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# Owyhee Gem Owyhee Gem & Mineral Society

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Gene Alvey 468-3067

#### February President Message

As most know this is my busy time so this message will be short and sweet. Judy Tucker has a program this month on "How to set up a show case". It will be put on by Susan Beattie and Pauline Prather. This will hopefully give those who are unsure some ideas on how to join in. Most of these things just require doing it and you will learn as you do. The public and your friend's just want to see what you have been doing and or collecting in this last season.

Carolyn and Neil will be hosting the grab bag stuffing. It will be held on Feb 18<sup>th</sup> so if you have any rock or bags they will be needed by that date. If you have questions please be sure to get a hold of her. The show is coming up the first of March so be sure to set aside Thursday the 1<sup>st</sup> to start set up for the Annual Show. It will start at 9:15 and the finishing touches will be put in place on Friday. Make sure to get signed up for the shift in the venue you would like to work in at the show. I also know Myrt would like all kinds of help with the chili lunch on Friday afternoon. Pauline would also like those who are putting in show cases to get the applications in by February meeting so she can get the cases and ribbons taken care of.

We would like to thank Darell for stepping up to help Joan in getting the newsletter out. As most of you know Joan has been too sick to take on this task. I am sure he will be a great editor until Joan can get back on her feet. We love you Joan and can hardly wait for you to be back with us the sooner the better. If you have articles or can help with things to put in the newsletter please contact Darell so he can get it organized.

Your membership chair Neava Haney has put in a request that is if you have not picked up your membership card to please see her after the meeting. She has a number of them that need to be picked up.

I think that is all for now just would like to thank you all for chipping in to help with making this club successful. You all rock!!! See you at the next meeting.

Willa Renken
OGMS President

## MINUTES OF THE OWYHEE GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY

January 18, 2012

**GENERAL MEETING:** January 18, 2012 at College of Idaho was called to order by President Willa Renken at 7:30pm. Willa asked if there were any changes to the minutes as printed in the January newsletter. There were no changes to be made. Brad Larson made motion to accept report as printed in newsletter 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ed Moser and approved by members.

**EVENING ACTIVITY:** There was not a program.

**GUEST:** The guests were introduced and welcomed by members.

**SECRETARY:** Sylvia Foreman had a flyer from US Department of Interior (BLM) on National Greater Sage-Grouse Planning Strategy and a newsletter from Montana to place on front desk for anyone wishing to see after the meeting.

**VICE PRESIDENT:** Judy Tucker reported we were unable to have a program for this meeting. The program for February meeting will be a Show Case demonstration for the 2012 Show by Susan Beattie and Pauline Prather.

**EDITOR:** Joan Alvey was not present.

**TREASURER:** Janie Ehlers just received the treasurer's books and well have a report for February meeting. The books have been audited and found in order.

**SHOW CHAIRPERSON:** Carolyn Roberts announced that Clarence Wright is in charge of the club tumblers and he needs rocks for the show. She said there were sign-up sheets on front desk for volunteers to work at show.

**ROCK & GEMS FOR 2012** THE COMMITTEE CHAIRMANS FOR SHOW

DOOR: Debbie Moser 340-8060 WHEEL OF GEMS Melissa Jones 340-4505 Dan Stevens 454-5406 **GRAB BAGS** Mike & Judy Tucker 880-7100 SILENT AUCTION SAND DIG Clarence Wright 454-2914 **SHOW CASES** Pauline Prather 459-4139 FRONT TABLE Sylvia Foreman 459-8027 **SPECIAL DISPLAY** Sylvia Foreman 459-8027 CHILI FEED Myrt Alston 739-8185 ANNOUNCER Brad Larson 465-1920 **SHOW CHAIRPERSON** Carolyn Roberts 466-6191 **POST CARDS** Pauline Prather 459-4139

We will fill grab bags at Carolyn Robert's home (50 N Robinson Rd, Nampa) Saturday, February 18 at 10am.

