



Quarry Quips



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Work day at the church January 14th at 10:00 am
Next meeting January 22nd

From the President

Hope you have all started off with a Happy New Year! This month we are looking forward to preparing for our upcoming April Show by assembling grab bags (one of our most popular products) for sharing with the greater community. I hope many hands will show up on Saturday, January 14 at 10:00 am to “make light work” with us. Also, hoping to sample some great potluck entrees. New members, this is a great time to come and fellowship with members and help us get to know you, too.

Our next General Meeting will occur with a birthday celebration for the club, but no potluck on January 22. Bring something unusual or maybe something that is just underfoot at your house to share in our fundraising auction. Additionally, the club will have a great selection of various materials that you will surely want to see and maybe get in a bid or two to acquire for your own work and collections. It is always a good time.

Finally, I would like to encourage each of you to invite someone to visit our meetings on February and March and maybe to join prior to our April Show. We were slightly understaffed last year and really need to have our youth outreach activities fully operational on all three days of the show this year. There were quite a few comments from people who missed some of them. If everyone invited at least one person to each of these two monthly meetings, statistics indicate that we would have enough new members to fully staff our events (usually 1 in 10 who are invited by members to come to the meeting will join).

Thank you for all the work and fellowship of your presences.

John Rhodes
WGMS President 2022-2023

Calendar of meetings:

WGMS DATES

Board meeting Monday, January 16th

General meeting January 22.

December 18 – General meeting

January 14 - Grab bag assembly day at the church

January 22 – General meeting - annual celebration with cake but no potluck. Will have auction.

February 26, March 26 – General meetings

April 17 board meeting

April 20 Setup 21-22-23 – Show

May 21, Jun 25, Jul 23

Aug 26 (Saturday) – General meeting

Programs

Our program for the first meeting of 2023 will be our annual birthday party auction. The auction will begin following the business meeting. The doors will open at 1:00 to begin set-up of the auction items.

If you have auction items you wish to donate (and hopefully many of you will), please bring them shortly after 1:00. If you have a question, please call or email me.

Lou Forster

Minutes:

Board Meeting of WGMS December 12, 2022

President John Rhodes called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Those present: John Rhodes, Valorie Windholz, Gene and Peggy Maggard, Sharon and Lou Forster, Sandy Whiting, Tony Giardina and Karen Van Embden. The minutes from the previous board meeting from Nov 21, 2022, were corrected to announce that the correct cost for the Grab Bags at the annual show is \$2, not \$1.50. With this correction, Valorie presented a motion to approve with Sandy seconding it. Minutes were approved by voice vote.

RMFMS in July – must send credentials and appoint new delegates at the June Board meeting. Gene and Peggy Maggard volunteered to be the delegates to the meeting.

Vice President – Lou

Our program next meeting is annual gift exchange. January – annual birthday celebration with an auction. Start at regular time on Sunday afternoon – meeting and then the auction. Gene will bring stuff for auction – members are encouraged to bring additional items for the auction.

Secretary – Emily Baldrige – no report.

Treasurer – Karen VanEmbden – Need to complete Secretary of State report for January. File e-postcard for IRS.

Membership – Valorie Windholz – No further renewals or applications since last meeting – will have directories at next meeting.

QQ Editor – Sandy Whiting – please turn in items by beginning of each month

There are currently 19 QQ copies being printed and mailed out.

Peggy motioned that non-Life members be charged for cost of processing and mailing hard copy QQ of \$3.00 per month effective January 2023. Valorie 2nd – approved by voice vote.

Show Chairman – Gene Maggard – Thanks to Sandy about getting articles finished and reminders thereof. Jan 14 workday for Grab Bags – plenty of contents for this year.

Running out of material for Junior Rock Pile. Enough for this year – but need serious donations to sustain beyond 2024. Marv Dahmen will break up 5 buckets for the Jr Rock Pile.

Classes at the Maggards for Feb 18 – will have sign up sheets at the December meeting.

Received a call from Lyle Koerper – had a small stroke but fully recovered.

Publicity – Peggy Maggard – will purchase stamps for about 800 postcards – “forever stamps” before price goes up. Would like to get onto TV PSAs – JR Phil Richardson – contact PBS re: educational aspects of the April Show.

Finance – Sharon Forster – budget for 2023 presented. Suggested that \$200 be added for field trips. Karen moved to accept the budget; Valorie 2nd. Approved by voice vote.

Old Business

1. Budget motion – Karen, 2nd Valorie, approve attached budget.
2. Committee for tech purchase laptop and projector –
 - a. Fudoni Projector – purchased and received on December 3.

- i. 100 Inches Projector Screen Remote Control HDMI Cable/AC Power Cable/AV Cable
TOTAL COST \$161.24
- ii. Laptop – purchased with HP Carepack 3-year warranty.Hp Spectre x360 16 inch 2-in1 Laptop PC HP 3 year Pickup and Return with Accidental Damage Protection for Consumer Notebooks
TOTAL COST \$1571.87

Peggy made a motion to approve the purchase of the projector and laptop. Valorie 2nd. Approved by voice vote.
Directors: Rita – not present Tex – not present Tony – no report
Motion to adjourn made by Valorie - 2nd Karen; approved.

GENERAL MEETING of the WGMS Sunday, December 18, 2022.

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm by President John Rhodes. CJ Rocky read a “governmental” version of the “Night Before Christmas” to start the holiday spirit.

A request for acceptance of the minutes as printed in the Quarry Quips was made. David Marshall moved to approve; Valorie Windholz seconded. Approved by voice vote.

