**PHOTOGRAPHERS OF DRIPPING SPRINGS**

February 23, 2023 - Monthly Meeting Minutes

IN-PERSON MEETING

Holy Spirit Episcopal Church, 301 Hays Country Acres Rd

Start time: 6:50 pm (some accidents on 290 delayed people)

16 folks in attendance – 4 visitors

After general howdy-doos and welcome to the meeting, our President, Fred Cerkan, called the meeting to order:

**ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

**PODS Monthly Meeting is this Thurs., Feb. 23 at 6:30 p.m.**

**Location:** The Church Hall at Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit,

301 Hays Country Acres Road, Dripping Springs, Texas.

**AGENDA**

**Members to approve budget:**

Balance sheet shown

Budget presented

Unanimous vote to approve budget.

1)**Committee Chair Reports**

Field Trips

Michael Kersten -

* **March 18, Sat 10am - Visit photographer George Krause and his Museum in Wimberley; and stop at Jacob’s Well.**
* April 18, Tue - Pedernales Falls, Johnson City
* May 11, Thurs 9am - Selah, Bamberger Ranch Preserve, Johnson City
* June 17 Sat - Zilker Park, Botanical Garden
* July - Summer break
* August - Texas State Cemetery, Austin
* September - Mexic-Arte Museum, Austin
* October - Greek Orthodox Monastery, Spring Branch/Blanco
* November -Cave Without a Name, Boerne

Programs

* March 23 Michael Penn Smith Camera to Wall
* April 20 social and field trip
* May 25 Warren Capps - travel photography and workshops

Monthly Theme

* will continue using previous months field trip
  + Mar - actual dripping springs
  + Apr - Krause museum / jacobs well
  + May - Pedernales Falls

Social Media

- tonights speaker will help with Michael learning

Website

Nothing presented

Membership

John and Elaine will be part of membership committee

Workshops

Nothing presented

Photo Show

Nothing presented

Social

- Ted Denny needs help for social planning team

2) **Program**

Micheal introduced

Our speaker will be **Dyhanara Rios** from the Lady Bird Wildflower Center. Her program is all about **"Digital Media Storytelling.”**

Dyhanara’s mission is to inspire and empower through creativity, communication, and leadership.

Here’s an introduction of Dyhanara on her website: [http://dyhanara.com](https://l.facebook.com/l.php?u=http%3A%2F%2Fdyhanara.com%2F%3Ffbclid%3DIwAR2HGysmkyOKmF-YpE7sYClo3847uNKBb9CgDWl0VmnPkuGTNmWScDCt5e8&h=AT0wjCCED5dyZR6-h6bnP35sEo1Kba4LF4QUP725-P4sovTjujYMIQef9gzA3l6qzkxAoRZCk6swVm0wh8ZbTiG5-8k8xb0pogdaLi3ebplCiTXS8wY0Yl3-_xgKiiih_Ua1Qu3v8-axJxPW7w&__tn__=-UK-R&c%5B0%5D=AT0SDbwxGuEr2t8r2SxLMwb3d5xD3Zn8YFItH9aJPq_5wYYY587PP5N_pW4Q3KB9Oh6vGwtBF-5kGb0piT06eOPqkoHHb-dNBxcAIJtdFPFyOfKIifQn86dRevkrNiwUiL78i9k6yf3aGFSy7Wsec5AWcowD6rGvWx4LNhjON14Iwrvt9ooyKmcAn3j2A9qqHyn721vef3iLX9FIKPe4c4w)

 “I was born and raised in San Antonio, Texas. I graduated from Texas State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Electronic Media and Mass Communications, combining my passion for the environment and digital media in my studies, career, and writing. I use my skills in digital media design, event planning, and public relations for my career and for volunteer organizations. I am the Multimedia Communications Specialist at the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center at The University of Texas at Austin. My work includes social media, web design and video production.

My creative work revolves around themes of nature, friendship, and love. My first album “Sing to the Sea – EP” is available on all major music streaming platforms. I compete in San Antonio’s Puroslam poetry slam and my poetry is published in numerous anthologies.”

For club members, Dyhanara will giving a **PODS Workshop**on **March 25**titled **Best Practices for Instagram and Facebook.**

In this workshop you will learn how to:

--Maximize the time you spend on social media by implementing best practices

--Plan a social media content calendar and strategy

--Edit photos for the best impact

--Read analytics to interpret your reach and engagement

The meeting ended at approximately 7:40pm.

**Submitted Approved**

**Tim H Graves, Secretary Fred Cerkan, President**