



# Owyhee Gem



# Owyhee Gem & Mineral Society

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## ***OGMS President December President's Message***

Merry Christmas to all! It sure doesn't take long for a year to fly by. Are you all putting together those wonderful treasures? Pauline is anxious to get her cases assigned for the show and would like you all to commit to filling a show case for the upcoming show in March. Please be thinking of showing off your items. This is nice for not only our members to see but also the public who come through the door. We will have show flyers available if you know of an establishment where we can post them for getting the word out about the show.

Ed Moser has made arrangements with the Caldwell Library to fill their show cases in January. If you can help by filling a case or two please give him a call at 340-8060 if you can help with this project.

Don't forget that the Idaho Gem Club has extended an invitation to attend their Annual December workshop to be held on Dec 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> at [12843 S Five Mile Rd, Kuna ID](#). Brad has put a map to show you how to get there on our website. It starts at 10 am and runs until 5 pm. There will be cab making, wire wrapping, and lots of food and fun so come join in. Hope to see you there.

If you haven't guessed we are in full swing for the upcoming show so be prepared to volunteer where ever you can. It takes us all to pull together to make our show one of the best in the valley. With in the next couple of month's we will be stuffing grab bags so if you have polished rocks that you are donating please be prepared to turn them in. Any critters that you have made for the wheel of gems and silent auction rock need to be turned into the chairmen for these venues so be sure to watch for this notification. The board would like you to know that all the efforts each of you put forth is so greatly appreciated!! We thank you for all you have done will do and the sacrifice it takes to support this great club. Thank you for making this another great year for our "Owyhee Gem and Mineral Society".

*Willa Renken  
OGMS President*

## OWYHEE GEM &amp; MINERAL SOCIETY

NOVEMBER 21, 2012

**General Meeting:** held at the college of Idaho in room 102 was called to order by President Willa Renken at 7:30pm. Willa asked if there were any additions or correction to the minutes as printed in the November News letter, hearing none she asked for a motion to accept the minutes as printed. Brad Larson made a motion to accept the minutes as printed and Jim Hopkins seconded the motion. The general membership passed the motion.

**Secretary:** Sylvia Foremen was absent due to illness so Joan Alvey volunteered to take minutes and help with the auction in Sylvia's absence. Joan reported that a thank you card had been received from Roy and Pat Bethel as they were presented their Life time membership.

**Vice President:** Judy Tucker reported that she wanted to thank everyone for there help for her year of service. And that the only entertainment for next months meeting will be our annual Christmas Party and gift exchange.

**Treasurer:** Janie Ehlers gave her treasurer report.

**Show Chairman:** Susan Beattie reported the arrangements for the show are moving right along all Dealers are in place and anxious to participate. We have three new dealers. She will have sign up sheets at January meeting for those who would like to volunteer to help in each of our various venues. Advertising is in hand. Flyers will be ready very soon for Larry to take some to Arizona and for all members to pass out and place at places to further our advertising for our show.

**Federation Report:** Ed Moser reported that he and Deanna had filled the show cases at the Caldwell Library for the month of December but would like to have volunteers to fill the show cases for the month of January. Keep your eyes out and remember to save stamps for him to turn in at the big Federation show this summer. This is very important because the money raised from the sale of these stamps goes to help raise funds for Cancer research.

**Historian:** Pauline Prather had nothing to report.

**Sunshine:** No report

**Field trip Chairman:** Larry Beattie said that they had great fun on their trip to Texas Springs and there was some great finds. He ask that all members be thinking of their favorite hunting places to rock hunt so that the fieldtrip areas can be set up for year 2013 all ideas will be presented to the general members and voted on , Trips will resumes in the early spring or as soon as weather permits. He has the **2012 IDAHO**

**GEOLOGICAL SURVEY** maps here tonight and there are a few left if someone had for gotten to order one from him earlier. Also there is an informative book that goes with these maps.

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**vWeb Report:** Brad Larson reported that he had some great things to post on our web site and the pictures are in great color and just the right size for all to enjoy.

**Refreshments:** Mike Tucker thanked all who helped him this year by bringing refreshments and he will be happy to turn this fun job over to his new replacements for the year 2013. Mike was thanked for a job very well done by a hand from the entire club.

**New Business:** Willa announced that the new Black light Room frame was being made and will be ready for the upcoming 2013 show. Yea.

Ed Moser made a motion that the club makes a \$50.00 donation to the NFMS Memorial Endowment Fund in memory of Anna Stringer. Joan Alvey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Willa announced that we are all invited to join the Idaho Gem club for their annual Christmas Holiday Workshop that is being held at her and Doug's home on December 15 and 16 from 10am to 5pm. Chili and Soup will be provided everyone else is asked to bring their favorite snack or desert to be shared by fellow rock hounds..

**Evening Activity:** Our annual Christmas Auction was held and led by our very own auctioneer Ed Moser. A big thank you was given by all members for Ed's great Job and Brad's support.

