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October President's Message

Hello fellow rock hounds!

Here's hoping this finds you all well and enjoying the fall weather. This month is the start of a look at the New Year, as we will be having our Elections. Therefore, come prepared to pay your dues in order to vote for the upcoming Board of Directors.

Sue has lined out another great program for you this month. It will be given by Bill Nance, on "Select Minerals of Central America". This should prove to be very interesting.

This month's field trip will be to the Bruneau woodpile on October 21. John will meet you at the Walters Ferry Boat Dock at 8am leave at 8:30am. I would like to thank John for all his hard work in providing you all with guidance and knowledge about the material we hope you find on each field trip. Please take the time to thank him for his efforts on our behalf.

Ted is heading up the roadside cleanup on October 14th. I hope you will all be supportive of this event. We are assigned a small portion of the highway to keep clean from all the trash that is dropped along a one-mile stretch. It takes about 6-10 people roughly 2 hours to walk and pickup trash. It should be fun as there is a little time afterwards to go look for rocks.

As a reminder next month, November will be our Annual Auction. We encourage those of you who can to volunteer items that would make great Christmas gifts. This fundraiser helps to offset the Christmas Banquet each year. Every donation is greatly appreciated along with an appreciation to all those bidding on the items.

This year's Christmas Party will be held at the Elks in Nampa on Dec 20th. The No-Host Bar starts at 6pm dinner at 7pm. Will have a gift exchange again, this year so if you want to participate be sure to bring a wrapped gift. The limit will be \$20 dollars. Kim will start selling tickets this month and they will be \$9 for members and \$18 for nonmembers.

There will be a slab draw this month, so if you have a slab or two laying around we would greatly appreciate the donation.

I look forward to seeing you all on October 18th at 7pm at the College.

-Willa Renken OGMS President



General Meeting Minutes—September 20, 2023

Vice President, Sue Cassidy called the September OGMS General meeting to order at 7:00pm at the College of Idaho, Boone Science Bldg., Room 103. Kim Bashford made the motion to accept the minutes as printed in the newsletter; Debbie Mitchell seconded; motion carried. Sue welcomed all visitors and new members to the meeting.

The program for the evening was provided by Emily Hendrickson on "Redeveloping the DeLamar Mine". She gave some history as well as the current activities taking place. The DeLamar geologist, Sara Clark, described the geologic area pertaining to the mine. Very interesting, quite a process.

The program was followed with an announcement from Sue that the Saturday field trip to the mine had been cancelled due to increased activity at the mine. Because so many OGMS members now wanted to go on Friday (which could NOT be accommodated at this time), the decision was made to cancel the Friday trip also. Sue will work with Emily to coordinate a trip for late next spring, so as many members as possible can attend.

Roxanne Franklin, Treasurer was not in attendance, but she had given the club balances to our Vice President. Sue reported the rounded amounts of \$60,000 in checking and \$60,000 in investments.

Membership Chair, Kim Bashford reminded everyone that October is membership renewal month. Please send your renewals to Kim via the PO Box or bring them to her at the meeting. If you haven't picked up your membership cards and nametags from Kim please stop and get them from her!

Show Chair, Paul Deveau advised the group that he is working on the advertising for our March 2024 show. He reminded everyone of the needs of show: polished rock, grab bags, and of the need for volunteers. Check with Paul— where can you help out?

Federation Chair, Ed Moser thanked everyone again for bringing their stamps to him. Cancelled or not, the stamps are collected and brought to the Federation meetings, where they are sold to collectors and the funds raised are donated for breast cancer research. So, ask your friends and family to save the stamps and bring them to Ed at the meeting... it's for a great cause!

Secretary, Chris Deveau reported there were five memberships given to Membership Chair, Kim Bashford. A very nice thank you card was received from member, Clarence Wright, thanking OGMS for the plaque acknowledging years of service, tumbling rock for the club shows. Clarence, we can't thank you enough for your dedication!

