



President's Letter



Dwayna Barron
President

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year members. Here we are closing out the 2021 year and soon embarking on 2022. This is my favorite time of year with the lights, family, friends and parties. I also love a warm fire, a good book or movie and something hot to drink after a yummy home cooked meal. It's a time to reflect

on the past year and ponder the next one. I hope you have mostly good memories and great plans for the next part of our journey together.

This is my final President's letter, it seems strange to say that because it was such a short year. If you weren't aware we were closed for a little over a year due to COVID-19 and didn't reopen until mid-April this year. That said, it was packed full of many good things. The tailgate, many new members, great field trips and pups completing several badges in a short period of time. It was an honor and privilege to work with each of you this year and am looking forward to what's to come in 2022.

Please congratulate and welcome your new Board of Directors for 2022:

President—Sara Arnold

Vice-President Membership—Dave Duncan

Secretary/Treasurer—Dwayna Barron

Board Members:

Blaine Witte Lia Hamilton

Janet Flecher Corey Beck

This is a great board, each one comes with their unique skill set and experiences, many thanks to each of you for offering your services to the members of VVGMC.

To the outgoing board: This was a great year in many respects although at times it had

its challenges, but doesn't every year have a challenge or two? The good news is that we overcame and kept going, although I miss a few that started the year with us and either passed into the next life or had to bow out for personal reasons. No matter the circumstances my heartfelt thanks to each of you for your support along with each of the Instructors and the many volunteers who went above and beyond to keep it all glued together. **YOU ARE THE ROCKS OF VVGMC!**

REMINDER: The Christmas Party is coming up December 11th at noon. In the last newsletter and at the meeting there was a request to RSVP. If you haven't done so yet, please do so this weekend so I can give a rough head count to the caterer. To make it easy, just text me at my new cell phone number (760) 995-7190 with your name and how many of you will be attending.

- **No Pups or workshop tomorrow due to the Christmas Parade and the field trip to Diamond Pacific in Barstow. Meet at their parking lot at 9am for \$3 per pound rocks. This is a great deal if you can make it. Also it is Mojave Gem and Mineral Society's show down the street. It's a 2 for 1 day.**
- **Christmas Party decorators are scheduled Tuesday morning at 10am.**
- **Holiday Schedule TBA on website by Tuesday.**

Happy Holidays to each of you. I wish you all a great deal of love, new and stronger friendships, good health, blessed families and much prosperity in the new year. See you Saturday!

Dwayna Barron, President

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REGULAR MONTHLY MEETINGS:

Instructors Meeting—1st Tuesday 2:30pm

Board of Directors—1st Tuesday 4:00pm

Potluck and General Membership Meeting—
3rd Saturday Noon to 1:30pm

Club Clean Up Day—4th Saturday 9:00am

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The purpose of the Victor Valley Gem and Mineral Club is to disseminate knowledge of mineralogy and the earth sciences. To encourage study in these subjects, arrange field trips for exploration, study, and the collection of specimens. To promote the interest of young people and foster classes in mineralogy and lapidary arts through all means which are appropriate to these accomplishments.



SHOP DAYS:

Saturdays: Noon—5:00pm

3rd Saturday following General Meeting 1:30-5:00pm

2nd and 4th Sunday—Noon to 6pm

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