Membership - Valorie Windholz - introduced a new member, Lyle Parker, who had been invited to join by Joe and Ardis Cruz. Valorie also provided new directories for the membership.

She recommended that we donate \$50 in memory of Larry Skelton, a member who passed away recently.

Door prizes winners: Lane Dawson, Tracy McGrary, Peggy Maggard, Jana Dahmen and Kyle Parker.

Show – Gene Maggard – Jan 14 – grab bag stuffing day at the church, 10-12, potluck

A tub will be provided for donations to the wheel; Gene brought flat rocks that can be painted to go on the wheel. Any items that people have been working on at home for the show, bring to the grab bag workday or to the next general meeting. A thank you to Joe and Ardis Cruz for donating 1000 flats of rocks to the show. We are getting low on rocks to break for the Junior Rock Pile for future shows. Need donations.

Feb 18 the Maggards will have a class day at their home beginning at 10 a.m. with a potluck at noon. Sign up sheets are available – silversmithing, beading, cabbing, fossils, etc. Sign up for only one class!

Finance – Sharon Forster – John Rhodes presented a 2022-2023 budget that anticipates an outflow of \$18,170, income of \$23,000 with a cushion of \$4,900 to cover any unexpected expenses incurred. It became evident during the last two years that the covid pandemic and resultant cancellation of the shows made is important to have this cushion to cover ongoing expenses.

Ardis – the Rock Shop at their hope will be open Jan 20 and 21. They have lots of jewelry findings for anyone interested.

Vice President – Lou Forster – Jan 22 general meeting will be the anniversary celebration with an auction but no pot luck.

The meeting then began the gift exchange and was adjourned afterwards.

Show

Grab Bag Workday Saturday, Jan. 14 – A Grab Bag workday is scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 14 at the church. We will be assembling grab bags for the 2023 show. Start time is 10 am. We will have a pot luck lunch at noon. We are normally done with grab bags by noon. We will also have some specimens to put in plastic bags. Also, Peggy has 800 postcards to put stamps on. If you have a rock necklace kit, please bring it to the workday. We will need those necklaces.

Sign up sheets for working at the show will be at the January general meeting. Show setup day is Thursday, April 20 starting at 8am. Sandwiches will be served for lunch and then we have a potluck supper starting at 6pm for vendors and club members. We ask that as many club members as possible participate and bring your favorite pot luck with enough for you, your family and 6 additional people.

I had requests from teachers that we operate all the club venues on Friday, Education Day. Lots of kids were disappointed that they could not participate in the Gem Hunt and the Fossil Hunt. Leslie Hartman volunteered to run the Spin the Wheel on Thursday, much to the delight of the youngsters attending Education Day. I will modify the sign up sheets to have sign ups for these events on Thursday and see if we can staff them.

We need as much participation as possible from club members to staff the club venues and make the show a success. Working at the show is a fun experience. I hope to see as many of you as possible at the show.

Class Day at the Maggard's

Class day at the Maggard's is Saturday, Feb. 18. The signup sheet was at the December meeting, and it will be at the Jan. 14 workday as well as at the Jan. general meeting. Start time is 10 am and we will have a potluck lunch at noon. Most participants will have their project finished by noon, but the afternoon will be available for finishing up as necessary. In this day and age of smart phones and GPS paper maps are not used so much anymore, but there will be some on the sign up clip board. Gene

Membership

Membership: Greetings, fellow rock enthusiasts. We had 27 members at our December meeting in addition to one guest who joined our club. Kyle Parker heard about our club from Ardis and Joe Cruz when he stopped in at Two Bit Ranch to check out their marvelous rock and mineral shop. A big thank you to the Cruz's for continuing to promote WGMS.

On that topic, I'm considering a contest for members who bring in new members. Discussion planned for the next board meeting, and we'll keep you posted.

Current directories were distributed at the December meeting and will be available at our January meeting as well.

A memorial will be sent to the Rocky Mountain Federation of Mineralogical Associations Scholarship Fund in tribute to our long-time member Larry Skelton who passed away recently. Another will be sent for Don Richardson, Glenda Richardson's husband who also passed away. Our sincere condolences go out to the families.

The December meeting was great fun with the annual gift exchange. Thank you once again to Shara Sherman for the Irish Wishing Stone! Connemara marble...so pretty 😊. The January meeting will be equally exciting with the auction, I have my donations ready but keep adding stuff! See you there!

Valorie, Happy Rockhunting/cleaning/etcetera 😊
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HOSPITALITY

Shara and I hope that you all had a nice holiday. We look forward to another great year with this club and our friends.

On January 14th we will have a potluck after we have filled many bags(!) to sell at the grab bag station at our annual show. Please bring a main dish or side ,(most important), or a dessert. This is a fun time to invite a friend.

January 22nd is when the club celebrates its birthday (coming off covid restrictions Shara and I forgot.) so we will have a birthday cake so put that date in your calendar as well.

Happy new year! Yours in hospitality, Shara and Shannon, the snack sisters

CHEER

If anyone is aware of members who may be ill or in need of some good wishes, please contact me so that I can send them a card from the Gem and Mineral Society family. Sharon Forster at sforster22@yahoo.com or 316-684-8242.

BIRTHDAYS January

Teresa Medlock Jan 6 Catherine (CJ) Rocky Jan 6 Karen Joejgen Jan 8 Sandy Whiting Jan 14
Lyle Koerper Jan 15 Bryan Rocky Jan 20 Jim Yanda Jan 24

Other notes:

Two Bit Ranch Rock Shop will be open January 20 & 21st from 10:00-4:00 each day.

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Ardis & Joe Cruz

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