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Please join us on
January 13th for the
next meeting. **Optional
social hour begins at
8:00 AM, followed by the
monthly meeting at
9:00 AM.**



Articles or news to be included in the *Cutting Remarks* should be emailed to your Editor, Wayne Klement (wayneklem@aol.com), or feel free to call him at 520-954-6298. Submission deadline is the 25th of each month. Thanks!

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THE OUTGOING PREZ SEZ.....by Don Rittenberry



My fellow members, if you haven't heard I lost the race for President to Ron Davidson. There was a good turnout for the elections and holiday dinner. The election results were close and I want to thank all that voted and supported me.

I'm truly amazed at what you the members got accomplished this past year at the Club and for the Club. You the members made the difference in the Club by your support and contributions. You should hold your heads high as I will and be proud that you're a member of an organization that has truly made a difference in the community. It was an

honor and a privilege to have served as your President for the past year, Now I become the past President and move on to become the advisor to the board of directors. I look forward to my new position working with the new board and hopefully will be an asset as an advisor.

The Club will still need volunteers for upcoming events, so whatever you can do for the Club would be greatly appreciated not only by me but your fellow members. Without volunteers the Club would not and will not survive. I hope some of you that haven't volunteered in the past will do so this

upcoming year. I had a good time wherever I went as a volunteer as the President of the Club or just as a regular member.

At the January meeting I will have a couple of announcements and I will swear in the new officers and board members, then turn over the meeting to your new President and new officers. Again, thank you.

Your Past President,
Don Rittenberry

THE INCOMING PREZ SEZby Ron Davidson

First, I would like to thank the members who voted for me.

I have been a long time member and have seen a lot of good things happen in past years. I will try to make sure that trend continues.

Don Rittenberry has done a fine job as President and I will do my best to do the same.

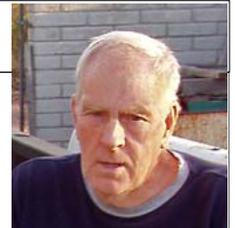
The Club is moving along very well and I do not see a need to make any significant changes at this time.

I would like to discuss with you about establishing a clean-up day before the monthly meeting and discuss the possibility of making more lab hours available.

We have two gem and mineral shows coming up that we need to have people sign up for helping out. Tom Miller will be the Chairperson for the Beaudry Gem and Mineral Show. The show runs January 27th - February 4th with setup occurring

January 26th. Please call him at 762-8436 to sign up. The Tucson Gem & Mineral Show will be held February 8th - 11th and we need someone to volunteer to Chair that event. I think it is important that we continue to have a presence at both shows. I am looking forward to another great year.

Happy New Year,
Ron Davidson



Thanks to Debbie Colander for the informative talk at the December meeting on the Earth Sciences History at the Senoran Desert Museum.



January Speaker....
Will be our own Maribeth Terry. Maribeth will do a presentation on the fine art of wire wrapping, including some time saving hints to make your work look as professional as hers.

DECEMBER BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

..... By Diana Hara



The meeting came to order at 9:06 AM. A quorum was present.

The Club had visitors this month from Harrison's class: Dick and Terry Bibbons, and Audrey Vaughn. Barbara Mostoff was also visiting. New members in attendance were Sandra Jenkins, Dave Sanadager, Jerry Ferrin, Earnie Keyser, and John Winger. Welcome!

Larry Cox was the only member with a birthday this month - Happy Birthday, Larry!

Before beginning Old Business, Don Rittenberry had a few announcements and Debbie Colander gave the members her presentation on the history of Earth Sciences at the Sonoran Desert Museum.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Donald and Janet McIntire donated a calendar to the Club for 2007. Members also received a Christmas card from Philip Powell. Many thanks!
- The silversmithing lab on Monday afternoons will be closed until January 8, 2007. Lou Ackerman has gone back to Washington to be with his family over the holidays.
- The last night for the Monday evening faceting lab will be December 11.

This lab will remain closed until March 5, 2007.

- The last Friday evening faceting lab will be on December 15, re-opening on January 4, 2007.
- Jenny Coniglio wants to have her beading class in January. The class is limited to eight. It will be for four weeks, and the cost is \$30. Please talk to her if you are interested and let her know your date/time preferences.
- Harrison's Christmas party was on Sunday at Micha's on Mountain and Prince. He gave away petrified wood and plants, and handed out diplomas!
- Maribeth Terry wanted to let all the members know that contrary to the newsletter posting, she does not hold daytime wire-wrapping classes. She is currently holding the beginner class. The last two classes will resume in January. She will begin another advanced class after the holidays. It will be four sessions for \$30. Contact her if you are interested.

