



Owyhee Gem



Owyhee Gem & Mineral Society

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March Presidents Message

Hello all hope you are all recovered from the great show you all put on. It was another wonderful year with great participation. I would like to thank all of the Chairmen for overseeing the various events as you all did a fantastic job of filling the time slots. Way to Go!!! The front table was pretty busy as well so I know this month's meeting will be a big one so get ready to meet some new members.

The weather is starting to turn so this month's field trip should be the start of a super year. I know Larry is anxious to get us all back out in the field. He will have some exciting news to share with us at this meeting.

Lloyd Summers is taking up the road clean up spot for Gene Alvey and will have more information on the logistics of this event. Remember the more hands on deck the faster we get this one taken care of and the cookies and punch are the best part.

I look forward to seeing you all in just a short time. Until then may the best rock be within your reach and we will see you on the 20th.

Willa Renken
OGMS President

OWYHEE GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY**FEBRUARY 20, 2013**

GENERAL MEETING: held at College of Idaho in room 103 was called to order by President Willa Renken. Willa asked if there were any changes as printed in the February newsletter. With no changes to be made Brad Larson made motion to accept minutes as printed in newsletter 2nd by Ed Moser and approved by general meeting.

EVENING ACTIVITY: Pauline Prather gave a demonstration of setting up a show case (which must be rock related) for the Gem Show.

GUEST: There were 11 guests to share the evening with us.

SECRETARY: Sylvia Foreman had three thank you cards to read from them that had received the Honorary Plaque from OGMS. The cards were from Roy & Pat Bethel, Dick Parker and Pauline Prather.

VICE PRESIDENT: Melissa Jones was not present.

EDITOR: Joan Alvey reports that Darell Ehlers will send out the newsletters for March as Gene is to have surgery on March 5.

TREASURER: Janie Ehlers gave the treasurer's report and announced that Carolyn Roberts had audited the Books and reported that the books were in order.

SHOW CHAIRMAN: Susan Beattie gave report on how the Show's coming along. We will be able to set-up on Thursday, February 28 and Friday, March 1 beginning at 8am. Show Days Saturday – 10am to 6pm and Sunday -10am to 5pm.

FEDERATION CHAIRMAN: Ed Moser reports that he had good reports from the Caldwell Public Library on Show Case Display by the OGMS members. The cases at the Caldwell Public Library have been reserved for December, 2013 and January, 2014.

Keep saving your stamps for Cancer Research and reading your Northwest Newsletter.

HISTORIAN: Pauline Prather had nothing to report.

SUNSHINE: RoseMary Peterson had nothing to report.

MEMBERSHIP: Neava Haney introduced prospective members for membership. Red Larson made motion to accept the members 2nd by Ed Moser and approved by general meeting.

FIELD TRIP CHAIRMAN: Larry Beattie had a list of proposed field trips for the year on front desk.

WEB SITE: Brad Larson reports that the web site is up to date.

OLD BUSINESS: Willa will pick up the Black Light Room for the Show.

The cookbooks are for sale at \$7.00 and will be available at the Show.

NEW BUSINESS: None to discuss.

SLAB DRAWING: Willa had lots of help picking the tickets for slabs by juniors.

Door prize won by Brad Larson donated by Judy Tucker.

MEETING ADJOURNED AND REFRESHMENTS ENJOYED BY ALL

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OWYHEE GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY BOARD MINUTES FEBRUARY 28, 2013

Present at the OGMS Board Meeting February 28 were Willa & Doug Renken, Janie & Darell Ehlers, Larry & Susan Beattie, Ed & Deanna Moser, Neava Haney, Pauline Prather, Jim & Ruth Hopkins, Larry & Mary Ridley, Bill and Sylvia Foreman.

BOARD MEETING: was called to order by President Willa at 7pm in room 6 at the College of Idaho. Willa asked if there were any changes to the minutes as printed in the February newsletter. With no changes to be made to the minutes Pauline Prather made motion to accept minutes as printed in the newsletter 2nd by Larry Beattie and approved by board members.

SECRETARY: Sylvia Foreman had nothing to report.

VICE PRESIDENT: Melissa Jones was not present.

TREASURER: Janie Ehlers gave the treasurer's report.

