Demo Item or anything for our Community Projects.

The \$25 quarterly award winner will be in September.

TODAY'S DEMO: Pen Turning we have 90 kits to do and another 100 to hand out for people to turn.

SEPTEMBER DEMO: "JIGS". Bring in your most useful JIG and what it is used for.

The next meeting will be held on Saturday, September 7, 2024 at 9:00am at the Flowing Hills High School, Auto Shop.

DESERT WOODCRAFTERS ASSOCIATION (DWA)

Meeting Minutes

July 6, 2024

President	Bud Bencic
Vice-President	Adrian Barton
Treasurer	Jim Payne
Secretary	Paula Flores
Board Members	Martha Garcia, Frank Pickett, Paul Swane
Webmaster:	Fred Frankenfeld. Assistant: Chip Jarvis

The President, Bud Bencic, opened the meeting, held at the Flowing Wells High School Auto Shop, at 9:00am with 23 members and 2 guests (both of which became members today).

MINUTES: Minutes for June were approved with the following correction. Danielle Coleman is Dennis Cole's daughter (not Dale's daughter).

50/50: The total was \$108. Chip Jarvis won \$54 and \$54 went to the club. Chip will pick the winner next month.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Current DWA bank balance is \$6,110.73.

BRING BACK: Terry Glover won a new Key Ring with a secret compartment containing \$20 (you'll always have some cash!) brought in by Dennis Cole. Terry is responsible for bringing an item for the Bring Back to the July meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Member News:

Gene Rittenhouse passed away last weekend. Secretary will send a Sympathy Card.

Martha Garcia has been in an Assisted Living Home for the past 4-6 weeks. She has terminal brain cancer. 1st scan showed a small spot. Next scan it and grown. She is kept comfortable and has good days and bad days. She is not even aware her mother recently passed away. If anyone is interested in visiting her, be prepared (it's very sad). She is at VENEZIA PLACE, 7141 N. Via Venezia, Tucson. Call VENEZIA (Pat Soto 520-360-3814) before going to find out if she is accepting visitors.

Sam Scalzo is doing Heart Therapy at St. Josephs Hospital.

Paula Flores is doing Cardiac Heart Therapy at TMC One.

OLD BUSINESS:

Jim Click Raffle Tickets are still available. \$25/each or 5/\$100. All money goes to DWA.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ken delivered a special plaque to Catalina Elks for their generous donation this year.

FOR SALE:

Shop Vac \$100

Silicon Mats 2/\$3

COMMUNITY PROJECTS:

DOODLE BOXES (Part of the Toy Project) – Chairman: Terry Glover (520) 290-8503

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Goal Set for 2024: 1,000 (220 for Day Care Center for Autistic Kids; 400 for Toys)
(between DWA & SAZWA)

Amount to Date: TBD – Kits brought in that need assembly.

TOYS – Chairman: Frank Pickett (520) 546-7646

Goal set for 2024: 3,000 (including Doodle Boxes)

Amount to Date: TBD - Toys are usually brought in closer to year-end.

Frank has wheels and axles if anyone needs some for the cars.

BEADS OF COURAGE – Chairman: Curt Peters (520) 240-4876

Goal set for 2024: 50

Amount to Date: 19

Curt has some interesting beads if anyone wants some for their covers.

PURPLE HEART PENS – Chairmen: Ken Tower (520) 326-5839 & Paul Swane

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Goal set for 2024: 200 (between DWA & SAZWA) There is still Inventory from previous years.

PENS FOR THE TROOPS – Chairman: Martha Garcia

(Martha temporarily unavailable. LEAD is Bud Bencic (520) 533-8752 until further notice.)

Goal set for 2024: TBD (between DWA and SAZWA).

Amount to Date: 400 turned in. 145 kits available.

DIAPER BANK – Chairman: Jim Payne (520) 591-9876

Fundraiser Event Sept 21st. Turn in items to auction to Jim. Toys are also welcome to auction.

Amount to Date: SEPTEMBER is the last month to turn in items for the Diaper Bank auction.

NESTING SHELTERS (HOUSES) – Chairman: Spencer Davis (520) 471-2480.

Goal set for 2024: 50

Amount to Date: 40. NO update for June

SHOW & TELL: \$25 monthly award winner was Terry Glover.