Field Trip Chair, John Wright said that the field trip is on Saturday, 23 September 2023 to the club's Blue Egg Claim for blue opal thundereggs. We will meet at Homedale Park (by the tank) at 8:00am, leave at 8:30am. A high clearance vehicle is recommended.

Roadside Cleanup Coordinator, Ted Diehr checked with the group to see what the best day for our fall cleanup project was. Saturday, 14 October was chosen. Ted will have bags and safety gear at the meet point, the Walters Ferry boat ramp parking lot on State Hwy 45 south of Nampa. He will update us with a meet time in the newsletter. Don't forget to bring your gloves!

Unfinished Business: Elections for the Board of Directors will be held at the October General meeting. If you are interested in becoming an officer of OGMS, please contact any Board member.

New Business:

- The annual fundraiser auction will be held at the November General meeting. The auction items are focused on Christmas. Donate gift-oriented items for the fundraiser and do your Christmas shopping at the same time! The funds raised help defray the cost of the Christmas Banquet in December.
- Deana Ashton announced the Beacon Hill field trip with the Idaho Gem Club to be held on Saturday, 30 September and Sunday, 1 October 2023. It will be led by Willa and Doug Renken (caravan across private property so we go as a group). Meet at 8:00am at the Oregon State rest area located off I84, just after crossing the Snake River going west into Oregon, leave at 8:30am.
- Deana also shared information and flyers regarding the Hells Canyon Rock and Gem Show in Lewiston, Idaho on 21 and 22 October 2023.
- Member, Judith Hart asked for volunteers to assist with her packing and moving before and on the 3rd of October. She gave her contact information to the many volunteers that raised their hands to help. Nice to see the OGMS family helping each other. Judith, you will be missed, thank you for your friendship, good luck in your new home.
- Member Kathy Powers shared some 'cool' rocks from Iceland. Always fun to see something new and different... always new things to learn. What a great hobby—our rockhounding!

Deana Ashton won the door prize, a nice canvas rope bucket, wrapped in another canvas carry bag that was given by last month's winner, **Lynn Hansen**. To sign up for the door prize, just put your name on the sign-up sheet on the front table. If your number is picked, you win! Then you bring a rock-related gift for next month's winner.

Bring your slabs, we will have a slab drawing in October! Thanks to everyone for donating slabs for the drawing, this month, we raised \$68.00 for the club!

The September Board Meeting will be held on Monday, 25 September 2023 at 7:00pm at the Caldwell Public Library at 1010 Dearborn, Caldwell, Idaho.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40pm. Respectfully submitted, Christine Deveau, Secretary



Vice-President's Corner—Sue Cassidy**"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.

Monthly Meeting Topic

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

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| October 18 | Bill Nance: Select Minerals of Central America/Mexico
Election of Board Members |
| November 15 | No Speaker—Annual Fall Auction |
| December 20 | Holiday Banquet |
| January 17, 2024 | Paul Verhage: "Crater Counting to Compare the Age of Terrains" |

December 20, 2023 Christmas/Holiday Banquet and Party

Kim Bashford is collecting money for the annual Christmas Banquet/December General meeting held at the Nampa Elks Lodge at 1116 1st Street South in downtown Nampa on Wednesday, 20 December 2023 starting with a no host happy hour at 6:30pm and dinner at 7:00pm. It will be a beef and ham dinner with green beans and scalloped potatoes and dessert. The cost is \$9.00 for OGMS members (the club pays the other half) and \$18.00 for non-members. We need some volunteers for the set up and take down for the Banquet—be at the Elks at 5:30pm -let Kim know you'll be there. There will be a gift exchange, if you want to take part, bring a wrapped present (\$20 limit), marked as male, female, or either. This is a fun event, please come and enjoy with the OGMS FAMILY!



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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Field Trip Report —John Wright



USEFUL ITEMS TO BRING ON YOUR FIELD 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.



