

THCKK
Minutes Board Meeting
Friday evening, 20 March 2015
Jeffrey Kyle's Restaurant
Richmond, MO

Present: President/Past President, Mike Hester Vice-President, Ed Curtis Secretary/Treasurer, Barb Keener
Board Members: Tom DeSotel, Patrick Kujawa, Randy Pytlinski, Doug Kriegel, Jim Windy, Bob Heavner,
Doug Hall
Absent: Frank Wilson
Committee Members: Elaine Heuring, Barb Keener

MEETING OPENED: President Mike Hester moved to call the meeting order at 6:52 p.m.. The motion was Seconded and approved.

Dates for next year's meet were discussed and the dates of March 17, 18 and 19, 2016 were discussed (3rd weekend in March. Mike moved to select those dates. The motion was seconded and approved by a show of hands.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Barb Keener, Membership Chairman, reported that the Klub has 200 active members, including two new members today at the auction, and 2 rejoins this year. 46 dues were renewed as of today.

TREASURER'S REPORT; Barb Keener, Treasurer reported that the Klub is solvent and it is estimated that, after expenses for the Klub year of March 2015 to March 2016, the balance will be approximately \$1500.00 at meet time 2016. We have approximately \$1300.00 on hand to deposit as of today, adding to the balance of \$309.66

There were 14 members tailgating Thursday and Friday, bringing in \$280.00 for the Klub.

The 50-50 Friday brought in \$405.00, providing \$202.50 for the winner, Norval Utemark and \$202.50 for the Klub.

NEW BUSINESS; The lack of logo wear from Stan Barr was discussed. After repeated attempts to contact him the last few years, Doug Kriegel and Ed Windy left the meeting and went to Stan's home. (816-517-5509) He was there and promised to bring all the Klub logo wear to the auction building at 7 a.m. tomorrow morning, Saturday March 21.

Further discussion centered on interest in continuing the logo wear sales and having members bring their own shirts, the Klub could purchase hats to sell, and pursue a THCKK logo shirt day during the next meet. Ed Curtis moved that we have made a logo patch and everyone wear their shirt with the THCKK logo patch and another patch of their choice on Logo Day. Doug Hall seconded and motion passed by a show of hands. Also discussed was appointing someone to find someone to be in charge of the logo wear. Duties to include taking orders, finding a supplier, etc. We have copies of the THCKK logo on various computers.

Continued interest in logo wear will be asked of the general membership at the meeting at the auction house Saturday morning.

Discussion centered on the need for new blood. Take applications to hand out and if everyone could bring in at least new member per year it would greatly benefit the Klub. Also discussed was the greater variety of items at this year's auction, especially advertising, and that we should continue to widen the variety further.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS;

Vote will be taken Saturday morning by the general membership to retain current Officers and Board for the coming Klub year

OTHER NOTES; Rilla is pleased with the way the auction is going, estimating 30-35 percent of sales were internet.

Bob said we had more consignors this year. We discussed bunching and the cost to consign and the need to bring more quality items to benefit consignors. Ed reported that statistics show that younger people 30-50 years were big buyers, especially internet buyers. It was agreed that going to internet sales was a good idea. Mike will push tailgating harder and have people bring more displays, provide more articles and newsletter items, pictures of your latest find and some history if you have it, how and when you acquired it, etc. to the newsletter editor, Elaine Heuring. The NEWSletter needs NEWS.

Motion was made at 8:08 p.m by Patrick Kujawa, seconded by Doug Kriegel to adjourn, approved and meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Barbara Keener, Secretary The Hardware Companies Collectors Klub

**THCKK Membership Meeting
Saturday Morning, 21 March 2015
Veterans Building
Richmond, MO**

President Mike Hester moved to begin the 20th Annual meeting of The Hardware Companies Collectors Klub at 8:30A.M. and Doug Kriegel seconded. Bob Simmons led the prayer for member concerns, a successful auction and safety for travel for all attendees. Mike thanked the members, Simmons Auction for all their hard work in preparing for the auction, the officers and board members, Brenda and family for providing food. He thanked those who donated items for the auction, which brought in \$ for the Klub He thanked Tom DeSotel for the handmade custom walking stick and asked him present it to the member who had brought in the most new members (5) during the past year. Tom presented it to Jerry and Elaine Heuring along with \$100.00 cash which they donated back to the Klub. He reported that the Board is looking into a source for Logo Wear and hopes to have information soon on progress. Check the website for updates.

He reported that the dates for next year's Meet will be Thursday, Friday and Saturday, March 17, 18 and 19, 2016., and encouraged members to make reservations now. He reminded all to make reservations now for the big Yantis auction June 25 and June 26, 2015 and hopes to see everyone there for the auction of this large quality collection.

Mike reported that we had 14 tailgaters this year bringing in \$280.00 for the Klub and that we need more tailgaters and more members. He asked members to take applications from the membership table and recruit new members. We need more new and younger members. He asked for more quality, suggested grouping of items in lots expecting to bring \$40-\$45 minimum and a greater variety of items for the next auction and more displays. He noted that advertising was a big winner at this auction thus far. He reported that the 50-50 Friday was won by Norval Utemark with \$202.50 for Norval and \$202.50 for the Klub. The 50-50 Saturday was won by Patrick Kujawa with \$192.50 for Patrick and \$192.50 for the Klub. We had 59 members paying dues at the meet.

President Hester opened the floor to voice comments and concerns: Tom DeSotel asked about timetable for getting list of items for next year's auction to Rilla. Rilla commented that the sooner the better was recommended and June optimal, Sept. 1 necessary. After that, it will be by space available.

Regarding the elections of officers: After asking for nominations and receiving none, Mike moved to keep the existing officers and board, Doug Youngman seconded, vote was taken by a show of hands and motion passed.

President Hester thanked everyone for attending. He moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 a.m., a member seconded and the meeting was adjourned after a vote was taken.

Respectfully submitted by Barb Keener, Secretary, THCKK