



“Owyhee Gem”



Owyhee Gem & Mineral Society

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February President's Message

I hope you are all getting excited about our upcoming Gem Show. Be sure to let Thelma know if you want a show case by filling out the case application. You can find it and the flyer on our website as Brad has everything up to date for your use. Make sure you have signed up for as many slots as you can to help all the different venues out again this year. It makes it so much easier for the chairmen to get relief for those working if they can keep the different shifts contacted and reminded of their commitment. We are very excited for this year as it is our first TV commercials and we are hoping it will bring us more visibility by the community. The ads should be on channels 6, 9, & 7 so let us know if you see them. We will be setting up on Thursday starting about 10am at O'Conner Field House. If you can come and help we would greatly appreciate the many hands making light work of a big task. Then on Friday we will be back at it putting the finishing touches on things starting at 9am to 3pm. This will be chili feed day so be sure to see Dianne Barker (965-7187) about signing up to bring chili, hotdogs, onions, cheese, deserts, etc. as there will be some hungry folks about noon. The cases need to be filled by 7pm on Friday or you can come in early on Sat to finish but all case fronts must be on by 9:30am as that is when the fun begins. And as a reminder to not forget the work on Sunday doesn't stop until everything is torn down and put back in the trailers. I look forward to another great show again this year. If for any reason you have a concern or just need an explanation please feel free to ask me and I will see your questions are answered to the best of my ability.

I would like to introduce our new Sunshine Person her name is Jewels Haines and she will be taking over for RoseMary. If you know of anyone who needs an uplift please contact Jewels and let her know so she can get a card in the mail to them.

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Kathi Larson is hard at work taking memberships. Please be aware that your dues were due in October so if you don't get your newsletter this may be the reason. You can send your dues to the PO Box or directly to Kathi.

Just as a side note due to a lack of participation in our youth program the Board has decided to let the youth meetings disband. We are trying to figure out another way of reaching the younger generation perhaps through one of the community programs. If you have any thoughts on this let myself or Caroline Whipple know and we will see if we can find a way to implement it. We appreciate all the hard work Caroline has put into this and wish to commend her in her efforts!! Thank you so much.

On another pleasant note it is my greatest pleasure to recognize two of our long standing members in presenting them their lifetime membership. Congratulations to Freda & Gene Babbitt. They have served the club for many years as the bulletin editors and sponsored the rock event at the Nampa library for many years. We welcome them into Lifetime Membership and look forward to spending many years together. I look forward to seeing you all at our next meeting it will be lots of fun and the program will be another very informative event. See you all on the 17th at the Boone Science Bldg.

-Willa Renken OGMS President

OWYHEE GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

January 20, 2016

The meeting was held at the College of Idaho in Caldwell and was called to order by President Willa Renken at 7:30pm. Willa asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes as printed in the previous newsletter. Hearing none, Ed Moser made a motion to accept the minutes as printed, seconded by Brad Larson; motion carried. Visitors were introduced and welcomed to the meeting.

Secretary: The post office box was locked and in need of payment. It will get taken care of before the next meeting.

Vice President: We watched an interesting movie on rock formations. Jim has a speaker lined up for the February meeting. The presentation will give you information on things you can do in an emergency.

Treasurer: Janie let us know the club's accounts are solvent and gave an update on each one.

Show Chairman: There will be a meeting at the Caldwell Library on Saturday to discuss the Gem Show. If you need a place to store your critters until the Gem Show, Susan has room to store them until March. Call Ithel if you have something you would like to put in the Special Display. Thelma is organizing the show cases. Get your information to her as soon as you are able. Darrel is working on advertising. Everyone is encouraged to sign up to bring something for the chili feed on Friday. The next meeting will be the last opportunity to sign up to work the venues.

Sunshine Chairman: Jewels will be taking over as the Sunshine Chair. Rosemary sent cards to Myrt Alston and Gene & Joan Alvey.

Federation Chairman: There is rock display at the Caldwell Library organized by the club. The BLM will be replanting and is asking individuals to stay on roads and use good judgement. The Federation Show will be held at Albany, Oregon in July. Remember to bring in your postage stamps.

Field Trip Chairman: Ithel will be presenting a list of field trips at the next meeting. He will be putting Show Cases in the Gem Show with material collected from the field trips last year. If you have something you would like to share in the case, let him know.

Webmaster: The website is up to date. If you need any forms, they can be printed from the website.

Unfinished Business: There was no unfinished business discussed.