**FEDERATION CHAIRMAN:** Ed Moser reported that the show cases that are filled at the Caldwell Public Library are very interesting and he thanked those who filled them. He reported information from the Northwest Federation newsletter about the Show coming up in Kennewick, Washington. Keep saving stamps for Cancer Research.

**HISTORIAN:** Pauline Prather would like to receive the show case applications by February meeting so she can get everything in order for show.

**SUNSHINE:** Sylvia Foreman announced that Joan Alvey is very ill.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Neava Haney gave report on new members. Mike Tucker made motion to accept new members 2<sup>nd</sup> by Deanna Moser and approved by members.

**FIELD TRIP CHAIRMAN:** Larry Beattie asked that if anyone has a special field trip they would like to make this year to please discuss it with him as he is working on field trip list now.

**REFRESHMENTS:** Mike Tucker thanked the January cookie crew and asked for volunteers for February crew,

**OLD BUS:** no old business. The January board meeting will be Monday, Jan. 30 at 7pm.

**NEW BUS:** Willa asked for someone to help Joan Alvey get the February newsletter out as she is very ill and needs help. Darell & Janie Ehlers volunteered to help Joan with the newsletter.

Ed Moser volunteered to take care of the Road Clean-up in April and Lloyd Summers will do it in October to help Gene Alvey.

**SLAB DRAWING:** Mike Tucker helped Willa with pulling tickets out of can for slabs.

Brad Larson won the door prize donated by Bill Foreman.

MEETING ADJOURNED AND REFRESHMENTS ENJOYED BY ALL

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## **CHECK OUT OUR CLUB WEB SITE**



# www.owyheerocks.com Check it out today!!!



#### **OWYHEE GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY BOARD MINUTES**

**JANUARY 30, 2012** 

Present at OGMS board meeting held at College of Idaho January 30, 2012 in room 106 were Willa Renken, Darell & Janie Ehlers, Judy Tucker, Ed & Deanna Moser, Carolyn & Neil Roberts, Larry & Susan Beattie, Pauline Prather, Neava & Earnest Haney, Bill and Sylvia Foreman.

**BOARD MEETING:** was called to order by President Willa Renken at 7pm. There was not a board meeting held in December of 2011.

**SECRETARY:** Sylvia Foreman did not do her job so Willa reported we do have our third trailer now.

**TREASURER:** Janie Ehlers gave the treasurer's report.

**VICE PRESIDENT:** Joan Alvey was not present but Darell and Janie Ehlers are volunteering to do the newsletter till she gets better.

**SHOW CHAIRPERSON:** Carolyn Roberts reports that we can have the O'Conner Field House Thursday, March 1st and Friday, March 2nd to set up Show for March 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>. Thursday we will begin setting up between 9:15am and 9:30am and on Friday we will start at 9am. Dealers can start setting up at 1pm.

Members can fill show cases from 3pm till 6pm, Pauline Prather is in charge of show cases. The show cases are required to be rock related.

We will fill rock bags at Carolyn Roberts on Saturday, February 18 at 10am.

**FEDERATION CHAIRMAN:** Ed Moser reported on Shows that are listed in the Northwest Newsletter.

Keep saving Stamps for Cancer Research.

**HISTORIAN:** Pauline Prather had nothing to report.

**SUNSHINE:** Sylvia Foreman reported that Joan Alvey will leave on February 28 to the Mayo Clinic in Minnesota to see the doctors for treatment.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Neava Haney reported that she had new members to introduced at the February meeting. She will have membership cards for members that have paid their dues at the meeting and at the show.

**FIELD TRIP CHAIRMAN:** Larry Beattie says please give him ideas for field trips.

**WEB REPORT:** John Merritt was not present.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Ed Moser thanked all that filled the show cases at the Caldwell Public Libruary and we should be thinking about filling them December, 2012 and January, 2013 as we will have them to fill.

**NEW BUSINESS:** The board discussed the Web Site and will have more discussion later at general meeting. **MEETING ADJOURNED** at 7:50pm

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## PREPARATIONS FOR THE 2012 GEM AND MINERAL SHOW

## Show Chairman's Report

Please bring your tumbled rock to the next meeting on February 15th or when we fill the rock bags. If you are unable to bring them, please let me know and I will pick the up. Any item you may have for the Sand Dig, Wheel of Gems or for the Silent Auction can be brought on Friday, March 2nd, set up day.

