

**Fortuna Tierra Club Minutes**  
**Thursday, June 12, 2014**

The meeting was held at St. John's Episcopal Church in Ouray. Before the meeting, Shelly Bennett gave us a wonderful tour of the beautiful stained glass windows at the church. The stonework on the outside of the church was done in the late 1800's by Welsh miners who came to Ouray to work in the mines. Local resident, Virginia Laycock, started doing stained glass work at age 70 and finished up all the church windows 9 years later. Virginia wanted to do the windows with scenes from the local area and scenes that depicted the lives of local residents in Ouray, rather than use religious themes. Shelly also showed us some fascinating stained glass kaleidoscopes that Virginia made.

The meeting was called to order at 11:20 AM by co-president Mary Miller. Ten members were present and one guest. Minutes from the May 2014 meeting were approved. Irene Stith made the motion to approve and Lois Carr seconded the motion.

**Treasurer's Report:** Laureen Kraft presented the Treasurer's Report for May 2014. There is \$2,056.17 in the checking account, \$12,249.00 in the savings account and \$30,000 in the Shotwell 4 Year CD, for total funds amounting to \$44,505.17 as of the end of May 2014. Laureen said we are now \$700 over budget. She also requested that the scholarship checks be signed now, because it would be much more efficient as officers might be gone during the summer months.

**Committee Reports:**

**Philanthropic:** Cher Mitton was gone, so Mary Anne Guilinger did the report. She attended the Awards Banquet at Ridgway High School, and Claudia Wolff helped her present 4 scholarships to 4 girls for \$2,000 each. In addition, two continuing education scholarships will be awarded for a total of \$10,000.

**Fund Raising:** Shelley Bennett reported that the Fortuna Tierra Golf Tournament on September 6, 2014 will have the entry fee increased to \$70. Some Divide Ranch golf members would rather donate \$70 to Fortuna Tierra and be able to write the fee off of their taxes. Stephanie West is looking for silent auction items and unique ideas for baskets that will be auctioned off. An official Basket Director is needed. Irene has lots of baskets in her garage that could be used for the basket auction.

**Compassion:** Lil Frederickson was gone. Shelly Bennett mentioned that Lil will be glad to pick up any donated items for Haven House. Kathy McLallen drove herself to the hospital after being sick all night.

**Club Operations:** Irene Stith has nothing new to report. Irene brought 7 cookbooks to the meeting, sold 2 at the meeting, and Shelly Bennett will bring the remaining 5 to the July meeting.

**New Business:** Claudia Wolff who is a Board member for Ouray County Arts Association said that OCAA asked if Fortuna Tierra members would volunteer to hostess the show. It was decided that Fortuna Tierra will take Thursday, August 7. Claudia will e-mail all Fortuna Tierra members and ask for volunteers. We will need 3 volunteers to fill up three time slots or a total of 9 volunteers. Mary Anne Guilinger will help with training volunteers if need be. This would be a great way for Fortuna Tierra to be more involved with other community activities.

**Old Business:** Before the official meeting began, Shelley Bennett read a Thank You note from founding member, Jeanne Logan who was honored at our April luncheon meeting.

Two June Birthdays and seven June Anniversaries were announced.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 AM. We walked to St. Daniels Church, and Mary Anne Guilinger showed us the beautiful glass icon of St. Daniel on the outside of the church. Then we all adjourned for lunch at Cavallo's restaurant in Ouray.

Respectively submitted, Claudia Wolff – Co-Secretary