

Presidents Message January 2018

Well, we made it through another year! Warmer weather and with no snow on the ground yet. At the last meeting the Christmas Party we had 55 in attendance, and net donations of \$1278. Great Job! Another big thanks for our party planners Angela and Mike for a fantastic job that they had done. Tables looked amazing and the food was a #10 all the way. There was plenty to take home, and all enjoyed. Look for postcards in the mail in place of the newsletters. These will help get the needed information out to the members each month until the time comes that we have the newsletter position filled once again. With the newsletter running around \$5400. a year. This takes a major chunk out of our other spending that can be done. Anything to help with our yearly costs. The goal is to have a full newsletter every three months, with the postcards taking up the slack the other months. We have formatted the membership card a little different this year. The color for this year is a light lavender with a mottled background to it. Hope you like it. We still need the newsletter/membership, excursions and secretary position filled. All the club's functions will go as normal. But we do need these positions filled ASAP, ASAP, ASAP. Thank You! We would like to ask the members that when the name tag drawing is complete. Please do not come up and take more than one prize that already has been given. Thank You! LISTEN UP EVERYBODY! For this year 2018 we are going to have every three months a secondary drawing that will consist of a high value prize. This could be a nugget, a high-end book, or a piece of prospecting equipment. They will be worth winning then. Every carded member will receive one ticket each meeting just for showing up. So please bring your active membership cards with you to the meeting in order to receive one. You will receive three tickets for the first quarter, that three months' time. After that time the first drawing will be held with those tickets. This process will be duplicated throughout the rest of the year until the year is done. So, all members have a chance to win something along with the other drawings being taken place. Please mark your calendars for the Gem and Mineral Show that will be held on [April 20th](#) thru the 22nd down at the equestrian park down in West Jordan. The club booth will be set up on the upper level, which will allow us to be the first ones seen to the public as they enter the show. We do need help for those three days of the show. We will be asking for volunteers to help. Finally the speaker for the January meeting will be Corey Shuman the General Manager of "GOLD RUSH EXPEDITIONS" And the title for that presentation will be "WHY RECLAIM ABANDONED MINES" This will be a good chunk of information on this subject, to help us understand why we should do this. Well that's about it for now and don't forget that your dues are due at this time. don't wait. Renew early. Well see you at the meeting, until then be safe and stay warm.

Thanks!

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