EDITOR: Joan Alvey was not present. Darell Ehlers will help Joan with this month's newsletter.

Joan needs help to improve her computer to print the newsletter. Ed Moser made motion to approve the \$75.00 for up grade to the publisher program 2nd by Pauline Prather and approved by board members.

SHOW CHAIRMAN: Susan Beattie reports that the Show plans are coming along fine. The security for O'Conner Field House will be the same as last year.

FEDERATION CHAIRMAN: Ed Moser reports that the Northwest Federation Directory will be \$10.00 , if you wish to receive one contact him. Chris Blickfeldt now have tickets for the AMFS raffle - he may be reached at phone 208-345-8774.

HISTORIAN: Pauline Prather had nothing to report.

SUNSHINE: RoseMary Peterson was not present. It was reported that Jerry Ensley has had a stroke

MEMBERSHIP: Neava Haney asked about getting more of the green tri-folds and the board decided not to purchase any more.

FIELD TRIP CHAIRMAN: Larry Beattie reports that he has the purposed list of field trips on the web site.

REFRESHMENT: Jim & Ruth Hopkins would like to acknowledge the month's cookie crew in the newsletter. Willa thanked them for the work as refreshment chairman.

WEB REPORT: Brad Larson was not present.

OLD BUSINESS: Janie Ehlers wanted information on the way the Gem Shops advertising space in the newsletter is taking care of.

NEW BUSINESS. Ed Moser suggests that the NFMS Ethics is put in the newsletter one month and the AFMS Ethics is put in the next month.

MEETING ADJOURNED

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Show Chairman Report

THANK YOU to all of the volunteers, venue and show feature chairs, and advertising chief--Darell for making the club's 59th show a success.

Janie will fill us in on the details at the next meeting; but the numbers have increased over last year and several vendors told me that this is the best show they have had in a while. It seemed as though the public really enjoyed what you all put together.

Your hard work is very much appreciated,
Susan



Happy Birthday March Members

Here is a little information on you Birthstone

Aquamarine is, next to Emerald, the most highly prized of the Beryl's. The color can vary from pale blue to a rich and deep blue or blue-green. You can enhanced and change the color by heating the stone it can change a greenish –yellow beryl to lovely blue color. In ancient times the ones that were the “color of the sea” were considered the prize but today most want the deeper blue color. And the money value goes higher the darker and deeper blue green color. The principal localities for the Aqua are Brazil, South West Africa ,India and the U.S.S.R .There are a lot of them found in the US but few of these are of gem significance.

March Field Trip Report

It's time to shake the cobwebs off the picks and shovels!

The March 2013 field trip to Graveyard Point will be on Saturday March 23rd. We will meet at the ION Junction at 8:00 and leave at 8:30.

Bring buckets, shovels, hammers or picks, food, water, tick repellent, and a high-clearance vehicle. Remember to do a warm weather-sunshine dance! (NO RAIN!)

Remember, you can pick up a field trip schedule at the meeting or find it on our website.

Hope you can join us!

