



ROCK CHIPS EXTRA Bulletin

January 2019

Next Rockhound Roundup Meetings

January 19th, 10 a.m.

February 2nd, 10 a.m.

February 16th, 10 a.m.

Grab Bag Assembling

Feb. 21st 9 am

**Need bags, Please bring in
before the 21st of Feb.**

Geode Sorting TBD

Silver Smithing Class

Things you will need for the silver class.

- A stone to set
- 24 gauge sheet silver twice the length of the stone and at least 1-2" wider.
- Bezel wire at least 6"
- 8 gauge wire for embellishments-6"
- 18 or 20 gauge wire -12" for a ring shank if you want to make a ring.
- We will do a pendant for sure but if time permits I will show you how to make a simple shank so you can make a ring.

**Class Dates, Sign up is at the
DGMS Shop**

Jan. 22, 23, 24 - Full

Jan. 29, 30, 31

Feb. 4, 5, 6

CORRECTION: General Meetings are 4th Thursday of each month

If you have item for the 50/50 hourly Silent Auction at Roundup

See Joe for information

Need a Field Trip Coordinator - Need Fair Board Rep.

Minutes of Board Meeting 1/2/2019

Secretary Bill Gallagher

Meeting opened 1400L with motion by Marilyn Page that last minutes be accepted as-is. Seconded.

Joe Morone made a motion to bypass secretaries report due to last meetings minutes created by last secretary and not available.

Pat Smails gave Treasurers report, and a \$4000.00 discrepancy was noted, but was rectified during the meeting when it was discovered that an entry had not been made which was near the amount noted as a discrepancy.

It was noted that we do not bank online due to security reasons, and it was also noted that we will need a CPA audit once we gain C3 status.

Joe moved to accept Pats treasury report. Seconded.

Marilyn stated that we need to move faster with the city about the land purchase.

Saturday January 5th 10AM is the first Roundup meeting. The next roundup meeting is scheduled for 10AM 19 January.

Joes shop report: we need a date to separate geodes and make grab bags. The urchase of oil for the saws is going ahead. We will also need more blades for the saws this year. Joe is also building stock of rocks for auction at roundup.

It was noted that our overall accounting will likely change once C3 status is achieved.

Some activity has been initiated with the visitors center in Duncan AZ.

Sherry Wilson designed a new club logo and it was unanimously accepted. The new logo will appear on patches, decals, letterhead, online publications, and anywhere else the logo is used.

Marilyn brought up a rock swap through the mail, flat rate boxes of rough with a club in Missouri, and maybe other places. This idea met with general approval.

Joe asked about our scholarship fund, MP stated it was to be used at Red Mountain Middle School.

DGMS will continue to do educational presentations at local schools, and we will help defray the costs of bringing kids to the roundup, by paying the bus drivers. The bus drivers cost about \$100.00 per driver per day. At roundup it would be best

to have the kids spread across two days rather than all on one day.

It was noted that the accountants need to have two directors, Carolyn and Todd are the tentative directors in these areas.

Barbara Staff is no longer handling certain aspects of the clubs business.

Joe said we need 6 metal signs pertaining to dogs at the roundup, No Dogs or pets are allowed at the roundup unless they are properly papered service animals.

The 4 wheeler is down again, Al will be back from New Zealand in 3 weeks so we will wait for him to get back and fix it.

The Freedom and motor have arrived, so hearts and crosses will soon be able to be cut in the shop, a few more diamond bits are still to arrive.

SK Carols silver smithing class dates will be announced in the Chips newsletter. First class 21 January. Black Hat trading said they will stock the tools necessary for members to take this class. Members must supply their own tools and supplies. Carol and Marilyn are the contacts for these classes.

MP to call in Propane order.

New sawyers are taking to the training well, and there should not be a shortage of cutters in the future.

Shop leaders are needed for the summer season.

It was noted that some of the board members are in favor of increased shop fees, this was tabled for now due to opposition from several other members.

Donna and Nancy are working together to obtain a new computer, and that should be soon. Joe and Marilyn mentioned to new computer needs CD capabilities.

A motion was made by MP to obtain 50 copies of Diamond Dans publications detailing mineralogy for resale at the roundup. The cost is \$50.00. Seconded and carried unanimously.

It was noted that after we gain C3 status we can get grants, and the overall plan is to purchase the 5 acres we are on, and then gradually add buildings as we can, with the end goal being to alleviate the insecurity of fluctuating county and city rules concerning the roundup.

Meeting closed 1545 L

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