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# SMOKE SIGNALS

“Great Spirit, grant that I may not criticize my neighbor until I have walked a mile in his moccasins.”

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## PUFFS FROM THE CHIEF

*A message from our President*

Marshall Havner

January is show time for our annual fund raiser event. Many members have been working hard to make this a great show by doing a variety of jobs so the community will have a fun, eventful and learning experience. We continue to see new members joining TGMS which is a positive result of the great people, classes and events we offer. On 1/7/09 we did a Rock Talk for Weldon School in Clovis which was enhanced with four additional members sharing their individual talents. This cooperative atmosphere is what makes TGMS so successful. We have members which come in all sizes, shapes and colors just like the rocks we treasure so much. I am truly grateful for all the members who are sharing their talents which helps to make TGMS a caring and sharing club. Keep up the good work.

Marshall Havner  
TGMS Chief

## TGMS goes to School.....

**Mining for the next generation of TGMS members.....**

Members of TGMS brought their tools and projects to valley elementary schools in December. Students at Three Rivers Elementary enjoyed hearing about native rocks and their uses.



The TGMS road show made another stop in Clovis California.

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Kids of all ages love rocks. Know of a classroom that would love to learn about local rocks. Call Marshall Havner.

Tule Gem and Mineral Society  
Monthly Meeting  
January 5, 2009

the meeting was called to order by Vice President Margaret Buchmann at 7:30PM, followed by the flag salute led by Steve Hayward. There were 36 members and 7 guests present. The door prize was won by Roxana Olmstead.

The minutes of the December meeting were read and corrected. Mike Obert was elected Vice President instead of Raul Gonzales as recorded. A motion was made and seconded that the minutes be accepted as corrected. Motion Carried.

A motion was made and seconded that the Treasurers report presented by Patrick Harrison be accepted as read. Motion Carried. He also reported that we collected \$28.30 for the scholarship fund.

A motion was made and seconded that the Club accept Judy Herndon and Darrell Myers as new members. Motion carried.

Historian, Joe Navarro, announced that he needs more pictures and articles for the Club Year Book.

Vice President, Margaret, announced that she ordered 50 pies from Ryan's @ \$6.50 each for the snack bar, Members will begin setting up show cases, etc. at 10:00 on Friday the 16th; also, one more member is needed in the kitchen both Saturday and Sunday.

Charles Reed and Steve Hayward volunteered to provide security on Friday and Saturday nights.

Judy Link requested that all student case articles be delivered some time Friday, so she will have time to get it set up for the show.

Robert Goodard announced that he has raffle tickets for sale, if members didn't get theirs at the meeting, he will have them with him on Friday.

All members are urged to wear their blue vests with name tags Saturday and Sunday

CFMS Director, Janice Robertson, reported that she received a letter from CJ Quitoriano, President of CFMS, stating that she will be attending the Club show, she will be setting up two cases and giving bead making demos.

Janice announced that CFMS insurance does cover all members on Club outings.

Marshall announced that there are no Club trips planned in the near future. He also requests that any Club member that is available to go to schools, etc. to help with demonstrations please contact him for more information. The schools and clubs that he put on demonstrations for in 2008 were: Exeter Union High, Porterville Westfield Elementary, Porterville Cub Scouts@Methodist

Church Recreation Hall and Washington Elementary.

Sunshine Girl, Debbie Havner, circulated two get well cards for members Dick Bowman and Betty Lamkins. She also sent out get well cards in December to Wilma Myers, Linda Smith, Mary Reed and Tammy Hellwig.

The vote on the Club Constitution Amendments was postponed due to the absence of Don Vieira, they will be voted on at our February 2009, meeting.

Vice President Buchmann announced that she had received a letter from Ede Ordonez stating that she will not be able to serve in the position of Club Director for the 2009-2010 year. Nominations were opened for a new Club Director, Judy Link and Fereleen Schultz were nominated, a vote will be taken at the February meeting.

An inquiry was made about the Club purchasing a faceting machine for the Club work shop. It was decided not to do so at this time.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectively submitted  
Corene Keys  
Secretary



**Buy your tickets for the March Installation Dinner.....** The installation banquet will be on Monday, March 2nd. Tickets are \$11.00. Tickets can be purchased at the February meeting or call Adrienne Vieira 732-7739.

**Have you been to the Turlock Gem Show? Here's your chance to see it without using your own gas.....TGMS is sponsoring a bus for Saturday March 14<sup>th</sup>. Leaving the Holiday Inn, Visalia parking lot at 7:00 am. Cost is only \$20 Seats are limited. Call Judy Link for info 747-3288**



Bill Manser and Laura Riggs at the Wheel of Fortune

Faces in Places...  
Pictures from 2009 Gemboree!!



Tony Hart's President's Choice Award winner



Joan Livesay Kitchen Co-Chair



Sherry Smith takes home People's Choice Award



Don Livesay and Don Leib sell grab bags



Leila, George, Mike and Judy

Special Thank you to



For helping make 2009 Gemboree successful.

The show was a tremendous success thanks to all of you who worked so hard. I can't thank you enough for all your help setting up, manning the snack and kitchen, registration, wheel of fortune, grab bags, security, silent auction, treasure hunt, ways & means, and dismantling & cleaning up. Thank you for all your donations to the pies and raffle. You are an awesome group of wonderful people. My sincere appreciation to each and every one of you. Margaret-Show Chair

## 2009 Meeting Schedule

**January 5, 2009**

**February 2, 2009**

March 2, 2009, Installation Dinner

April 6, 2009

May 4, 2009

June 1, 2009 Annual Picnic

July 6, 2009

August 3, 2009

September 14, 2009

(one week later due to Labor Day Holiday)

October 5, 2009

November 2, 2009

December 7, 2009 Christmas Party

**Every Meeting and Every Member is important....Hope we see you soon!!**

