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#### **December President's Message**

Happy Holidays to everyone! Hope this message finds you all well and enjoying this time of season. We are once again about to end another wonderful year of rocks and minerals. December is always a fun time in the club.



Our Christmas Banquet offers us the time we get to socialize and reminisce about the year's fun and adventures. It will be December the 21<sup>st</sup> at the Elks in Nampa. Your No-Host Bar starts at 6:30pm and we will eat at 7pm so come early to start your evening. We will be having a gift exchange so bring a wrapped gift if you want to participate.

I'd like to thank all of you who have stepped up to make this a wonderful evening. Denise and Aubrey for the wonderful table decorations, Kim for the endless organization to see that your evening goes off without a hitch and Chris for being everyone's backup! You all make it a joy to lead this group.

We want to acknowledge our new Vice President Sue Cassidy. Thank you so much for stepping up to help with this position. We welcome you on the Board and we will be there to help you in your new position!

Don Dixon has made arrangements for us to view the museum in January as it gets closer there will be a time schedule made known. We will decide at the next board meeting timing for January.

If you have a desire to go to a particular spot next year for rockhounding, please let John know as he and Robert are going to be working on the field trip schedule for the upcoming season.

I think that it is about all for now. I look forward to seeing you all on Wednesday the 21, in Nampa at the Elks Club on 1116 1st Street South. Till then stay healthy, warm and enjoy the Season!

-Willa Renken OGMS President

#### **General Meeting Minutes—November 16, 2022**

The OGMS General Meeting was called to order at 07:05pm at Boone Hall, College of Idaho campus, Caldwell, Idaho by **President Willa Renken**. A warm welcome was given to all visitors and members. Roxanne Franklin made the motion to accept the minutes as printed in the newsletter; Ed Moser seconded; motion passed. There was no presentation tonight to have time for the auction.

**Secretary, Chris Deveau** gave three memberships to Membership Chair, Kim Bashford. One junk mail for a Club credit card was shredded.

We still need someone to volunteer for Vice President... we need your help! This club needs all the membership to take part. Please contact Willa or any Board member if you are interested.

A summary of OGMS accounts was shared by **Treasurer Roxanne Franklin**.

**Show Chair, Paul Deveau** thanked members, Rulon Allred, Darlene and Howard Emry, and Karen Davis for making 'critters' for the OGMS show, and if anyone else wants to help, just let him know. He confirmed the show dates of March 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023. By unanimous vote, the theme of the 2023 Show was chosen as, **ROCKS TO SEE IN '23**.

**Ed Moser, Federation Chair**, requested that we keep saving stamps... they are sold to collectors by the NW Federation and the funds are donated for breast cancer research. Also, he currently has a display representing OGMS at the Caldwell Public Library and will change it to something new in December. Thank you, Ed for your community service.

**Jewels Haines is our Sunshine Lady**. If you know of a member that needs a little ray of sunshine in their life, let her know... it is always nice to know that we care about our OGMS family.

**Membership Chair, Kim Bashford** said she has lots of name tags ready for new members... if you haven't picked yours up yet, see Kim. Also, payments for 2023 are due now.

If you have any suggestions for field trips – day or overnight - for the 2023 season, please submit them to **Field Trip Chair, John Wright.** He and his team will be preparing the list so it will be ready in time for our March Show.

 $\textbf{Denise Stringer, Newsletter Editor}, \ needs \ any \ articles \ for \ the \ newsletter \ by \ the \ 4^{th} \ of \ December.$ 

#### **Unfinished Business:**

The annual Christmas banquet will be held on Wednesday, 21 December 2022 at the Elks Lodge, 1116 1<sup>st</sup> St S., Nampa, Idaho. Denise Stringer is making the table decorations. If you would like to assist with set up, be there at 5:30... the No-Host Bar starts at 6:30pm. Dinner is at 7:00pm. It will be a buffet of carved beef and ham, scalloped potatoes, and green beans. For dessert, we have spice cake and cheesecake with special berry sauce. The cost is \$9.00 for members and \$18.00 for nonmembers... as always, lifetime members get their meal free, but you need to let Kim Bashford know that you are coming. She needs a head count by 8 December. There will be a gift exchange... if you want to take part, please bring a wrapped gift (marked as male/female/either), the amount is limited to \$20.00. We hope everyone can come and share in the spirit of Christmas with the OGMS family!