PRESIDENT'S CHOICE FOR AUGUST: Mixed Media (wood + some other material in a single object)
The \$25 quarterly award winner will be in September.

TODAY'S DEMO: Knife Handles (Fred, Bob and Adrian)

AUGUST Demo: Pen Turning. If you've never turned a pen, it's a good time to try it. If you have favorite pen-turning tools, bring them with you.

The next meeting will be held on Saturday, August 3, 2024 at 9:00am at the Flowing Hills High School, Auto Shop.

DESERT WOODCRAFTERS ASSOCIATION (DWA)

Meeting Minutes

June 1, 2024

President	Bud Bencic
Vice-President	Adrian Barton
Treasurer	Jim Payne
Secretary	Paula Flores
Board Members	Martha Garcia, Frank Pickett, Paul Swane
Webmaster:	Fred Frankenfeld. Assistant: Chip Jarvis

The President, Bud Bencic, opened the meeting, held at the Flowing Wells High School Auto Shop, at 9:00am with 22 members and 3 guests: Linda Heffernan (Terry's wife), Diana Benson (Dale's wife), and Dannelle Coleman (Dale's daughter).

MINUTES: Minutes for May were approved with the following corrections: spelling/typos on the following names: Fred Frankenfeld, Terry Heffernan, and Paul Swane.

50/50: The total was \$54. Linda Heffernan won \$27 and \$27 went to the club. Terry or Linda Heffernan will pick the winner next month.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Current DWA bank balance is \$5,907.96. We made \$578 on last month's Auction.

BRING BACK: Linda/Terry Heffernan won a homemade ice-cream scoop brought in by Fred Frankenfeld. Terry is responsible for bringing an item for the Bring Back to the July meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1) We received a \$500 donation from the Catalina Elks #2815. Secretary will mail a Thank You card from the club.

2) Jim Click Raffle tickets are still available.

3) 2024 Budget was revised and approved.

4) The Flowing Wells HS Culinary school received a homemade cutting board, a pair of salt & pepper shakers, and a plaque in gratitude for creating the menu and serving the lunch for our Spring Fling.

5) Gene Rittenhouse has cancer and is cleaning out his shop. The Secretary will send a "Thinking of You" card from the club.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

The Habitat for Humanity store (HABISTORE) - Ken & Frank are the “Fix-It Guys” at the store. If items come in that require some work to be able to sell the item, they do the best they can to fix them. If anyone is interested in helping out, meet at the HABISTORE, 935 W. Grant Rd (East of the Fwy, South side of the road) on Wednesday’s 9am-noon. Afterwards they go out to lunch. The HABISTORE will pick-up donated items for free. They will deliver purchased items for \$50. Their hours are Monday-Saturday 9am-5pm, Sunday 10am-4pm. Phone number is 520-889-7200.

AUCTION:

10” Rikon Bandsaw – near brand new. 2 extra blades, fence - \$200.

ITEMS FOR SALE:

See website

COMMUNITY PROJECTS:

DOODLE BOXES (Part of the Toy Project) – Chairman: Terry Glover (520) 290-8503

Each Doodle Box comes with a set of 4 colored, dry-erase makers)

Goal Set for 2024: 1,000 (260 for Day Care Center for Autistic Kids; 740 for Toys)
(between DWA & SAZWA)

Amount to Date: TBD – Kits brought in that need assembly.

TOYS – Chairman: Frank Pickett (520) 546-7646

Goal set for 2024: 3,000 (including Doodle Boxes)

Amount to Date: TBD - Toys are usually brought in closer to year-end.

Frank has wheels and axles if anyone needs some for the cars.

BEADS OF COURAGE – Chairman: Curt Peters (520) 240-4876

Goal set for 2024: 50

Amount to Date: 14

PURPLE HEART PENS – Chairmen: Ken Tower (520) 326-5839 & Paul Swane

(520) 818-0446. *Note: If attending an event that may possibly have Veteran’s in attendance, contact Ken Tower to borrow the poster and display of Purple Heart Pens and Boxes, which are stored in the DWA Library. No verification of the Purple Heart recipient is needed to get a pen. It’s the Honor System.*

For American Flag Clips for pens, see Ken.