New Business: Walt Barnett has some extra jewelry boxes he is willing to share. Bill Anderson has some beveled mirrors he will bring to the next meeting. Be sure to sign up for the chili feed at the next meeting. David has some small thunder eggs to make some critters that he is willing to share.

Slab drawing – Door Prize winner Jim Hopkins – Meeting adjourned 9:05.
Respectfully submitted, Debbie Lawrence

February Birthdays

- 1 Ruth Hopkins
- 5 Paul Dole
- 7 Stephen York
- 10 Anita York
- 11 Rulon Darez Allred
- 11 Kim Severns
- 14 Shirley Metts
- 16 Shaun Bales
- 19 Jack Robinson
- 21 Bill Foreman
- 21 Gary Herauf
- 25 Deanna Moser
- 25 Mike Tucker
- 27 Carolyn Roberts
- 28 Veva Jencks

Welcome New Members!

**Dave & Cheryl Myers
Dale & Chris Rawson**



February Anniversaries

- 5 Michael & Lori McLaughlin
- 14 Ken & Mary Fitzpatrick
- 14 Mayo & Paulette Hand
- 24 Neil & Carolyn Roberts
- 25 Terry & Mary Beth Prince
- 29 Blair & Christine Compton

Newsletter Editor

Please let me know if I don't have your correct information, or if you are not on the lists above and should be.

If you would like just the email edition and not the mailed edition, let me know.

Email me at: denisemstringer@gmail.com



Federation Director

Bring your postage stamps to this month's meeting. Remember to **cut 1/2 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.

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



Idaho Indoor Farmers Community Market

*Across from the Idaho Fairgrounds
4977 Glenwood, Garden City, Idaho
Corner of Glenwood and Chinden Blvd
Call Will at 208-850-0451*



*Lots of Veggies, Raw Milk, Fresh Eggs, Special Local spices, sauce
...Unique Independent Vendor Shops....All under one Roof....*

Check it out!!! A Constant Array of New Items!!!

**STRINGER'S
GEM SHOP**

Idaho Opals

Picture Jaspers & Plume Agate
Rough Rock and Slabs
Bolos & Buckles
Bookends & Specimens
Tumblers & Equipment

WHITE'S METAL DETECTORS

W.A. (Bill) Stringer

1812 West Orchard

Nampa, Idaho 83651

1 Mile South of Karcher Mall

(208) 466-5169

M-F 1:30-5:30 pm

Other Hours By Appointment

Upcoming Events

Owyhee Gem & Mineral Society February Meeting

February 17, 2016—7:30 p.m.

Location: College of Idaho, Boone Science Hall, Room 103

Owyhee Gem & Mineral Society 62nd Annual Gem & Mineral Show

“Gemstones are Keen for 2016!”

March 5 and 6, 2016

Location: Caldwell Event Center, 2200 Blaine, Caldwell, Idaho

Saturday, March 5, 10 a.m.—6 p.m.

Sunday, March 6, 10 a.m.—5 p.m.

Idaho Gem Club - Annual Rock and Gem Show

February 27-28, Sat 10-6, Sun 10-5

Adults \$4, 12 years and younger free

Expo Idaho, 5610 Glenwood, Boise, ID 83714

Brent Stewart, rocksbybrent@gmail.com, 208-342-1151



OWYHEE GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY BOARD MEETING MINUTES 1/25/16

The meeting was held at the home of Red & Kathi Larson. President, Willa Renken called the meeting to order at 7pm. Ed Moser made a motion, and seconded by Darell Ehlers, that the minutes from the previous meeting (11/30/15) be approved. The motion was carried.

Present were Willa Renken, Jim Hopkins, Janie & Darell Ehlers, Ed & Deanna Moser, Susan Beattie, Brad Larson, Pauline Prather, and Red & Kathi Larson.

Secretary: Since Debbie was not able to be present, Kathi Larson agreed to take minutes.

Vice President: Jim stated that he had arranged to have a Paramedic EMT talk to the 2/17 meeting about safety in the field.

Treasurer: Janie reported we made approx. \$75 on the slab sale in January, the club's insurance has now been paid to cover the March Show, and the books have been turned over for audit.

Show Chairman: Susan reported that Channels 6, 7, and 9 will be airing our ads for the show (approx. 120 adds) from Monday through Friday. The set-up is scheduled for Thursday and Friday (3rd & 4th). We will fill rock bags Thursday afternoon. Darell spoke to Clarence about the tumbled rocks. We will have a few new vendors this year. The trailers will be moved to the field house Friday morning. Showcase favors, as well as the grand prizes have been secured. Some of the club venues will have new locations, making for better "people flow".