#### **New Business:**

Deana Ashton asked for assistance from the membership with rock-related baskets for the Basket Raffle. These are great fundraisers for our show... get creative and take part in the process.

The meeting adjourned to the annual Christmas fundraiser auction. Auctioneer, Ed Moser and his assistants, Roxanne and Willa faced an enthusiastic crowd. There were items ranging from boxes of nice specimens of cut rock, polished slabs, and spheres, a filigree wooden sleigh, tools, Christmas treats, and wine The money raised is used to defray the cost of our Christmas Banquet. Thanks to everyone that participated.

Respectfully submitted, Christine Deveau, Secretary



#### Vice-President's Corner—Roxanne Franklin/Sue Cassidy

#### Owyhee Gem & Mineral Society | Facebook

I am pleased to introduce our new Vice President, Sue Cassidy!
Thank you for volunteering and welcome to the Vice President position!

#### "My Favorite" Presentations

If you have a favorite rock, gem, mineral, or fossil you would like to talk about and share with the members at the next meeting and in the newsletter, please contact Sue.



Roxanne Franklin

#### **Monthly Meeting Topic**

If you have an idea for a presentation or information session, please contact Sue at (603) 548-8822, pypnhot@comcast.net

#### January Meeting:

Don Dixon will escort us to the **Orma J. Smith Museum of Natural History** downstairs before/after the formal meeting.

#### **February Meeting:**

Howard Emery will bring some rock and mineral samples and discuss "The Rock Cycle".

#### **March Meeting:**

Bill Sawyer— "My favorite biggest rock & it's NOT a meteorite!"



Sue Cassidy

#### Federation Director—Ed Moser



Bring your postage stamps to the next meeting.

Remember to *cut ½ inch all the way around the stamp*.

The money raised will go to help support cancer research.

Thank you all for this. It helps others and it might just help someone you know.

Please Respect the Rules when you are out collecting rocks, be careful of ticks and snakes, and have fun.

-Ed Moser, Federation Director (208) 340-8060, edmoser15@gmail.com

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Federation

Mineralogical

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#### Field Trip Chair—Robert Murphey

#### Assistant Field Trip Chair—Dale Rawson



#### **USEFUL ITEMS TO BRING ON YOUR TRIP**

Buckets, Shovels, Rock Hammer, Pick (Large and Small), Sieve, Gloves, Spray Bottle for Water, Small Scrub Brush, Knee Pads, Magnifier, Plenty of Drinking Water, Food, Appropriate Clothing, Protective Eyewear, Sun Protection, Day Pack or Back Pack, Umbrella, Pry Bar, Tick Spray, First Aid Kit, Protective clothing and sunscreen to avoid burns.

Shovel and fire extinguisher to put out any fires that may start.



- Trips can last most of the day.
- •Generally, a High-Clearance vehicle and sometimes 4WD or an ATV is required.
- •Please remember to not park on tall grass or sagebrush as the fire season is in full swing and watch out for snakes.
- •When you are finished, fill in all holes that are dug at the site.

## ALL FIELD TRIPS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DEPENDING ON THE WEATHER AND ROAD CONDITIONS.



Dale Rawson (208) 283-7990





A large measure of the enjoyment of our hobby consists of collecting in the field.

For that reason, the members of the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies are proud to endorse the following "Code of Ethics".

I will respect both private and public property and will do not collecting on privately owned land without permission from the owner.

I will keep informed on all laws, regulations or rules governing collecting on public lands and will observe them.

I will, to the best of my ability, ascertain the boundary lines of property on which I plan to collect.

I will use no firearms or blasting material in collecting areas.

I will cause no willful damage to property of any kind such as fences, signs, buildings, etc.

I will leave all gates as found.

I will build fires only in designated or safe places and will be certain they are completely extinguished before leaving the area.

I will discard no burning material—matches, cigarettes, etc.

I will fill all excavation holes which may be dangerous to livestock.

I will not contaminate wells, creeks, or other water supplies.

I will cause no willful damage to collecting material and will take home only what I can reasonably use.

I will practice conservation and undertake to utilize fully and well the materials I have collected and will recycle my surplus for the pleasure and benefit of others.

I will support the rockhound project H.E.L.P. (Help Eliminate Litter Please) and will leave all collecting areas devoid of litter, regardless of how found.

