

Owyhee Gem

Owyhee Gem & Mineral Society

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Ed Moser 340-8060

April Presidents Message

Hello and Happy Easter to you all. Spring appears to have sprung and what a beautiful site the flowering trees and colorful flowers in the yards are. I am sure the wildflowers are turning the desert into quite a scene. I especially love the paintbrush as there are so many different kinds.

When next we get together the road clean up will have come and gone it was good weather just some wind so we hope there was great attendance along with a fun field trip.

Our show totals were fantastic again this year with a lot of compliments from the public. Janie should have an accounting for us at this next meeting. We should also have a budget for you to approve as well. We all look forward to finding out how all our hard work paid off.

If you have any ideas for programs I am sure that Judy Tucker would love your input. The CD we had on thunder eggs was very informative. I hope you all found out something new and enlightening. Since we just filed on a new egg claim it makes the looking more interesting as there are vast differences in each of them.

I look forward to seeing you all on the 18th, if you have an extra slab or two please consider donating to the slab drawing. Everyone so enjoys getting a new rock or two until them keep on rocking!!

Willa Renken
OGMS President

MINUTES IF THE OWYHEE GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY

MARCH 21, 2012

GENERAL MEETING: held March 21, 2012 at College of Idaho room 103 was called to order by President Willa Renken at 7:30pm. Willa asked if there were any changes to the minutes as printed in the March newsletter. There were no changes to be made. Pauline Prather made motion to accept the minutes as printed in the newsletter 2nd by Brad Larson and approved by general meeting.

EVENING ACTIVITY: Darell Ehlers and David Johnson had a film on thundereggs from around the world for a program.

GUEST: There were 16 new members and guests to spend the evening with us.

SECRETARY: Sylvia Foreman had many flyers of shows coming up for the front desk for all to look at after meeting.

VICE PRESIDENT: Judy Tucker was not there due to illness.

EDITOR: Joan Alvey was happy to be at the meeting.

TREASURER: Janie Ehlers gave treasurer's report and announced that OGMS had a good gem show.

SHOW CHAIRMAN: Pass SC Carolyn Roberts thanked all for helping her with the 2012 show. Show Chairman Susan Beattie thanked Carolyn for showing her what she was to do as show chairman and reported that we had a real good show this year.

FEDERATION CHAIRMAN: Ed Moser encouraged us to keep saving stamps for Cancer Research which he will be taking them to the Northwest Federation Show in May. He says there are many shows, dates, places and times listed in the Northwest Newsletter and be sure to read the newsletter to be aware of all of the rock hunting areas and rules to follow.

HISTORIAN: Pauline Prather had nothing to report.

SUNSHINE: Sylvia Foreman had nothing to report.

MEMBERSHIP: Neava Haney thanked all for their help at the membership table at the gem show and she had some names of new members to read for acceptance. Ed Moser made motion to accept all new members 2nd by Joan Alvey and approved by general meeting.

FIELD TRIP CHAIRMAN: Larry Beattie reported that the club now has a thunderegg claim in Succor Creek area. The March field trip on Saturday, the 24th will be to Grave Yard Point to hunt agate, meet at ION Junction at 7:30am and leave at 8am.

WEB REPORT: Brad Larson accepted the position as Web Master and he has the newsletter, field trips and information of the OGMS listed on the web site.

REFRESHMENT: Due to illness Mike Tucker was not present but there refreshments in refreshment room for all to enjoy after meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: No new business to discuss.

OLD BUSINESS: Ed Moser had a sign-up sheet for volunteers to sign for Road Clean-up on April 7th. Meet at boat ramp at Walter's Ferry Bridge at 9am and maybe a field trip after the work is done.

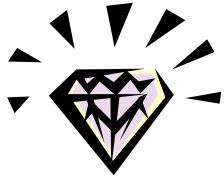
SLAB DRAWING: Brad Larson helped Willa with drawing tickets from can for slabs. Door prize donated by Doug Olson and won by (?) John Priester.

MEETING ADJOURNED AND REFRESHMENTS ENJOYED BY ALL

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OWYHEE GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY BOARD MINUTES

MARCH 26, 2012

Present at the OGMS Board Meeting were Willa Renken, Janie & Darell Ehlers, Larry & Susan Beattie, Ed & Deanna Moser, Neava & Earnest Haney, Pauline Prather, Bill and Sylvia Foreman.