Federation Chairman: Ed reported that in the NFMS Newsletter, there is information about the closing of numerous sites. It has been requested that we avoid the areas of Graveyard Point, McDermott, and Plume, allowing them to recover from the 2015 fire. Anyone interested in having a showcase at the NFMS show, are asked to fill out the application in that newsletter. Marty Hinnenkamp will have a display in the Caldwell Library for the month of February.

Historian: Pauline has, through her research, compiled a list of past field trip locations. She brought the first re-bound historical book and Brad will digitize it for the club.

Membership Chairman: Kathi presented two new applications for membership. Ed made a motion we accept them, Susan seconded the motion, the motion passed.

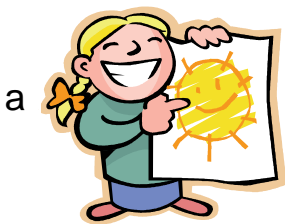
Webmaster: Brad made comments regarding the response to questions from the website.

Unfinished Business: Will is working on the 501c3. The youth group situation was discussed and it was decided to abandon the concept for the time being.

New Business: Gene and Freda Babbitt were nominated for Life Membership by Pauline, with a second by Ed. The motion was carried to honor them.

There being no further business before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm.

Respectfully submitted by Kathi Larson, stand-in Secretary.

Sunshine Report

Hi, I am Jewels Haines and I am your new Sunshine Chairman. If you hear of anyone needing a get well card or visit, please give me call at 760-331-3443

-Jewels Haines, Sunshine Chairman

jewelsmalia@yahoo.com

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/>

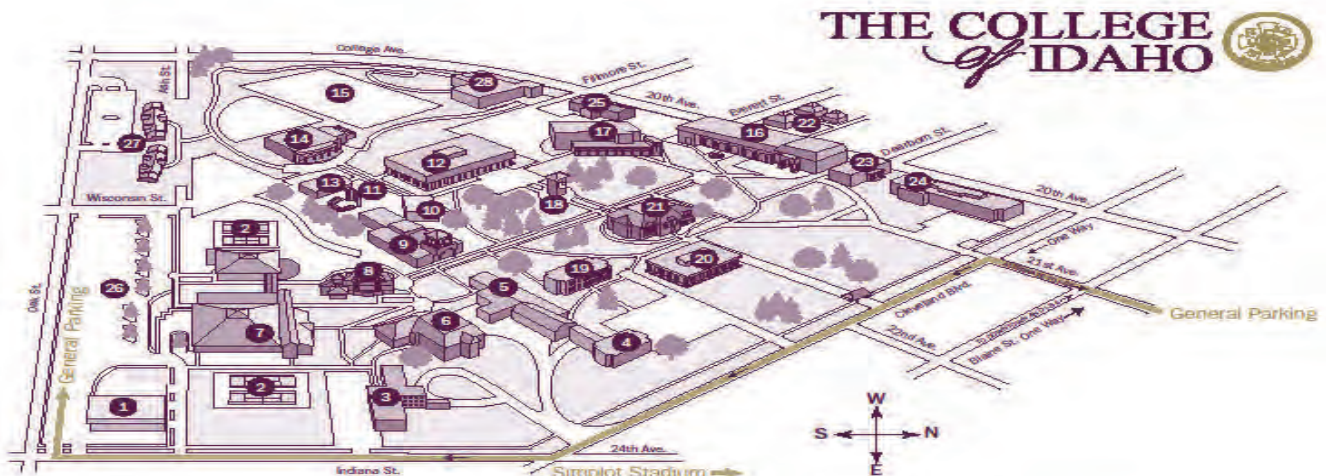
The General Meetings are at the College of Idaho

The February 17, 2016 general meeting will be in the Boone Science Hall at the College of Idaho, Room 103.

On the map below, the location is Building 12.

If you are heading SW on 20th Ave, you will take a left at Filmore St and go through the parking lot to the side entrance of the building.

See you there at 7:30 p.m.



