

Sedona Westerners General Membership Meeting

March 8, 2018

Jim Warren led the meeting for Barbara O'Connor. The meeting started at 700PM whereupon returning members, new members and guests were welcomed. New members introduced themselves. A motion was made to accept the minutes of February 8, 2018 by Jean Barton and AJ Cook seconded the minutes for approval. All were in favor.

Officer Reports:

Foreman's Report: Jim Warren gave report for Gretchen Yager

In February we had Dues Income of \$360 which was offset by \$467 in expenses. The majority of the expenses were meeting room rental, honorarium, and pizza for the trail maintenance volunteers. This leaves us with a cash balance of \$10,129 to cover our expenses in the late spring and summer when we do not have any dues income.

Prospector: Jim Warren gave report for Clint Gelotte

There are now over 400 members, close to an all-time high.

Ambler Boss: Pat Capana

Pat thanked leaders and tailgaters from past hikes and also mentioned the upcoming hikes. Completed hikes were Hi Line Vista, Jim Thompson/Wilson Canyon and Chuckwagon/Gunslinger. Upcoming hikes will be Brins Mesa/Mormon Overlook, Doe Mountain and Soldier Pass Trail. Pat also mentioned a name change to her Facebook group which is My Hiking Group 2017-2018.

Rough Riders: Michael McCaffrey

Michael acknowledged both hike leaders and tailgaters for past hikes: Dry Creek, West Fork Plus, Village Amphitheater and Wize Cracks.

Dogie Boss: Dave Vanderwater

Dave recognized hike leaders and tailgaters of the completed hikes: Brins Mesa, Chalice Loop and Rabbit Ears.

Drover Boss: Terri Petrescu

Terri thanked the leaders and tailgaters of her group for the following hikes: Kris Mclean, Angela Lefevre, Bob Taylor, Annette Pollak, Jon Petrescu and Bert McLean. Upcoming hike will be to Cibola Mitten and More. Will also need a co-lead for Devils Bridge on April 15th.

Mustang Boss: Jim Kemper

Jim thanked leaders and tailgaters for the following Mustang hikes: Munds Wagon, Brin's Ridge/Soldiers Pass Loop, Turkey Chute and Munds Wagon/Hangover. Special thanks were given to Bill Brown for the development of the new hike, Turkey Chute.

Rustler Boss: Marj Haas

Marj thanked the leadership of the Bartons for leading Slim Shady, Scott McFeely and Velma Keller for Rabbit Ears and Jon Losse and Al Abbott for Mescal.

Tracker Boss: Ernie Pratt

Walker Basin with Jerry Walters was cancelled due to inclement weather. Geology of Jerome was led by Ernie Pratt as Paul Lindberg was unable to conduct the hike. There will be an upcoming nature hike with Kevin Harding in the Bubbling Springs area.

Roundup Boss: Jeff Fargo

Jeff acknowledged the following people who wrote articles for the Red Rock News: Ernie and Lynn Pratt, Jim Kemper, Hal Frank and Alison Etter.

Chuckwagon Boss: David Minott

Dave Minott thanked those who brought treats during the intermission: Bob Dannert, Penny Dejarnette, Deb Losse, Lynn Pratt, Terri Petrescu, Dorothy O'Brien, Celeste Rubanak and Anne Wakefield. He requested volunteers to sign up for bringing snacks to the April meeting.

Nominating Committee Chairman – Jim Warren

Jim introduced the nominating committee and thanked them for their work. He then introduced the nominated board members for 2018-2019. Elections will be at the next meeting. If anyone else wants to put their name forward, they are to contact him. The candidates were:

Trail Boss – President and Chair of Board of Directors	Tom Yager
Wagon Boss – Vice President and Program Chair	Scott McFeely
Cactus Dodger – Coordinator of Rough Rider Hikes	Colleen Barkus
Dogie Boss - Coordinator of Dogie Hikes	Terri Petrescu
Ambler Boss - Coordinator of Ambler Hikes	Patti Pierce
Mustang Boss – Coordinator of Mustang Hikes	Michael Henry
Rustler Boss - Coordinator of Rustler Hikes	Jean Barton
Drover Boss - Coordinator of Drover Hikes	Annette Pollak
Tracker - Coordinator of Special Hikes	Ernie Pratt
Wrangler – Secretary	Helen Ducharme
Foreman – Treasurer	Dave Vanderwater
Prospector – Membership Chairperson	Clint Gelotte
Chuckwagon Boss - Coordinator of Refreshment and Social Activities	Dave and Joyce Minott
Top Hand #1 - Director (Actively Hiking Honorary Member)	Linda Schermer
Top Hand #2 - Director (A former Trail Boss)	Walter Krywucki
Top Hand #3 - Director (Actively Hiking member at Large)	Jim Kemper

Nominating Committee for 2018-2019

Jim Warren

Terri Petrescu

Annette Pollak

Pat Capanna

Jim Kemper

Tom Yager

Break

Speaker: Steve Mattoon, Manager of Garland's Navajo Rugs grew up in Tempe Arizona and graduated from the University of Arizona in 1981. Soon after graduation he came to Sedona to work at the rug store where he found the business of buying and selling Native American Art, specifically Navajo rugs fascinating. His expertise is antique and contemporary textiles, southwest basketry, pottery and Hopi kachinas.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:50PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Helen Ducharme, Wrangler