

**CANON CITY GEOLOGY CLUG
REGULAR MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

Revised

February 13, 2017

United Methodist Church, Canon City, CO

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 pm by President, Cathey Young.

There were 49 people present for the meeting and 56 people for the program.

New Members: New members to the club are: Taylor Lawson, David Howe, and Joyce and Michael Omohundro. Laura Halpin, from the Royal Gorge Artists Association, was a guest this evening. Laura has applications for booths at Canon City Blossom Festival.

Silent Auction: Members were reminded that the silent auction will run until 6:55 pm. Winners were asked to please pay after the presentation.

Treasurers Report: Mark Tursick, treasurer, reported balances of: \$3,496.80 in the checking account, \$1,719.27 in the savings account; and \$1,242.21 in the New Hope account for a total of \$6,458.28. Before tonight we had a total of 42 family memberships and 28 single memberships. That would be a minimum of 112 members, not including children. A request was made to add an office program to the club computer. Since the cost of this is \$149,00 plus tax which is over the limit for the board to approve, Cindy Wenzel made a motion to purchase the program. Frank Lovato seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Board of Directors Meeting Report: The Board is continuing to work on the Scholarship Fund. Dan Cobler is putting together a report on how this can be done and will present it to the board at the next board meeting. We main focus of applicants will be local or members of club member families.

Dan is also working on the board member handbook. He brought a prototype of it to the February 6th board meeting. It is not quite finished yet but when it is the hand book will be asset to new board members and officers. They will be able look through it and see the decisions made by the board in the last couple of years.

Members were encouraged to pay their dues at the membership meeting so that will be done prior to upcoming classes and field trips.

Field Trip Committee Report: There will be a stratigraphy class on February 17th. There are still spaces available and the classroom will hold about 35 people. March 18th will be the Fossil Boot Camp that Cindy Smith is in charge of. On March 19th, the club hopes to take a trip to the Dino Experience at the Royal Gorge which will go well with the Fossil class. We are getting a special rate to get in. Plans for April are the Mineral ID class as well as two trips to the New Hope Claim for members only. This will be determined by whether the work can be done on the overhang at the claim. The proposal has been sent to the BLM and now the club must wait to see what they have to say.

Pebble Pups: Phil Pugin reported the Pebble Pups have not had a meeting this year. Their first meeting will be Wednesday, February 15th from 3:00pm to 4:00pm at Harrison School for children in grades 3 to 7.

Door Prizes: Winners of the door prizes this evening were Daniel Nichols and Barbara Landgraf.

New Business: The only new business was the purchasing of the office program for the club computer.

Announcements: Cindy Smith told the club about the upcoming symposium presented by WIPS (Western Interior Paleontological Society). The topic will be "Exploring the Morrison Formation".

See Mary McCullough about name tags/lanyards and T-shirts. New shirts and patches have been ordered.

A volunteer is needed to present a program to the Fremont County Head Start. Janet Reither volunteered to present this program and bought several items at the silent auction to use in the presentation.

Carol McNew has books for sale from the Fremont County Historical Society.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30pm.

The next meeting will be March 13, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy West, Secretary

After the meeting, Dennis Gertenbach from the Western Interior Paleontological Society presented a very interesting program "Ammonites and Their Cousins - Predators of the Cretaceous". During the intermission,

Dennis gave fossils to anyone who was interested and explained a great deal about them to the members.