We will move the trailers on Thursday March 1st at 9:00 AM and begin setting up between 9:15 and 9:30 at the O'Conner Field House. We will have pizza for lunch for those who help set up.

On Friday, March 2nd 9:00 AM, we will finish with setup. Dealers can come and set up their booths at 1:00 PM. Members can begin setting up their Show Cases starting at 3:00 PM but NOT BEFORE. We will have a Chili Feed for you on Friday.

Show Dates are March 3rd, Saturday, 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM and March 4th, Sunday, 10:00AM to 5:00 PM. Show Cases have be taken down right after 5:00 on Sunday. **We also need all the help we can get to tear down everything that night.** 

We will fill Rock Bags on Saturday, February 18th at 10:00 AM at the Roberts shop. Location: 50 N. Robinson Rd.

Nampa, Idaho

## **Directions:**

Get on Robinson Rd between Victory and Airport. Across from Joe's Lane is an unmarked dirt lane, go East on it to the end.

Thanks to all of you for your support and your willingness to help us put on a great show.

## Carolyn

# **Rock -N- Gifts**

942 South Lincoln • Jerome, Idaho 83338 (208) 324-8860

## Bruneau Jasper

Cabs - Slabs - Specimens - Rough

Gerald & Joy Scarrow (208) 324-4024 Rocky & Kelley Scarrow (208) 324-1034

rockingift@cableone.net

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(Landstrom's & Stamper)
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WHITES METAL DETECTORS
W.A. (Bill)

& Anna Stringer

1812 West Orchard Nampa, Idaho 83651 1 Mile South of Karcher Mall

(208) 466-5169

M-F 10am-6pm Other Hrs. By Appointment

## Field Trip Report for February 2012

Well, this will be short and sweet for this month. I am working on a list of potential field trip sites as well as some alternate sites. I will have a tentative list ready for our February meeting and as always, your ideas and suggestions are welcome. See you at the meeting!

Larry Beattie Field Trip Chairman

## Owyhee Gem & Mineral Society

## Membership Report

Thank You to all that responded to the call of updating your 2012 membership! Many of you have not received your updated membership cards, please let me know. I will have them at the upcoming meetings and also at the show in March. For those of you that have not renewed, I will also have the applications available too.

Dues are \$20.00 for a family, \$18.00 a couple or \$12.00 for singles. Children (18 and under) are \$3.00 each.

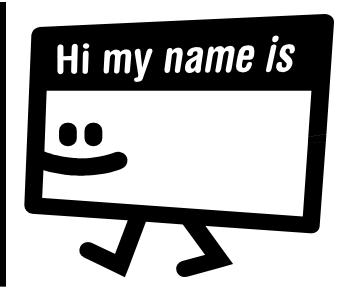
Reminder: You get with "New Membership" – A membership card, a small patch and your name badge at no charge. With your "Renewal" you will get your membership card for the New Year. (Usually you can pick up your name badge at the next club meeting while enjoying refreshments and meeting new friends after the meeting)

We have had some inquires for replacement of Name Badges or small patches that have gone astray. Your can purchase the Name Badge for \$2.00 and/or the small patch for \$3.00 each. We also have the big patches for \$10.00.

Remember to wear your name badge so everyone knows who you are.

Neava Haney 899-1519 wehnjh99@cableone.net

We want you all to be able to continue getting your newsletter. So if your dues have not been paid for 2012, we need to get that done ASAP.
Joan Alvey, Editor



#### OWYHEE GEM

## FEDERATION REPORT

The 2012 NFMS Annual Meeting will be held, May 18-20. It will be hosted by Lakeside Gem & Mineral. You can attend it at the Benton County Fairgrounds in Kennewick, Washington.

