

HCCSAAA Monthly Meeting March 9, 2024 Minutes

Attendees: Gary Anderson, James Bryant Jr., Jack Diamond, Ruth Diamond, Liz Dobbins, Mary Earls, Andy Hentschke, Shelbi Hentschke, Christine Hofer, Dawn Manger, Maureen Mele, Steve Meyer, Jane O'Rourke, Greg Roach, Ric Seale, Gary Tatem, Rhonda White, Don William, Deputy Alyssa Marley HCSO liaison

Call to Order: 6:33 pm by Ruth Diamond.

Birthdays: Janice Snitkin on 3/17.

Introduction of Guest Speaker: Deputy Marley introduced Kenny Murchison, Special Ranger, District 20, Region 5, of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association (TSCRA). Kenny described his responsibilities and then opened the floor for general questions and answers about his duties as a Special Ranger with TSCRA.

Approve February Minutes: Andy Hentschke made a motion to accept the February 2024 minutes as written with a second by Gary Anderson. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Gary Anderson presented the February 2024 Treasurer's Report. As of February 29, 2024 there was \$45,242.66 in our account which breaks down to \$44,888.64 in the bank, \$204.02 in petty cash, and \$150.00 in H-E-B gift cards. Of this, \$13,500.38 is Brown Santa (which were generous donations we will hold till 2024 season), \$3,274.29 is earmarked for The Sunshine Kids, leaving a balance of \$28,113.97 for Alumni expenditures. A check was written in the amount of \$4,278.10 to fulfill the donation request from SWAT for the Core Tactical Kit, and \$478.00 was used for shelving for our new storage facility.

Membership Report: Gary Anderson stated there are 51 paid members for the 2024 year.

Marketing & Fundraising: Jack Diamond thanked all members who have signed up to work the Cheeseburger Plate fundraiser in Wimberley on April 16th. As we all know, things come up in our lives that might prohibit you from volunteering, and if this is the case, please let Jack know as soon as possible. The first week of April, Don William, Ric Seale, Ruth Diamond, and Jack will be calling on approximately 30 businesses in Wimberley to secure delivery orders.

The Government Center Cheeseburger Fundraiser will be Monday, April 29th. We should not require as many drivers as we need for Wimberley, because we will not have as many deliveries but the size of the deliveries will probably be much larger. We will still need servers and staff to get the delivery orders fulfilled as well as serve those who purchase a plate in the Government Center during lunch hour. A sign-up sheet will be passed around at our April meeting.

New Business:

April Meeting Date Change: all HCSO staff will be assigned duties for the solar eclipse April 5th through the 9th. Because of this, the second Tuesday of April is the 9th so

we must change our meeting date. Deputy Marley contacted our scheduled presenter for the April meeting and the presenter is available on the previous Tuesday, April 2nd. We cannot move the meeting to the third Tuesday as that is the date of the Wimberley Cheeseburger event, so by process of elimination **our meeting in April will be on the first Tuesday, April 2nd at 6:30pm in the PSB.**

\$1,500 Scholarship: information on the scholarship was emailed out to all staff within the HCSO agency by Lt. Clint Pulpan on Monday, February 26th. This scholarship is available to any high school senior whose parent or guardian is an HCSO employee. The applications will be submitted to Gary Anderson by Friday, March 29th. Gary will redact all personal information from each application, thereby making each students' information invisible to the review committee. Once this is done, Ruth will send the applications via email to each of the review committee members. James Bryant Jr., Liz Dobbins, Shelbi Hentschke, Christine Hofer, and Dawn Manger volunteered to be on the review committee. Once the applications go out to the committee, decision on who the scholarship is awarded to needs to be made by April 19th, so all students can be notified of the scholarship recipient by April 30th.

Sheriff Cutler's Scramble Fore Kids Golf Tournament: will be Friday, May 10th at Kissing Tree Golf Club. Since Kissing Tree has built their new facility, they will be handling the luncheon which alleviates the need for a lot of Alumni volunteers at this event. We may be asked to supply 4 - 6 alumni volunteers to assist with setting up the auction, raffle prizes, and distributing snacks at the turn. If so, a Sign Up Genius will go out to all current members with more information.

Current Basic Academy Class: This class taught by Deputy Mark Andrews started on February 15th and currently has 19 students. Ruth will speak at the beginning of the class on Tuesday, March 21st, making the students aware of our association. The Alumni will provide a light dinner (trays from H-E-B) for the Academy graduation on Thursday, May 9th, at 6:00pm in the PSB Lobby. A Sign Up Genius will go out looking for volunteers to assist that evening as the time gets closer.

Advanced Sheriff Academy: Deputy Marley will be the instructor for this class starting the second week in September. Alyssa sought input from members present as to what they wanted in an Advanced Class. Class will run 10 - 12 weeks, day of the week is open, length of class 1.5 - 3 hours, 20 students maximum. Members made suggestions to be taken under consideration as Deputy Marley formulates the course.

Discounted CHL class: Rhonda White announced that retired HCSO Captain David Burns will be teaching a CHL class at the ALERRT Center on Saturday, March 23rd from 8:00am to 3:00pm for a cost of \$100.00. If you do not have a firearm, he will rent you a 9mm for \$25, otherwise you can provide your own handgun. You must provide 100 rounds of ammo. If interested in attending this class, please contact Rhonda White at rkwhite90@gmail.com

Adjourn: Andy Hentschke made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:17pm with a second from Ric Seale.

The next meeting will be at the PSB on the FIRST Tuesday, April 2nd at 6:30pm.