

SUN CITY WEST METAL CLUB

General Membership Meeting – January 9, 2020

Meeting called to order by President Rod Flack at 10:30 a.m. – quorum attained; 124 members were present.

A motion to approve the December 12, 2019 minutes was made by Mike Bell (#978) and seconded by Gary Konop (#1688). Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: James Chitwood provided a comprehensive overview of financial data for 2019. Items reviewed included Mailbox Sales, Work Orders, Art Sales, Class Fee Income, etc. He also reviewed financial details that will be posted on the club bulletin board. Further questions can be directed to James.

IT Report: Larry Boos stated that there are currently 847 members; 121 new members in 2019. About half of the members have renewed their 2020 dues; members are encouraged to renew their dues by January 31, 2020.

Education Committee Presentation: Rik Scairpon provided an overview of Education Committee functions including the development of a Course Catalog describing all club classes. This document includes useful info and photos describing each class and is an excellent resource for all club members. The Course Catalog will be available at the Class Sign-up Sheet area and on the club's website.

Continuing Education Presentation: Dave Price provided a review of several informational topics regarding use of equipment, tools, and reminders to maintain a clean shop environment. Dave continues to receive positive feedback about his presentation from club members.

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Club Updates from President:

1. **Back Wall Extension Project**: The wall project is complete; volunteers will be needed to move the Mailbox Shed and other equipment to the new area.
2. **Facility Project Update**: Meeting scheduled with architect next week to review projects plans. Further info will be shared as it becomes available.
3. **Laguna Machine**: Laguna rep is on-site today and tomorrow; technical training with Al Jeffers; Larry Myers, Alan Green, Pat Frantz, Avis Acton, Jim Filipiak and Ken Booth will also be trained. This group will develop the class curriculum for future training sessions.
4. **Blaze Machine**: An advance scheduling process and sign-up sheet to use the machine is now available on a 30-day trial basis. Members are reminded to be flexible and patient as we work through new procedures to accommodate everyone.
5. **Locker Update**: Members who had not achieved 24 visits in 2019 were contacted by Griff; (16) lockers have become available for assignment.
6. **Software Updates**: VCarve is the plasma-cutting software program recommended by Laguna. VCarve provides a better long-term solution than PlasmaCam and would eventually eliminate the need for SheetCam. More info will be available on this topic next month.
7. **Village Store**: Rod is the only authorized Quality Control signature required for Village Store tickets. Village Store staff has been informed to only accept tickets with Rod's signature. The Art Display Committee will address procedures for the selling of art at the Village Store so it is fair for all members.

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8. **Metal Club Badges**: Members are reminded to always wear their Metal Club badge while at the club; this is required by Rec Center & Club By-Laws.
9. **Use of Carts in Shop Area**: In-process work projects on carts must be moved to the outside area each day for safety concerns and proper equipment use in the shop area. As more members have returned for the season and workspace becomes more constrained, safe movement in the shop around equipment is a top priority for all members.
10. **Spring Craft Fair**: Spring Rec Center Craft Fair will be held on Saturday, March 21, 2020. Mike Bell will provide a sign-up sheet and asks sellers to update the list and provide a realistic count of boards/tables needed so everyone can be accommodated.
11. **Rec Center Response**: Rod recognized the positive relationship created over the past year between the Metal Club and Rec Center staff in areas including building maintenance, construction, administration, tours, etc. This has led to the accomplishment of several key projects for the Club and offers a strong position to accomplish future goals in 2020.
12. **Language in the Club**: Members are reminded to avoid using profane language in the shop as it is considered offensive and unprofessional among our members, visitors and guests.
13. **Chili Cookoff Luncheon**: The 2nd Annual Chili Cookoff will be held in the Social Hall following the Feb. 13th General Meeting. More info and sign-up sheets will be available at the club soon.
14. **Powder Coating Maintenance**: Alan Green requested (5)

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volunteers who use the powder coating oven to help maintain the filters and other equipment. See Alan for more details.

15. **ARC Raffle**: Please see Paul Burrier if you are interested in donating metal art to the ARC Raffle.
16. **2020 Board Position Election**: Board positions for the 2020/2021 term will be posted on the club bulletin board following this meeting in preparation for club elections at the March 12, 2020 General Membership Meeting. Further questions see Rod.

Rod asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting which was made by Mike Bell (#978) and seconded by Don Scheidt (#742).
Meeting adjourned at 11:30 am.

Next General Membership Meeting:

Thursday, February 13, 2020 – 10:30am

RH Johnson Social Hall

Chili Cookoff Lunch following meeting at Social Hall

Submitted by Wendi Boos, Secretary

January 12, 2020