Saturday, August 19, 2000 Meeting Minutes

The membership meeting of the Oklahoma Master Locksmith's Association was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by our President, Jerry Casey. The invocation was given by Kenny Lee. The pledge of alligence was conducted by Kenny Lee and given by all present. Sec. Nelda Minick, called the roll of all officers and directors. All were present except Mr. Gary Frame of Broken Arrow, Ok. Nelda also read to the membership the previous minutes of May 6, 2000 to the members present. Nelda made the motion that these May 6th minutes be approved as read. Lowell Roberts 2nd'd the motion. Motion carried by the membership present.

Unfinished Business

Vice President, Mike McGrew asked for a discussion regarding who should be in charge of coordinating our "swap meet". Tommy Minick suggested, 6 months in advance of the swap meet, that we appoint someone to be in charge. It was discussed that we do not do a "swap meet" on the same weekend that we are having our Distributor show, due to a conflict of interest.Mike McGrew suggested to the membership that we change the weekend date of our next meeting to the 1st weekend in May. This would not interfere with Mothers Day or Memorial Day weekends. Motion was made to have our next meeting the 1st weekend of May by Bill Reaves, and 2nd'd by Jim Loomis.

The treasurer's report was read by treaturer, Loretta Loomis. Motion was made to accept the report by Frank Belizzi and 2nd'd by Lowell Roberts. Nelda Minick told us that we had 53 people in attendence this weekend. There were 11 people signed up for the Sat. morning class taught by Jerry Rice. The Sun. morning class on Key Codes to be taught by Jerry Rice had 6 registered. The other Sun. morning class on the Mas Hamilton class to be taught by Mr. Mike Oehlert had 7 signed up. The ladies craft class had 6. Lorretta Loomis was acknowledged and thanked with the appreciation in doing the craft class.

New Business

Mike McGrew stated that he was working with the Saddleback Inn for our "2002" show in Okla. City.

Loretta Loomis asked the expenses for this weekend be approved for payment. The motion was made to approve by Odie Tresner, and 2nd'd by Frank Bellizzi. Motion carried.

Johnny Stewart stated that there were plenty video tapes for all members to check out. Kenny Lee suggested that when the tapes are mailed back, we use a VCR or education type mailing, and get a cheaper postage rate.

Newsletter editor, Paula Sands told us that the Locksmith Ledger had called and asked for approval to print one of the articles from our Locktalk in the Ledger.

Treasurer Loretta Loomis asked for approval of the weekend expenses to be paid. Motion was made the expenses be approved for payment for Odie Tresner, 2nd'd by Lowell Roberts. Expenses were approved by the membership.

Nelda Minick introduced 2 new applicants for membership. Applicant #1: Mr. Barry Elkins with Woodlands Locksmith Co., from Springs, Texas, and Applicant #2, Mr. Kevin Harris, with Access Lock & Key, from Shawnee, Kansas. Motion was made to accept these applicants into membership with the OMLA by Frank Bellizzi, and 2nd'd by Mike McGrew. Applicants were approved for membership and were sworn in by president, Jerry Casey. Lowell Roberts welcomed our new members. Mike McGrew thanked Barry Elkins for driving up from Texas to participate in our Swap Meet.

Jerry Rice appealed to the members to let him know what they whould be interested in for future OMLA classes. It was discussed that we try to get Mr. D.W. Dallas to come teach his class on "Tricks of the Trade"

Other people wre discussed as teachers for a future class. It was suggested that we should try to locate an instructor for at least 1-2 years in advance and schedule them.

Good of the Order

Bill Reaves told us of the upcoming O.P.L.A. meeting in Eureka Springs, Sept. 16th. They will be have several outstanding classes and a distributor trade show. A bar-b-que was scheduled for that Sat. eve.

Mike McGrew and Tommy Minick discussed the possibility and cost of doing a photo membership picture ID badge. Lelia McNickle suggested that the board members discuss that the association pay for these ID badges as a member incentive. This was 2nd'd by Bill Reaves, motion carried.

Nelda Minick said that we should remember in our thoughts and prayers all our members that had a loss in the family or had an illness. Mr. Jim Rushing, Bozier City, La, past away. Jim was a past president of TLA and an instructor for many years for different associations Our member, Don Dozie's wife past away this past July. Our presidents wife, Elaine's brother recently past away. Jackie Roberts and Tommy Minick and many of our other members have been ill.

Four door prizes were won by our members. Prizes were donated by E.L. Rinehardt Co., and Lorretta Loomis.

Motion was made that we adjourn by Odie Tresner, and 1nd'd by Frank Bellizzi

Our next meeting will be held Nov. 18th in Tulsa, Ok. at the Holiday Inn-Select, 5000 E. Skelly Drive.

ADJOURNED.