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P A T T E R

Hello all, how's the weather out your way? Usually in San Diego we have "May gray", followed by "June gloom". Maybe it will be different this year. I'm writing this just the day after our May general meeting, so I don't know yet exactly what May will hold in store for us.

I mainly wanted to repeat a request I made at the last two meetings for rocks and mineral specimens to send to the head of our sister club in Jamaica. Kathleen there has over 90 young people she's trying to help learn about rocks, rockhounding, and geology!! If you have any spare pieces - of "whatever" - that you can identify and note where they came from, and then donate to send to her, it would be appreciated.

She has been working through the Geology Dept. at the University there to try to get correct information for her groups, and evidently her groups have a display at the University. The main way that they add to their collection has been when the kids come to the U.S. or go elsewhere and manage to take a few rocks back to the group from their travels.

She has not requested this of us, it just seems like the least we can do to help out someone who's so dedicated to getting youth involved in rockhounding. So, what do you say, can we, as a club, collect some specimens together for them?

Please bring any pieces you want to donate to the cause to our June meeting.....or, if you forget, or won't be at the June meeting, to the picnic in August. Remember that it's for a good cause, to help out a person who voluntarily took on such a daunting task, starting with little or no knowledge of the subject herself. As you know, with the general membership's

approval, the Convair Rockhounds are going to recognize Kathleen as our "Rockhound of the Year", and I think it would be a super gesture for us to also send her additional rocks and minerals she can use as added teaching tools.

**MINUTES OF THE MAY
GENERAL MEETING**

The meeting was called to order by President Jerry Lohmann at 1847. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by a member (sorry I forgot who led it.).

Minutes: Approved as printed in the Tektite.

Hospitality: George Selby passed away and there will be a private service. Reba will be having a rock sale at a later date.

Virginia Dzialowy is doing better after her fall.

Dorothy Cooper received help for her eyes and can now drive.

Louise Robson is fragile but hanging in there.

Membership: There were 18 members present.

County Council: No report.

CFMS: No report.

Field Trip: Jean Kreutzer reported that a good time was had by all at Zzyzx. Lots of good food, fun, activities, beads, wire wrapping lapidary, silver working, hikes, and field trips. Jean, Jim Claypool and MaryJane Dunham all attended.

Old Business: None

New Business: The annual summer picnic will again be held at MCAS Miramar on August 13th at the same location.

Program: For June the program will be in two parts. Part one is the election of new officers and board members. Part two

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will be our annual Silent Auction with 10% of all proceeds going to the Club treasury.

Door Prizes: Jean Kreutzer won two door prizes and Linda Clark, Gary Clark, Al Ellis, June Wade, Bob Cadman and Elaine Thompson were all winners on one prize each.

Raffle Prizes: Elaine Thompson, Franklin Wade, Al Ellis, Jack Mahoney and June Wade walked away with the raffle prizes.

Program for tonight: A Heuell Howser video about the San Dieguito River Park, which was followed by **Refreshments**.

Submitted (*with apologies to the membership that was present*) by Betty Aron Schneider, acting (*with a real emphasis on the word acting*) secretary

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

The schedule for the future Board Meetings is as follows -- May 10 - July 12 (picnic planning meeting)

The Board Meeting of the Rockhounds was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Those present were Al Thompson, Gary and Linda Clark, Bob and Lynne Cadman and Jerry and Lynda Lohmann.

There was no treasurer's report as Jim and Mary Jane are off on an extended trip. Lynda reported she had written two checks (both to Al Thompson for refreshments) for about a total of \$40.

Jerry reported that John Duncan (as the election committee) reported that the last few years it has been ... "if you are in office you still keep it." All of us agreed to hang in for another term in office. However at the meeting we will ask if anyone else would like to run for office. Also suggested that Betty put that into the Tektite.

Next on the docket was the picnic ... August 13 at Miramar. It will be the same as in previous years ... hamburgers, hot dogs and sausages provided by the club, with the members bringing pot luck to share. Decided there wasn't much interest in the goofy rock etc., so stopped that. Most members come, chat, eat, chat some more and then we leave. It is a lot of fun tho ... so more should plan to come. See the upcoming Tektite for information. Gary Clark and Bob Cadman will be doing the food, and Jerry will take care of getting the plaque for the "Rockhound of the Year".

Discussion was held about helping the Jamaica club (they need minerals) and also a kid Jerry knows of from Argentina. Maybe send subscriptions to magazine?

Next meeting will be the elections and also a silent auction. After that it will be just the picnic.

As the July Board Meeting last year was attended by only Jerry, it was decided that we would probably not meet this July. However, if anyone feels the need for a meeting, we will call one to be held at the Lohmanns house

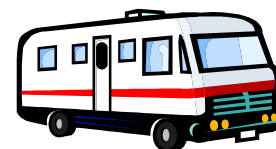
Meeting was over by 7:20 -- but we sat around and chatted for a while.

Lynda Lohmann, Secretary

FIELD TRIPS

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None scheduled.

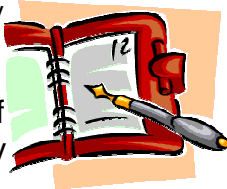


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MEMBERSHIP

Phyllis Mahoney and Gary
Draper, Chairpersons

Please let us know if there have been any changes to your name, address, phone numbers or e-mail addresses.



HOSPITALITY CORNER

Emmeline Ellis, Chairperson

Nothing new to report. Please continue to remember some of our mending members – Louise Robson, Peggy Duncan, Virginia Dzialowy and Dorothy Cooper.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR JUNE, JULY & AUGUST CELEBRANTS



June

Neil Harter	6/04
Gloria Alameda	6/12
Joseph Rogers	6/13
Jim Claypool	6/19
June Wade	6/24
Franklin Wade	6/29

July

Dolores Wheeler	7/02
Ernest Smith	7/03
Albert Ellis	7/04
Patsy Lilley	7/09
Edward Keller	7/19

August

Phyllis Bulick	8/04
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PROGRAM

Bob Cadman, Chairperson

The program this month will be our **Annual Silent Auction** and election of officers.



Clean out under the bed, that old car, check the stuff in the rafters, those dark and musty closets, the garage and of course that seldom used RV!

Price it with a minimum bid and set it out for others to snatch up! Everyone has something sitting around that they would like to unload.

Remember that **the Club** will be collecting 10% of all sales for the Club Treasury.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS, BOARD MEMBERS AND CHAIRPERSONS

IMHO - Any member **NOT** in attendance will automatically be nominated for an office. We will then have a goodly number of names from which to choose our **new president, vice-president, CFMS director, secretary, treasurer and six new board members.**

If we have enough absent members we can also obtain **new chairpersons for all of the positions such as editor, field trip, membership, program, hospitality, refreshments, raffle and door prize and many, many more to be named later.**

But according to John Duncan, our nominating committee chairperson, for the last four years or so no one else has volunteered, made a nomination from the floor or accepted an nomination and the current officers, some under great duress,

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have had to agree to continue in their jobs. He suspects that will be the case again this year but, it is suggested that YOU, the members of this Club, might consider volunteering for some of the positions that have been held by the same persons year after year.

If you find it in your heart to help YOUR Club and the current officers, board members and chairpersons then please notify either John Duncan or Jerry Lohmann before or even during the June meeting.

I DARE YOU!!!



Dolores, our "brook is babbling" about what an awesome artist and person you are to contribute such beautiful art works to us each and every month.

Thank you.