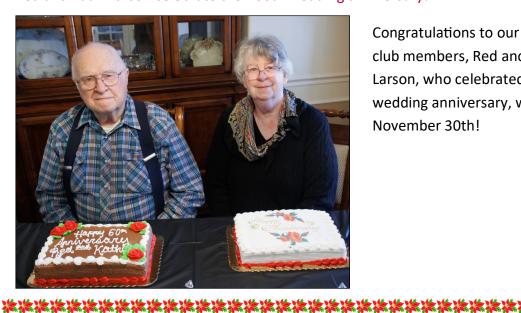
I will cooperate with field-trip leaders and those in designated authority in all collecting areas.

I will report to my club or federation officers, Bureau of Land Management or other authorities, any deposit of petrified wood or other materials on public lands which should be protected for the enjoyment of future generations for public, educational, and scientific purposes.

I will appreciate and protect our heritage of natural resources.

I will observe the "Golden Rule", will use good outdoor manners, and will at all time conduct myself in a manner which will add to the stature and public image of Rockhounds everywhere.

#### Red and Kathi Larson celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary!



Congratulations to our long-time club members, Red and Kathi Larson, who celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary, which was November 30th!

Mark Your Calendar! Christmas Banquet—Wednesday, December 21st 6:30 p.m.—Social Hour, 7:00 p.m. Dinner Nampa Elks—1116 1st St. S, Nampa, ID 83651

ٌ The OGMS Christmas Banquet is coming soon. Kim Bashford is selling tickets. The cost is \$9.00 for members (the other half is paid by OGMS) and \$18.00 for non-members. It will be held at the Nampa Elks Club, 1116 1st Street South, Nampa, Idaho. It is a beef and ham dinner with scalloped potatoes, green beans and dessert of spice cake and cheesecake with 'special' berry sauce. There will be a no-host bar available at 6:30pm and dinner at 7:00pm. It will be held in な lieu of our December meeting on Wednesday, December 21st, 2022.

Orma J. Smith Museum of Natural History College of Idaho—Boone Science Hall basement— Caldwell, Idaho Hours: Monday—Friday, 12:15 - 5:00 p.m.

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As the only natural history museum in the region encompassing southwestern Idaho, southeastern Oregon, and northern Nevada, The College of Idaho's Orma J. Smith Museum of Natural History is the premier resource for environmental and natural history education in the region. The Museum is listed in the "30 Most Amazing Higher Education Natural History Museums," compiled by Best College Reviews.

You can check them out on Instagram or call (208) 459-5507.

### **December Birthdays**

- 1 Todd Joyner
- 2 Lisa Gularte
- 3 Francisco Aleman
- 3 Terry Prince
- 3 David Schmidt
- 4 Shannon Tharp
- 5 Darell Ehlers
- 5 Barbara Hanson
- 7 Jim Wise
- 8 Theresa Larson
- 8 Lillie Rogers
- 10 Cheryl Link
- 15 Bill Anderson
- 15 Shelly Christiansen
- 17 Chris Bravo
- 17 Steve McConnel
- 19 Doug Renken
- 19 DeVere Rowan
- 21 Doris Armacost
- 21 Kenneth Kubosumi
- 22 Natasha Atwood
- 22 Mike Hendrix
- 24 Darlene Emry
- 25 David Filkins
- 26 David Wiles
- 28 Lorraine Wright
- 29 Jerome Goettsch
- 29 Todd Kinney
- 31 Ryan Boring
- 31 Charles Miller

#### **December Anniversaries**

- 1 Delbert & Hazel Trimble
- 3 David & Cindy Schmidt
- 8 Paul & Chris Deveau
- 16 Clarence & Lorraine Wright
- 20 Roy & Pat Bethel
- 23 Royce & Katie Davis

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#### **Sunshine Report**



Hi, I am Jewels Haines and I am your Sunshine Chair.

If you hear of anyone needing a get-well card or visit, please give me a call at (760) 331-3443.

jewelsmalia@yahoo.com

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#### **Newsletter Editor**

If you have articles or information for the newsletter, please submit to denisemstringer@gmail.com

#### **Community Corner**

If you are presenting to the community or working with the community on behalf of OGMS, please submit a summary of what you are doing for our "Community Corner".