Goal set for 2024: 150 (between DWA & SAZWA)

Amount to Date: UNK There is still inventory from previous years.

PENS FOR THE TROOPS – Chairman: Martha Garcia

(Martha temporarily unavailable. LEAD is Bud Bencic (520) 533-8752 until further notice.)

Goal set for 2024: TBD (between DWA and SAZWA).

Amount to Date: TBD - 192 on hand and 70 packaged ready to go.

(For every 400 turned in, we get 400 more to work on)

Bud has pen kits if needed. Out of Pen Kits. Called Randy - he was out-of-town.

Turn in finished pens to Bud, to do the counting, inventory and turning the pens in to Woodcraft.

John Nicholson will do package sealing, which includes a pen and a Woodcrafters business card. A personal business card from the person who made the pen can also be included.

Include your personal business card when you turn the pen in to Bud if you want one to be included in the packaging.

DIAPER BANK – Chairman: Jim Payne (520) 591-9876

Fundraiser Event Sept 21st. Turn in items to auction to Jim. Toys are also welcome to auction.
Amount to Date: TBD

NESTING SHELTERS (HOUSES) – Chairman: Spencer Davis (520) 471-2480.

Goal set for 2024: 50

Amount to Date: 40. NO update for June

SHOW & TELL:

\$25 monthly award winner was Dan Williams.

PRESIDENT'S CHOICE FOR JULY: "Don't Box Me In" – Make any kind of box.

\$25 quarterly award winner was Ken Tower.

TODAY'S DEMO: CNC Fundamentals by Adrian Barton.

JULY DEMO: Knife Handles (Fred, Bob and Arian)

The next meeting will be held on Saturday, July 6, 2024 at 9:00am at the Flowing Hills High School, Auto Shop.

DESERT WOODCRAFTERS ASSOCIATION (DWA)

Meeting Minutes

May 4, 2024

President	Bud Bencic
Vice-President	Adrian Barton
Treasurer	Jim Payne
Secretary	Paula Flores
Board Members	Martha Garcia, Frank Pickett, Paul Swan
Webmaster:	Fred Frankenfeld. Assistant: Chip Jarvis

The President, Bud Bencic, opened the meeting, held at the Flowing Wells High School Auto Shop, at 9:00am with 24 members and 7 guests.

MINUTES: Minutes for April were approved as distributed.

50/50: The total was \$86. Terry Hefferman won \$43 and \$43 went to the club. Terry will pick the winner next month.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Current DWA bank balance is \$6,284.50.

BRING BACK: Fred Frankenfeld won a pen brought in by Frank Pickett. Fred is responsible for bringing an item for the Bring Back to the June meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Spring Fling is today!

OLD BUSINESS:

2024 Budget be finalized next month.

NEW BUSINESS:

None

AUCTION:

Many things auctioned for Spring Fling yielded over \$500. Jim Payne will report exact amount at the June meeting.

MISC:

Hood Wood Distribution offers a 15% discount if you ask for it.

COMMUNITY PROJECTS:

DOODLE BOXES (Part of the Toy Project) – Chairman: Terry Glover (520) 290-8503

Each Doodle Box comes with a set of 4 colored, dry-erase makers)

Goal Set for 2024: 1,000 (260 for Day Care Center for Autistic Kids; 740 for Toys)
(between DWA & SAZWA)

Amount to Date: TBD – No update for May.

Need more sets of markers. Kits brought in that need assembly.

TOYS – Chairman: Frank Pickett (520) 546-7646

Goal set for 2024: 3,000 (including Doodle Boxes)

Amount to Date: TBD – No update for May. Toys are usually brought in closer to year-end.

Frank has wheels and axles if anyone needs some for the cars.

BEADS OF COURAGE – Chairman: Curt Peters (520) 240-4876

Goal set for 2024: 50

Amount to Date: 19

PURPLE HEART PENS – Chairmen: Ken Tower (520) 326-5839 & Paul Swane

(520) 818-0446. *Note: If attending an event that may possibly have Veteran's in attendance, contact Ken Tower to borrow the poster and display of Purple Heart Pens and Boxes, which are stored in the DWA Library. No verification of the Purple Heart recipient is needed to get a pen. It's the Honor System.*

For American Flag Clips for pens, see Ken.

