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JUNE REGULAR MEETING

THURSDAY, JUNE 11, 1998

7:00 PM

DNR AUDITORIUM

1594 West North Temple

SPEAKER

GREG THAYN

Bureau of Land Management

State Office

Speaking on

**PERMITTING AND FOSSIL REGULATIONS
ON BLM LAND**

UFOP Monthly Meeting Minutes Rose Difley

The Great Basin Chapter of Utah Friends of Paleontology met Thursday, May 14, 1998 in the DNR Auditorium at 1594 W. North Temple, Salt Lake City. The meeting was called to order by UFOP President, Jerry Golden.

Jerry welcomed new members, Brad and Ashley Hill, Joe Scheib and Derrick Jurgensojn.

Old Business:

The minutes for April were approved as printed in the bulletin.

Sue Dickey gave the treasurer's report. The old balance (4/998) was \$1,603.54. An income of \$50 from 3 new membership dues and expenses of \$114.57 for the Alan Titus certification field trip gave a new balance (5/14/98) of \$1,538.97.

New Business:

Certification cards: Sharon Walkington has certification cards for members who don't yet have them.

Certification papers: Martha Hayden has level 1 certification sign-off sheets for those needing them before they advance to level 2.

Museum Memorial Fund: The motion passed to use UFOP funds to buy supplies for the Utah Museum of Natural History in remembrance of family of UFOP members. The funds will be used as the need arises and the names of the deceased will appear in the museum bulletin.

Lab updates by Jerry Golden, Martha Hayden and Janet Gillette

The Natural Resources building is finished and equipment can be moved into the building, but volunteers are needed for this task.

Helpers are needed in the UMNH lab Friday night May 23, 5:30 - 7:30 PM.

Reports and announcements of meetings by Jerry Golden and Martha Hayden:

Thanks to all UFOP volunteers during Utah Prehistory Week.

UFOP will sell T-shirts at a booth at the AAPG meeting May 17 through May 20, 1998. Walter Alvarez will be at the UFOP booth Sunday, May 17 from 5-8 PM to autograph copies of his book, *T. rex and the Crater of Doom*.

The second circular is available for the Society of Vertebrate Paleontology (SVP) meeting September 30 through October 3, 1998. SVP registration information is available from Martha Hayden. T-shirts will be sold at the UFOP booth at SVP. The statewide UFOP Annual Meeting will be hosted by Utah Valley Chapter in Provo May 29-31.

A new Castle Valley "Raptor" Chapter Newsletter is available.

Field trip reports and announcements by Jerry Golden.

Many thanks to Alan Titus for a wonderful field trip to the Great Basin.

Dalton Wells site is finishing its spring season this week, but will reopen in the fall.

Hagerman site will open after Memorial Day.

Ferron site will be worked May 22-25; the fossil is almost ready to be removed.

Guest Speaker:

Jerry Golden spoke on "Conodonts - What, When & Why". He explained that conodonts are the preserved microscopic parts of extinct marine animals that lived a period of about 400 million years from the Ordovician to the Triassic period. A microscope with slides containing conodonts was available during the meeting.

News and Reminders

UPCOMING MEETINGS TO MARK ON YOUR CALENDAR:

SVP (Society of Vertebrate Paleontology) Annual meeting:

Snowbird, Utah, September 30-October 3, 1998.

We Have a Bone to Pick with You

Hagerman site will open after Memorial Day.

