

CANON CITY GEOLOGY CLUB MEETING

JUNE 8, 2015

6:00 p.m. Business Meeting 7:00 p.m. Presentation

First United Methodist Church, Canon City, CO

Attendance: 66 members & 22 guests

The meeting was called to order by President, Jennifer Gerring

New Members Welcome: Jennifer introduced the new members: Susan Akin, Beverly C'de Baca, Trudy, Dale, Samantha & Kimberly Gagas, Bob & Joyce Horn, Bruce & Judy Paulsen, Gust & Preston Pilafas, Gary & Kaye Queen, Mike Wattawa, Jake Wilkinson, Stephanie Williams, Robert Wright.

Guests: A welcome was given to the 22 guests that came to this meeting.

Treasurer's Report:

Current Checking Acct. Balance: \$1898.93

Current Savings Acct. Balance: \$218.26

New Hope Account Balance: \$678.21

Expenditures: \$296.70

Deposits: \$125.00 from dues

Field Trip Committee:

Report by Cathey Young & Harold Taylor - Ute pass trip: Cindy brought in some rocks that she found and they are on the table for viewing.

The email address: ccgcfieldtrips@gmail.com has been set up for easy access for registration for field trips. A notice regarding upcoming trips will be sent out to members by email and put on the website a week before each field trip so members can sign up on line. Members are encouraged to check this web site often for daily updates or any changes as field trips may need to be cancelled.

The June 20th field trip is still scheduled for the petrified wood site in Tallahassee Valley. The June 27th field trip to the Calumet Mine will be the last time it will be available for the public as it is going public as it is going to become part of a private entity, the Forest Service Wilderness Area. The Sedalia field trip has been cancelled. A new field trip in July at the Crystal Hills is being considered. An announcement will be placed on the website for the date of this trip. The Baculite Mesa field trip will be rescheduled when the roads are dry and vehicles are able to reach this area. The Brown Derby tourmaline is scheduled in August but no date has been set as yet.

The July picnic for all members is July 11th at Bill Coyle's residence. Rock hunting will be available prior to the picnic. A notice will be placed on the website regarding time and directions to Bill's home.

ByLaws Revisions -

Jennifer led the discussion to update and clarify the bylaws and regulations. The five comments from the members were appreciated. The Board reviewed the comments and noted that they didn't significantly change the meaning of the statements. However, In Article 6, Section 4, it currently states..... " that all bills approved in the budget over \$100 must be approved by the membership." This will be changed to state that: it "must be approved by the Board". A motion was made by Tracey McGinnis and seconded by Kit Kederich to accept this amendment for change. Motion was approved unanimously by the members. This motion approved the bylaws revisions as a whole.

Live & Silent Auction:

The auction will be held on September 14th. Jennifer announced that anyone having items related to geology such as tools, books, etc. are encouraged to bring them to the auction. The money will be used to pay back the bond for the New Hope Claim. Harold showed the members the polisher tumbler and the flat lap that will be up for auction. Rocks and gems from various donors will also be available. Harold will be the auctioneer for this event. More specific information will be on the website over the summer.

Announcements:

Travel through Time Project: Harold Taylor - A geology trail through time is being built at the old prison yard and part of the Pueblo Community College campus. One foot will equal 1 million years. The CDOT was able to unload rocks onto this area. Volunteers are needed for laying the rocks on the trail in late summer. A notice will be placed on the website of the specific dates and times. The Fremont Historical society will also be involved by making a History Trail behind the college campus. There will be highlights on the history of Fremont count and the Prison system.

Fremont Pebble Pups: Jennifer announced that this club is looking for volunteers that like working with children to help promote interest in geology and paleontology. Steven Veatch is the contact person and his email and phone number will be available on the website for those interested in volunteering.

Fremont Fall Heritage Festival: Jim Nelson spoke on this event which will be held September 19th through October 12th. It is a celebration of the cultural heritage of this area. The focus is on the youth in the area. Volunteers are needed to help with projects and supervise the children as they explore different projects. There will be patches awarded to those that attend 2 activities. Essay contests, posters and photos will be some of the activities. A heritage booklet will be printed and put in the Shopper that reaches over 7,000 households in Fremont County.

Member Name Tags: Jennifer announced that members can purchase name tags that will be in a plastic sleeve with a lanyard for \$5.00 per person. A form is at the back table for completion to

those interested. The name tags will be available at the September meeting. Reminder was given that no meetings will be held in July and August but field trips will still be scheduled.

Cindy Smith resigned as Program Director effective July 1st. Jennifer commended her on her outstanding leadership and dedication to the club. Anyone interested in taking on this position needs to contact Jennifer. Cindy was given a gift certificate from the board in appreciation of her outstanding work for CCGC.

Door Prizes: Jennifer had a spelling bee quiz and locations of area geological sites and the winners won a book or a puzzle.

Education Moment: Lulu Moody presented a biography on Bob Cobban, geologist and paleontologist.

Presentation: Cindy Smith introduced the speaker, Dr. Amy Luther, professor at the Louisiana State University.

Amy described the work of her students involved in the summer geology field camp work in the Canon City area. She also gave an explanation of the events that created the ancestral Rocky Mountains, their relationship to the Fountain formation, and how it relates to the modern Rocky Mountains. It was very informative and involved good response from the members.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Submitted by,

Pam Fey, Secretary