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February President's Message

Happy Valentine's to all of you. I hope you will be able to share your special day with those you love. The best thing about February is it's only 4 weeks until our Annual Gem Show. I am very excited for our Club to experience this event, as not being able to be with all our rock friends for a year has been hard. I hope you are all ready to hit the road running as I expect it to be a big turnout. Paul has been hard at work organizing with his new assistant Karen and we are anticipating another fantastic show.

We will start setup on Thursday at 9am with the trucks and trailers. We usually have most things done by 2ish on this day but will need help again on Friday as well. If you can come and help it will be much appreciated. As the saying goes many hands make for light work. There will be plenty to do such as tables, skirting, chairs, etc. We will have doughnuts and coffee in the morning and provide you with lunch. Then Friday we put the finishing touches on things and start filling cases. On Friday we have our chili lunch for the crew and vendors. If you are bringing items for the lunch it usually starts around noon but your food needs to be in place so we can start serving at noon. I look forward to trying all the wonderful chilies, hotdogs and soups not to mention the delicious desserts. We encourage you to come join in the fun and festivities.

If you need a showcase please contact Kim Bashford. She has let us know that we will have a pretty good turn out this year. I look forward to seeing all the beautiful displays of your creations. We have a lot of very talented individuals within our Club and these cases are always a special addition to our Show.

I hope you have all taken the time to sign up for the various venues as it is most helpful to have some idea as to who is volunteering there. This way no one person is stuck working more than two hour time slots. There are plenty of venues to help with so please don't be shy.

I want to personally thank you all for stepping forward and pitching in. Our club thrives due largely in part to our volunteers offering help, donations and being

there for these events! You all rock! I hope to see you all throughout the 3rd-6th of March. Let's have a great "**GEMS FOR YOU IN 22**"!

-Willa Renken, OGMS President



OWYHEE GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY GENERAL MEETING MINUTES 19 JANUARY 2022

The OGMS General Meeting was called to order by **President, Willa Renken** at the College of Idaho, Boone Science Center, Room 103 at 7:15pm. Roxanne Franklin made the motion to accept the minutes as printed in the newsletter; Ed Moser seconded; motion passed. Willa gave a hearty welcome to new members and visitors. Thank you for joining us at OGMS!

Vice President, Roxanne Franklin gave a presentation on botryoidal (from the ancient Greek, meaning a bunch of grapes) formations of minerals. This is the rounded appearance found on many minerals like malachite and hematite. **Roxanne** and **Karen Davis** shared a great collection of specimens with the group.

Secretary, Chris Deveau turned over 13 memberships to Kim Bashford, Membership Chair. Three invoices from The Arc for processing our newsletter, a receipt for the NW Federation dues, and payment for the PO Box rent will be forwarded to Debbie Lawrence, Treasurer. The pending order for the showcase favors from the Coble Co. was given to Paul Deveau, Show Chair. Two thank you cards, one from Jim Hopkins, and one from Jean and Ron Dingley were read to those at the meeting.

Treasurer, Debbie Lawrence is ill and unable to attend the meeting... we hope she is feeling better soon.

Show Chair, Paul Deveau gave a rundown on all the aspects of our upcoming show, "Gems for You in '22"! He had the signup sheets for all the show venues. He expressed the need for VOLUNTEERS to help with the Show. Please step up and make this the BEST SHOW EVER!

NW Federation Chair, Ed Moser thanked everyone for their kindness with the loss of his wife, Deanna. He reminded everyone that the rock display at the Caldwell Library is a tribute to her memory... it will be there until the end of the month. He thanked Dave Schmidt for the book of 1st Day Issue stamps to be given to the Federation for sale... the funds raised are donated for breast cancer research.

Membership Chair, Kim Bashford read a thank you card from Ed Moser regarding Deanna. She also said she was processing some new memberships to the group.

Field Trip Chair, Robert Murphey advised everyone that he and **Dale Rawson, Assistant Field Trip Chair**, are working on the 2022 list of field trips... they asked for input from the membership. They will compile the final list from that input and have it ready for the next General Meeting. Robert asked if you need to contact him, please leave a message on his phone... he will return the call. The first OGMS field trip will be on Saturday, the 3rd weekend in March.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: The OGMS January Board Meeting will be held on Monday, 31 January 2022 at the Caldwell Public Library located at 1010 Dearborn Street. Caldwell, Idaho at 7:00pm. The slab drawing was held and everyone that wanted a slab, got one. Please bring your slabs to the next General Meeting... there will be a slab drawing.

John Akin won the door prize drawing... a beautiful lace agate wire-wrapped pendant and a matching belt buckle, provided by **Kim Bashford**, the November winner. (Whomever wins the door prize, brings a rock-related prize for the next drawing.)

The meeting was adjourned at 08:25pm.

