

How The RockHound INSIDE came to be...

Sometime in mid-April of 2021, I learned of the passing of a local EFMLS Society Member in the DC area. An unexpected exit I believe and my friend who mentioned this had remarked that this person was fairly young. When I asked, I heard the name, Ti Meredith. I remembered this name because it wasn't a common first name and stuck out from the many other common names I had seen in our member database. My friend spoke not just about her community service but the roles she served in her local Mineralogical Society, The Northern Virginia Mineral Club (see pg. 16 Tribute by Sue Marcus) - https://www.novamineralclub.org/sites/default/files/newsletters/2021-03/NVMC%20Mar%202021%20newsletter%20_0.pdf



I was now learning of the many roles she held. It takes a special person to be the Greeter at group Meetings, which she did for many years, and when I discovered her passion for youth activities, that was the icing on the cake. These two particular roles combined with her ethnicity, gave me pause to the enormity of a life in our recreation of how unique she was. This was a special person and I really wish I had met her. I have learned a little more about Ti since, and her story keeps getting better and better.



I can attribute the start of what has come to be this Summit event on July 8, 2021 to Ti. It is my hope that we can put more Inclusion, Diversity and Equity in our mineral communities because if we can find more people like Ti out there, it will be a better rock world.

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