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## MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 6<sup>th</sup>, 2008 MEETING

The monthly meeting of the Jacksonville Gem and Mineral Society was held at The Riverside Christian Church, 2811 Riverside Ave., Jacksonville, Florida on November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2008. President, Jason Hamilton, called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm. Josh Krovicka led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**YOUTH ACTIVITIES:** Jason directed the Juniors to their activity with Amy Ellis. The Juniors are having a fund raiser selling calendars.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Harriet Rose gave the treasurer's report and advised us that we had taken in over \$1000.00 in lab fees the preceding month.

**SOCIAL:** Karyn Bee announced that our annual Christmas Party will be held on Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm at the Church. The main course, punch and set ups will be provided. Members are asked to bring a side dish and a wrapped gift whose value does not exceed \$25.00.

**FIELD TRIPS:** Mickey Cecil announced that there would be a field trip on Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> looking for multi colored chert. There will be a DMC trip to Jackson Crossroads on Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>. On Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> -21<sup>st</sup>, there will be a trip to Crabtree Emerald Mine and to Ruck's Pit at Fort Drum.

**CLUB SHOW 2009:** Tom Frame alerted us that we are in preparation of our September 2009 Show at the Moroccan Temple. We have decided to stay with the third weekend in September. Volunteers for preparation of the show are needed now. Tom also announced that we have agreed to host the SFMS Annual meeting the weekend of the show.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Frank Hopkins announced that after four years he and Amy Johnson would be retiring as membership chairs at the end of this year.

**JACKSONVILLE FAIR:** Craig Hamilton thanked everyone who had participated and volunteered to help with the Fair, and volunteers are still needed this weekend. Ed and Linda Price were thanked for judging. Three members of our club won a first, second and third prize in the special Jewelry contest. Melissa Siver took best in show for the junior category and Katie Raven took best in show for the adults. Craig reminisced over the many years of participation in the Fair. He also reminded us that 2009 will be our Club's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary!

**NEWSLETTER:** Editor, Chuck Sederholm said that all was going well with the Newsletter and that Dana Brooks would take over the Mineral of the Month column.

**EDUCATION:** Jackie Jordan announced that we have new classes: Coin Piercing as well as a casting class.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Jim Robinson stated that as members of 501c.3, our club can make and take donations without paying taxes. Jim expressed his opinion that we should be charging more for our classes at the lab. Lynn Hoffman announced that we still have T-shirts for sale.

**NEW BY LAWS:** Jim Robinson asked for a vote on the By Laws which were published in the Newsletter last month. They were unanimously approved by the Membership. A motion was made to elect a delegate to SFMS on the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>. Jim Robinson was elected unanimously.

The Meeting was adjourned for a voice auction. The auction took in \$1755.00

Respectfully submitted, Arden Sederholm for Tina Jacobs