

SGMGS General Meeting Minutes for January 9, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m.

Members present were: Lance & Tracy Allbrecht, Bert & Lee Grisham, Fred & Peggy Richard, Gloria Gurrola, Bob Zola, and Tammy Cardona. New future member applicants introduced themselves: Anjanette Lomas, Sabrina Miller, and Elizabeth Landry. Peggy offered the sign-in book for visitors.

<u>SUNSHINE REPORT</u>: 103 year-old Evelyn Smith, a former very active member, from Hemet passed away on December 10th. Also, Arvin Melvin, who led the drawings, has also passed away last July after battling recovering from hip surgery.

OLD BUSINESS:

- We are looking into contacting the roofers to re-examine areas of the roof that need touch-ups.
- Also, dues are due now until the beginning of April (\$20. for singles and \$30. for couples, and \$40. for families.)

NEW BUSINESS:

- Free shop day was initially scheduled for the 2nd Saturday of February, 8-noon. There will be a sign-up sheet to see if this date is feasible (due to Covid restrictions). Discussion followed. Decision will be made at the next board meeting.
- The next general meeting will be February 13th, 2021. Please check our website: SGMGS.org and Facebook for updates.
- Ideas were shared regarding buffet-style shared meals, and field trips keeping in mind social distancing and other Covid restrictions. Tracy offered possible day hikes. She will work with Bob to organize these. (Young people are welcome as long as they have a chaperone.) The board needs to decide on a new Field Trip chairman.
- The board members introduced themselves: Lance Allbrecht (President), Gloria Gurrola (Secretary), Bob Zola, (Second Vice-President), Bert Grisham (Gem Building Supervisor), Peggy Richard (Bulletin editor), Fred Richard (Field trips & Building Committee), and Lee Grisham (Treasurer).
- All are welcome to offer suggestions for future classes.
- There is no speaker or raffle today for this general meeting.
- Thank-you was offered to our out-going board members.
- Glossary of geology sheets and copies of club Bi-laws were passed out to everyone.
- The next general meeting will be decided at the next board meeting, and announced in the upcoming bulletin.

Meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Gloria Gurrola, Secretary

SGMGS BOARD MEETING MINUTES January 19, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 5:58 p.m.

Board members present were: Lance Albrecht, Bert & Lee Grisham, Fred & Peggy Richard, and Barrie Burnham. Tracy Albrecht was also present.

The treasurer's report for November & December was given as well as a financial report for 2020 and the budget was presented for 2021 by Treasurer Lee Grisham. From these reports, discussion about <u>future fund raisers</u> included the following potential options:

- Rock Sales on club property in the spring on April 24th, and fall on October 23rd.
- Silent auctions to be done at picnic on July 10th and Christmas Party on Dec. 7th

It was decided that the <u>next general meeting</u> will be held on Tuesday, February 2^{nd} at 6:00 pm at the clubhouse. This will include a meeting and a program with no food being shared during the meeting. We are following CDC guidelines and will request all in attendance to wear masks and maintain social distancing. Please <u>RSVP</u> to President Lance at (760)641-6291 if you will be attending.

Other important dates were set up for the following events:

- February 13th Free Shop day including a free cab class from 8-12 p.m.
- February 27th Field trip being led by Tracy to Garnet Hill from about 8-noonish. Also, the shop will be open at the same time for those interested in working at the clubhouse.
- March 27th Field trip for actinolite with details to follow.

The vote for accepting new members Sabrina Miller and Anjanette Lomas was done. The board warmly welcomes our new members.

It was also decided to have Bob Fitzpatrick take the open position as the field trip chairman with Fred Richard being his alternate. We wish to thank John Scofield for his past leadership in this area and understand his need to take a break at this time.

The next board meeting will be: Tuesday, February 16, 2021 at 6 pm.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:14 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Peggy Richard, Interim Secretary

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*** Calendar Notes ***

- February 2 General meeting at 6:00 p.m. NO FOOD SHARED and follow CDC guidelines with wearing masks and maintaining social distancing. Please **RSVP** to President Lance at (760)641-6291.
- February 13 Free Shop day including a Free Cab Class from 8-12 p.m.
- February 16 Next Board Meeting will be Tuesday at 6 pm.
- February 27 **Field trip** being led by Tracy to Garnet Hill from about 8-noonish. Please see information below. Also, the shop will be open at the same time for those interested in working at the clubhouse at same time frame.
- March 27 Field trip for Actinolite with details to follow.

Happy Birthday to our members with January and February birthdays!!



- 14 John Scofield
- 16 Marty Contreras

February

- 02 Ken Barron
- 16 Jean Younger
- 21 Bob Fitzpatrick
- 23 Jackie Misuraca
- 28 Natalie Ponce



Dues are due in January! Dues are \$20 per year/member or \$30 per year/couple or \$40 per year/family. You may mail your check to Lee Grisham at club address: SGMGS, P.O. Box 424, Banning CA 92220, or you may give your check to any Board Officer at any regular meeting from January to April. This will ensure you receive our monthly bulletin. <u>Thank you in advance</u>.

Field Trip to Garnet Hill

Saturday, February 27, 2021

Meet promptly 8 am at SGMGS Clubhouse, 50171 Ramona Street, Cabazon, OR 8:30 am at 6605 N. Indian Canyon Dr., North Palm Springs @ <u>Pilot Travel Center.</u> Park near Wendy's. Free to Club members and their guests. Children welcome and must be accompanied by an adult.

Prepare: two-wheel drive and low clearance vehicles okay and we will be parking roadside; know weather forecast, <u>wear closed-toe shoes</u>, <u>sun protection</u>, <u>bring water and snacks</u>, <u>personal collecting equipment (rock hammer, cloth bag, hand lens)</u>. Vehicles or go to Wendy's across the street. <u>Be prepared for steady winds</u>. We will be exploring by foot and off trail with some soft sand and elevation gain so walking sticks are suggested for balance. Cameras recommended. Garnet Hill is an open space area and there are no restrooms or facilities. Lunch can be brought to eat at

About Garnet Hill: Located in the Coachella Valley, this area of uplifted Imperial formation features offers low grade garnets, sandpaper quality, fossil sea urchin spines and shells, petrified oysters, and textbook examples of wind-sculpted venti facts. Stunning views in 360' capture the Banning Pass, north face of Mt San Jacinto, Santa Rosa Mountains, Salton Trough and exposures of the San Andreas Fault.

Questions and **RSVP** call Fred Richard, Assistant Field Trip Chairman (316) 519-8505 or Tracy Albrecht, Trip Leader and Club member (760) 641-8832.