



# PARKER 4 WHEELERS

December 2008

## Meeting Minutes—December 2, 2008

The meeting was called to order by President Sweeney at 7:00 pm.

The sole guest was Dean Payce who has met the requirements to become a member. Motion made by Rick Powell and seconded by Blaine Coon to approve Dean as a new member. Motion carried.

President Sweeney asked everyone to stand and give themselves a pat on the back for the good job and hard work everyone did at making Desert Splash '08 such a success. Policy forbids me from divulging the net proceeds in the newsletter, but it will allow the Club to donate a lot to the community which is the purpose of our organization.

New York (Bob) Franklin won a Harley Davidson motorcycle at the casino — very cool!!

Elrod was in the hospital recently. He had a quadruple bypass heart surgery. He is home now and the report is he is doing good.

Mike Reeves made a motion to accept last month's meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Rich Lane and passed. Bob Steinberger was the only "nay" vote as he feels sure somebody must have screwed up somewhere.

Frank Varnum read the Treasurer's Report which concluded with Desert Splash did better this year than last year—even though attendance was down from last year by 70 registrants.

Squeak Kossnar made a motion to approve the Report, seconded by Lynnda Sweeney and passed — despite, again, Steinberger's "nay" vote as he feels sure there is probably at least a penny not accounted for.

Membership: Donna Franklin says **your annual dues are due**

**by 12/31/08.** Dues are \$45.

**Safety:** Bob Steinberger's safety tip this month—"Be safe in the things that you do" and "Don't do stupid things." The end.

**Publicity:** Dick Young wasn't at the meeting.

**Historian:** Mike Reeves asked everyone to send him their digital photos of so they can be uploaded onto the website.

**Newsletter:** The November newsletter got emailed and snail-mailed out, but did not get put on the website due to technical problems. Will get 'er done this month tho!

**Merchandise:** Warren is selling Splash '08 sweatshirts (no large left) and hats for \$5. Such a deal

**Special Dates:** Lynnda Sweeney reported 6 birthdays and 2 anniversaries in December.

**Scholarships:** Chris Olague says the seniors will be sending out their applications to colleges in February.

**Donations:** Rich Lane came to the meeting with three requests:

-Take a Kid Fishing: A \$300 donation was recommended; however, upon motion by Rodney Hayes, seconded by Squeak Kossnar, a total donation of \$500 to this very worthwhile event was passed.

-Soroptomist Annual Kids Christmas. Motion made by Rodney Hayes to donate \$500, seconded by Blaine Coon and passed.

-Colorado Regional Crisis Center. L—o—n—g discussion on how much to donate boiled down to motion by Elyse Longo, seconded by Bob Steinberger to give \$500 to the Crisis Center. Motion passed.

Following up with yet another donation, Rodney Hayes made a motion that the Club donate \$750 for Toys for Tots. Motion seconded by Bob Franklin and passed.

### Old Business:

Bev Hawkinson was not at the meeting but we are sure she is working diligently on the Club's non-profit status.

No update on the Club insurance. We will definitely need to have insurance in place for next year's Splash — La Paz County will require it. Frank Varnum is going to look into whether or not ASA still has the insurance program which will cover our Club under their blanket insurance.

### New Business:

Election of new Board members for 2009:

**President:** *Rodney Hayes* was nominated by Squeak Kossnar; seconded by Chris Chrismon. *Harley Kruidhof* nominated by Elyse Longo; seconded by Helen Powell.

**Vice President:** *Mike Reeves* was nominated by Jack Sweeney; seconded by Rodney Hayes. *New York (Bob) Franklin* was nominated by Bob Longo; seconded by Rick Powell.

**Secretary:** The incumbent, *Lynn Lane*, was nominated by Jack Sweeney; seconded by Brandon Johnson.

**Treasurer:** *Jack Sweeney* was nominated by Rodney Hayes, seconded by Brandon Johnson. *Frank Varnum* (again, the incumbent) was nominated by Lynnda Sweeney; seconded by Elyse Longo.

