PC Hiking Club Minutes

December 16, 2024

Officers Present: Neal Wring, President, Tom Wick, Vice President

Meeting called to Order: 7:00 pm: Adjourned: 8:00pm

28 members in attendance

Executive Committee Activities:

November 2024 minutes were approved

Treasury: Mike Tansey presented Treasurer Report

Current Balance \$3983.03

Club membership: Currently:125, Last year:148, New:17

Club Highlights:

- -Solstice Hike: Saturday, 21st leave at 4:30 PM-Leader Dennis Zigmunt. Trail will start at White Tanks. Bring flashlights
- -New Support Kit for Saturday C's: Saturday Hike Coordinators, Ruth Bindler and Laurie Rosenbloom now have a Medkit for Saturday Hike Leaders. This will be used for both C and D hikes on that day.
- -Photographs for PC Post: Suggested that D Hikers take photos on the trails and submit to the PC Post also providing a brief write up about the photo
- -Hike Leadership Training: Tom Wellman will provide this training in January. More information will follow with a specific date.
- -Estrella Trailblazers Annual Conference: This annual conference, January 28th at 6PM with other hiking clubs in the West Valley. Looking for a few volunteers to attend and represent our club.
- -Beginning Backpack event: Joyce Raidle is leading the effort on January 17th and 18th at White Tanks. Starting with a 4 mile hike the first day followed by 5 mile hike the next day. -Tres Rios Clean Up: February 15th from 7-9 AM, organized by Susan Berhardt. Departing EN at 6:30 AM. Hikers need to sign up and complete waivers prior to the event. Gloves will be provided. This takes place the same day as our Octogenarian Event, scheduled to begin at 10:00 AM
- -Transition Advisory Group: Rick Savage will speak at our February Hiking Meeting

Elections:

- -Elections for President and Secretary: Both terms are up and extensions are applicable for these positions
- -Volunteers needed for the nomination committee: Sandy Mednick and Nancy Love have agreed to be part of the team for the committee
- -January: The Committee will undergo a search for interested candidates
- -February Meeting: The slate of candidates for each position will be announced
- -March Meeting: Attending members will vote for candidates
- -April Meeting: Newly elected officers begin their terms on April 1, 2025

Special Events:

- -The form for Special Event can be located on the website
- -San Tan Hike and Queen Creek Botanical Garden: 33 people have signed up, all have paid their deposit. The hike will be at a C/D level. Tour at the Gardens is scheduled at 11:00 AM. Caldwell Country BBQ is on the grounds and can accommodate our group after the tour, if interested.

Safety Moment:

- -The Incident Report is available online. Please utilize if necessary
- -Barb Kripps would like to get MedKits back to update. Please bring to the January Meeting. Gloves will be available for adding to the kits
- -Leon Mosse walked us through the process of 911 calls and what we can do to stabilize a hiker (patient) until medics arrives. The group brainstormed how teamwork is effective in this crucial time.

Club Stats:

Ron Grove presented club stats and milestones. See separate email with latest information

Closing Remarks:

Happy Holidays!

Next Meeting: Monday, January 20, 2025 at 7PM at the Palm Room, Eagles Nest. Tom Wick will lead the February Meeting. March Club Meeting and Picnic will be held on March 24, 2025.

Minutes by Laurie Rosenbloom for Carol Rice, Secretary