For further information contact John Wright at 208-571-6873 or Red Lovette at 208-965-7624

OGMS 2023 Field Trips

Last field trip of the year!

October 21st—Bruneau Wood Pile—Petrified Wood and Pine Cones

Meet at Walter's Ferry Boat Ramp, Melba, at 8:00 a.m., leave at 8:30 a.m.

For further information contact John Wright at 208-571-6873 or Red Lovette at 208-965-7624

Learn more about the Bruneau Wood Pile at these websites:

[Geosciences | Free Full-Text | The Bruneau Woodpile: A Miocene Phosphatized Fossil Wood Locality in Southwestern Idaho, USA \(mdpi.com\)](#)

[Bruneau Woodpile Idaho \(petrifiedwoodmuseum.org\)](#)

[The Bruneau Woodpile: An Unusual North American Fossil Wood Locality in Bruneau, Idaho: Rocks & Minerals: Vol 94,](#)

September 23 Field Trip—Blue Egg Claim



Photo credits: John Wright, Sarah Wallace, Karen Davis

In Memoriam—Cheryl Link



With our hearts heavy with grief and profound sadness, we must let our rockhounding communities know that on Sept. 19, 2023, Cheryl Link passed away unexpectedly.

Cheryl was a lifetime member of Idaho Gem Club, Inc. of Boise and was serving as 2nd Vice President. She also was our Mining Claims Chairperson, a Director of the Board, Chairman of Silent Auction and Display Cases for our annual gem show. She happily took part in all club events and particularly loved helping at the Kids Day Workshops. Over the years, she has aided the mechanics of the club running smoothly and had all of our documents ready for events and field trips. She implemented a "Loaner Tool" program to let



newcomers use rock hammers and chisels shovels picks and rakes for free to save others the expense. She was a fluorescent mineral collector and displayed beautiful specimens for our Black Light Room. Cheryl was a generous donor to our club and often matched funds with her employer Micron for non-profit funding. She provided micro-mounted microscopic minerals for club use and to gather interest at our events, Promoting earth science and education.

She was also a member of the Owyhee Gem and Mineral Society.

Her untimely departure from our Universe leaves a empty void that will never be filled. She was intelligent, funny, helpful, curious, productive, honest, loyal, accurate and hard working. There is not enough space to expand on her contributions to the hobby of rockhounding and lapidary arts. She did it all with robust enthusiasm and joy.

Cheryl made the world a brighter place and she is missed beyond our broken hearts can imagine.

Rest peacefully, dearest friend. . you were a true Idaho Gem.

Submitted by Deana Ashton [Tribute for Cheryl Ann Link | Cloverdale Funeral Home and Memorial Park](#)

October Birthdays

- 1 Chris Larson
- 2 Vicki Voss
- 3 Pamela Ellsworth
- 7 Cheryl Sharp
- 10 Alan Ballinger
- 10 Casey Cogan
- 11 Will Eason
- 11 Vickie Wise
- 12 Delilah Ellsworth
- 12 Richard Wallace
- 14 Lynn Cameron
- 14 Steve Oakes
- 14 Kerry Thomas
- 14 Marilyn Troyer
- 15 Liz David
- 16 Dee Huntley
- 16 John Wright
- 17 Henry Meyer
- 18 Jody Ford
- 18 Daryl Hood
- 18 Chris Kramer
- 18 Christine Newman
- 19 Terry Goodall
- 20 Bill Sawyer
- 21 Stanley Grove
- 23 Randy Robin
- 23 Trina Yiengst
- 24 Abigail Collett
- 24 Joe Ellsworth
- 25 Mary Winchester
- 26 Robert Murphey
- 26 Dennis Waller
- 28 Don Ferreira
- 28 Lucas Sudweeks
- 29 Brad Larson
- 30 Dan Stevens
- 31 Kate Souza

