

Paradise Community Guilds Monthly Meeting – November 14, 2016

Meeting called to order by President David Zink. Officers present: David Zink, President & Musician; Dan Joseph, VP and Lecturer; Karen Quattlander, Secretary; Verna Myers, Treasurer; Michael Walden, Steward; Mike McGrath, Gatekeeper; Patricia Light, Flora.

New members introduced and welcomed: Nancy Eaton, Lynn Costa, & Pete Samuel.

Guest present: Richard Mann

Minutes from October's meeting were amended: The wine-tasting fundraiser this Thursday will take place at the Bidwell Golf Course, not Tuscan Ridge. Minutes approved as amended.

President David Zink reiterated our mission statement and vision statement for the new members.

Committee Reports

Membership (Susan Dobra absent)

The url nortonbuffalohall.com has been acquired. The site is to be built asap as it is important to get something up soon.

The dedication of the NB Hall and Chamber of Commerce ribbon cutting is to take place on January 12, 2017, with the assistance of the Chamber. Committee planning has begun and includes some community members. There will be a concert at 7 pm following the ribbon cutting with Roy Rogers and maybe Carlos Reyes. Display of Norton will deck the hall, along with our wish list. We will be meeting a deadline of 11/28 for the promotional materials (posters).

Rental (Jennifer Petersen absent)

Scott Wyman will be renting the hall in January for a 3 day meditation retreat. We will need to have the rental rates posted on the website, as well as somewhere in the hall.

Building and Grounds – Dan Joseph

The focus of the last work day was to get the roof tarped. Some work has been done on the garden shed. The stage has been covered with tarps, and a few leaks were duct-taped. Michael W started repair on the front porch steps, and thinks it might be best to replace the wood rather than resurface it. The next work day could be used to begin decorating for the hall dedication. This will take place on November 26, breakfast @ 8:30 and work at 9 am. We would like to paint at least one wall of the interior in order to hang the buffalo painting on a nice backdrop.

Dan might be acquiring several bee hives for the Guilds – he will assemble more info and present it at the next meeting.

Events – Verna Myers

Since the last meeting, we've had a rummage sale, a Zombie Stomp, and a house concert. The Halloween event did not do as well as last year, but the band Bahapki was outstanding. The house concert last weekend drew about 30 attendees – it's possible that the mood post-election kept folks at home. The rummage sale was well attended in spite of the weather.

On 12/3, we will have a 490 Cabaret with Dan Frechette.

On 1/26, we will be presenting Chuck Brodsky.

On 2/4, Hailie Lauren.

On 2/24, Simon Lynge.

On 2/26, Ian Ethan Case (pending confirmation).

On 3/31, Martin Gerschwitz.

Next events committee meeting will take place Monday, 11/21, at Verna's house.

Wine tasting fundraiser in conjunction with the Chico Grange this Thursday at Bidwell Golf Course. Attendees pay \$5; wine provided by Ray's Liquor. All we have to do is show up and help pour. Bring your friends!

Community Action – no one present from this committee.

Garden (Jennifer absent)

Richard has been raking and starting cover crop. There are plots available in the community garden – see Karen.

Transformation Committee – David Zink

The Executive Committee has been moving forward with the paperwork changes necessary for moving into our new entity. The next step is to change the by-laws, then the articles of incorporation, then change the name on the deed. There will be a discussion on how much power do we grant the CG, and how much do we retain for ourselves. Any by-laws changes will go through a 2 month approval process.

California Guild – we may be called upon to do some fund-raising for them. They are trying to hold on for 2 more years.

Treasurer's report – Verna Myers

The bank balance is over \$3000, a first! The rummage sale brought in almost \$1000, which is earmarked for the roof raising. Nancy suggested we check with the Rotary Club and other service organizations, which often provide funds for community projects. Susan will be organizing the Crowd Funding campaign. David will ask Judy Fox for help in contacting other service orgs.

New business

2017 GuildStorm to take place March 3-4 at Karen and Michael's. We can get some work done ahead of time, such as pondering the rituals and reinventing/energizing our Guilds based on the mission & vision statements. We will start with the heart, then let our heads organize our identity.

Election of Officers for 2017

David suggested that we fill the core offices (Pres., VP, Secretary, Treasurer, EC) for now, and put thought into the ritual (formerly Graces), hospitality (formerly Steward, Ass't Steward, Lady Ass't Steward, Gatekeeper), and cultural (Chaplain, Lecturer, Musician) offices to determine how to retain and define their functions as we transform.

The following were nominated and duly elected for 2017:

President: David Zink

Vice President: Dan Joseph

Secretary: Karen Quattlander

Treasurer: Verna Myers

Executive Committee, 1 year position: Karen Quattlander

It was moved that the remaining, 3 year position on the EC be filled in January when more members are present and hopefully available and eager to take on this position. Seconded and carried.

David would like to see a totally new gang of officers in 2018!

December meeting: 12/12. No business! A time to celebrate together with a harvest potluck dinner from 6 - 9 pm. Bring your friends! Bring your musical instruments! All are welcome!

Members sick or in distress:

Michael Walden's mother passed away today. Susan Dobra is very sick, possible with food poisoning. Judy Fox is recovering from shoulder surgery and in some pain. Cards were signed and will be sent.

Meeting adjourned by President David Zink. Not sure what time. It was late!

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Quattlander, Secretary
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