Goal set for 2024: 150 (between DWA & SAZWA)

Amount to Date: UNK There is still inventory from previous years.

PENS FOR THE TROOPS – Chairman: Martha Garcia

(Martha temporarily unavailable. LEAD is Bud Bencic (520) 533-8752 until further notice.)

Goal set for 2024: TBD (between DWA and SAZWA).

Amount to Date: 469 ready to go. (For every 400 turned in, we get 400 more to work on)

Bud has pen kits if needed.

Turn in finished pens to Bud, to do the counting, inventory and turning the pens in to Woodcraft.

John Nicholson will do package sealing, which includes a pen and a Woodcrafters business

card. A personal business card from the person who made the pen can also be included.

Include your personal business card when you turn the pen in to Bud if you want one to be included in the packaging.

DIAPER BANK – Chairman: Jim Payne (520) 591-9876

Fundraiser Event Sept 21st. Turn in items to auction to Jim. Toys are also welcome to auction.

NESTING SHELTERS (HOUSES) – Chairman: Spencer Davis (520) 471-2480.

Goal set for 2024: 50

Amount to Date: 40. Another 20 ready to turn in.

SHOW & TELL: \$25 monthly award winner was Adrian Barton.

PRESIDENT'S CHOICE FOR JUNE: Charcuterie Board "Let's Not Get Bored" or any Community Project. Quarterly \$25 drawing will be drawn in June.

TODAY'S DEMO: Spring Fling Demo's and Mini-Demo's by DWA members.

JUNE DEMO: CNC Fundamentals by Adrian Barton.

The next meeting will be held on Saturday, June 1st, 2024 at 9:00am at the Flowing Hills High School, Auto Shop.

DESERT WOODCRAFTERS ASSOCIATION (DWA)

Meeting Minutes

April 6, 2024

President	Bud Bencic
Vice-President	Adrian Barton
Treasurer	Jim Payne
Secretary	Paula Flores
Board Members	Martha Garcia, Frank Pickett, Paul Swan
Webmaster:	Fred Frankenfeld. Assistant: Chip Jarvis

The President, Bud Bencic, opened the meeting, held at the Flowing Wells High School Auto Shop, at 9:00am with 27 members and 1 guest, Bill Price (a friend of Adrian Barton).

MINUTES: Minutes for March were approved as distributed.

50/50: The total was \$68. Jeff Goldberg won \$34 and \$34 went to the club. Jeff will pick the winner next month.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Current DWA bank balance is \$5,437.84.

BRING BACK: Paul Swane won the multiple-axis Christmas Tree made by last month's winner, Bob Deines. Paul is responsible for bringing an item for the Bring Back to the May meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Spring Fling - Saturday, May 4th. Meet in the Auto Shop at 9am. A short DWA meeting will be held prior to event. The Lunch will be \$20 – can pay the day of. The Culinary Club students will be creating the menu and serving the meal.

OLD BUSINESS:

2024 Budget is being finalized. Show & Tell will change from \$25/month to \$25/quarter. Will save \$200/year. Best things to boost revenue is to bring more things in for Auction and solicit Donations. Approved changes will be made to the 2024 Budget and finalized by the May Meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jim Click Annual Raffle. In the past SAZWA handled all the tickets. This year DWA will handle their own tickets so we can track our portion. Raffle is held in December.

Tickets are \$25/each or 5/\$100.

1st PRIZE Jeep Hybrid (valued at \$40,000).

2nd PRIZE 2 First-Class Airline Tickets to the Destination of your Choice.

3rd PRIZE \$5,000 cash.

100% of the cost of tickets purchased through DWA comes back to our club.

Donation Flyer – There is a new flyer on the website that describes all the things DWA does for the community. It is a great flyer to have when soliciting for Donations. Desert Woodcrafters is a 501.c under SAZWA's umbrella. Bud will get a copy of the letter that identifies the 501.c for anyone who is interested in having one when soliciting for Donations.

AUCTION:

Lots of items turned in by the club's members were auctioned off. This is a good revenue source for our club. Everyone is encouraged to clean out their shop – if things are not being used, donate them – there are plenty of people in the club who will take it off your hands!

