

HEARTS OF GOLD MEETING MINUTES
El Parador Restaurant
April 17, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 1200 hours for approval of the March meeting minutes and reports from Treasurer and committees.

Executive Board Members in attendance were Susan Shankles, Ed Schlitz, Tammie Penta, Anthony Kadous, Linda Basham-Gilbert, Mendi Coombes, and Kim Messinger. Not in attendance was Richard Harper.

Delegate Board Members in attendance were Tom Earley, Jeff Mockbee, Shelly Urias, Bill Young, Esthela Anderson, Michael Gillooly, Michael Garcia, Rick Prater, Gary Lynch, Adella Hernandez, Skip Woodward, and Mike Feder. Not in attendance were Bill Richards and John Strader.

Committee Member in attendance was Jennifer Turner. Not in attendance were Michael Humphries, and Tony Sabori.

Ms. Shankles welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions of the Executive Board, the Delegates and the Committee Members were done.

MOTIONS

It was moved by J. Mockbee and seconded by L. Basham-Gilbert to nominate Adella Hernandez as a Hearts Desire Delegate, John Strader as an Assistance Delegate, Michael Garcia as an Investment Delegate, and Gary Lynch as a Memorial Delegate. Motion was approved.

It was moved by J. Mockbee and seconded by M. Coombes to accept the March meeting minutes. Motion was approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer, Tony Kadous, reported that the Hearts of Gold currently has \$12,376.67 in the Tucson Old Pueblo account and \$650.00 in the Wells Fargo account.

On April 22, 2008, Hearts of Gold will distribute \$700 to a Non-sworn member and \$350 to a Sworn member. Assistance is equally divided between Sworn and Non-sworn and word of mouth does help tremendously, many people have connections. For example, Richard Harper knows an oral surgeon and Tony Kadous knows a dentist and both doctors are going to assist one of our members free of charge.

The newspaper interviewed Tony Kadous about the organization. Unknown when the article will be published in the paper.

Tony Kadous is working with the webmaster to perfect the applications being submitted electronically. It is recommended that applications continue to be submitted electronically however, the applicant should keep a hard copy as well and forward it to any Executive Member.

Captain Nunez is looking into letting Sworn personnel work special duty and instead of getting paid for the job they can donate the money to the Hearts of Gold fund.

Assistance Committee Report

Michael Gillooly advised that this committee would be meeting to formalize the process of all applications and will have a report at the next meeting.

Investment Committee Report

Tom Earley reported that Arizona did not adopt the Uniform Management of Institutional Funds Act (UMIFA) however, Arizona is looking at this law again this year.

There is a lot of research that still needs to be done before looking into investing the money. The Investment Committee will have another report at the next meeting.

Heart's Desire Committee Report

Jeff Mockbee advised that this committee is working with the Make a Wish Foundation. This committee will coordinate with people who have connections with different businesses and will report at the next meeting.

Jeff also wanted to emphasize how powerful word of mouth can be. Connections will begin to open up more once people are aware of events going on with members. Everyone should be made aware when money is donated.

Fund-Raising Committee Report

Bill Young has looked into purchasing Beanie Babies. We could have the Hearts of Gold emblem on them with something like "We care" on each foot. A minimum of 300 bears can be purchased with free shipping. Half the money down at the time of the order and the remainder paid within 90 days. Two 24" bears will be provided by this company, we could either raffle these bears off or keep them. A \$1,000 profit was made when these bears were sold as a fund-

raiser for the Explorer Program. Mike Feder advised that he knows a wholesaler for these bears and will work with Bill on getting them. Mike also advised that the Tucson Police Foundation can possibly front the money to purchase these bears and the Hearts of Gold could pay the foundation back. Mike and Bill will get together and have a report at the next meeting.

Bill Young will bring a proposal to the Executive Board for approval of this fund-raiser.

Bill also looked into having a theme dinner at the Mona Lisa Corleone restaurant. We would need at least 100 people to attend to make this fund-raiser work. The tickets would cost \$30 (\$20 to the restaurant and \$10 for the Hearts of Gold). This would cover the entertainment and dinner. The only nights this dinner can be held would be on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday nights. The Committee decided that the organization should grow a little more before looking further into this fund-raiser.

Another option would be to sponsor a Gas Light Theatre or Monday night football event.

Esthela Anderson advised that Taco Bron is willing to do anything to help out.

She also is working with theaters about getting prices for a movie night and getting shirts made.

Mike Feder added that many restaurants will donate food and the organization would pay for the drinks. He also added that Hearts of Gold could do something similar to "Tip a cop" where the members are the servers.

It was also suggested that Hearts of Gold contact F. Valencia (retired police officer) who might be willing to donate a few hours for entertainment.

On May 10, 2008, there is a Police Memorial Challenge being held. Mike Feder suggested that the Hearts of Gold group go out and set up a table. This will give citizens a chance to hear about the program and possibly get people to sign up. Esthela Anderson, Gary Lynch, Adella Hernandez, Rick Prater and Susan Shankles will attend this event.

Memorial Committee Report

Linda Basham-Gilbert has a contact with a florist and will work with Gary Lynch to have a wreath set up at the upcoming Police Memorial.

Notifications

There will be a notification and a tally board on the Tucson Police Foundation Web site so that everyone is aware of what assistance has been granted. There will also be a GroupWise message sent out to the entire department with this information. This information will be posted the first week of every month.

New Business

The next meeting is scheduled for May 15, 2008 from 1130 - 1230 at the El Parador Restaurant.

Due to time constraints, the following items were tabled and will be discussed at the next meeting:

- Fund-raising opportunities
 Caballeros Del Sol - R. Harper
- Bylaws changes

Board of Delegates - Open Positions

Memorial Delegate - Non-sworn

Retired Delegate - Sworn or Non-sworn

This meeting was adjourned at 1330 hours.