

## CANON CITY GEOLOGY CLUB

**January 11, 2016**

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 pm by President, Jennifer Gerring.

Attendance: 59 for the meeting and 77 for the program.

**New Members:** The new members introduced at the meeting were: Philip Buchanan, Brenda Willis, Dana and Susan Paulson, Steven and Vicky Jones, Jim and Mary Arbuckle, and Veto Overly.

**Treasurer's Report:** Pat Nelson gave the Treasurer's report with the following balances:

Checking Account: \$1,731.00

Savings Account: 1,718.30

NHAC Account: 633.21

Members present were told that 20% of the collected dues will be put in the NHAC checking account each year to give the club some working capital to keep the claim up to BLM standards and do the work the club wants to do on the claim.

Pat also reported that she is preparing for the yearly audit that will begin on Friday and will report the findings to the club next month.

**New Board Members:** The two new members of the CCGC Board of Directors were introduced to members present. They are Ray Garber and Daniel Nichols. Ray will also be on the Program Committee and Daniel will be on the Field Trip Committee.

**Membership Committee:** Mary McCullough will be handling the membership for the club.

**CCGC Board Of Directors Meeting Report:** Cathey Young gave a report on the Board of Directors meeting that was held on January 5, 2016.

**Field trip committee:** The club will continue having classes during the winter months and the next one will be: "Fossil Boot Camp" will be held January 23, 2016. It is a fossil ID class and is being given by Stones & Bones. The cost is \$5.00 per person with a limit of 30 people and will be from 9:00 am to 11:30 am. This program is for members only.

Harold Taylor reported on a quick trip that was taken to Dakota Ridge. Twelve people attended the outing and had a good time.

Harold is also planning a trip to Oil Well Flats if a good weekend can be found. It is about a 6 mile hike with a significant climb.

Two trips for members will be scheduled to the New Hope Claim and one of those dates will be set as soon as weather permits. More reclamation also needs to be done at New Hope

Harold also announced that volunteers were need to help with the Time Trail by the dinosaur at the Pueblo Community College, Canon City Campus. If anyone is interested, please contact Harold.

**Committee Volunteers:** A request was presented to the members for anyone who would like to help

on any committees.

**Membership Cards & Directory:** A question was presented to the club concerning everyone getting a membership card. Last year 60 cards were made that were never picked up by the members. Considering the expense of making the cards, members were asked if cards could be made just for those who wanted & needed them. Cards are sometimes necessary if members attend a field trip sponsored by another geology club. They are your proof of membership in CCGC.

Members were also asked if they wanted a club directory. It was decided that an email would be sent out asking if members do or do not want this. A comment was made that members did need to know the phone number of Field Trip leaders.

Cynthia Nichols volunteered to help organize a committee to help Stones and Bones and The Canon City Historical Society with having a booth at the Farmers Markets this summer. This will get out advertising on the club and perhaps help attract new members as well as answer questions about who CCGC is and what we do.

**Pebble Pups:** Phil Pugin gave a report on the Pebble Pups group that he is working with. He now has about 15 members for 3rd grade thru 7<sup>th</sup> grade. They meet on Wednesday after the regular CCGC meeting at Harrison School from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm. This week they will be building a collection of specimens in egg cartons and learning some basic testing to help the with the MOHS hardness scale.

**Announcements:** Carol McNew from the Fremont County Historical Society announced that Dave Walker would be giving a talk on “Finding the Place Where One of the Espinosa Brothers was Killed”.

This program will be January 17, 2016 at the Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church beginning at 2:00 pm.

She had the book “From Trappers to Tourists” for sale - \$18.00. If you buy 4 copies of this book they are \$12.00 each. She also had copies of the booklet's about the walking tours in Fremont County. These booklets are \$1.00 each or you can get the packet of the five individual tours for \$5.00.

Dues for CCGC have been increased. They are now \$20.00 for an individual and \$25.00 per family.

Name tags and lanyards are \$5.00.

Today only, CCGC tee shirts that we have in stock are \$15.00 instead of \$16.00.

The next meeting is February 8, 2015. The program will be presented by Dan Grenard about Dr. Kessler.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathy West, Secretary's

After the meeting, a very interesting program was presented by Carly Thorson on The Indian Springs Fossil Site. The club has an outing planned there this spring.