MISC:

Carving Club – Woodcrafters has a club of Carvers. People are available to show you how to get started. They meet every Monday at Woodcrafters – 9am-noon. Start a new Hobby!

COMMUNITY PROJECTS:

DOODLE BOXES (Part of the Toy Project) – Chairman: Terry Glover (520) 290-8503

Each Doodle Box comes with a set of 4 colored, dry-erase makers)

Goal Set for 2024: 1,000 (260 for Day Care Center for Autistic Kids; 740 for Toys)
(between DWA & SAZWA)

Amount to Date: TBD – No update for April. Need more sets of markers.

TOYS – Chairman: Frank Pickett (520) 546-7646

Goal set for 2024: 3,000 (including Doodle Boxes)

Amount to Date: TBD – No update for April. Toys are usually brought in closer to year-end.
Frank has wheels and axles if anyone needs some for the cars.

BEADS OF COURAGE – Chairman: Curt Peters (520) 240-4876

Goal set for 2024: 50

Amount to Date: 6

PURPLE HEART PENS – Chairmen: Ken Tower (520) 326-5839 & Paul Swane

(520) 818-0446. *Note: If attending an event that may possibly have Veteran's in attendance, contact Ken Tower to borrow the poster and display of Purple Heart Pens and Boxes, which are stored in the DWA Library. No verification of the Purple Heart recipient is needed to get a pen. It's the Honor System.*

For American Flag Clips for pens, see Ken.

Goal set for 2024: 150 (between DWA & SAZWA)

Amount to Date: UNK There is still inventory from previous years.

PENS FOR THE TROOPS – Chairman: Martha Garcia

(Martha temporarily unavailable. LEAD is Bud Bencic (520) 533-8752 until further notice.)

Goal set for 2024: TBD (between DWA and SAZWA).

Amount to Date: TBD - No status for April

Volunteers were needed until Martha is back. Bud has pen kits if needed. Turn in finished pens to Bud, who volunteered to do the counting, inventory and turning the pens in to Woodcraft. John Nicholson volunteered to do package sealing, which includes a pen and a Woodcrafters business card. A personal business card from the person who made the pen can also be included. Include your personal business card when you turn the pen in to Bud if you want one to be included in the packaging.

DIAPER BANK – Chairman: Jim Payne (520) 591-9876

Fundraiser Event Sept 21st. Turn in items to auction to Jim. Toys are also welcome to auction.

NESTING SHELTERS (HOUSES) – Chairman: Spencer Davis (520) 471-2480.

Goal set for 2024: 50

Amount to Date: 2

30-40 are available for assembly. Contact Spencer to help out.

SHOW & TELL: \$25 monthly award winner was Terry Glover.

PRESIDENT'S CHOICE: Next Quarterly \$25 drawing will be drawn in June.

PRESIDENT'S CHOICE FOR MAY: Joints – Spline, Rabbit, Dowel, Biscuits, Dove Tail

TODAY'S DEMO: Bench Planes by Dale Benson.

MAY DEMO: Spring Fling Demo's and Mini-Demo's by DWA members.

The next meeting will be held on Saturday, May 4th, 2024 at 9:00am at the Flowing Hills High School, Auto Shop.

DESERT WOODCRAFTERS ASSOCIATION (DWA)

Meeting Minutes

March 3, 2024

President	Bud Bencic
Vice-President	Adrian Barton
Treasurer	Jim Payne
Secretary	Paula Flores
Board Members	Martha Garcia, Frank Pickett, Paul Swan
Webmaster:	Fred Frankenfeld. Assistant: Chip Jarvis

The President, Bud Bencic, opened the meeting, held at the Flowing Wells High School Auto Shop, at 9:00am with 27 members and no guests.

MINUTES: Minutes for February were approved with the following changes:

- 1) Dale Benson won the 50/50, not Bud Bencic.
- 2) April Demo changed to Bench Planes by Dale Benson,
- 4) Correction to Adrian Barton's name on the Bring Back.
- 3) Correction to Michael Croft's name and time changed to 12-noon on Automated Demonstration & Workshop.

50/50: The total was \$76. Greg Forst won \$38 and \$38 went to the club. Greg will pick the winner next month.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Current DWA bank balance is \$5,600.36. Three members have not renewed for 2024. Reminder email was sent. If not paid by end of April, they will be deleted from Roster.

