

South Texas Cattlewomen Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, October 17, 2017
Texas Olive Ranch, Carrizo Springs, TX

The group met at the Texas Olive Ranch. At 10:15 am, Owners Jim Henry and Jerry Farrell gave a presentation on how they began and maintain an Olive orchard in south Texas. We toured the facilities and then re-convened at Rosita's Café in Carrizo Springs for the meeting. Jan Elliott called the meeting to order at 12:09 am. She then led us in the Pledge of Allegiance to both the US and Texas flags. Linda Landrum led us in a prayer.

Prayers were requested for Terry Chandler, Carolyn Wright, Ruth Ann Driskill, Charlotte Cassin, Karen Barnes' husband John, Jeanne Evans, Elaine Cashion, Debbie Walton, Louise Kerr, Lynda Dicke, Gene Barr (Arlene's husband), Susan Storey Rubio, and Norma Jeanne Wilson for health reasons. Sympathy for Linda Landrum for the death of her niece, Nancy, and Dorothy Kinsel for the death of her niece.

WELCOMING OF GUESTS/NEW MEMBERS

Newest Members Rikki Zinsmeyer and daughter, Mikayla Zinsmeyer (Jr member) of Castroville were recognized. Younger daughter Mikki was their guest. Betty Settlemeier's guest was Stacy Mulholland.

September meeting minutes were approved as read.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Read by Linda Landrum:

Balance at end of September:		\$15,645.05
Retama Income:	\$14,202.37	
Dues:	480.00	
Retama Expenses:	\$ 5,389.94	
Balance in Bank as of October 17:		\$24,937.48

Net Profit from Retama: \$16,074.41

The Treasurer's Report was approved as presented.

RETAMA

Bonnie Coble reported some unsatisfactory service issues from the Retama staff. Diana Ridgway thanked everyone who donated auction items.

OLD BUSINESS

Jan reminded us this was the last month to pay current year dues of \$40.00.

NEW BUSINESS

Jan discussed the donation of funds to the San Antonio Rodeo Hospitality room for the contestants and their families and the need to increase the amount from \$1,500.00. Jama Brown moved to approve \$2,500.00, Priscilla Parsons seconded. Motion was approved.

Priscilla Parsons reported a sponsor has been found for Spikes & Spurs who has offered to purchase all raffle tickets we are unable to sell up to \$100,000.00. The Spikes & Spurs committee is planning to obtain all donated items for the raffle. Tickets are projected to sell for \$20.00 A sponsor has also covered almost all of the fee to use the Briscoe for the event scheduled for May 12, 2018.

Jan reported a new organization called "Sound Off" which provides anonymous mental health services for at-risk (for suicide) veterans and active duty military personnel. There will be a spokesperson from this group at our February meeting.

DATE REMINDERS/NEXT MEETING

November 14 - Meeting at Poteet Country Winery, 400 Tank Hollow Rd., Poteet, TX

December 8-9 – Texas State BBQ Cook-off, Briscoe Ranch, Uvalde, TX

December 12 – Christmas at the Menger, San Antonio, TX

January 16, 2018 – Meeting and MEET ZIP at the 707 Ranch, 12561 Wisdom Rd, Atascosa, TX

February 20, 2018 – Meeting at the San Antonio Rodeo Hospitality Room

March 20, 2018 – Meeting at Davis Ranch, Tularosa, TX

April 20, 2018 – Meeting at Laurel Tree, Utopia, TX

May 12, 2018 – Spikes N Spurs at the Briscoe, San Antonio, TX

The meeting was adjourned at 12:34 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Susie Waitz