The 2013 Meeting will be held May, 18-20. It will be hosted by Butte Mineral & Gem. It be found at the Butte Civic Center, 1340 Harrison Ave., Butte Montana.

The 2014 Meeting will be held in Pendleton, Oregon, Particulars are being planned.

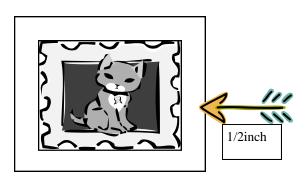
## CHECK OUT THE NFMS NEWS LETTER Don't Get One?

It can be found on the NFMS Website. WWW. amfed.org/nfms There is a list of the Northwest Rock Shows on the back.

# Save your Postage Stamps!!

Cut 1/2 inch around the stamp. Give them to me at a OGMS meeting.





Thanks to the Alvey's, Larson's, Pauline Prather, and the Krivy's for the display at the Caldwell Library this January.

Ed Moser, Federation Director

## **Owyhee Gem & Mineral Society**

## **Sunshine Report**

I sent a Get Well card to Joan Alvey, Hoping thing will get lots better.

Sylvia Foreman



# For Sale

Equipment for sale at the Teton Gems booth on Feb. 25th &

26th, Idaho Gem Show held at Idaho Expo Center 5610 Glenwood, Boise, Idaho

CRYSTALITE	Ring leader 6" grinder with 2 wheels,90% new, great machine.	\$300.00
CRYSTALITE	Diamond Demon 6" flat lap grinder 2 stations w/laps 90% new,	\$300.00
RAYTECH	4" trim saw w/blade that cut 3 pcs. Nearly new.	\$250.00
RAYTECH	6" trim saw also used maybe 3 times w/blade.	\$300.00
LLOYD DOUGLAS	6" flat lap grinding machine variable speed w/lap	\$125.00

If you are looking for equipment for your shop these are great machines at least 50% off new prices.

Charlie Smith Phone (208) 628 -4002

# For Sale

A new member joining our club has rocks, minerals, and lots of shells for sale. Her husband was a Tucson wholesaler of these items.

If interested call Mercedes at (208)674-1110

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## Happy Birthday and Anniversary

## Happy Birthday to:

Stephen & Anita York 2/10-2/7

Sydney Priester 2/14

Bill Foreman 2/21

Deanna Moser 2/25

Mike Tucker 2/26

Carolyn Roberts 2/27

## Happy Anniversary to:

Kurt & Linda Fosnaugh 2/14

Neil & Carolyn Roberts 2/24

That's all I could find, the best to all those who are celebrating!!!

# Got Something your Proud Of? Show it Off!

**2012 SHOW** is coming up and the SPECIAL DISPLAY Chairman will need a lot of items to fill the shelves ,so please all you Owyhee Gem Club members call her . So the Public can see our OLD - NEW — HAND-CRAFTS — ROCKS — anything that interest you will be of interest to anyone that might attend the show.

PLEASE HELP ME FILL the shelves SO WE CAN ALL BE PROUD of our display at the show.

Thank you,

Sylvia Foreman Chairman

**Purpose:** To promote interest in the wonders of nature and in particular, Rocks, Gems, Minerals, and Fossils. To conduct field trips for exploration and collection. To encourage as wide a participation as possible in the "Rock Hound" hobby and the many activities that go with it.

## **MEMBERSHIP DUES:**

Family— \$20.00 per year

Couples - \$18.00 per year Singles - \$12.00 per year (18 and under)

Children - \$3.00 per year

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

**GENERAL MEETING:** The club meets the third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 P.M. in the Boone Science Building at the College of Idaho, except for the July picnic and the December party. Field trips are scheduled once a month. Visitors are welcome at all these events!

Bring a friend—Wear your name tag Bring an identified slab







Our annual show is almost here!

Set up day: Thursday, March 1st 9:15am & Finish Friday, March 2nd 9:00am

Show Date March 3--Saturday 10:00am to 6:00pm March 4---Sunday 10:00am to 5:00pm

Joan & Gene Alvey 94North 29th Street Nampa, Idaho 83687

Happy Valentines Day everyone!