Respectfully submitted, Christine Deveau, Secretary

Vice President's Corner—Roxanne Franklin

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Monthly Meeting Topic

If you have an idea for a presentation or information session, please contact me: Roxanne Franklin (208) 577-7095, rocksfrank22@gmail.com

Trade a Slab

Bring a slab to the next meeting and trade it for someone else's slab.

"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 Roxanne.



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



OGMS Field Trips

Robert Murphey Robert Murphey (208) 590-1848 or Dale Rawson (208) 283-7990

Dale Rawson

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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 Evewear, Sun Protec

Drinking Water, Food, Appropriate Clothing, Protective Eyewear, Sun Protection, Day Pack or Back Pack, Umbrella, Pry Bar, Tick Spray, First Aid Kit, 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.

Remember, 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.



2022 Show Dates: "GEMS FOR YOU IN '22", March 5 and 6 O'Connor Field House, Caldwell, Idaho

All the Vendors and Venue Chairs have been contacted and are enthusiastic and gearing up for our upcoming show. TV and Newspaper ads are in place. Brian and Karen continue to post websites, event calendars and social media, locally, as well as throughout the Pacific Northwest.

Flyers to distribute will be available at the February general meeting; this is certainly where every member can pitch in and help get the word out. Volunteer Signup Sheets for every spot on the floor offers you a firsthand opportunity to participate in the show. The time slots are only two hours. You may even want to sign up with more than one of the show venue chairs. It's a great way to meet people and have fun.

We have real need for small, polished gems, for the sand dig... pea size and smaller, ANY amount will help.

We can use several hands to setup the show on Thursday & Friday and reload the trailers again on Sunday evening.

SHOW VENUE CHAIRS: (2-hour sign-up)

Front Door	Roxanne Franklin	208-577-7095
Sand Dig	Jody and Natasha Atwood	801-791-7228
Wheel of Gems	Chris Rawson	208-371-7639
Grab Bags	Janie Ehlers	208-674-1213
Silent Auction	Don Dixon	208-908-3374
Membership	Kim Bashford	208-454-7287
Grand Prize/Basket Raffles	Deana Ashton	208-794-5628
Demonstrators	Willa Renken	208-362-3941

Kim Bashford (208-454-7287) will be taking reservations for the "**SHOWCASES**", so get your name on her list to reserve one or more for the show. **THESE GO FAST!!**

Diane Stevens (208-454-5406) and **Andrea Sawyer** (208-323-1345) will Co-Chair the "Chili Feed" for the Friday show set-up.

VOLUNTEERS, please contact any of the SHOW VENUE CHAIRS and sign-up "IT'S THAT EASY"

Donations always needed...Wheel of Gems Prizes

Grab Bag Prizes

Polished and Faceted Stones for Sand Dig

Critters and Critter Making Supplies...

RULON ALLRED (as usual), is doing a great job creating small rock critters for the wheel of gems...

KAREN & BRIAN DAVIS: CO-ASSISTANT SHOW CHAIRS (208) 409-8936 bkdavis76gmail.com

LOOKING FORWARD TO ANOTHER GREAT SHOW!

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

OWYHEE GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY Annual Gem & Mineral Show March 5 and 6, 2022 O'Connor Field House—2200 Blaine, Caldwell, ID

Request for Showcase Space

Name:			
Address:			
			Zip:
Email Address:_			Telephone:
Name of Club: _			
How many case	s would you like to re	serve?	
Exhibit Material:	(must be gem or mir	neral related)	
Are you a: Deal	er Amateur	Junior _	(All Junior cases must be prepared by Juniors
List name(s) for	exhibitor badges:		
•	Friday, March 4, 3:0 Saturday, March 5, 5 Sunday, March 6, 10	10:00 a.m.—6	6:00 p.m.

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.

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

Send your completed application by February 15th to:
Owyhee Gem & Mineral Society,
Attn: Kim Bashford, PO Box 1053, Caldwell, ID 83606-1053
Email to: kmcewan1957@msn.com
or bring to the next general membership meeting.

February Birthdays

- 1 Ruth Hopkins
- 1 H.G. Smith
- 3 Michelle Wiles
- 8 Lisa Diehr
- 9 Ed Budden
- 10 Doug Merrell
- 11 Rulon Darez Allred
- 13 Arlene Purchase
- 19 Brian Newman
- 20 Jacob Kuykendall
- 21 Douglass Peterson
- 28 Allan Beck

February Anniversaries

- 11 Jewels Haines & Miguel Lantz
- 14 Robert & Linda Schaffer

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Sunshine Report



If you hear of anyone needing a get whear of anyone needing a get where a call at (760) 331-3443.

jewelsmalia@yahoo.com

Upcoming Shows Jan-June Shows (northwestfederation.org)

