

CANON CITY GEOLOGY CLUB
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

May 9, 2016

United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, 9th & Main, Canon City, CO

The meeting was called to order at 6:08 pm by President, Jennifer Gerring.

Attendance for the meeting was 51 and for the program it was 65 people.

New Members: New members introduced to the club were: Fred & Jane Ceconi, David & Collette Kramer, Chet Schlegel, and Matt Eaton.

Guests: Pam Belamy.

Silent Auction: Members and guests were reminded of the silent auction in progress. It will run until 6:55 pm when bids close and winners announced. There are 4 special donations from Dr. Doug Mack in the auction this evening. He had collected these in his many travels around the world. There will be more of these at future auctions. Jack Woolsey also donated a Bisbee Turquoise necklace to the auction.

New Business: Pat Nelson, treasurer of CCGC, has resigned. In the by-laws it states that the President can appoint a new officer, if need be. Mark Tursick will be the new treasurer and was introduced to the membership.

Treasurer's Report: Total income for this year, as of April 30, 2016 of \$2,291.52. The total expenses for the year are \$779.77. Overall total of \$2,211.00 approximately. The club puts 20% of the membership dues in the NHAC account. Including the NHAC account, the checking account, and the savings account. As of May 2, 2016, CCGC has a balance of \$6409.

Board of Directors Meeting Report: Cathey Young gave a report on the board meeting. The meeting was held May 2, 2016 at Carl's Jr Restaurant in Florence, CO. The board approved the minutes of the last meeting and treasurer's report. Since there have been so many changes in the club, the board is in the process of revising the description for treasurers duties. We will keep the club informed as to what is happening.

Cathey then wanted to give a please and thank you to all of the members who go on the field trips. She also wanted to remind everyone that if we have announced there is no collection on a field trip, please do not embarrass yourself or the club by asking special permission to collect just one specimen. At times we are on field trips to National Monuments or on private property where no collecting is permitted. Please follow the rules for the site being visited so that we may be able to go there again.

Field Trip Committee: The Lake George Club will be at the NHAC on Saturday May 14th and Colorado Springs Club will be there on Sunday May 15th. We invite these clubs to our claim and they, in return, take CCGC to their claims. This month there was a Quick Trip to PCC to walk the CTT trail. For the rest of May, Quick Trips will be announced and sign-up sheets will be available on the website.

Programs: Rich Fredderd. one of the miners on the “Prospectors” program which is shown on the Weather Channel, will present the program for CCGC’s meeting in November.

Pebble Pups: Phil Pugin gave a report on what is happening with the Pebble Pups. Last month, Harold Taylor attended and took material collected at the garnet site. Harold taught them how to pan and each child had a pan of material to pick out garnets. Per Phil, the kids had a great time. This month, they will look for fossils on the dirt removed and piled behind Harrison School when it was built. This will be the last meeting until fall as the club meets during the school year. They will resume in September and it is from 3rd to 7th graders.

Announcements: Those present were told that the United Methodist Church is a “**weapon free zone**”. Please do not carry on church property.

There will not be general meetings in July or August.

If you are interested in volunteering at the Picketwire (Purgatoire) Canyonlands on the Comanche National Grasslands south of La Junta, call (719) 384-2181.

Carol McNew told the members & guests present about the books and newsletters that she brought from the Fremont County Historical Society. The newsletter is free and the books are for sale.

Betty Garber announced that some members brought refreshments for the break to go with the tea and coffee. Members are free to bring these anytime they would like to. Thank you to those who brought them this month.

Ray Garber announced that there had been some controversy about the last trip to the New Hope Mine. Some members were upset about not being able to go. There is a strict limit to the number of people as well as vehicles that can go each time, it is imperative that members sign up in a timely manner. Also, if you do sign up and are unable to go, letting the trip leaders know so someone else can go is highly recommended. Also, those who went to the NHAC in April will be put at the bottom of the list for the next trip to the mine so more members will get a chance to go. **Sign up early!!**

The program for June is Jim Puckette, Director, Oklahoma University Geology Camp.

The next meeting will be June 13, 2016

The meeting was adjourned at 6:38 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathy West, Secretary

Keith Krugh, plant manager for LafargeHolcim cement plant in Portland, presented a very interesting program on the mechanisms of mountain building, also known as orogenesis.