This helps us maintain our non-profit status and gives you a recognition for a job well done.

#### **Board Meeting Minutes—November 28, 2022**

**President Willa Renken** called the OGMS Board Meeting to order at 7:00pm at the Caldwell Public Library, 1010 Dearborn, Caldwell, Idaho. Willa called in via conference call. Kim Bashford made a motion to accept the minutes as printed in the newsletter, Ed Moser seconded, motion carried.

**Secretary Chris Deveau** gave three memberships to Kim Bashford, Membership Chair, for processing. A notice from the Oregon Department of Geology technical review team for a meeting regarding the new gold mine in Malheur County was shared with the Board. The OGMS trailer and liability policies were received for renewal.

We have a new **Vice President**...thank you **Susan Cassidy** for stepping up and volunteering to help with our organization. Susan will lead the Board Meetings if Willa is unable to attend and will coordinate the presentations for our meetings. Welcome Susan and thank you! The January presentation will be an open house at the museum in the basement of Boone Hall at 7:00pm at the start of our General Meeting

**Treasurer Roxanne Franklin** said she has deposits from Kim for membership and the Christmas Banquet. She advised that we raised over \$1040 dollars at the auction for defraying the cost of the Banquet.

**Show Chair Paul Deveau** advised the Board of the 2023 Show status... The theme for the 2023 Show is 'ROCKS TO SEE IN '23!

**Federation Director Ed Moser** wanted to remind everyone to continue saving our stamps for the NW Federation. They are sold to collectors and the funds raised are donated for breast cancer research. Also, Ed has a display in the Caldwell Public Library... it is really nice! He will change the display to a new one in December and shared that Howard Emry will have one in January. Thanks Ed and Howard for sharing OGMS with our community.

**Kim Bashford, Membership Chair** advised the Board of a new applicant, **Pamela Gilmore**. Roxanne Franklin made the motion to accept our new member; Karen Davis and Ed Moser seconded; motion passed. Welcome to OGMS, Pamela, we hope you love it!

**John Wright, Field Trip Chair** said he is working with Robert Murphey to get the 2023 list set up. **Assistant Show Chair Karen Davis** wanted to thank members, **Don Dixon**, and **Bob Bashford** for their donations of Idaho rock and gem specimens for the Middleton Idaho High School Geology class.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

Kim said the annual Christmas Banquet is all set to go. It will be held at the Nampa Elks Lodge,1116 1<sup>st</sup> St. S., Nampa, Idaho on Wednesday, 21 December 2022. Our December General Meeting will be conducted at the banquet. If you want to help with the setup, be there at 5:30pm... the no-host bar will begin at 6:30pm, with dinner at 7:00. Kim Bashford needs a head count by 8 December, so please contact her if you want to join in the festivities. The cost is \$9.00 for members and \$18.00 for nonmembers... life members meals are free, but you need to notify Kim if you are coming! If you want to take part in the gift exchange, please bring a wrapped gift (limit, \$20 or less) marked as male, female or either. *Please come and enjoy the evening with your OGMS family!* 

The OGMS General meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month. The January General Meeting will be held at the College of Idaho, Boone Hall Science Building, Room 103 at 7:00pm on Wednesday, 18 January 2023. The January meeting will begin as an open house in the Orma J. Smith Museum of Natural History in the basement of Boone Hall.

The OGMS Board Meetings are held on the last Monday of each month at the Caldwell Public Library, 1010 Dearborn, Caldwell, Idaho at 7:00pm.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30pm.

Respectfully submitted, Christine Deveau, Secretary



#### Show Chair—Paul Deveau



SHOW CHAIR: Paul Deveau (208) 994-8025 devidaho@q.com

## Co-Assistant Show Chairs: Karen and Brian Davis

CO-ASSISTANT SHOW CHAIRS: Karen & Brian Davis (208) 409-8936 bkdavis76gmail.com



#### 2023 Show Dates: "OGMS", March 4 and 5 O'Connor Field House, Caldwell, Idaho

Time is growing near to really focus on our up-and-coming gem show "ROCKS TO SEE IN '23"

The O'Connor Field House is ready for our next OGMS show.

All our vendors are on board and share our enthusiasm for a GREAT SHOW... PLEASE BE THINKING HOW YOU CAN FIT IN AND HELP MAKE OUR NEXT SHOW ONE OF THE BEST... WE REALLY NEED YOUR INPUT.

