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BUCKEYE LEATHERCRAFTERS OF CENTRAL OHIO

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MEMBER GUILD SINCE 1966

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LOOKING AHEAD

November 7, 2010 - The November meeting will be at the usual time and place.

December 4, 2010 - The Christmas Party Meeting will be at the Prairie Township

Senior Citizen Center, 4616 West Broad Street, Columbus, 6:00 PM to 10 PM.

January 22, 2011 - University of Scouting, Simon Kenton Council, Reynoldsburg High School

Minutes for BLCO meeting -October 10, 2010

No demonstration was given at the meeting.

SHOW AND TELL

Bill Brown had several dash covers he showed that he had made for Harley Davidson's motorcycles. They had been done several years ago but were very nice. Good work Bill.

Allan showed a wallet, clutch purse and check book cover he had stamped and will be entering at the Federation Show in St. Louis next week. They are definitely very nicely done.

Sandy had several leather shields she donated to the club. She also had several bags of miscellaneous hardware for leather projects she was wanting to get rid of. She passed them around for members to see.

Allan also had several items that Fred Kilburn found and had brought to his

place. Fred gave these items (Wallets, check book covers, coasters) to Allan for the guild to have. Thank you, Fred.

Bob Johnson had questions about kangaroo leather and wanted to know if anyone had used it before. Several members gave him some suggestions.

A new member was present. He is John Russell and he has been working with leather for a long time. He had talked to someone at the Grove City Heritage Days and wants to join our guild. He was invited to bring some of the things he has made and share them with us at our next meeting. He said he would.

MINUTES OF BUSINESS MEETING

The meeting was called to order. There were fifteen members present for the October meeting.

Everyone had received the minutes by mail or e-mail. John Miller made a motion to accept the minutes as they had been written and Jay seconded.

Minutes were approved.

David Scheiderer gave the Treasurer's report. Don Martin made a motion and Chuck Mathay seconded to accept the report. Motion passed.

Committee reports:

Web Site: Robin has the passwords to get into web system but has not as yet been able to do anything with it.

Financial Committee: The committee met prior to today's regularly scheduled meeting. Chuck Mathay has spent a lot of time doing an analysis of projected income and expenses for the next 5 years.

There was lots of discussion about raising dues. According to our Constitution, Article VI, Section B, proposals that permanently amend the constitution must be presented at three consecutive meetings prior to being voted on at the third meeting. Chuck made a motion, seconded by Don, to increase the dues for singles to \$20 and for families to \$30. First time members will remain at the current rate of \$16 and the break down if joining during the year would stay the same.

This would be considered the first reading of the proposed motion. It will be presented for the second reading in December at a quick meeting at our Christmas Party and the third and final reading in January when it will be voted on. If passed then, it would take effect immediately for 2011.

Christmas Committee: Carol Martin asked the members what kind of meat they wanted for the party. After much discussion, Robin made a motion and George seconded to have pulled pork and fried chicken. Motion Passed. A paper was passed around for members to sign up for what they wanted to bring to complete the meal.

Robin made a motion to once again have an ornament contest, 1 entry per person. Carol seconded it and motion passed.

Fair Report: Thank you letters has been sent to Scott Curtis at the local Tandy's store and also a letter to Tandy Leather Factory in Texas. Letters were also sent to all of the participants in the leather division classes, letting them know about our guild, what we do and inviting them to come to one of our meetings.

Allan has not been contacted about being a sponsor next year. No decision will be made until we find out what they expect from us. We really just want to give money for the awards and do more demonstrating.

Old Business:

Grove City Heritage Days was the first weekend in October. Several members of our guild participated with demonstrations. Weather was not very good but they seemed to have a good turnout.

All of the shirts ordered have been received and Don Russell at CrossRoads Apparel has been paid. We should be all set for the federation show next week.

Federation show will be next weekend, October 14-17 at St. Louis. Five or six members of the guild will be entering items in competition. Approx. 11 or 12 from our guild plan on attending. Our shirts and hats will look nice.

The display set up is ready to go and members were asked to bring things to display on the table.

Allan Scheiderer and Robin Johnson will be our delegates at the federation executive meeting.

The University of Scouting is coming up January 22, 2011. It will be at the Reynoldsburg High School. We are planning to do a class and there was discussion as to whether to do something like a mag lite holder or knife sheath. Robin made a motion seconded by Chuck to do a 2 hr. class and allow them to choose which one they want to do. Motion passed.

New Business:

This is the time of the year that we need to appoint an audit committee. Robin made a motion and George seconded to postpone til the Nov. meeting.

The Prairie States Leather Guild are selling swivel knife lapel pins. Allan will take orders if anyone is interested and get them at the show this weekend.

Allan reminded everyone that the guild still has quite a selection of books in Our Library in the storage room. Lots of information if interested, just find what you'd like and sign out as you need them.

A list was passed out for everyone to see.

Next meeting will be Nov. 7th.

Bill will get someone to demonstrate.

Chuck made the motion to adjourn. Dave seconded it. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Peggy Edwards Secretary