

## Club Activities

Officers are elected at the October General Meeting and take office in January.

### General Meetings

Held the third Wednesday of each month, except July and December, 7:30 pm, at the Boone Science Building, College of Idaho, Caldwell, Idaho. (See the map.) Meetings include club business, slab drawing (members are encouraged to bring slabs for drawing), program, specimen show & tell and identification, refreshments and social time.

### Board Meetings

Held the last Monday in the month to conduct club business, 7:00 pm, location published in the monthly newsletter. Members are welcome.

### Newsletter

The *Owyhee Gem* is published by the club editors each month and received by members before the General Meeting. Contact the editors about submissions.

### Membership

Membership is by application. Annual dues are families, \$20.00; couples, \$18.00; singles, \$12.00; and juniors (18 and under), \$3.00 and are due by the end of October for next year. This is so as you may receive the Northwest Newsletter as well. So if you pay in March, you are paying for the current year and then in October, your dues are due for the upcoming year.

### Club Elections

### Stamp Collecting for the Federation

In this fundraising activity for the Federation, members cut postage stamps from envelopes, leaving at least a quarter inch around the stamp and including the postmark. Give the stamps to the Federation representative at the General Meeting.

### Display at Caldwell Public Library - February

In February the club provides a month long educational gem and mineral display.

### Annual Club Show - March

This major fund-raising event for the club is held the first weekend in March, Saturday, 10am-6pm and Sunday, 10am-5pm., at the Caldwell Events Center (O'Connor Field House). Members are encouraged to assist at one of the show events; prepare a display case of specimens; and provide items for the special display, the wheel of fortune, and the rock grab bags.

### Roadside Cleanup - April

The club supports the environment by sponsoring Highway 45 between mileposts 11 and 14, just before the Snake River at Walters Ferry. On a Saturday morning in April (to be announced) members gather to collect trash and treasure from the sides of the road.

### Potluck and Auction - July

Held the third Wednesday in July in the evening at a Caldwell park, this annual event features delicious potluck dishes and a rousing auction. Each person/family brings a dish to share. Everyone is encouraged to bring auction items.

### Annual Federation Show

This excellent show features exhibits, vendors, speakers and the annual Federation elections & business meeting. This is a revolving show within the NW, date and location published in the newsletter.

### Club Auction - November

This fundraiser is the highlight of the General Meeting. Everyone is encouraged to bring something for the auction and to go home with something new and different.

### Shop Day - December

This hands-on event is held on a Saturday and Sunday, at a member's home/shop. Bring a slab and learn to make cabs. Bring a dish for the potluck. All are welcome. Location to be announced.

### Christmas Dinner

This no-host event closes out the club year and is held in the evening on the third Wednesday in December, at a local restaurant.

## Field Trip Information

### Field Trips

Trips are held March through November, weather permitting, on the Saturday following the General Meeting. Schedule and additional trips are published in bulletin and announced at General Meetings.

### Standard Field Tools

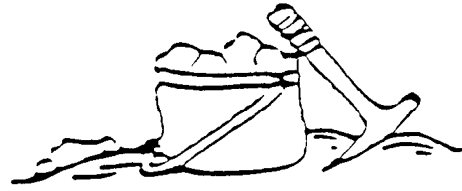
Rock hammer, 22 oz. works best  
Small pick with 18 inch handle  
Small shovel with 18 to 20 inch handle  
Buckets and bags for specimens  
Water for cleaning rocks (and drinking)  
Gloves

### Additional Field Tools

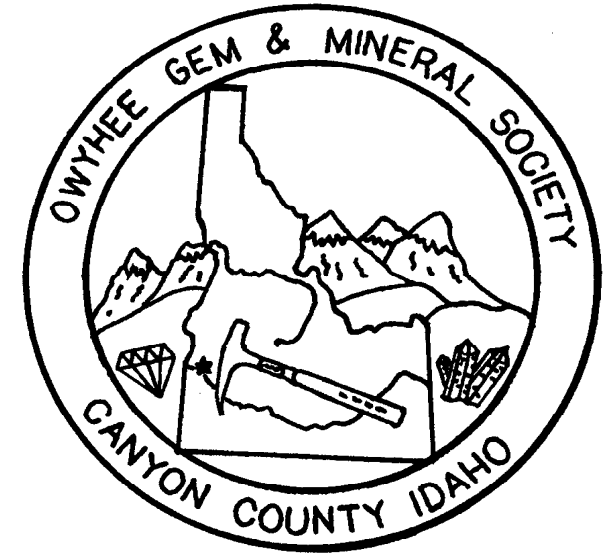
Large shovel  
3 pound, short-handled sledge hammer  
Chisels, large and small  
Safety goggles  
4-wheel drive vehicle (often needed)  
or plan to car pool

### Pot Luck Meal on Field Trips

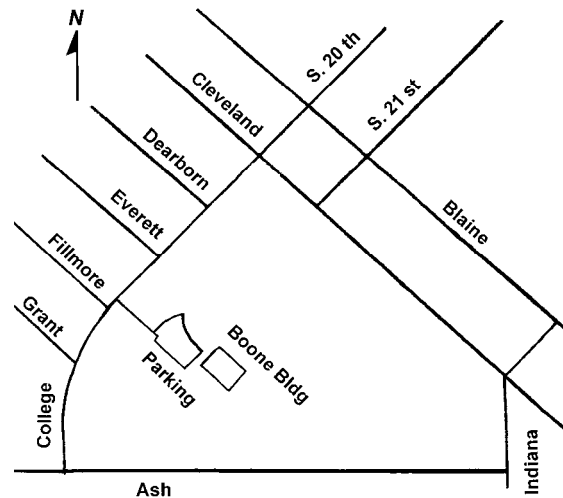
Members are invited to bring a dish to share.  
For more information call Field Trip  
Chairman.



The Owyhee Gem and Mineral Society was established in 1938 at the College of Idaho in Caldwell, Idaho.



### Location - General Meeting



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AND FIELD TRIPS