

Bella Vista Computer Club General Meeting

January 9, 2023

The general meeting was held at Highlands Community Center on Monday, January 9, 2023. President Joel Ewing called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The membership report prepared by Geri Hoerner was reported and is currently at 126.

An introduction to the Board Members was given which included Joel Ewing, President, Woody Ogden, Vice President, Dean Larsen, Treasurer, Geri Hoerner, Membership Chairman, Grace Chang, Education Chair, and Board Members Loretta Ostenso and Russ Ogden.

The minutes of the December General Meeting were submitted on the website and with no corrections, the minutes were ruled approved as published.

A reminder that Amazon Smile gives back a percentage of individual's purchases to the Bella Vista Computer Club. The website to use is smile.amazon.com.

BVCC is now part of Wal-Mart's Round-Up program where BVCC can be a selected charity for a small donation when online purchases are made from Wal-Mart.

Membership dues have increased to \$30 for the first member and \$15 for each additional family member.

Membership Benefits include:

1. Help Clinics - 1st Saturday and 3rd Wednesday, 9-noon
2. General meetings held the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00 pm open to the general public which is also being simulcast on Zoom
3. Remote Help which may be requested on the website, the preferred method of contact. Use Remote Help facility rather than calling Help Clinic people directly so that one person does not have to handle all the requests.
4. Classes - maximum of 8 people in the Training Center - advance sign up is required:
 - January 11, 9-11 am, "Data: Where is it and What to do with it" (Pete Opland)
 - January 17, 2-4 pm, "Basic Computer Security, Part 2" (Justin Sell)
 - January 18, 1-3 pm, "Storage Solutions" (Pete Opland)
 - February 21, 2-4 pm, "Basic Computer Security, Part 2" (Justin Sell)
5. Bella Vista Computer Club website - contains announcements, the monthly newsletter entitled Bits & Bytes, a schedule for upcoming classes, membership renewal, and monthly meeting minutes.

6. Members of the Club have access to APCUG (Association of PC Users Group) remote conference sessions via zoom. These sessions are free and you must register in advance.

Raffle progress: The Computer Club is in need of BVCC members to help advertise and distribute tickets for the February 13th drawing (weather permitting). The raffle is for a computer customized by Pete Opland. It is a Dell OptiPlex 5060, corei-8700, 16 GiB RAM, 512 SSD, 1 TB RAID1 (mirrored), Windows 11 Pro, MS Office 2021 ProPlus. Each donation/ticket is \$10, members and non-members eligible, presence not required to win (but must be able to pick up if not present).

The meeting tonight presented “Digital File Management Conventions: Making Files Easier to Find Later” by Joel Ewing.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Obrenovich, Secretary