

Fortuna Tierra Club  
July 8, 2013

The meeting was called to order by co-president, Sue Wiens at 4:20 p.m. at the home of Ann Larivee.  
Opening Comments: Sue Wiens welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked Ann Larivee for hosting the meeting.

Roll Call: There 15 members present and 1 guest, Pamela Niemeyer, was introduced.  
Minutes of the June meeting: There were no corrections to the June minutes. Peggy Spindler moved to accept the minutes, seconded by Marti O'Leary, and the motion passed.

Secretary's report: None

Treasurer's report: Laureen Kraft reported income for the month of June as \$42.00, and there were no expenses for the month. The assets for June are: \$1535.01 in checking, \$10,111.77 in savings, and \$30,000 in the CD for a total of \$41,646.78. A motion to accept the report without correction was made by Kathy McLallen, seconded by Kathy Heinrichs, and passed.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Newsletter and webpage: Nancy Meyers said that the newsletter will be emailed for one more month, then will be posted on the website after that. Members will be emailed when the newsletter is posted.

Club operations: No report, Shelly Bennett out of town

Compassion: Lil Frederickson was not present so no report was given. Sue Wiens noted that Rita Bond is continuing to have health issues and encouraged members to give her a call or send a card.

Fundraising:

Golf Tournament:

The FTC Golf Scramble is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 7 at Divide Ranch & Club (DRC). This will be a co-ed 4-person scramble. There will be 60 slots available (15 teams), and the entry fee will be \$65.00/person. Of that fee, \$25 goes to DRC for golf and cart expense, \$15 is for lunch, and \$25 goes to cash prizes. The prizes are as follows: 1st place net \$400/team, 1st place gross \$400/team; 2nd place net \$200/team, 2nd place gross \$200/team; 3rd place net \$120/team, 3rd place gross \$120/team. That leaves \$60 to fund goodie bags for the golfers. There will also be a 'closest-to-the-pin' position prize for 1 man and 1 woman and a 'longest drive' position prize for 1 man and 1 woman. These prizes will be rounds of golf at regional golf course. In addition, the Divide Ranch & Club will be having a sale at the pro shop, will give each player a \$5 voucher for the pro shop, and a 2 for 1 golf certificate for DRC valid for this season as well as the 2014 golf season. Applications will be available at DRC on the table at the back entrance to the clubhouse. FTC members can get applications from Sharon Kreutzen or can print them from the FTC website. Sharon has organized the tournament and all applications (with fee) should be delivered to her so that she may put the teams together. She will also be asking for FTC members to work at the tournament (those that aren't playing in the tournament that is). Pat Montgomery is in charge of the fundraising activities associated with the golf scramble. The most important part of that are the hole sponsorships. Hole sponsorships are available for \$200 (entire hole – tee box and green), \$100 (tee box OR green). If there would be too many sponsors for 18 holes, signs are placed on putting green, driving range, etc. Pat will be sending a draft of the email that will go to businesses/individuals who have sponsored holes in previous years. She requests that all FTC members

try to think of additional sources to contact for sponsorships, and to let her know who has been contacted. These emails will be sent out to potential sponsors with follow-up by her committee members during August.

The gift baskets are another part of the golf fundraising. Marti O'Leary is in charge of those. She would like to have 'bigger and better' baskets this year, with a maximum of 10 baskets for the lunchtime drawing. Tickets will be 20 for \$20 and will be sold before and during the tournament. Marti suggests that 3-4 people go together to put baskets together, and be sure to consider "man"-themed baskets since this is a co-ed event. All baskets need to have contents listed with an approximate value of the entire basket. There is a possibility that the baskets could be displayed at Alpine Bank and in the DRC pro shop before the tournament so ticket sales will have to be addressed at these locations. Also, pictures of the baskets should be shown on the FTC website.

The final piece of the golf fundraiser is to sell Miracle Putts. These will be sold for \$5/each with a maximum of 4 per team. These will be sold by FTC members in the registration area.

Craft Fair:

Cher Mitton reported that FTC is on the waiting list to participate in the Ouray Library fundraiser in November. No other information is available but Cher is maintaining contact with Sherry Peck who is in charge of the craft booths for that event. The other venue for the FTC craft fair is still the Non-Profit Market at the 4H Center in November.

Philanthropic: Stephanie Gregory reported that she had written letters of decline to the 3 requests for funding from the Ridgway high school solar car project, the Montrose Debate Team, and the Ridgway Schools keynote speaker fund. These requests did not meet the criteria outlined in the FTC mission statement. She also recommended that all requests should be mailed to the club at the P.O. Box address as opposed to emails. A suggestion was made to publicize the mission statement and guidelines for funding requests on the website and direct requesters there.

Stephanie read thank you notes from scholarship recipients Alma Johnson, Nicole Zaug, Brian Felberg, and Cailen Goldstrum.

New Business: none

Old Business: Cher Mitton reported that a suggestion has been made by a Loghill Fire Board member, Cliff Dowdy, that perhaps Ridgway churches should be involved in staffing the emergency evacuation check-in at the 4H Center instead of FTC members. Most of our members live on the mesa, and that is the area planned for evacuation in case of wildland fire. It is unlikely that the town of Ridgway will be evacuated, and in his experience with Oklahoma tornadoes, church members are very willing to volunteer. Cher and/or Sue Wiens plan to attend the Fire Board meeting tomorrow, July 9, to find out more about this.

It must be pointed out, however, that if there is an incident before this plan is changed, FTC members are still responsible for that duty according to the county-approved plan that is currently in place.

Sue read the birthday and anniversaries for July, including Ann Larivee whose birthday is today!

The meeting was adjourned @ 5:20p.m. for refreshments and Ann Larivee's demonstration of pot-sticker techniques.

Respectfully submitted,  
Cher Mitton