Larry

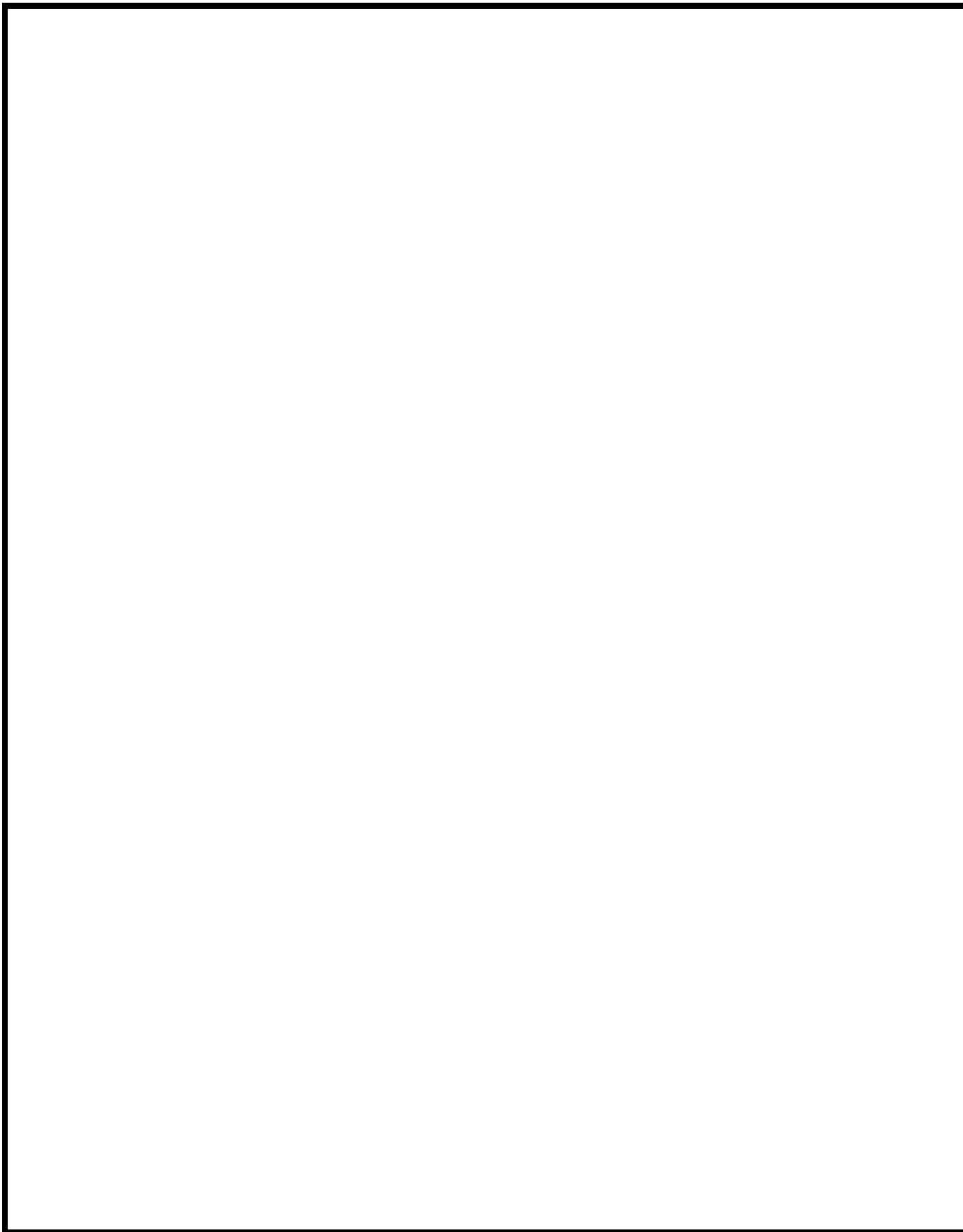


HIGHWAY CLEAN-UP

Hi there my fellow rock hounds it is that time again for us to step up to the plate and do our Spring Road Clean up. This is not a hard task for anyone person if we all jump in and help. It takes around 15-20 of us to quickly do this job. And when we are finished there is always a little refreshment and then it is off to a Rock hunting trip if desired. This is going to be happening on **April 13** so please come one come all.

Thank you Lloyd Summers Road Clean up chairman





Up Coming Rock Shows

- March 9 – 10** Magic Valley Gem Club Twin Falls County
Fair Grounds, 215 Fair Avenue
Filer, Id Just east of Filer on
Highway 30)
- Rock & Arrowhead Club Klamath Co. Fairgrounds
3531 South 6th St Klamath Falls,
- March 15 – 17** Timpanogos Gem & Spanish Fork Fair
Mineral Society Fair grounds ,
Spanish Fork, UT
- March 22-24** Mt Hood Rock Club Kliever National Guard
Armory, Portland, OR
- March 29 – 30** Panorama Gem & Ag Trade Center NE Fair
Mineral Club Grounds Colville, WA
- March 30- 31** Sweet Home Rock High School Gym
Mineral Society Sweet Home, OR
- Mt. Baker Rock & Gem Bloedel Donovan
Community Center
Bellingham Wa

For more information go to

Brad Larson

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http://amfed.org/nfms/documents/NorthwestNewsletter/NW01_0213.PDF

STRINGER'S GEM SHOP

Idaho Opals
Picture Jaspers & Plume Agate
Black Hills Gold & Silver
(Landstrom's & Stamper)
Bolos & Buckles
Bookends & Specimens
Birthstone Jewelry
Tumblers & Equipment
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 1:30-5:30 pm

Other Hrs. By Appointment

Rock – N – Gifts

942 South Lincoln + Jerome, Idaho 83338

Bruneau Jasper

Cabs – Slabs - Specimens – Rough

Gerald & Joy Scarrow
Cell (208) 320-1226

Rocky & Kathy Scarrow
Cell: (208) 316-2318

Thank you!!