BRING BACK: Bob Dienes won a 3D printed storage box made by last month's winner, Adrian Barton. Bob is responsible for bringing an item for the Bring Back to the April meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Spring Fling - Saturday, May 4th. (A short DWA meeting will be held prior to event).

The Lunch will be \$20. The menu is in work. If anyone has any food allergies, contact Jim Payne, so he can notify the cafeteria to accommodate them.

OLD BUSINESS:

We received a Thank You card from AVIVA our donations.

2024 Budget is in work. Will be discussed and finalized in March.

NEW BUSINESS:

None

AUCTION:

2 glue bottles - \$3

5 segmented rings (not quick release) - \$15

Saguaro ribs - \$22

Big Leaf Maple block from Washington state - \$15

English Walnut Block - \$17

Various pieces of wood and tree limbs FREE.

MISC:

John Nicholson donated bowls to Red Cross to go to donors.

COMMUNITY PROJECTS:

DOODLE BOXES (Part of the Toy Project) – Chairman: Terry Glover (520) 290-8503

Each Doodle Box comes with a set of 4 colored, dry-erase makers)

Goal Set for 2024: 1,000 (260 for Day Care Center for Autistic Kids; 740 for Toys)
(between DWA & SAZWA)

Amount to Date: TBD

Need more sets of markers.

TOYS – Chairman: Frank Pickett (520) 546-7646

Goal set for 2024: 3,025 (total from 2023 including Doodle Boxes)

Amount to Date: TBD

Frank has wheels if anyone needs some for the cars.

BEADS OF COURAGE – Chairman: Curt Peters (520) 240-4876

Goal set for 2024: 50

Amount to Date: 5

PURPLE HEART PENS – Chairmen: Ken Tower (520) 326-5839 & Paul Swane

(520) 818-0446. *Note: If attending an event that may possibly have Veteran's in attendance, contact Ken Tower for a display of Purple Heart Pens and Boxes. They will be stored in the DWA Library for future events).* For American Flag Clips for pens, see Ken Tower (520) 326-5839. Ken has posters along with a display board for events.

Goal set for 2024: 150 (was the final count for 2023) (between DWA & SAZWA)

Amount to Date: TBD

PENS FOR THE TROOPS – Chairman: Martha Garcia

Goal set for 2024: TBD (between DWA and SAZWA).

Amount to Date: TBD

DIAPER BANK – Chairman: Jim Payne (520) 591-9876

Fundraiser Event Sept 7th.

NESTING SHELTERS (HOUSES) – Chairman: Spencer Davis (520) 471-2480.

Goal set for 2024: 50

Amount to Date: Spencer has 30-40 ready to assemble and some that need cutting. Contact Spencer to help.

SHOW & TELL: \$25 monthly award winner was John Nicholson.

PRESIDENT'S CHOICE: 2X4 Contest. We had outstanding participation!

Quarterly Winner \$25 - Bud Bencic. Next Quarterly \$25 drawing will be drawn in June.

PRESIDENT'S CHOICE FOR APRIL: Best type of Joint object.

TODAYS DEMO: "Finishing" by Mike Phillips.

APRIL DEMO: Bench Planes by Dale Benson.

Demo's scheduled for 2024:

May Spring Fling Demos – to be discussed at the March Meeting.

The next meeting will be held on **Saturday, April 6, 2024** at 9:00am at the Flowing Hills High School, Auto Shop.

DESERT WOODCRAFTERS ASSOCIATION (DWA)

Meeting Minutes

February 3, 2024

President	Bud Bencic
Vice-President	Adrian Barton
Treasurer	Jim Payne
Secretary	Paula Flores
Board Members	Martha Garcia, Frank Pickett, Paul Swan
Webmaster:	Fred Frankenfeld. Assistant: Chip Jarvis

The President, Bud Bencic, opened the meeting, held at the Flowing Wells High School Auto Shop, at 9:00am with 29 members and 1 guest (Stephen West - paid and joined the club today).

MINUTES: Minutes for January were approved with 2 corrections.

50/50: The total was \$82. Dale Benson won \$41 and \$41 went to the club. Dale will pick the winner next month.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Current DWA bank balance is \$5,222.36. Dues are coming in. To date we have 42 members (35 Paid - 7 Not Paid).

