

CORONADO THUNDERBIRDS, NEWSLETTER for JULY - AUGUST 2015

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THUNDERBIRD GENERAL MEETING

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Paul F. Hlava, July 14, 2015 "MATERIALS KNOWN AS GEMSTONES", "Gemstones" are prized for beauty first; all other properties are of secondary interest. In defining gem and gemstone, I will show that some properties, such as hardness, durability, ability to cleave, etc., are also considered important.

By discussing the BIG seven (the more precious of the gemstones – Diamond, Emerald, Alexandrite, Ruby, Sapphire, Tanzanite, Opal, and Pearls – or DEARSTOP), I will show how arbitrary is our consideration of these other properties compared to the all-important property of BEAUTY.

I will also review the distinctions between natural, synthetic, and simulated gemstones. And I shall mention where history has also played a part in determining the popular SHAPES of gemstones.

August 11th is the

DATE FOR OUR ANNUAL PATIO PICNIC.

So a formal Program is normally not planned. We have, however, invited a number of our elected officials to join us during the picnic for an "Informal" discussion. Three of our Congressional officials have been extended an invitation to join us including: Sen. Martin Heinrich, Sen. Tom Udall, and Rep. Michelle Lujan Grisham. And we also have outstanding invitations to Gov. Susana Martinez and to Mayor Richard Berry for October and November. (We have learned that these officials normally prefer to hold off on commitments until one month before the event)

AT THIS DATE: Optimistically, we may anticipate a 50:50 (?) chance of having our offer accepted.

Travel - Sandy Deller, 298-5705

Here's a chance for you to take off for 5 days in October, 26th - 30th, and enjoy a bus trip to Arizona. You'll visit famous Tombstone with its Boot Hill and Kitchener Caverns' limestone caves. See Fort Huachuca, an outpost during the

Indian Wars and go underground into the Queer Copper Mine.

Get your deposit in early to Sun Tours, 889-8888

THE ANNUAL THUNDERBIRD PICNIC

The picnic Thunderbird picnic will be on August 11 at 11AM at the MVC patio. Cost is \$10 per person. Make checks to Coronado Thunderbirds and send to treasurer Genelia Boenig, 1808 Calle Del Vista Road NW before August 4. Cash will be accepted at our General meeting on July 14; otherwise, checks only before August 4, no money at "the door".

Our entertainment chairman, Ellen Biernacke has arranged for a menu consisting of hamburgers, hotdogs, beans, potato salad, fruit, wine and beer (see below).

OK....I have the Thunderbirds set up to go the Sandia Casino in August. Don't have the date yet because Sandia hasn't given me a date. They are to send a bus, and pick us up at the Black Angus on Wyoming & Menaul at 10:30 in the morning.

Then they will take us back to the Black Angus about 3:00. I am trying to get a lunch voucher for everyone going, that, they have not agreed upon yet, only the free bus in August. As soon as I get a date from them I will let everyone that wants to go know.

Also, anyone wanting tickets to The Book of Mormon at Popejoy, Sept 15th at 7:30 let me know.

Membership - Fran Fejer- 296-9265

July/August events at MVC You can access MVC information www.kirtlandforcessupport.com

July - we will be closed 3-6 in observance of the holiday

July 10 - First Friday/Family Night, 4pm to 7pm - Adults: Members - \$4, Non-members - \$8; Children (up to age 12): Members - Free, Non-members - \$5

July 11 - UFC Fight Night, 6pm to 10pm - 18 years and older only - Members: Free, Non-members \$5; Buffet/beverages available for purchase

July 19 - Sunday Brunch, 10am to 1:30pm - Adults: Members - \$14.50, Non-members -

\$16.50; Children: Members - \$7.50, Non-members - \$8.50

July 24 - Bingo - 5:30pm Dinner, 6pm Bingo - Members - \$7, Non-members - \$9 (no child price for this event) - Wear a crazy hat, and get a free bingo card.

