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Please join us February
12th at 9AM for the
monthly meeting. There is
an optional social hour that
begins at 8:00am followed
by the monthly meeting
commencing at 9:00am.
See meeting minutes for
details.

Visitors are always
welcome.



Articles or news to be included in the *Cutting Remarks* should be emailed to your Editor, Wayne Klement (wayneklem@aol.com) or call him at 520-954-6298. Submission deadline is the 20th of each month. Thanks!

THE PREZ SEZ by Victoria Fila, President



Hello everyone hope you all are doing great.

Speaking with some members everyone really enjoyed the U of A Alfie Norville Gem and Mineral Museum tour. Thank you again Helen Serras-Herman for arranging this tour. Eric Fritz was the guide for the tour.

Next field trip is tentative set for 1/26/22 to collect peridot for those who were not able to go in November. Working on a trip to a mine for March.

2 new monitors for the cab lab Mike Wendel is back for Monday cab lab from 9 AM to 12 PM and Brian Peterson Tuesday from 6 PM to 9 PM.

Membership voted on 2022 budget in last general meeting on 1/15/22.

Next board meeting is on 2/1/22 @ 5:00 PM. Members are welcome to come to any Board meeting.

February's meeting we do not have a speaker, we do ask for participation from members to share that their finds and any deals they came across. Next members meeting is on 2/12/22, I will not be there but will have a stand in to run the meeting.

Happy rock shopping during this year gem show.

Victoria Fila
OPLC President

MEMBERSHIP DUES WERE DUE JANUARY 1, 2022

This note applies only to those members who have not yet paid their 2022 dues.

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Minutes of OPLC Membership Meeting
January 8, 9:00 AM at OPLC
Bill Penrose, Secretary, wrp0143@comcast.net

NOTICE: There will be no formal presentation or business meeting on February 12, but members will be present to discuss gem show topics.

A quorum of the membership was present, at least 40 members.

The speaker was Larry Fellowes, speaking "The Grand Canyon: The Rest of the Story," a beautiful photographic exhibit of Arizona's greatest attraction.

Members approved a motion to donate the Ron Davison Memorial Fund of \$350 to the Alfie Norville Mining and Mineral Museum, plus \$650 from an anonymous donor, plus \$127 raffle proceeds from this meeting.

The minutes of the December membership meeting were approved by members.

New and re-elected officers and board members were sworn in as required by the Bylaws.

Treasurer's Report (Mark Davidson) – (added when available) The net income for the year 2021 was positive. Income exceeded expenses by almost twofold. Just 54% of the annual budget for 2021 was spent. New income is being generated by the sale of advertising in the newsletter.

The budget for 2022 was approved with few changes from 2021.

Membership Report (Janet Keisler) – 191 members have joined or renewed for 2022 so far.

Field trip is planned to the peridot site in the White Hills for February 22.

Jewelry items are solicited for our display case at the Gem Show. Give items to David Schulte. Photograph them first, or otherwise identify them.

Changes in Bylaws: Reduce age of junior members from 8 to 6. (This does not affect limits for field trips or labs.) – Approved by members. The renewal fee for junior members is reduced from \$12.50 to \$10 – Approved by members.

Members were asked to sign up for booth duty at the Gem Show. Times are available in 4 hours slots, plus setup and takedown. Lists are on the kitchen whiteboard.

There is no information yet on the County Fair.

The business meeting was adjourned, and interested members proceeded to the downtown for a guided tour of the new museum.

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DON'T FORGET

Please don't forget to continue to bring in **YOUR** (or anyone else's for that matter) aluminum cans to the Club for recycling. Your contribution would be greatly appreciated to help add \$'s to the Club's treasury. **Thanks!**

DONATIONS

- Frank Amigos-rock saw, rough rock
- Anonymous - Many varied slabs and boxes of rough rocks

Thanks to those that have made donations to help keep this club running! We welcome donations so if you have lapidary related items, please contact Dan Harmsen at (520) 721-8452 to arrange a pickup or drop-off.



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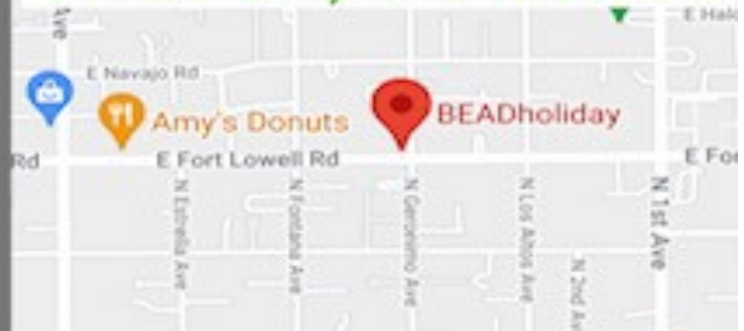
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MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 1, 2022 OPLC BOARD MEETING

5.00 pm, W Penrose, wrp0143@comcast.net

Present: Dave Richardson presiding (Victoria absent), Bill Penrose, Mark Davidson, David Schulte, Mike Tucker, Ted Rupp, John Poole, Pete Peterson, Wayne Klement, Jan Keisler, Twink Monrad, Donovan Wagner, Elizabeth Boccardo, and Brian Peterson.

