

What's Rockin' at Rockhound for September, 2016

MUSIC AT ROCKHOUND/ANNUAL MARIACHI EVENING!

Saturday, September 17th, at the Park's Visitor Center at 6 PM.

Rockhound State Park welcomes back the **Deming High School Mariachi Ensemble**, led by instructor **Gerard Flores**.

Bring your lawn chairs and even a picnic dinner if you so desire!

Co-sponsored by **1st New Mexico Bank** and the **Deming Lions Club**.

Wednesday, September 21st - Garden Care...9:00 AM (Note Time)...(In the Native Garden)

SEPTEMBER MONTHLY MEETING...Wednesday, the 28th at 10 AM...Behind the Visitor Center

Our own **Enchanting Cowboy**, **Mike Moutoux** shares his music, poetry, photos and cowboying with...

"A Cowboy Frame of Mind"

AUGUST EVENTS.....We had a grand way to end the summer! First of all, our **Music at Rockhound** event was a time travel trip to "way back when" through music and stories with local musicians **John and Jonnie McClure**. What an evening and what a talented duo...and SO much fun!!



Going back in time seemed to be the theme last month as we learned about the **Lordsburg Internment Camp of World War II** at our monthly meeting. Teachers and historians Mollie Pressler and her husband brought many items to share, as well as great stories to tell. We learned how the small town of Lordsburg became very big in the war effort.

◀ Mollie displays a diorama created by one of the the internment camp men.

****STILL NEEDED!****

Next year we will be in need of a few dedicated volunteers to take over several important jobs for Friends of Rockhound. These jobs need to be filled by November. These jobs are not hard...just NEED to be done.

Program Director.....Publicity Person....."What's Rockin' at Rockhound" writer.....Monthly postcard writer and sender-outer.....and our Facebook admin person.

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 – Aug 31, 2016—9 a.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Sally Allen, President; Keith Harris, Vice President; Veronika Barnes, Secretary; Donna Whitten, Treasurer; Art Vasquez, Immediate Past President. Absent: Doc Edwards. **Also Present:** Robert Apodaca, Park Manager.

MINUTES of the June 29th meeting read; motion to approve by Art, seconded by Keith; motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORTS of July 27th and August 31st reviewed; motion to approve by Keith, seconded by Art; motion carried.

ROBERT'S REPORT

1. Inmates have begun a two-week stint doing trail and erosion maintenance.
2. Summer hire Jonathan Poppenberg's term ends September 9th.
3. Funding and plans for renovating the garage into the Education Building is still being considered at the State level.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

During last month's annual picnic, a number of folks stepped forward to fill open positions within the Friends' group: (1) Membership Manager—Barb Staff. (b) Photographer Liaison for our website and facebook page—Joe Karas. (c) April Native Plant Sale—Shelley P, Marilyn G, Gene J, Betty G and Cathy C. A shout-out to these good folks for their willingness to serve the group. **We still have several positions open, however: Program Director; Publicity Person; "What's Rockin' at Rockhound" writer; Monthly Postcard writer and sender-outer. Contact President Sally at 544-9035 or wraskala@jps.net for more info. Don't be bashful, folks! Step right up!**

NEW BUSINESS

1. After some discussion, it was decided unanimously that Music in the Park will be on hiatus, at least for 2017; the reason being to spend more time, energy and resources on the Friends' mission.
2. The Park hosts the Mariachi Fiesta on Saturday, September 17th. Featured will be Mr. Flores' high school group.

Respectfully submitted by secretary **Veronika Barnes**.