

What's Rockin' at Rockhound for October, November & December 2017

OCTOBER WEEDING WEDNESDAY...Wednesday, 18thth...9:00 AM...Native Garden.

OCTOBER MONTHLY MEETING...Wednesday, the 25th ...Regular Meeting... 10 AM...Visitor Center...

Leasburg Dam Ranger and Naturalist **Alex Mares** will be our guest speaker!...

*****Navajo Sky Stories*****

WE'RE TAKING NOVEMBER OFF! Rest up for December!

BAG RATTLING WEDNESDAY (Stuff Luminarias)...Wednesday, December 6th...10 AM

...Visitor Center

LUMINARIAS EVENING...Saturday, December 9th...5 to 6:30 PM...

...Visitor Center

Our past year of speakers has been wonderful! August's Pancho Villa Park Ranger/Manager JOHN READ gave a "cosmic" talk about meteorites and meteor-"wrongs," and September speaker RINK SOMERDAY of the Asombro Desert Institute filled us in on all things New Mexican, as in our state symbols. October will be topped off by another member favorite, Ranger and Naturalist, ALEX MARES. Don't miss him!

Thanks everyone, for all you do for Friends!

Gratefully, *Sally Allen*, Friends of Rockhound State Park, Inc.

FRIENDS OF ROCKHOUND STATE PARK, INC. Board Meeting, 9 AM-----September 27th, 2017

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Sally Allen, President; Keith Harris, Vice President; Barb Fichtenmueller, Secretary; Donna Whitten, Treasurer; Doc Edwards, Board Member; Art Vasquez, Immediate Past President. Absent: Robert Apodaca, Park Manager.

TREASURER'S REPORTS for September, 2017 was reviewed, motion to accept by Keith, seconded Barb F., motion carried.

ROBERT'S REPORT: No report from Ranger Robert due to his attendance at the Regional State Park Fall Conference. Robert did mention that the visitor center/campground has a new volunteer: Jack Cox, who we introduced to our members at the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS: Our October speaker will be Ranger Alex Mares...Navajo Sky Talk.

We offer many thanks to the Deming High School Mariachi students and instructor Mr. Gerard Flores for a wonderful Saturday night performance. We are also grateful to Ranger Robert for securing the stage and the support from First New Mexico Bank and the Deming Lions Club.

NEW BUSINESS: (1) No meeting to be held in November. (2) Cherie Luck's funeral program bulletin was shared...thanks to MaryKay Brady for sending it to us. (3) Discussion of our annual Luminarias Night was discussed. Board members will help with the organizing of the evening... Donna Whitten to organize biscochito cookies...Keith Harris to secure the Santa suit from Tharp's Flowers...Art Vasquez will coordinate with Peppers about the candles, bags, and apple cider, as well as Toys for Tots boxes...Sally to request 4-H volunteers light candles for us, as well as securing Daniel Teeter to be Santa.

There being no further business, Board Meeting was adjourned at 10 AM. Guest speaker for the morning was Rink Somerday, Asombro Desert Institute, New Mexico Symbols.

Respectfully submitted by Barb Fichtenmueller, Secretary