If you would like to jump in and help at the show, not sure how... PLEASE GIVE ME A CALL... "or" catch me at the Christmas Banquet.

#### **2023 Upcoming Shows:**

**January 25-February 5—**TUCSON, ARIZONA: Wholesale and retail show; JOGS International Exhibits; Tucson Expo Center, 3750 E Irvington Rd; Fri. 10-6; \$15; contact Yelena Masenko, (213) 629-3030; Email: info@jogsshow.com; Website: jogsshow.com/

**February 2-4**—TUCSON, ARIZONA: Show and sale; United States Faceters Guild; Old Pueblo Lapidary Club, 3118 N Dale Ave; Thu. 10-5, Fri. 10-5, Sat. 10-9; See website for admission details; A great event to learn Faceting, or hone your skills, presentations on dopping, heating, using software, stone evaluation, machine demonstration, door prizes, stone competition, and the Faceters Hob Nob to finish it off Saturday night; contact David Smith, 520-907-5527; Email: David@beadholiday.com; Website: USFacetersguild.org

**February 9-12**—TUCSON, ARIZONA: Annual show; Tucson Gem and Mineral Society, Inc; Tucson Convention Center, 260 S. Church Avenue; Thu. 10-6, Fri. 10-6, Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-4; Ticketed event - Open to the Public - Retail Sales - This Show is for all ages - Adults, Seniors, Kids, etc.; 68th Annual Tucson Gem and Mineral Show® THEME: SILICA – Agates and Opals and Quartz, Oh My; contact Tucson Gem and Mineral Society, Inc, (520) 322-5773; Email: tgms@tgms.org; Website: www.tgms.org/show

**February 11-12**—OAK HARBOR, WASHINGTON: 57th Annual Sweetheart of Gems Show; Whidbey Island Gem Club; The Center in Oak Harbor, 51 SE Jerome St; Sat. 9-5, Sun. 9-5; free; Door Prizes, Member Displays, Vendors, Demonstrators; contact Victoria Lovett; Email: vick\_o\_rama@hotmail.com

**February 25-26—**BOISE, IDAHO: Annual Gem, Mineral, and Fossil Show; Idaho Gem Club; Expo Idaho, 5610 Glenwood; Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-5; \$5 kids under 12 free; We offer demonstrations, showcases, kid's games, silent auction, & loads of vendors; contact Brent Stewart, (208) 342-1151

**March 4-5**—CALDWELL, IDAHO: 69th Annual Show - Rock & Gem Show 2023; Owyhee Gem & Mineral Society; O'Connor Field House, 2207 Blaine; Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-5; \$5 kids 11 and under free with adult; Dealers, Demonstrators, Blacklight Display, Wheel of Gems, Sand Dig, Grab Bags, Door Prizes Every Half Hour, Raffles, Silent Auction, Grand Prize; contact Paul Deveau, (208) 994-8025; Email: devidaho@g.com; Website: www.OwyheeRocks.com

#### **OGMS Community Service Report**

Hello fellow rockers,

I had requests from two friends to teach different class presentations in Nov. 2022 which I promptly agreed to. Each class requires at least a 3 hour time commitment. As I have said in the past, it is a labor of love from a retired school librarian turned rock hound! The first was a youth group after-school activity scheduled for Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>. I welcomed six girls and three adults to my makeshift garage classroom at 3:00pm. And because every class is unique I find myself always adjusting the lesson to the age and interest level of the kids in class. Some are interested in rock identification and names, others on what rocks can do for us, others on how you find them and some love fossils and others do not! So each class has a different "flavor", if you will. These girls seemed interested in **everything** I was sharing with them. If they couldn't answer a question (do you know what rock this is?) I would lean over the table and in a low voice, ask "Shall we ask the adults?" The three adults would make guesses that would get us all laughing. For example, one mom answered the question "Do you know what rock is in toothpaste?" "Umm, slate?" And that led to a discussion of the difference between slate and fluorite.