October Anniversaries

- 10 Steve & Katie Souza
- 11 Jay & Kim Erb
- 12 Kenneth & Joyce Christensen
- 21 Joe & Pamela Ellsworth
- 25 John & Camille Akin
- 31 Trent & Cecile Young

October Birthstone

Opal • Pink Tourmaline



Because **opal** has the colors of other gems, the Romans thought it was the most precious and powerful of all. The Bedouins believed that opals contained lightning and fell from the sky during thunderstorms. The ancient Greeks believed opals gave their owners the gift of prophecy and guarded them from disease, while Europeans have long considered the gem a symbol of hope, purity, and truth.



Very few gems match **tourmaline's** dazzling range of colors. From rich reds to pastel pinks and peach colors, intense emerald greens to vivid yellows and deep blues, the breadth of this gem's color range is unrivalled. The confusion about the stone's identity is even reflected in its name, which comes from "Toramalli", which means "mixed gems" in Sinhalese (a language of Sri Lanka).

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

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—September 25, 2023

The September Board Meeting was called to order by **President, Willa Renken** at 7:05pm at the Caldwell Public Library, 1010 Dearborn, Caldwell, Idaho. Kim Bashford made a motion to accept last month's minutes as printed; Sue Cassidy seconded; motion carried.

Willa shared with the Board, the loss of Idaho Gem Club 2nd Vice President, Cheryl Link. She was doing what she loved with people she loved at the IGC Sunstone Claim. The Board sent flowers from OGMS. Donations to IGC can be sent in her name. Our thoughts and prayers go out to her family and friends... she will be sorely missed.

Secretary: Chris Deveau received one returned newsletter, got the corrected information, gave it to Kim for the membership records and will pass the newsletter to the member at the next meeting.

Vice President: Sue Cassidy reported that the October presentation will be from Bill Nance on the topic – 'Select Minerals of Central America/Mexico'. She also advised Willa of the cancellation of the DeLamar mine trip and that it will be rescheduled for later next spring.

Treasurer: Roxanne Franklin was not in attendance.

Show Chairman: Paul Deveau reported that he is working on the advertising for our show in March, "Gems and More in '24". He discussed several aspects of the Show with the Board.

Federation Chairman: Ed Moser was not in attendance, but Willa wanted to remind everyone to continue to collect stamps and bring them to Ed at the meetings.

Newsletter: Please submit all articles to Denise by the 4th of October.

Membership: Kim Bashford presented the names for 1 new membership to the Board; **Jason and Jenny Evans and family**. Chris made the motion to accept the membership; Kim seconded; motion carried.

Field Trip Chair: John Wright told the Board that there was a big turnout for the Blue Egg Claim, 42-43 vehicles. A lot of people found good sized eggs... how great?... you don't know until you cut them open!!! He also advised the Board that **Red Lovett** will continue as the Assistant Field Trip Chair... thank you Red! The October field trip will be to the Bruneau Woodpile for petrified wood and pine cones. On Saturday, 21 October, meet at the Walters Ferry boat ramp, Hwy 45 south of Nampa at 8:00am, leave at 8:30am.

Old Business: Elections will be held at the October General meeting. If you are interested in being a on the Board , please contact any Board member.

New Business:

- Ted Diehr is coordinating the Road Clean-up on Saturday, 14 October 2023. Meet at the Walters Ferry parking lot, Hwy 45 south of Nampa. He will have bags and safety equipment. Please remember to bring your gloves. The meet time will follow in the newsletter.
- The November General meeting will include the annual Christmas fundraiser auction. Great ideas are items that can be used as Christmas gifts, plus you can get your shopping done early.
- Kim Bashford is collecting money for the annual Christmas Banquet/December General meeting held at the Nampa Elks Lodge at 1116 1st Street South in downtown Nampa on Wednesday, 20 December 2023 starting with a no host happy hour at 6:30pm and dinner at 7:00pm. It will be a beef and ham dinner with green beans and scalloped potatoes and dessert. The cost is \$9.00 for OGMS members (the club pays the other half) and \$18.00 for non-members. We need some volunteers for the set up and take down for the Banquet... be at the Elks at 5:30pm... let Kim know you'll be there. There will be a gift exchange... if you want to take part, bring a wrapped present (\$20 limit), marked as male, female, or either. This is a fun event... please come and enjoy with the OGMS FAMILY!
- Member, Judith Hart asked the membership at the General meeting for assistance with packing and moving. She gave her contact information to several members. Thank you all for helping!