August

August 1 - UFC Fight Night, 6pm to 10pm - 18 years and older only - Members: Free, Non-members \$5; Buffet/beverages available for purchase

August 7 - First Friday/Family Night, 4pm to 7pm - Adults: Members - \$4, Non-members - \$8; Children (up to age 12): Members - Free, Non-members - \$5

August 16 - Sunday Brunch, 10am to 1:30pm - Adults: Members - \$14.50, Non-members - \$16.50; Children: Members - \$7.50, Non-members - \$8.50

August 28 - Bingo - 5:30pm Dinner, 6pm Bingo - Members - \$7, Non-members - \$9 (no child price for this event) - Wear a crazy hat, and get a free bingo card.

MEALS TO GO

* WEDNESDAY MEALS TO GO JULY

* Jul 1 - Pulled Pork served with baked beans and creamy coleslaw

* Jul 8 - Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce, Green Salad & Garlic Bread

* Jul 15 - Pot Roast served with mixed vegetables and dinner rolls

* Jul 22 - Roast Turkey & dressing with creamy mashed potatoes and green bean casserole

* Jul 29 - Brisket, Kielbasa Sausage and Chicken Legs w/ Baked Beans and Cole Slaw

* WEDNESDAY MEALS TO GO AUGUST

* Aug 5 - Pot Roast served with mixed vegetables and dinner rolls

* Aug 12 - Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy & Corn on the Cob

* Aug 19 - Lasagna (Vegetarian or Meat) with fresh green salad and toasty garlic bread

* Aug 26 - Pulled Pork served with baked beans and creamy coleslaw

MEAL FOR TWO (Half Order): Members \$10, Non-members \$11

MEAL FOR FOUR (Whole Order): Members \$17, Non-members \$17

Orders must be received by NOON each Wednesday.

Call 846-5165 or 846-1746 by noon on Wednesday to order and for menus

Pick-up at MVC 3:30 pm-5:30 pm at drive-thru on southwest side of MVC

Payment must be made at time of pick-up

KAFB BASE PASS

* Everyone that has an A (Alpha) Badge should request the KAFB Pass Request form from Fran Fejer to upgrade to a B (Bravo) badge as soon as possible. If you currently have a C (Charlie) badge, you will not have to do anything. At badge renewal time, it is very likely that the pass will be changed to a B (Bravo) badge.

* The Department of Defense (DOD), Defense Biometric Identification System (DBIDS) access badge must be renewed every year (this includes all spouses, even if they no longer drive).

* One month before your badge expires, contact Fran Fejer and she will mail/email you the KAFB Pass Request form, with instructions.

* Once you mail her back the form, she will review it and deliver the form to the Pass and Registration office on KAFB for processing.

* It can take the Pass office 5-10 business days to process and you will be given a call with instructions on how to finalize the badge process.

NAME BADGES FOR THE THUNDERBIRDS

We have two options:

1. KA-MO Engravers, 5001 Douglas McArthur NE, 87110, phone 883-4963, email is KAMONM@aol.com

Mike Holly has a shop at home so please do not call before 10:00am.

His price is \$5.00 for a badge with safety pin clasp. A badge with a magnetic holder is \$7.00. His turnaround time is usually around one-two weeks.

2. Awards, etc., 904 Juan Tabo NE, 87112, phone 292-3337, email is linda@nmawards.com

Her price is \$6.41 for a badge with a magnetic back. Her turnaround time is usually three days.

BRIDGE-Party dates are July 9, 23, Aug. 13, 27.

Partners are July 2, 16, Aug. 6, 20.

BOD-President: Charley Vittitoe - 299-9298

Vice President: John Anthes - 281-0834

Secretary: Cynthia Melloy - 352-9002

Treasurer: Genelia Boenig - 836-6977

Membership: Fran Fejer - 296-9265

Travel: Sandy Deller - 298-5705

Entertainment: Ellen Biernacki - 828-0875

Awards: Adron Pritchard - 299-3543

Newsletter: Dick Gido - 821-8738

Calling Chairman: Barbara Desilets - 822-0059

Cards: Mary Lou Valdez - 268-5375

MVC Caterer Brandy, 846-1746; E-Mail:

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