February 12-13 Sat - 9 - 5 Sun - 9 - 4	Whidbey Island Gem Club	The Center in Oak Harbor 51 Jerome St., Oak Harbor WA	Harriet Vick hmvick33@gmail.com (360) 720 9199	
March 5th-6th Sat - 10 - 6 Sun -10 - 5	Owyhee Gem & Mineral Society	68th Annual Rock and Gem Show - Gems For You in "22" O'Conner Field House 2207 Blaine, Caldwell, Idaho	Paul Deveau, devidaho@q.com (208) 994-8025	
March 11-12 Fri - 8:30 -6 Sat - 9 - 5	Panorama Gem and Mineral Club	Stevens County Fairground Ag Trade Center 317 West Astor, Colville WA	Johnie Pitman, jgpitman@outlook.com, (509) 684-8887	
March 11-13 Fri - 10 -5 Sat - 10 - 5 Sun - 10 - 5	Tualatin Valley Gem Club	Forest Grove National Guard Armory 2950 Taylor Way Forest Grove OR	Tiffany Jackson Viperlapidary@gmail.com	
March 12-13 Sat - 9 - 4 Sun -10 - 4	Magic Valley Gem Club	Twin Falls County Fair- grounds 215 Fair Avenue, Filer, ID	Chris Funk (208) 539 5369	
March 12-13 Sat - 9 - 6 Sun - 10 - 5	Northwest Montana Rock Chucks	Flathead County Fair- grounds, Expo Building (next to grandstands) 265 North Meridian Road, Kalispell MT	Lloyd Fager oldgrayelf@sbcglobal.net (608) 436 0780	

Owyhee Gem & Mineral Society Board Meeting Minutes 31 January 2022

President, Willa Renken called the Owyhee Gem and Mineral Society January Board Meeting to order at 7:00pm at the Caldwell Public Library, 1010 Dearborn Street, Caldwell, Idaho. Kim Bashford made the motion to accept the minutes as printed in the newsletter; Paul Deveau seconded; motion passed.

Chris Deveau, Secretary visited the PO Box several times. The OGMS form 1099 was given to Willa Renken, President. Two memberships were turned over to Kim Bashford, Membership. The order confirmation for showcase favors was given to Paul Deveau, Show Chair. Copies of the club trailer insurance and the liability insurance were passed to Debbie Lawrence, Treasurer. Three advertisements were shared with the Board.

Debbie Lawrence, Treasurer gave a summary of the bills, reimbursements, and deposits that she had made and the status of OGMS bank accounts.

Paul Deveau, Show Chair advised the Board that he had given the OGMS Certificate of Insurance to the manager of the O'Connor Field House, in preparation for the Show. He also has the Certificate for the College of Idaho and is waiting to hear from them, so it can be delivered to the right person. Paul then went over the Show updates.

Ed Moser, NW Federation Chair removed his display at the Library, so that Howard Emry could place a new display representing OGMS in the Library cases on 1 February. Check out the new display if you get a chance... Ed and Howard have shared some great specimens with the community. We thank them both for their time and efforts.

Kim Bashford, Membership Chair presented four new memberships to the Board for approval: **Steve and Sharon Rinehart**; **Mark Allen**; **Mark Basel**; and **Mary Harris**. Ed Moser made the motion to accept the new members; Karen Davis seconded; motion carried. We would like to welcome each and every one of you to the OGMS family! Kim shared that she is getting more OGMS trifold informational brochures printed... ready for the show.

Karen and Brian Davis, Assistant Show Chairs advised the Board of their posting the Show information on event calendars on the internet.

Old Business – 68th Annual Gem and Mineral Show... "Gems for You in '22" The message from the Board to ALL the membership is to please volunteer to help with the show! We need everyone to help make this the BEST SHOW EVER!!! Only two hours of your time... everyone can help! THIS IS YOUR CLUB... YOUR SHOW!

New Business - none

The next General Meeting will be held on Wednesday, 16 February 2022 at 7:00pm at the College of Idaho, Boone Science Hall, Room 103. The College requires a mask to enter. <u>Bring your slabs</u> for the slab drawing.

The February Board Meeting will be held on Monday, 28 February 2022 at 7:00pm at the Caldwell Public Library.

Meeting adjourned at 08:10p

Respectfully submitted, Christine Deveau, Secretary



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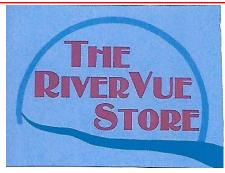
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<u>Membership</u>

We are accepting payment of 2022 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



Welcome New Members!

Steve and Sharon Rinehart; Mark Basel; and Mary Harris

OWYHEE GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY DUES					Year: 2022	
	Family \$20	Couple \$18	Single \$12	Child \$3		
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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.

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/