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Please join us on January 8th for the next monthly meeting. There is an optional social hour that begins at 8:00am followed by an educational program at 9:00am followed by the monthly meeting. 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 feel free to call him at 520-954-6298. Submission deadline is the 20th of each month. Thanks!

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THE PREZ SEZ by Pete Peterson

I hope you all had a Merry Christmas and will have a Happy New Year.

The Christmas Potluck was huge success. The kitchen committee, chaired by Pat McMullen, did a wonderful job and so did all our members who brought such a variety of delicious food. This social event is one of the highlights of the year and this time spent together makes the holiday season special.

At our last meeting we talked about the remodeling of the Silversmithing and Faceting labs and the redo of the Ladies Restroom in the clubhouse. A group of hardworking volunteers started the project on December 14th. First, they cleared the rooms of equipment and filled the storage container and every other space they could find. They cleaned and painted the rooms and then went to work on the cabinets and shelving. They were scraped and sanded and then painted. Old carpet in what will be the faceting room was pulled up and new carpet was installed. Meanwhile the carpet in the silversmiths new location was cleaned and shampooed and cleaned again. As of this writing, the week of December

20, we are still working on getting everything back where it belongs and setting up work stations. There is still a lot of work to be done and we expect to continue right up to Christmas and during the week after as well. The bathroom project is essentially complete with just a few finishing touches to the décor left.

Volunteers, you are terrific. It was gratifying to see the cars roll in every day with willing workers asking, "What can I do to help today?" John Poole and his crew worked like a well oiled machine and accomplished more than we expected every day. Many volunteers hauled boxes to storage, painted, scrubbed, moved equipment. retrofitted cabinets and workstations and moved things back into work areas. Tile was laid in the bathroom and fixtures placed. I think everyone will be prouder of the facility when it is done. I know I will be, but without these volunteers this project just wouldn't be possible. Thanks again to all of you.

When all this is finished it will be time to think of other things; Gem Show, HobNob, and the Pima County Fair. Volunteers will be needed in the

demonstration booths at the Gem Show and Fair. Don't hesi-



tate to sign up, it is really a lot of fun and people who visit the booths are so interested and appreciative.

We have had a good year. Membership is increasing, more members are using our facilities and members are coming to me with requests and suggestions. Some have expressed an interest in new classes such as wire wrap and in more field trips. Maybe we should think about a field trip committee similar to the style at Tucson Gem and Mineral. We have had some excellent speakers and more to come this year. If there is an interest, we may want to have more classes in the evening for those who work days. These are all things we can talk about in the coming year. Your input is valuable and most welcome.

I hope to see you at the January meeting and show off our new labs and bathroom. Don't forget to bring items for show and tell. That is enough for now. Keep up the good work.

OUR CLUB ROCKS!! - Pete

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DECEMBER MEETING MINUTES .. By Pat McMullen, Secretary

meeting to order at 10:00a.m.

A call for new members was made and Paul Duffy was the lone new member. Welcome Paul!

Pete asked for approval of the last meeting minutes and it was approved and seconded.

Diana Hara gave a treasurers report that our treasury is in good shape.

Under old business the contest for logo t-shirts didn't produce a winner between the old blue t-shirts and newer white t-shirts so a vote was to be taken after the meeting to determine which logo will be used on the new t-shirts. It was eventually determined that the logo previously used on the old white t-shirts will be used on a blue t-shirt.

Sylvia gave President Peterson a check for \$1,000.00 to pay for the upgrade to the women's rest room, making it

President Peterson called the more user friendly. Thank you Sylvia!

> The remodel of the silver and faceting labs will begin December 14th and will be coordinated by John Poole, who has several able bodied people to assist in the move.

Our Nominating Committee Chairman, Skip Barkley, was called on to present the slate of officers for the coming year. The following are those nominated: President, Pete Peterson, Vice President, Bill Carmody, Treasurer, Diana Hara, Secretary, Pat McMullen, Board Members, Murray Hiller, Skip Barkley, Ray Brown, Dave Witwer, and Ted Rupp. Skip asked if there were any additional candidates and there were none. The vote for approval was unanimous. Induction ceremonies will take place at the January meeting.