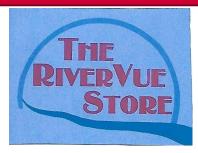
Because the next class was scheduled for the following morning, both our vehicles spent that night outside our garage so I didn't have to put anything away. I knew this class was going to be a huge challenge for me. You see, I have a neighbor who is an aide for developmentally-challenged special Ed students at Nampa's Skyview High School. Her co-workers have planned to take their class of mentally and physically handicapped teenagers on field trips every Thursday and my rock class was on their schedule. So when the school mini-bus pulled up into my driveway at 10am and nine teenagers and five adults got off, I got my first glimpse of how developmentally-delayed some of these students were. Thankfully, I had already planned a simple rock hunt on my lawn using medium sized rocks that helped put the kids and me at ease. When class started I really had to adjust my lesson to fit the needs of these beautiful kids who were so excited to be out of their classroom and in my garage. They felt smooth & rough rocks, heavy and lightweight rocks, tasted salt, felt the softness of soapstone and they responded with huge grins and excited eyes. Several were nonverbal but you can learn a lot about someone by their body language. When my large Galena specimen was being passed around, the boys started holding it as high as they could and everyone cheered as if they were in the Olympics, if they could get it above their head. They looked through magnifiers at rocks, and saw things they had never seen before. We talked about dinosaurs and they felt a petrified dinosaur bone, saw

shell & leaf fossils and then I brought out the corprolite. When I told them this was petrified dinosaur poop, one boy's eyes got big and he refused to touch it...even though it had a nice polished edge! That got everyone laughing. I ended class by reading a picture book to them entitled "Ricky the Rock that Couldn't Roll". You see poor Ricky had one flat side and all his friends were round. So each student was given a small round rock and they rolled them down my slanted driveway. They stayed over an hour with the adults having as much fun as

their special students. They also received simple rock boxes and a rock candy on a stick.

The satisfaction I get from giving this community service is hard to describe, and I believe I owe it all to my joining the Owyhee Gem & Mineral Society. Listening to the rock presentations at each meeting, going on field trips and having those with greater knowledge share that with me, is what gave me the idea to present similar presentations to kids. So THANK YOU to all who share your rock knowledge with others, you inspire me! Respectfully, Karen Davis





#### **Stone from Arizona**

#### **Stone from Australia**

Anderson Mine—Agate Brenda—Agate & Jasper

Noreena Mookite

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> To place an ad, please email: denisemstringer@gmail.com

(Ads are subject to Board approval)

#### Membership—Kim Bashford

#### We are accepting payment of 2023 dues

Membership forms are available at every meeting. Invite your "rockhound" friends to our next one!

Any member needing a name badge, membership card, or patch, please call me so I can have them ready for you to pick up at the next meeting. If you need a "replacement" of any of these, there will be a nominal charge of \$2 for the Name badge and \$3 for the Small patch. In addition, large patches are available to members for \$10.

Please remember to wear your name badge to the meetings, as it makes it so much easier to identify you.

Your yearly dues cover membership privileges from October 31st through the following October 31st.

You can either pay at a meeting or by mailing the form below to:

Kim Bashford, Membership Director

P.O. Box 1053, Caldwell, ID 83605-1053

Phone: (208) 454-7287 Email: kmcewan1957@msn.com

OWYHEE GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY DUES

Welcome New Members!

**Pamela Gilmore** 



Year: 2023

	Family	Couple	Single	Child	
	\$20	\$18	\$12	\$3	
LAST NAME: (Please		Date Paid: _		_Amount:	
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Owyhee Gem & Mineral Society PO Box 1053 Caldwell, ID 83605-1053

#### **Owyhee Gem and Mineral Society 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 along with it.

#### **MEMBERSHIP DUES:**

Family - \$20.00 per year Couples \$18.00 per year Singles—\$12.00 per year Children (under 19) - \$3.00 per year

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

**GENERAL MEETING:** The club meets the third Wednesday of each month at 7:00 P.M. in the Boone Science Hall at the College of Idaho, Room 103, except for the July picnic and the December holiday party.

Bring a friend—Wear your name tag— Bring an unidentified rock and we'll help you figure out what it is!

#### FIELD TRIPS:

Field trips are scheduled once a month. Visitors are welcome at all these events!



#### **Have You Visited our Club Website?**

Our awesome website has great information on it. There are some great pictures of our outings, and our newsletter is posted on it. Brad Larson, our Web Master, does a great job of keeping it up to date with all kinds of information like upcoming shows, field trip dates, times and much more.

http://www.owyheerocks.com/