

## SHA Board Meeting 01/06/10

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 P.M., held at the Boys and Girls Club Building on Idaho Rd. The general members that were present were: Mardi Devolites, Danielle Anforth, Bev Hansen, Edna Driscoll, and James Salisbury. There were no comments from the general members. Board members present were Ed Dison, Jodi Beekman, Judy Hood, Pam Kantowski, Jim Foster, and Jeff Watson.

The meeting continued with reports from the committees.

Trail Committee: No report

SHA Store Committee: No report.

Road Clean up Committee: No report.

The Black Stallion Committee: No report.

Activities Committee: The Christmas Ride and Dinner was a success. 80 people attended the dinner. Bill Crane is the person who won the raffle saddle.

Parade Committee: The next parade will be the Lost Dutchman Days Parade. Edna Driscoll says that at this date there will be 30 riders and they will also have the truck pulling the trailer for some members to ride. They want to have a practice session before the parade (date to be decided). Also they would like to have some volunteers to be on the ground as wranglers/helpers.

Publicity/Articles/Pony tracks committee: Mardi Devolites reports that she has talked to the newspaper about writing articles/or a column titled "Happy Trails" about the SHA past activities or planned activities. It was also suggested that the association should have an educational clinic well publicized and open to the public and this could be presented in one of the articles.

Equine Welfare Committee: No report.

Political Committee: The city is still discussing the front yard issue since winter residents who have just returned were not present during the previous discussions about this issue and they are having their comments voiced now. Parks and Rec will be the group that is in charge of planning all the trails within the city – pedestrian, bike and horse trails- so for any questions or issues we need to have SHA representation at their meetings.

Website Committee: Danielle Anforth reports that she will be working with Edna Driscoll to start helping with the website.

Secretary notes: No changes.

Treasurer's report: Jeanne Kennedy was not present but Jeanne had given the report to Judy Hood to read at the meeting. Parts of it needed further explanation so Ed will contact her about that.

The December Income was 1,949.00. Expenses were 494.69. And there is a cash balance in the bank of 4,562.18. The CDs total is 13,547.91.

There was a suggestion to buy another saddle for a raffle – this one would be a \$500 saddle. Jim Foster made a motion to purchase a \$500 saddle for raffle and to start the raffle at the Lost Dutchman Days. It was seconded by Jeff Watson. All board members voted aye. Ed said he would look into the purchase of the saddle.

Membership report: There were 31 new memberships, 100 renewed memberships for a total of 231 total members.

There were discussions about how to encourage more new members and get the word out. One idea that was brought up earlier and discussed further at this time was to have an educational clinic both for the education of new horse owners and to introduce the public to the association and possibly encourage new memberships. Jeff Watson made a motion to have an educational clinic regarding first aid and horse health issues as a fund raiser presented by veterinarian Dr Lea Harvey possibly with lunch as an extra fund raiser on March 6<sup>th</sup>, followed by a "spring shots" clinic on March 13<sup>th</sup> in the A.M. and a farrier education session after lunch. Jim Foster seconded it. All board members voted aye.

Judy also mentioned that there was going to be an event called "Market Place" with numerous vendors on Jan 30<sup>th</sup>. Jim Foster made a motion to have a table at that event. Pam Kantowski seconded it. All board members voted aye.

Judy had a thank you card which was hand made by the Kids on Kritters 4-H club to present to the association in thanks for the donation that we had made to their club.

New Business/Old Business:

The application for the Lost Dutchman Days booth has been sent in. The dates are Feb 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>, and 28<sup>th</sup>.

The General Membership Meeting will be Wed Jan 20<sup>th</sup> at the Boys and Girls Club Building.

Jim Foster brought up the idea that the association should have a more detailed planned budget instead of merely discussing expenditures as they arise each month without having an idea of expenditures that will be coming up several months from now. Ed said he would talk with Jeanne and ask her to look at the last five years to see what expenditures the association has had each year and see if we can set up a budget at the next meeting.

Another discussion that was brought up was about the accumulation of manure that the area horse owners have and how different people dispose of it. Jeff Watson has talked to a company that produces compost that could haul it away if there was a large amount deposited in one area set up as a transfer

station. It was suggested that the rodeo grounds might be a good place for this but no one is sure if they would approve it and this would need further discussion in the future.

Jim Foster made a motion to adjourn and Jeff Watson seconded it. All board members voted aye. The meeting ended at 8:43P.M.