BOARD MEETING: was called to order by President Willa Renken at College of Idaho, room 106, at 7pm. Willa asked if there were any changes to the board minutes as printed in March newsletter. There were no changes to the minutes as printed. Ed Moser made motion to accept minutes as printed 2nd by Pauline Prather and approved by board.

SECRETARY: Sylvia Foreman had nothing to report.

VICE PRESIDENT: Judy Tucker was not present but Darell and Janie Ehlers volunteered to have #2 film on thundereggs for April program.

EDITOR: Joan Alvey was not present. Darell Ehlers will help Joan with the April newsletter.

SHOW CHAIRMAN: Susan Beattie reports that the 2013 show is coming along fine.

FEDERATION CHAIRMAN: Ed Moser encouraged us to keep saving stamps for Cancer Research . He reports that you can get good information on rock hounding on the Club Web Site.

HISTORIAN: Pauline Prather had nothing to report.

SUNSHINE: Sylvia Foreman reported that Joan Alvey was leaving the next day for Mayo Clinic for a follow up report on her health and Sylvia needs to get some get well cards sent to Pat Erichson and Larry Miller.

MEMBERSHIP: Neava Haney asked about badges as she is about out of what she has on hand, she will check on prices. It was discussed that the possibility of receiving your newsletter by e-mail.

FIELD TRIP CHAIRMAN: Larry Beattie reported that the field trip to Grave Yard Point was a good trip and there were rockhound friends from Idaho Falls there also.

April field trip will be to the Pink Plume Claim for agate.

WEB REPORT: Brad Larson was not present.

OLD BUSINESS: No old business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS: The Black Light room at O'Conner Field House was discussed, we need to be thinking about making different arrangements for the Black Light Display for the 2013 show. There will be more information later.

MEETING ADJOURNED

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March Field Trip to Graveyard Point

We enjoyed a nice break from recent wet and miserable weather for our trip to Graveyard Point this year. The field trip weather was perfect! Sunny, cool, and dry, with very little wind. There were 25 rock hounds, about as many members as guests. We were joined by five visitors from the Idaho Falls rock club, who enjoyed searching for moss and plume agate.

April Field Trip: April 21st – Pink Plume Claim

Meet at the O’Connor Field House parking lot, Saturday, April 21st, 8:00 A.M. then on to Nyssa High School parking lot to pick up any who would like to meet us there, and on to the claim.

Hope to see you at the next outing!

Larry and Susan



Angel wing seam agate



Blue dendrite and red moss agate

2012 List of Tentative Field Trip Sights.

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| March 24 | Graveyard Point |
| April 21 | Pink Plume Claim |
| May 19 | The Big Egg Claim |
| June 23 | Succor Creek Thundereggs |
| July 21 | Wagontown Area |
| August 18 | Rome, Oregon |
| September 22 | McDermitt, Nevada |
| October 20 | Texas Springs Nevada |

Got any ideas of places you would like to go, Call 466-6184

Larry Beattie
Field Trip Chairman

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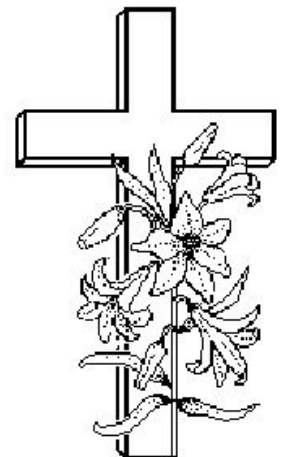
1:30 to 5:30

Saturday

Call for an Appointment

Program Report

The program for the April Meeting will be Part 2 of those wonderful thundereggs. Come and see what's inside those eggs after all its Easter time. If you know of any topics that would make a good program give Judy Tucker a call, she would like to hear from you.



Owyhee Gem & Mineral Society**Membership Report**

There has been some interest in receiving the newsletter by email, so we have decided to give this a try. If you are interested in this option, please send an email to the acting editors at ddehlers@fmtc.com with (OGMS – Newsletter) in the subject line. This will let them know it is something concerning the our Club.

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
wehnjh99@cableone.net

OGMS Website

Our new webmaster, Brad Larson, is always looking for things to post so let him know if there is any new items you would like.

