ARTS IN NATURE FEST FEBRUARY 23 MEETING NOTES

Meeting attended by Peggy Depew, Nancy Monroe, Mignon Geli, Alan Lubanes, Alan and Nancy Candee, Jessie Anderson, Michael Smith, Drew Woodall, Kim Taylor, Jo Chandler

Mignon talked about Native American participants having a festival of their own on April 25th. She is working with the women's drumming circle so we get to have Native American participation. A 9:00 opening ceremony was agreed upon as earliest time that Alan Lubanes could have sound system set up and also the deadline for cars to be removed from the Fest area. STARS are scheduled to help direct traffic. Drew Woodall is organizing the stage performers and working with Alan to help with the sound system.

Wendy Appleby is now administrator on our Facebook and Liz Dowell our website admin.
Laura S. was suggested as poster artist but wasn't at the meeting. Jessie said she would be willing if Laura is unavailable. It was agreed the new poster should reflect the new direction the festival.

Susan Wittington told Kim the banners are in the care of John Daniels and he is waiting for instructions on how to update them. She also gave Kim a variety of Flyers, forms and programs from previous nature's fest years.

Nancy Monroe is working on setting booths and performances up with Ed Larson's class and Auburn Hip Hop Congress and updating the vendor form. Jo Chandler will work with Nancy to set up journaling area and ask other local writers to lead workshops. She will also send her workshop description to Drew to add to publicity. We are asking all workshop participants to do so.

Michael Smith was concerned about the emphasis on gold mining and asked the committee to remember environmental impact of the gold rush and to find a strong balance in the favor of the Native Americans and the earth. Nancy Monroe is also working to find someone to lead yoga and talking to Patty Smith about contributing to the Fest.

Jessie talked with the Little League to get no games scheduled on the day of the festival. She also talked to them about promoting Little League by having an activity that was highly visible to encourage more people to sign up or Little League. She's also going to work with the baseball and softball and possibly soccer people to see if they would like to have tables and activities as well.

Peggy Depue has located some of the display boards for the art show. She is going to ask rotary if they can help her find more of the boards. Kim is going to resend the letter from Peggy to teachers with a different subject line that will interest more teachers in responding. It was discussed whether the Georgetown
art gallery should be charged a fee for their activity booth. We decided no fee for an activity booth, but there would be fee at a booth where they are selling art.

The next Art in Nature Fest meeting will be March 9, 4:00