The Caldwell Library had a lot of positive comments and thanked us for the show case. Thanks to **Ed Moser**, and all those who were involved. We had cases in the Library for the months of December and January. Remember we have a great opportunity to do this very thing again next December. Thank you again Ed for organizing and getting this set up each year it is surly a great way to get our Rock hobby information out to a bigger ordinance.

Another big thank you we would like to send out to is to **Bill Anderson** for his rock donations to the club we can use these for making some Rock Critters for years to come and we used some on our Silent Auction this year thanks again Bill. Also We all have to give a big thank you to **Clarence Wright** as he uses the club tumblers and keeps them running year round to produces like 15 buckets' of tumbled Rock for our Rock Bags that are enjoyed by the young and old every year at our show he does this at his own expense Holy Cow what a electric bill. These tumblers like I said run year round except in the winter when they sometimes freeze up Thanks Clarence with out your help our bags surely wouldn't be so full. Also to all you members who donate polished rocks and we don't have your names THANKS TO EACH AND EVERYONE OF YOU

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Membership Report

As we compile the information from our 2013 Show, we are happy to report 14 on Saturday and 9 on Sunday for a total of 23 new potential new members!!! And we always look forward to past members returning! **Welcome everyone!** Please join us at our next General meeting on March 20th as we present these applications to the General Body. Come help us greet these new friends!

A Special “Thank You” to Eva Roberts, Nancy Farrell, Mom (Sylvia Foreman), Larry Beattie (for his patience’s in fielding all those Field Trip questions) and the many others who stepped in as needed to help in covering the membership table. I sure could not do it without YOU! Also a big THANK YOU to everyone, who directed those expressing a desire to join or gather information regarding “OUR” Club. We passed out many forms, which we hope will return in the coming days.

My contact information is listed below, so you can give me a call or contact by email if you have any changes throughout the year. We want you to receive the newsletter to the correct address. Besides this is the only way we can insure our contact information is current.

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. You 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: wear your name badge so everyone knows who you are.



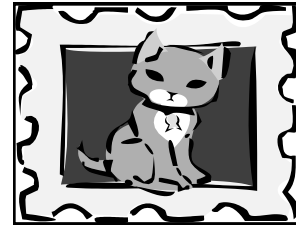
Neava Haney 899-1519
wehnh99@cableone.net

Bring your Postage Stamps to this months meeting.
Remember to *cut 1/2 inch all the way around the stamp.*

Give them to me at the OGMS meeting.
The money raised will go to help support
CANCER RESEARCH.

Thank you all for this it dose
help others and it might just
Help some one you might know..
Ed Moser Federation Director

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Federation News

Those who might want a N/W Federation Directory, please bring your \$10 to the March meeting, see me. Those who want to get in on the American Federation's Raffle, please check with me for information and how to reach Chris Blickfeldt. Tickets are \$5 a piece or 5 for \$20. IF you are not getting you N/W Federation Newsletter, and have access to a computer you can find it on line at [www,amfed.org/nfms](http://www.amfed.org/nfms).

Federation Director Ed Moser

Refreshment Chairman Report

I would like to thank Denise Stringer and Carolyn Whipple for last month's refreshments as well as Juanita & William Townley and Karissa & Robert Sudweeks for Marches refreshments .

Remember if you have not signed up to bring refreshments please get in touch with me we can take care of it. It takes at least 2-3 people bringing 3-4 dozen cookies or what ever you choose to share. We have had cake, pie ,donuts, cheese and crackers and yes even chili SO it is wide open to what we can bring Thanks in advance Ruth & Jim Hopkins .

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



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Happy 
St. Patricks Day

