

Cholla Meeting May 8, 2007
Computer Lab – Nedra Joyce Bldg CCSD

News

Lola, Sloan Canyon NCA Partnered with CC museum

Kitty Heckendorf CC Museum Native Am. Festival 2200 students and 8500 attendees and school tours

Pam Radke Wetlands, Chris Leavitt, Wetlands: School tour year is over, in midst of building, exhibit hall, redesign of website and publications

Ellen Leigh, Atomic Testing Museum 100 Suns New Exhibit, How to Photograph an Atomic bomb Opens September 29

Allison Brody Public Lands: Our Places conference planned for February 2008, should we do it statewide? Are you still interested? Discussion:

- Keep in LV one more year
- Low cost

Aaron Leifheit RR Canyon In classroom environment program, K-5, developing curriculum, handout

Margie Klein Department of Wildlife, booth at Earth Fair, Project Wild teacher training, newsletter

Ivy Santee Dept. of Wildlife, Aquatic Education Coordinator, fishing, women's fly fishing training, June 9 is free fishing day, Floyd Lamb Park, giving away rods and reels, seminars

Mandy Keefer Old Fort Cultural history fair May 19, Flyers

Ellen Anderson Lake Mead Finished field trips, Forever Earth, now water safety in the classrooms for the summer

Amanda Rowland Lake Mead, problems with transportation article, finishing up field trip, Environmental education courses available along with scholarships

Amy Page, LV Natural History Museum, "In the Dark" nocturnal environments, animal, plant, and human, this Friday, May 11 5-8 cocktails, food; May 19 event Mining activities 9-4 for Hellderado celebration

Missy Giannantonio, 10 teacher totes in circulation, teacher tote class held, anticipate a big event in June ?? for CCSD schools; in July Year round schools, big event

Stacy Irvin MM Program, contest winner from Spring Valley Christian Academy, whole school will come to RR canyon Thursday, May 10, March 26, 11:34. First pitch at the 51's game this Saturday, May 12, 7:00 pm with kids carnival, classroom program winding down.

Liz Klimek LV Art Museum, Ed Assistant, Exhibition until July 8, school tours, suitcase gallery, docents present in the classroom, lecture series, May 30, David Pagel, LA Times

- Libby Lumpkin LV Art Museum Director, taught Art History, transformed direction to education, serving children, committed to standards, long term goals to become resource for the state, heritage collection, diversity
- Corine Patterson, LV Art Museum, from France, handout, tour requests until July 8 school tours, have a few open dates, bus money available, invitation for the Lecture by David Pagel
- Marcella Posthuma, moving to fifth grade, took classes to Carson City, met with the governor, saw Virginia City; tortoise oasis, overpopulated by antelope squirrels, put in a cactus garden, will remain on our notice list
- Kathy August, RR Canyon, programs through June, classrooms through July, outreach to Spanish community, CC Fair, assisted with Death Valley education plan
- Barbara Slivac, State Museum broke ground for the new building, opening April 2009, Museum will remain open during the building process; bookmarks for Nevada Online Encyclopedia handed out, mining, hoping to have 500 articles posted soon, written by experienced people in their field, how will it be sustained is not certain. \$750,000 for programming to get up what is there now, add the link on InterAct, Havens in a Heartless World exhibit until August 12
- Wilsha Daniels Conservation District of SN CC Fair, Agency Tent, May 21 presentation Kay Carl ES
- VIP Private Opening of the Springs Preserve, If you received a formal Invitation you must RSVP May 22; Opening for the public June8-10
- Allison Brody: New group in town, Partners in Environmental Cultural Connectedness, Hispanic audiences first, how to better to connect with them, being better educators, meeting every fourth Thursday, you are welcome to come, email Allison Brody Allison.brody@unlv.edu

Old Business

- Quotable Quotes: needed for the PPT for June meeting, Allison to send to Amy
- Invitation letter and list of names being worked on by Amy and Dr. Joyce, if you want one for your administrator, it will be posted in the CHOLLA conference on InterAct and emailed as an attachment to all members when ready.
- Table tags made by Kitty, she will make them
- Voted to keep CHOLLA icon on the left side of stationery. Kitty will add agencies under the icon
- Booklet changes? We could add sticker for changes on the back if Clark County can't reprint it.

New Business

- Bookmarks available for Nevada Online Encyclopedia handed out, Press Kit given to Dr. Joyce who will try to place on IA and the CCSD website, librarians, CPD

- Group Coordinator Issue – good idea to have one, needs to rotate, come up with a job description, Barbara will write one, Discussion: we have at least 15 agencies participating, If we became a dues paying organization we could cover the cost of brochures. This would allow for professional development, grant opportunities, newsletter, scholarships to members, become a sub chapter of another group? NNREC or other. “Membership” Contact the regional section of the group, agree to that
Joining the umbrella organization?

Our expenses are the printing of the brochure. As a loose consortium rather than a strict guidelines organization, we are meeting needs. We close doors when charging a fee. We all serve different purposes within this group, collecting monies is an entire set of problems like collecting money, bank accounts, becoming more complex.

There is so much potential with this organization. Too much for one person to do

Suggested: a committee to look into this issue of dues, newsletters, coordinator, nonprofit? Go through another organization.

Establish the need before we decide we need the money for next fiscal year?

Website needed.

Environmental Org. website: Allison Brody

Including other teachers, affiliation

- Barbara will write up a job description before the June meeting.
- Call for a volunteer.

There are other groups like this one in CA and AZ.

- Membership organization idea

For June meeting

- Potluck Food Sign-Up – special guests to be invited, an email for sign-up of food to be sent
- June Agenda items: would you like to host a meeting next year? Come with a Date and idea for what to do.

Program – Dr. Joyce King InterAct Update Training

Next meeting:

June 12, 2007 Nevada State Museum & Historical

Society

Annual planning meeting 9:00 – 3:00

Minutes courtesy of Dr. Joyce King