It currently includes:

Access to all the northwest gem club’s websites (click on the LINKS tab)

New field trip destinations

Owyhee Gem’s newsletters for the current year– you cannot lose these copies and they are in COLOR.

Members Websites

There are also forms, photos, ethics, history, and news & events

Owyheerocks.com is the place to go!

Thanks again , Brad

FEDERATION REPORT

It's time to talk about the national state of affairs and the fact that U.S. Interior Department is still working on its Wild Lands Policy. You can go to the website and read more in the April 2012 newsletter when it is posted. The website can be reached by going to www.amfed.org. This policy can have an effect on our ability to use these public lands.

Be sure to save your postage stamps and help stamp out cancer.

Thanks again for helping with the road cleanup.

Ed Moser, Federation Director

Catch a show and find a gem. Maybe some good ideas for making a great show next year.



2012 NFMS SHOW & CONVENTION
Kennewick, Washington
May 18, 19 & 20

Information: www.lakesidegemandmineralclub.com

Thursday - May 17th - 6:00 pm

- All Rockhounds Meet & Greet Potluck

Idaho Falls Gem & Mineral Club will have a show
 Saturday, April 14, 10-6 and Sunday, April 15, 10-5

It will be held at the Idaho Falls Recreation Center
 B Street Idaho Falls, Idaho

Yakima Rock & Mineral Club's 51st annual show will be
 Saturday, April 21, 10-6 and Sunday, April 22, 10-4

Held at the Washington National Guard Armory
 2501 Airport Ln

Hermiston, Oregon's Show, Hatrockhounds Gem & Mineral Society
 Saturday, April 28, 10-6 and Sunday, April 29, 10-4

It will be held at the Hermiston Conference Center
 415 S. Hwy

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Sunshine Report

I sent cards out to Larry Miller and Joan Alvey this month.. If you know of anyone in need of a card, please contact me at 459-4554.

Sylvia Foreman

Show Chair Report

A very heartfelt "Thank You" to the more than 50 volunteers who made our 58th annual show a success. We have an open suggestion list and here are the items on it so far:
Have a meeting after the show with show chair people.
Change the entrance signs to 12 and under
Show Cases-Memorial
Allow space for an additional dealer
Vests, XL and L

We will set a time and place for a show chair meeting at the April meeting. In the meantime; please collect rocks for the silent auction, make rock critters, collect items for the sand dig, tumble rocks, and think of other things to put on the show chair meeting agenda.

Carolyn left some large shoes to fill and I will need all the help you can offer.

Looking forward to the 59th annual!
Susan



2012 Owyhee Gem & Mineral Show



Grand Prize Winners

Happy Birthday and Anniversary

Happy Birthday to:

Tietz	4/20	Carlyle Sheryl	5/1
Ted Herman	4/21	Walt Barnett	5/2
Tofa Moala	4/21	Larry Fogleman	5/4
Willa Renken	4/22	Bill Stringer	5/12
Earnest Haney	4/26	Mercedes Stein	5/14

Happy Anniversary to:

Greg & Debbie Hill	5/2
Bill & Silvia Foreman	5/3
Dee & Janet Huntley	5/14
Don & Destiny Osborn	5/14



Party on, life only gives you *this* birthday or anniversary once in your life, enjoy!

That's all I could find, Call Neava Haney if we missed you and she will add your birthday to the list.

Road Clean up



I would like to thank all those who came out and helped with road cleanup. Hope to see everyone next fall, we will be doing it again.

Thanks Again,
Ed Moser

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.



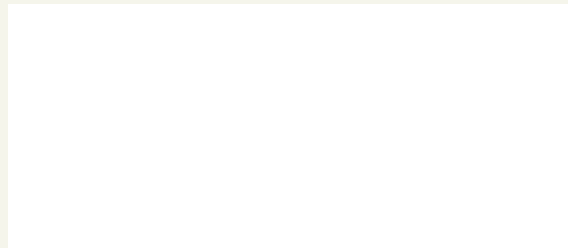
GENERAL MEETING: The club meets the third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 P.M. in the Boone Science Building at the College of Idaho, except for the July picnic and the December party. Field trips are scheduled once a month. Visitors are welcome at all these events!

Bring a friend—Wear your name tag

Bring an identified slab



Joan & Gene Alvey
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Darell Ehlers Acting Bulletin Editor

April Rains Bring May Flours????

Ziva....