BRING BACK: Adrian Barton won 2 fancy awls w/turned handles provided by last month's winner, Dale Benson. Adrian is responsible for bringing an item for the Bring Back to the March meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Spring Fling - Saturday, May 4th.

Demo's will be discussed next meeting.

Auctions – bring hand made items.

Lunch will be at the HS cafeteria. Menu and cost will be available by the March meeting.

Automated Demonstration & Workshop by Michael Crock

Xerocraft - Saturday March 16 – 10:30-noon

Zoom Class on Laser CNC and 3D Printing

4th Saturday of the month - 9am-11am

Contact Adrian Barton to be on the email list to get into the Zoom Meeting. FREE

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Volunteers signed up to do Demos (for Spring Fling and Monthly) – see below.

Club will consider contacting Turner's Warehouse to get a semi-professional Turner to come out to our club (Glendale AZ – 1-1/2 hr away) – dependent on cost.

FOR SALE:

Xerocraft Grizzly Ban Saw – contact Terry Glover

Chain Saw \$50 – contact Paul Swane

Nova Lathe w/extended bed (no accessories) \$1,750 – contact Ken Tower

AUCTION: 2 bottles Glue & sanding discs (2 sets) – one to Stephen West, one to Spence Davis.

COMMUNITY PROJECTS:

DOODLE BOXES (Part of the Toy Project) – Chairman: Terry Glover (520) 290-8503

Each Doodle Box comes with a set of 4 colored, dry-erase makers)

Goal Set for 2024: 1,000 (260 for Day Care Center for Autistic Kids; 740 for Toys)

(between DWA & SAZWA)

Amount to Date: TBD

TOYS – Chairman: Frank Pickett (520) 546-7646

Goal set for 2024: 3,025 (total from 2023 including Doodle Boxes)

Amount to Date: TBD

BEADS OF COURAGE – Chairman: Curt Peters (520) 240-4876

Goal set for 2024: TBD

Amount to Date: TBD

PURPLE HEART PENS – Chairmen: Ken Tower (520) 326-5839 & Paul Swane

(520) 818-0446. *Note: If attending an event that may possibly have Veteran's in attendance, contact Ken Tower for a display of Purple Heart Pens and Boxes. They will be stored in the DWA Library for future events).* For American Flag Clips for pens, see Ken Tower (520) 326-5839.

Goal set for 2024: 150 (was the final count for 2023) (between DWA & SAZWA)

Amount to Date: TBD

PENS FOR THE TROOPS – Chairman: Martha Garcia

Goal set for 2024: TBD (between DWA and SAZWA).

Amount to Date: TBD

DIAPER BANK – Chairman: Jim Payne (520) 591-9876

Next Fundraiser Date: More info in the Fall when they schedule their Fundraiser.

NESTING SHELTERS (HOUSES) – Chairman: Spencer Davis (520) 471-2480.

Goal set for 2024: 50

Amount to Date: Spencer has 30-40 ready to assembly. Contact Spencer to help.

SHOW & TELL: \$25 monthly award winner was Bud Bencic.

PRESIDENT'S CHOICE: "Love or Heart Theme". Quarterly \$25 drawing will be drawn in March.

PRESIDENT'S CHOICE FOR MARCH: 2x4 Challenge. See website for specifics.

TODAYS DEMO: "Making a Toy Car" by Frank Pickett

MARCH DEMO: "Finishing" by Mike Phillips.

Demo's scheduled for 2024:

April	Planing (who?)
May	Spring Fling Demos – to be discussed at the March Meeting.
June	CNC Demo (who?)
July	Knife Handles (who?)
Month TBD	Wipe-on Finishes by John Nicholson
Month TBD	Spray Painting by Ken Tower
Month TBD	Making Jewelry by Mike Phillips

The next meeting will be held on Saturday, March 2, 2024 at 9:00am at the Flowing Hills High School, Auto Shop.

DESERT WOODCRAFTERS ASSOCIATION (DWA)

Meeting Minutes

January 6, 2024

President	Bud Bencic
Vice-President	Adrian Barton
Treasurer	Jim Payne
Secretary	Paula Flores
Board Members	Martha Garcia, Frank Pickett, Paul Swan
Webmaster:	Fred Frankenfeld. Assistant: Chip Jarvis

Bud Bencic opened the meeting, held at the Flowing Wells High School Auto Shop, at 9:00am with 26 members.