OLD BUSINESS

Donna Pugh presented the 2006 State of Finances. The Silent Auction this year is what

kept us in the 'black'. Donna also said to keep the aluminum cans coming – every dollar counts! The 2007 budget will be presented at January's general meeting.

The Ryan Airfield show received mixed reviews. Some people made money while others did not. Don thanked Joann Sam for all the time and effort she put in to make this event happen. Some issues were that it was COLD and also on the same day as the EI Tour de Tucson. There was talk of changing the date for next year and putting outside booths in the front to combat the cold as well as to draw people in who were just driving by. If you have any suggestions on how to make the show better next year, please contact Joann. The Club did get three or four new members from the show. Don thanked Leslie Lawrence for his cabbings demonstrations during the day.

The picnic has been rescheduled for April or May due to the unpredictable weather in January. The trailer did not get cleaned out in 2006, so this action is being forwarded to 2007.

The Beaudry show will be from January 27th through February 4th. The Club needs people to volunteer to man the

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booth. There are sign-up sheets in the Club.

The Tucson Convention Center show will be from February 8th -11th. The Club needs volunteers for this show also. Sign-up sheets are in the Club.

Donna Pugh asked if T-shirts had been ordered. Don Rittenberry said no, but they will be discussed at the next board meeting on December 18th.

NEW BUSINESS

Don Rittenberry went over procedures for the election of new officers and Board members. He handed back proxies of members who mailed in votes but were in attendance. The Nominating Committee Chairman, Jaime de Zubelia, stated that all Officers and Board members on the ballot were members in good standing. He then handed out ballots. Members voted and Jaime read the results during the potluck. There were 95 total votes. Don Rittenberry received 46 votes for President, and Ron

Davidson received 49 votes. The 2007 Board of Directors and Officers:

- President – Ron Davidson
 - Vice-president – Dave Witwer
 - Secretary – Maribeth Terry
 - Treasurer – Rocky Farrell
 - Board members:
 - Jaime de Zubeldia 2006-2007
 - Tom Miller 2006-2007
 - Billy Bob Riley 2007-2008
 - James Quigley 2007-2008
 - Merlyn Hiller 2007
- Congratulations!

The meeting was adjourned at 11:05am.

ANOTHER WONDERFUL DECEMBER POT LUCK.....

Due largely to the hard work in the kitchen especially Charlotte Rittenberry thank you Charlotte.



Charlotte taking a well deserved break.



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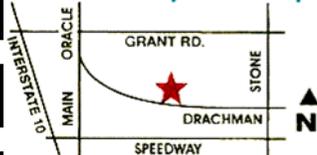
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+++ A REMINDER +++

The monthly jewelry contest for **January will be the Bolo Tie**, and for February it will be for earrings.



ADVANCED FACETOR'S CORNER

In case you missed the answer to the December question of the month: Name the crystal systems?

The answer: Cubic hexagonal tetragonal, monoclinic, orthorhombic, and triclinic.

JANUARY QUESTION OF THE MONTH

Upon what factors does the brilliancy of a transparent gemstone depend?

Come to the January meeting to hear the answer.



DON'T FORGET

Please don't forget to bring in **YOUR** aluminum cans to the Club for recycling. Your contribution would be greatly appreciated to help add \$'s to the Club's treasury.

Thanks! !

----- IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN -----

Come to the OLD PUEBLO LAPIDARY CLUB for the 7th Annual Faceters Hobnob during the February 2007 Tucson Gem, Fossil and Mineral Fossil Shows.

The event will be held Saturday, February 3rd, starting at 6:00 pm. If you are a faceter or faceter wannabe and will be in town, bring your stones to show off, rough and equipment to trade or sell, and meet and make new faceting friends and acquaintances from all over the United States and the world. Please call Art Kavan (297-8798) if you have any questions. See you there!



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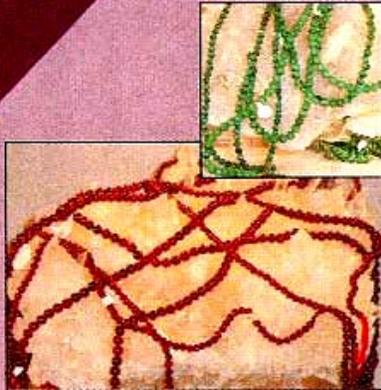


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Contact Billy Bob Riley 408-3074

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Contact Chuck Lundstrom 577-6446

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Contact Maribeth Terry - 331-7066

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Contact Billy Bob Riley 408-3074

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Contact Dan Harmsen 721-8452

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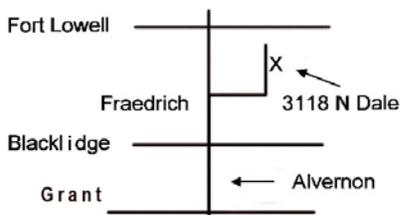
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