Wolfgang Mueller gave a report on the Misson Mine trip which will be on

January 7, 2011. The list of those going is full with a waiting list.



Wolfgang emphasized to all that are going, if you are unable to go please let him know so that another may take one's place on the roster. Hard hats, long pants, safety glasses and boots are mandatory for the trip. All drivers will receive \$5.00 per person for the trip.

Wayne Klement stated that the membership is around 350 members. New memberships are continuing to come in. All membership renewals are due by December 31, 2010.

Donna Pugh had a Christmas card from Sylvia with a poem written by Harison Yocum that she read for all. Very inspiring!

President Pete adjourned the meeting and the members recessed to the kitchen for the annual Christmas pot luck of turkey and ham with all the fixings.



DONATION CORNER

And Santa Claus hadn't forgotten good old OPLC Anonymous donations include: 4 pound tumbler, casting wax, ruby crystals, Lake Superior agates, Apache Tears, Tiger eye, cabs, Gemcraft book, Goldstone, slabs, gem template, tumbled stones, small tools, obsidian and Rose Quartz.

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It's that time of year again time to renew your dues. All memberships expire December 31st and renewal dues are payable January 1st of each year. Those members who have not renewed by the January meeting (January 8th) will be dropped from the roster.						
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----- HAPPENINGS AT THE CLUB ------



Pat Mc Mullen & Bev Griffin carving the two birds that were prepared for the Pot Luck

And off in the corner was Wayne Klement, collecting next year's dues.

The Christmas Pot Luck was another resounding success. Everyone that brought in a dish to pass outdid whatever was done in prior years. The food was just outstanding. Thanks Pat, for organizing the event again this year.



According to Dick Bibbens, everything was just tooooo good to pass up.



AND if you haven't been at the Club lately, ya gotta stop in and see what's going on. There are renovations and upgrades going on that will make it so nice to work in the labs, some people will feel compelled to move in a couch, microwave



and mini fridge and take up residence. And thanks to a generous donation by Sylvia, which started the ball rolling. The women's restroom in the main meeting building now looks like something out of Better Homes and Gardens.



Pete, accepting Sylvia's check.

New paint, toilet, tile, vanity, light bar, and towel dispenser.

The people who worked on this project were Pete & Ginny Peterson, Donna Pugh, Diana & Roger Hara, and Wayne Klement. **AND**....... There's more......

From John Poole, Silver Shop Monitor:

First, I want to thank Pete Peterson, President of OPLC for keeping the ball moving on this switch of spaces of the silversmithing and faceting rooms.

Second, to the Board of Directors for making the funds available to pay for carpet, paint and other related materials to make the spaces cleaner, brighter and more functional for our present membership.

Third, a big thanks goes to the many volunteers who put in many, many hours of labor to make this possible; Ron Davidson, Steve Slat, Woodrow Beck, Ray Brown, Diana & Roger Hara, Pete & Ginny Peterson, Mike Demeritt, Janet & Ted Rupp, JoAnn Sam, Claire O'Donnell, Paul & Dorothy Head, Murray Hiller, Bill Cascio, Twink Monrad and Arnie Guarnero. I wanted to get this to our Editor before press time, and although we are not done, we are well on our way. Both spaces should be up and running by the first of the year.

Have a great Holiday Season and come visit or play in OUR revamped spaces. Hopefully, we'll be able to serve more of our members.

> Thanks, John Ed Note: See next page for renovation pictures of the labs.

Ed Note: My apologies for not being able to get a picture of all of the people that worked on the two projects.



A few of the crew that are working in the new silversmithing room. (I-r) Claire O'Donnell, Ray Brown, Diana Hara, Woodrow Beck, Steve Slat, Roger Hara, Pete Peterson and John Poole.



Paul Head setting up shop in the new Faceting room



Bill Cascio applying a coat of paint to one of the cabinets.



Steve Slat, Woodrow Beck, and Roger Hara installing some work surfaces in the new faceting room.





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- 9AM Noon **Cabbing** Monitor - John Poole 777-5588
- 9AM Noon **Silversmithing Lab** Contact John Poole 777-5588
- 10AM 1PM **Rock Sawing** Monitor - Jim Baker 886-2126

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6PM - 9PM Silversmithing Contact Ray Brown 390-5667

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