

## Minutes of the Jefferson County Pachyderms Meeting

## July 10, 2013 Madabella's Restaurant

There was no officers meeting this month.

The meeting was called to order by President Linda Van de Riet at 7:00 PM. Vice President Don Bickowski gave the Pachyderm prayer. The pledge of allegiance was said. All officers were present. There were 14 members present and 24 Guests. Guests Tom Robacher, State Representative John McCarhty, Anthony Bierrman, Teresa Terry, Don Bigerstaff, Ray & Gail Bickowiski, Art Stanz, Ken & Debbie Dunnagan Waters, Dorthy Groeteke, Don & Carol Biggerstaff, Super Dave, Al Baragallo, Gene Barbagallo, Jim McNichols, Carol England, Laura Hasamear, Avery Fortenberry, Greg Zotta, Steve Ott, Jim England, State Representative Paul Curtman

## Treasurers Report

Treasurer Bob Frank reported that all accounts were in order but our operating funds are low due to the expenses getting the club up and running and the rental fees for the booth at the County Fair. He stated that we now have 29 paid members and encouraged all to join.

## Presidents Report

President Linda Van de Riet thanked all for their attendance and had all visitors introduce themselves. We still need more members and application forms were made available to all visitors. The web site is up and running <u>www.jeffcomopachyderms.org.</u> Is the web address.



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President Van de Riet asked for members to volunteer to man the booth at the Jefferson County Fair next weekend. Vice President Bickowski expanded on the web site operation. Apparel is being purchased to be sold to the membership. We are working on getting Speaker Tim Jones and Ed Martin to speak at a future meetings. Next months meeting we will have speakers to talk about Common Core. Renee Reuter informed the members of classes offered to train members how to campaign for office the contact information is to be posted in the web site. She also spoke the civil war anniversary. Ellen Haynes reported on upcoming events the Arnold Days Parade is one that we should be in.

Representative John McCaherty spoke about the recent legislative session and took many questions. There much discussion and questioning about the desertification of school districts and the busing and funding issues that follow. John explained that this was brought about by a court ruling not by the legislature. He took questions for 45 minutes and was very informative.

The club received notification of the 2013 Biennial Conference of the Missouri Federation of Pachyderms. The club is entitled to one delegate and one alternate. The motion was made for First Vice President Don Bickowski to serve as our delegate and Sue Bickowski to serve as our alternate. There were no other nominations. Don and Sue Bickowiski were unanimously elected to serve as our delegate and alternate.

With no further business to attend to the meeting was adjourned at 8:32 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Groeteke Secretary JCP