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| 1 Facilities Department | 11 Centennial Amphitheater | 19 Finney Hall |
| 2 Tennis Courts | 12 William Judson Boone Hall / Orms J. Smith | 20 N.L. Tanseling Library |
| 3 Anderson Hall | Museum, Whittenberger Planetarium | 21 Sterry Hall |
| 4 Splotter Hall | Harold M. Tucker Herbarium | 22 President's Residence |
| 5 Splotter Dining Hall | Cowell Hall | 23 Voorhees Hall |
| 6 Kathryn Albertson International Center | McCain Student Center | 24 Hayman Hall |
| 7 J.A. Albertson Activities Center | Symms Athletic Field | 25 West Hall; Center for Physician Assistant Studies |
| 8 Blanchley Hall / Rosenthal Art Gallery | Langroise Center for Performing & Fine Arts | 26 Special Events Parking |
| 9 Hendren Hall / Office of Admission | Jewett Auditorium & Chapel | 27 The Village Apartments |
| 10 Strahorn Hall | Morrison Quadrangle & Clock Tower | 28 Mary Holy Athletics Center |

It's Show Time!

Calling all volunteers for our 62nd Annual Rock and Mineral Show...

“Gemstones are Keen in 2016”

March 5 and 6, 2016

O'Connor Field House, 2200 Blaine, Caldwell, Idaho

Thank you to all that have signed up to help at a venue.

If you want to sign up, contact the venue chairs to see what times are still available:

Front Door—Cyndy Schmidt—870-6544

Wheel of Gems—Denise Stringer—283-1903

Sand Dig—Jody Atwood—801-791-7228

Silent Auction—Red Larson—465-8083

Grab Bags—Randy Whipple—585-5910

Demonstrators—Willa Renken—362-3941

Show Cases—Thelma Brown—541-846-3136

Special Display—Itehl Kildow—455-7960

Resource/Doorprize Table—Sarlene McCaslin—916-804-4435 *and* Kim McEwan—249-4567

Chili Feed—Dianne Barker-- 965-7187

We will meet to move trailers: Thursday at 8:30 a.m. Idaho Tractor

Monday 9:00 a.m. O'Connor Field House

Set-up Volunteers needed—Arrive at any time and stay for as long as you are able:

Thursday at O'Connor Field House from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

(We will fill grab bags after tables are set up)

Friday at O'Connor Field House from 9:00 a.m. To 1:00 p.m.

Set up showcases:

Friday from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m., and Saturday from 8:00 to 9:30 a.m.

We are still accepting donations for Wheel of Gems, Grab Bags, Silent Auction and Sand Dig venue items!

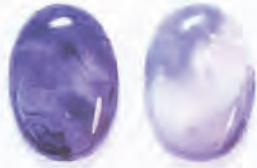
Please call me if you would like me to pick up some donations for you,
or you can bring them to the club meeting.

Susan Beattie, 466-6184

62nd ANNUAL

ROCK & GEM SHOW

March 5th & 6th 2016



O'Conner Field House
2200 Blaine, Caldwell, ID



Saturday, March 5th 10am-6pm

Sunday, March 6th 10am-5pm

Admission: \$4.00 Kids 11 and under free (with Adult)

WE WILL HAVE:

DEALERS DEMONSTRATORS

DOOR PRIZES EVERY HALF HOUR

GRAND PRIZE SHOW CASES

BLACK LIGHT DISPLAY

SILENT AUCTION

WHEEL OF GEMS

SAND DIG GRAB BAGS



Owyhee Gem & Mineral Society
PO Box 1053 Caldwell ID 83605-1053

GEMSTONES ARE KEEN FOR 2016

OWYHEE GEM

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62nd Annual Gem & Mineral Show

“Gemstones are Keen for 2016!”

March 5 and 6, 2016

Caldwell Event Center—2200 Blaine, Caldwell, ID

Request for Showcase Space

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email Address: _____ Telephone: _____

Name of Club: _____

How many cases would you like to reserve? _____

Exhibit Material: (must be gem or mineral related)

Are you a: Dealer _____ Amateur _____ Junior _____ (All Junior cases must be prepared by Juniors.)

List name(s) for exhibitor badges:

Set-up day: Friday, March 4, 3:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.

Show Dates: Saturday, March 5, 10:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 6, 10:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

Take-down time: Not before 5:00 p.m. on Sunday

The Show Committee Members will help you locate your space.
Displays shall remain for the duration of the show unless prior authorization
from the Show Chairman is received.

Send your completed application by February 17th to:
Owyhee Gem & Mineral Society,
Attn: Thelma Brown, PO Box 1053, Caldwell, ID 83606-1053

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 7:30 P.M. in the Boone Science Hall at the College of Idaho, Room 103, except for the July picnic and the December holiday party. Field trips are scheduled once a month. Visitors are welcome at all these events!

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