MINUTES: Minutes for December were approved as modified.

50/50: The total was \$72. Bob Deines won \$36 and \$36 went to the club. Bob Deines will pick the winner next month. That's the price you pay for winning!

TREASURER'S REPORT: Current DWA bank balance is \$5,054.07. A large amount of this balance is the \$1,000 donation from the Elk's Club and money from the Christmas auction.

BRING BACK: Dale Benson won a miniature ornament, provided by last month's winner, Ken Tower. Dale will be responsible for bringing an item for the Bring Back to the February meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Spring Fling: Saturday, May 4th. Lunch TBD (more later).

OLD BUSINESS:

2023 Tax Form: Ken Tower had forms to take advantage of the "AZ School Tax Credit." By donating up to \$400 to benefit students in public schools, you get NOT JUST A DEDUCTION, but an ACTUAL TAX CREDIT. It reduces what you owe in state taxes, dollar-for-dollar. You can direct your donation to go to Flowing Wells High School and can specify that it is for AUTO SHOP SKILLS USA. (Note: Tax Credit Limit: \$400 for married couples filing jointly, \$200 for married couples filing separately, and \$250 for individual and head-of-household. It is a great way to help Flowing Wells and let them know how much we appreciate the use of their facility for our club meetings. **Donation must be made before April 15, 2024. See Ken for copies of the form.**

NEW BUSINESS:

Toys: Toys were very popular, especially cars, whistles and doodle boxes. They actually ran out of Doodle Boxes! The plan is to try to make more Doodle Boxes this year. Toys are donated for school distribution and to the Diaper Bank for their Auction. We also provide Doodle Box supplies to A Day Care Center for Autistic kids to assemble.

AUCTION:

A \$50 Gift Card to Dick Blick Art Materials, that sells paints and brushes online - sold for \$10.
A Xerocraft 3-month Membership Gift Card (worth \$180) – sold for \$25.

FOR SALE: See DWA Website.

COMMUNITY PROJECTS:

DOODLE BOXES (Part of the Toy Project) – Chairman: Terry Glover (520) 290-8503

Each Doodle Box comes with a set of 4 colored, dry-erase makers)

Goal Set for 2024: 1,000 (plus 160 for the Day Care Center for Autistic Kids) between DWA & SAZWA)

Final Count for 2023: 1,160

TOYS – Chairman: Frank Pickett (520) 546-7646

Goal set for 2024: 3,100 (including Doodle Boxes).

Final Count for 2023: 3,0254 (lower than last year)

BEADS OF COURAGE – Chairman: Curt Peters (520) 240-4876

Goal set for 2024: TBD

Final Count for 2023: 50

PURPLE HEART PENS – Chairmen: Ken Tower (520) 326-5839 & Paul Swane (520) 818-0446.

Goal set for 2024: TBD (between DWA & SAZWA) for the VFW.

Final Count for 2023: 150

For American Flag Clips for these pens, see Ken Tower (520) 326-5839.

PENS FOR THE TROOPS – Chairman: Martha Garcia

Goal set for 2024: TBD (between DWA and SAZWA).

Final Count for 2023: TBD

DIAPER BANK – Chairman: Jim Payne (520) 591-9876

Next Fundraiser Date: TBD

NESTING SHELTERS (HOUSES) – Chairman: Spencer Davis (520) 471-2480.

Goal set for 2024: TBD

Final Count for 2023: TBD

SHOW & TELL: \$25 monthly award winner was Terry Glover.

PRESIDENT'S CHOICE – Something Miniature. Next drawing will be drawn in March.

PRESIDENT'S CHOICE FOR FEBRUARY: "Theme of Love" (Valentines, Heart Signs, etc.)

TODAY'S DEMO: "Scroll Saw Desk Nameplate", by John Nicholson

FEBRUARY DEMO: "Making a Toy Car", by Frank Pickett

FUTURE DEMOS: TBD

The next meeting will be held on **Saturday, February 3, 2024** at 9:00am at the Flowing Hills High School, Auto Shop.