Rockhounds West General Meeting

January 9, 2023

Joe Toce, president, called the meeting to order at 2:00pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Officers present were Joe Toce, President; Wendy McCormick, Vice-President; Joy Woodward, Treasurer; and Judy Davis, Secretary

Minutes of December general meeting were approved.

Harold Goering showed examples of the rocks collected during December's field trip to Hewitt Canyon. Pictures of the trip are posted on our website 2022 photo gallery

The treasurer's report was read and approved. Balance as of 12/31/22 was \$3,153.08

Judi Ziebart reported there are 113 members currently paid up. You can still pay dues by printing out the membership form and mailing it Judi. https://rockhounds.scwclubs.com/membership-information/

Upcoming Events:

- Friday, Jan 13 is our field trip to Quartzsite, AZ to visit Desert Gardens Rock Show. We will meet at the RH Johnson library parking lot at 7:45 to sign liability waivers. We will head west on I-10 to exit 17. Turn left off the exit, and another left on Kuehn St. For Google maps, address is 1050 Kuehn St. Turn right on S Kofa Ave and then into the parking lot. We will have donuts. There are toilets and wash stations available.
- Campfire will be Monday Jan 16, 3:30 pm at the Hassayampa river bed. Driving directions head north on Grand Ave. Just before the Morristown Post Office (look for flag on right side of road) is the left turn for Gates Rd. Follow the pavement about 2 miles. Park on the right side of the road. Henry will have a great bonfire going by time the rest of us show up. Remember to bring chairs, beverage, plate and eating utensils and a jacket (it gets cold fast as the sun sets). A dish to share is nice but not required.
- February meeting will be at our Valentine's Dinner party at 4pm Feb 14 at Briarwood County Club. You must have your membership dues paid before Feb 1 to get the member price of \$20. Please contact Linda Lundquist at 651-503-5942 for more information. So far, 42 people have signed up. Bob Provan reported there will be a bar available to purchase beverages, credit card only.
- February field trip will be near Wikieup, AZ to collect lizardstone stone. March field trip will be to Eagle Eye Rd outside Aguila for barite and fluorite.
- April will be the picnic and last campfire until the fall.

Old Business:

We still need volunteers to help with all club activities. Please contact any board member.

Robert Kline was the winner of the 50/50 raffle.

Meeting adjourned at 2:30pm

Guest speaker was Catie Sandoval, curator of Univ of AZ's Mining, Mineral and Natural Resources (AMMNRE) museum. She gave us a progress report on the refurbishing of the museum and talked about crystal formation along with showing samples in the AMMNRE collection.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Davis, secretary