It was decided to leave the



**Just  
Empty  
Every  
Pocket**

**FOR SALE:**

'78 CJ7—V8— in **good** pieces—bring trailer. \$800  
AND/OR  
M38A1 (CJ5 forerunner)—V8—1949 M39 flat fender body. Also in **good** pieces—bring trailer. \$1,000  
Contact Bob Miller for either or both of the above—928 680 6400.

**WANTED:**

**YOU MAY POST 4WD  
ITEMS YOU HAVE TO  
SELL IN THIS COLUMN**

**OR**

**YOU MAY POST 4WD  
ITEMS YOU NEED IN THIS  
COLUMN**

**IT'S YOUR NEWSLETTER  
— MAKE IT WHAT YOU  
WANT IT TO BE!**

## Meeting Minutes continued

selection of new Committee Chairs to the new Board, soooooo you will all have to sit on pins and needles until January. *Note: It is recommended that you attend the January meeting so as not to miss out on this stimulating event. Warning: If you are not present, you may be appointed as the new Safety Officer or Historian or Newsletter editor (eeks!).*

The annual Christmas Parade of Lights will be held on December 13. Decorate your jeep with lights and meet at 7:00 pm at Joshua & 18th Street. Call Lynnda Sweeney for further details.

The installation dinner of new officers will be held at the Elk's Lodge on January 31. Cocktails at 6:00—dinner at 7:00. More details to follow.

December runs:

Easy Run—Toy Run, December 6. Meet at River Island Market at 10:00 a.m. Second easy run for December will be the Christmas Parade of Lights. Talk about easy!!!

Hard Run—Meet at Cienega Springs at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, December 21.

Upcoming Events: 32nd Arizona State Association of 4WD Clubs is having their 4x4 Jamboree April 17-19, 2008 at Florence, AZ. The runs range from 3.5 to 4.5. Registration is limited to the first 200 vehicles, hence the early notice. Registration form will be sent shortly.

Lynnda Sweeney will bring food to the January meeting. Yep, you guessed it, more left over food from Splash (BBQ pork — yummy — this time!!).

New York Bob won the 50/50 raffle and was \$49 richer by the end of the evening — or did he turn that money over to wife, Donna, for next year's dues?? Come to the next meeting and find the answer to this provocative question.

Before the meeting was adjourned, all of the votes for the officers were counted and here is your new Board for 2009:

President: Rodney Hayes

Vice President: Mike Reeves

Secretary: Lynn Lane

Treasurer: Frank Varnum

Members present at the meeting also voted for the P4W 4-Wheeler of the year. Results have been tallied, but you will have to come to the Installation Dinner to find out who receives this coveted honor.

### **SPECIAL NOTE**

*I thank all of the members who were trail leaders and tail gunners that participated in the runs on the 2008 Desert Splash. It was a hard weekend on your bodies and your equipment. Without your help and dedication, Desert Splash would not be the success that we have seen. Thank you so very much.*

**Bob Longo**

(Ed: and my apologies to Bob for not getting this in the November newsletter)

**Joke of the Month:** A male patient is lying in bed in the hospital, wearing an oxygen mask over his mouth and nose. A young student nurse appears to give him a partial sponge bath. "Nurse," he mumbles from behind the mask, "Are my testicles black?"

Embarrassed, the young nurse replies, "I don't know, Sir. I'm only here to wash your upper body and feet." He struggles to ask again, "Nurse, please check. Are my testicles black?"

Concerned that he may elevate his blood pressure and heart rate from worry about his testicles, she overcomes her embarrassment and pulls back the covers. She raises his gown, holds his manhood in one hand and his testicles in the other. Then, she takes a close look and says, "There's nothing wrong with them, sir!"

The man pulls off his oxygen mask, smiles at her and says very slowly, "Thank you very much. That was wonderful, but, listen very, very closely . . . . .

*"Are — my — test — results — back?"*