A quorum was present.

Treasurer's Report - Mark Davidson – Due to reduced activity, only 54% of the 2021 budget was spent. The club ended the year with a significant surplus, some of which was put into a new CD.

Financing for the Hob Nob was finalized. Attendees pay \$10 which covers some of the cost of a catered meal; the meals cost \$15 but the difference will be made up from other sources, such as facility rental.

Membership - Jan Keisler – 241 members are signed up for 2022 so far. Dues for 2022 are due now. Monitors to be notified that admission to labs depends on being a member in good standing. Moreover, our liability insurance only applies to members in good standing.

Silent Auction: Danny Harmsen, Dave Richardson reporting – large donations of beads and stone have been received. Two equipment items will be acknowledged in the newsletter. .

Labs status:

Cab lab – Mike Tucker/Donovan Wagner – The right hand slab saw has a noisy bearing.

The cab lab often runs out of oil, but there is no way a monitor can get into the saw room for more oil. Oil cannot be stored in the cab lab, as it tends to disappear.

Donovan will buy some new templates to replace the broken and damaged ones.

Faceting - Dave Richardson – Attendance has been reduced, but another lab session is being scheduled. Preparations are being made for the Faceters' Guild meeting.

Casting - no report

Silver – John Poole – Defective torches have been replaced and sent for servicing. The gas pressure will be reduced to 5 psi to prevent flashbacks.

Saw room – Mike Tucker – The 24" blade has been installed. The bad clutch on one saw is being repaired.

Field trips: – Victoria has been arranging a peridot field trip, date TBD.

Gem Show – Volunteers are still needed for manning the booth, as well as setup and teardown. Wendy Huber has taken the lead on this.

New Business -

County Fair signup sheets will be posted this week.

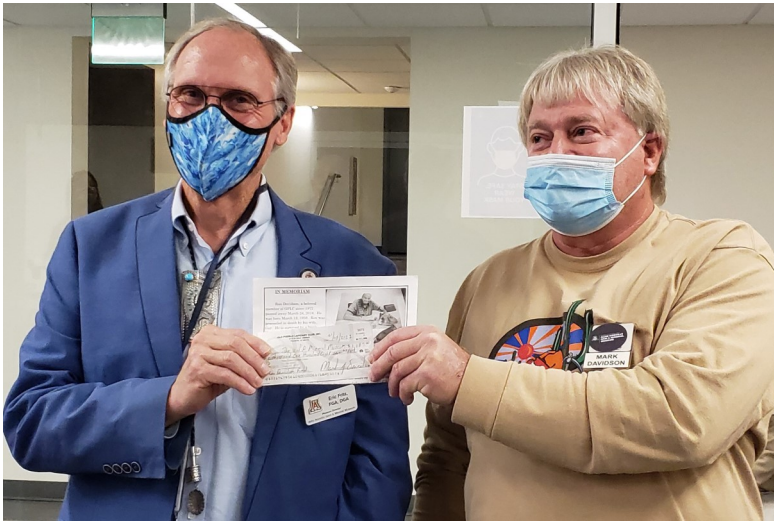
Bylaws require that a monthly meeting be held on February 11. It will be a business meeting plus an exchange of information regarding the Gem Show. Bill Penrose will chair if Victoria cannot be there.

Dave Richardson wants to put a second lock on the buildings during Hob Nob, due to the very expensive equipment that will be left overnight.

Brian Peterson reported that the club's domain name lapidaryclub.org is now ours until 2023 renewal. Next step is to move our website to a new server.

Wayne Klement noted that the Bylaws are not consistent with the membership form, and made changes in the Bylaws to comply.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30.



Members of OPLC had a terrific visit and two-hour guided tour on Saturday January 8, 2022 at the museum with Manager, Eric Fritz. We are very thankful for sharing him time and expertise with us. Mark Davidson is shown presenting him with our large donation on behalf of OPLC to be used in the research lab.

Helen Serras-Herman

This is part of the OPLC contribution that is on display in the museum.



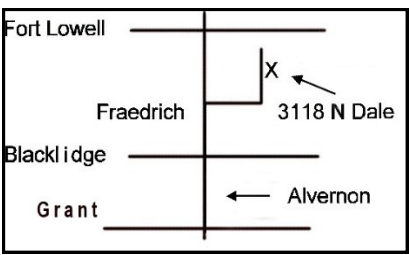
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The Business Meetings are held on the 2nd Saturday of each month except for December. A pre-meeting social hour is at 8:00 a.m., followed by an educational program, and ends with the monthly meeting. Visitors are most welcome.