There will be a slab drawing at the October General meeting, please bring your slabs! The October General meeting will be held on Wednesday, 18 October 2023 at 7:00pm at the College of Idaho, Boone Science Hall, Room 103.

The October Board meeting will be held on Monday, 30 October 2023 at 7:00pm at the Caldwell Public Library, 1010 Dearborn Street, Caldwell, Idaho. The last club field trip of the 2023 season will be on Saturday, 21 October 2023, see the Field Trip notes.

Willa adjourned the meeting at 8:05pm. Respectfully submitted, Christine Deveau - Secretary



Show Report

2024 Show Dates: “GEMS AND MORE IN ‘24”, March 2nd & 3rd O’Connor Field House, Caldwell, Idaho



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The 70th gem show “GEMS AND MORE IN ‘24” is now five months away. Please be thinking where you’d like to help... our last show brought out many volunteers and I know it’ll be the same for our up-and-coming 2024 show.

We’ve (as a starter) placed ads in the “ROCK & GEM MAGAZINE” and have been working on our updated TV SPOT with Channel 6.

Despite a couple of motor and bearing glitches Harald continues to turn-out much needed polished rock for the grab bags.

We received a nice amount of great material from Clark Cassel of Placerville, Idaho, and David & Barbara Korn, THANK YOU!

Rulon Allred (who I’ve personally known for over 40 years), literally makes HUNDREDS of “Rock Critters” each year for our “Wheel of Gems”... WOW... Wouldn’t this also make a great family “Critter Making Night”... LET US KNOW... we have the supplies, and we’ll even give you a few pointers to help you get started.

OGMS IS ALWAYS IN NEED OF ROCK & GEMS for our Shows... material for the SILENT AUCTION... the WHEEL OF GEMS... GRAB BAGS... and the SAND DIG (pea size, and smaller)

I would like to reiterate and confirm what I stated at the last general meeting... OGMS will continue to pay \$120 per five-gallon bucket of NICELY tumbled rock... because it takes lot of PEA SIZE polish rock to fill a five-gallon bucket... Chris and I will kick in another \$30.00 and pay \$150 for a bucket of PEA SIZE & SMALLER nice, tumbled material... This will no doubt last OGMS more than a couple of years... we would be ecstatic.

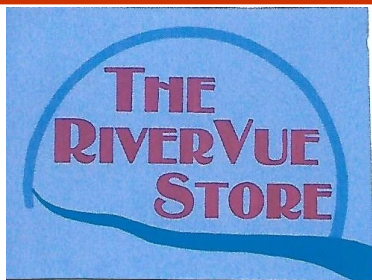
The Board gave us permission to locate another claim for OGMS... this has been accomplished... I will talk further on this at the next general meeting... to date, the claim has been transferred to OGMS and recorded as such at the Malheur County Courthouse... the paperwork is now headed to be filed with BLM in Portland, Oregon. We have worked under the guidance of David Schmidt, OGMS Claims, and the BOARD. We are all very pleased.

STAY SAFE AND HAVE FUN

October 18th, and November 15th General Meetings at The College of Idaho

Caldwell, Idaho—Boone Science Hall (#12 on map below), Room 103 at 7:00 p.m.





Stone from Arizona

Anderson Mine—Agate
Brenda—Agate & Jasper
Burro Creek—Pastelite & Agate

Stone from Australia

Noreena
Mookite

Stone from Idaho & Oregon

Owyhee Picture Jasper
Green Moss Agate
Tumbled Stones

Amethyst from Uruguay
Slabs & Rough
Hammers/Tools/Gold Pans
Brazilian Agate

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To place an ad, please email:
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(Ads are subject to Board approval)

Road Side Cleanup—October 14, 2023—Don't forget to bring your gloves!

Ted Diehr has arranged for the second roadside cleanup this year to be conducted on October 14th. All who can, please join in this event. We will be meeting at Walter's Ferry boat launch, at 9am for instructions and to get your safety vests and garbage bags. Please email or call Ted so he can have an approximate number of who can help. Since it was done thoroughly in May, we are hopeful that it will be easier to do this time. After we have completed the pickup there will be a short mystery field trip as a reward along with drinks for the thirsty.

If you have questions, contact Ted at: (713) 301-8684, tdiehr@comcast.net



Fun times took place at the May Cleanup.

Sign up for the October Cleanup!

Membership—Kim Bashford

We are accepting payment of 2024 dues

Membership forms are available at every meeting and on the next page of this newsletter. Invite your "rockhound" friends to our next meeting!

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 meetings, 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 on the next page to:

Kim Bashford, Membership Director
P.O. Box 1053, Caldwell, ID 83605-1053
Phone: (208) 454-7287 Email: kmcewan1957@msn.com



**Welcome
New
Members!**

**Jason and Jenny
Evans**

OWYHEE GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY—2024 Membership Application

Rockhounds' Code of Ethics

- I will respect both private and public property and will do no 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 times conduct myself in a manner which will add to the stature and Public Image of Rockhounds everywhere.

I have read and understand the Rockhounds' Code of Ethics: Signed _____

Family—\$20 Couple—\$18 Single—\$12 Child—\$3

(Please Print)

LAST NAME: _____ FIRST NAME(s): _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

ANNIV: Month _____ Day _____ (Name of Spouse/Other if not a member) _____

BDAY(s): First Name _____ Month _____ Day _____ / First Name _____ Month _____ Day _____

BDAY(s): First Name _____ Month _____ Day _____ / First Name _____ Month _____ Day _____

Renewal ___ New ___ Amount Paid: _____ Date Paid: _____ Cash ___ Check # _____ Recd By _____

Owyhee Gem & Mineral Society
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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

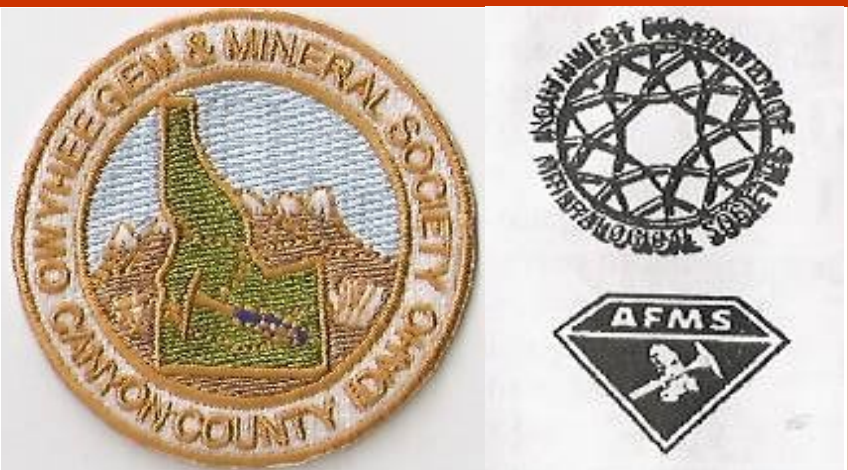
The Owyhee Gem and Mineral Society was established in 1938 at the College of Idaho in Caldwell, Idaho.

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 summer months 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.

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