Auction was great fun and seemed to be a BIG success lots of items were donated to be auctioned off. Happy Holidays to you all.

**Meeting Adjourned and Refreshments enjoyed by all!**

Prepared by Joan Alvey as acting Secretary for Sylvia Foremen.

**Owyhee Gem & Mineral Board Minutes****November 26, 2012**

Present at the OGMS Board Meeting November 26, 2012 were Willa Renken Joan & Gene Alvey, Janie and Darell Ehlers, Ed and Deanna Moser, Pauline Prather

**Board meeting:** called to order by President Willa Renken at the College OF Idaho in room 106 at 7:08p.m Willa asked if there were any changes to the minutes as printed in the news letter. There were no changes to the minutes. Ed Moser made a motion to accept the minutes as printed Janie seconded the motion, the motion carried.

**Secretary:** as Sylvia was ill Joan will be taking the minutes there was nothing to report.

**Vice President:** Was not present

**Treasure:** Janie Ehlers reported the Auction was a GREAT Success.

**Editors:** Joan reported that if anyone had anything they would like to have in the news letter she would be accepting articles up until the third of December. She would really like to have some articles from members. Any story about a trip you've taken, or are going to take, a special rock you've found, anything you would like to share with the club. Come on guys it's your news letter I just put it together and it makes it more interesting for those who can't be with us to share in the events we all do.

**Show Chairman:** not present

**Federation Chairman:** Ed Moser ask us all to keep saving your stamps for Cancer research.

**Historian:** Pauline had nothing to report.

**Sunshine:** Nothing to report

**Membership:** Neava Haney was not present and there was nothing to report

**Fieldtrip Chairman:** As Larry was not present his assistant Gene Alvey reported there would be NO field trip now until spring or as soon as weather permits.

**Web Master:** Brad Larson was not present

**Old Business:** Willa still looking for a Refreshment chairman.

If you want to attend the Christmas banquet on the 19<sup>th</sup> of December you need to let the chairman, Melissa Jones, know by the 6<sup>th</sup> of December if you would like to attend.

**NEW Business:** Willa reported the Black light room frame is being put together it will be ready by the show Yea. Flyers are ready and Janie and Darrell will be taking them to Larry before he leaves for Arizona on Friday.

Joan will be calling Freda Babbitt about a couple articles for the news letter. Treasurer books have to be turned into be audited next month Willa will call Carlyon Roberts to see if she will do the fun job. Pauline said it is time for us all to be getting prepared for the Show this year and the forms for you to fill out if you want a show case will be in next month news letter. We have 52 cases to fill.

Prepared by Joan Alvey acting Secretary for Sylvia Foremen.

Bring your Postage Stamps to this months meeting.

Remember to *cut ½ 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.**

Hey there folks did you happen to find any of those special stamps. Remember they are on your news letters so please keep your eyes opened and remember to save them and bring the to the next club meeting . Keep looking they may show up again so remember to keep your eyes peeled. Leave a t least a 1/2 inch space all the way around the stamp.

thank you all for this it dose  
help others and it might just  
Help some one you might know..  
Ed Moser Federation Director  
Thanks for all your help it is for a great cause.

## SUNSHINE REPORT

Our very special friends Bill and Sylvia Foremen have been under the weather with this darn flu going around please be thinking of them and if you get a chance drop them a Get Well Wish or a quick Thinking of you .

They are always so kind and thoughtful with everyone else when they under the weather. We certainly don't want them to go un thought of.

Lets try and get this to be a SMILEY FACE not this old SAD FACE . If you know of anyone else needing a note please let Sylvia know until our new Sunshine chainman takes office.



## Membership Report

To ensure you will continue to get the NFMS Northwest Newsletter for the upcoming 2013 year, your membership has to be current as of December 2012.

If you have not received your name badge and/or membership card, my contact information is listed below. Please contact me either by phone or email so I can have it ready for you at the next meeting.

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 to wear your name badge so everyone knows who you are.



Neava Haney 899-1519  
wehnjh99@cablone.net

## Show Chairman Report

One of our show dealers contacted me to let me know that he has 20 flats of minerals to sell at 1/2 price . If you are interested the contact information is below.

### **Beartooth Minerals Special Offer**

Select Minerals 50% off!

If interested call Mark at  
336-1621

Susan Beattie Show Chairman

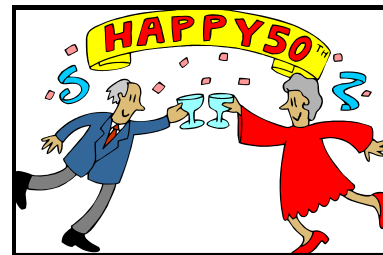




**Happy Birthday**

Gene Babbitt	12/6
Darell Ehlers	12/5
Darlene Emry	12/24
Neil Roberts	12/15
Dana Stowell	12/4
Cheryl Link	12/10
Joan Alvey	12/10

**Doug Renken oh my he is WHAT! 50**



**Happy Anniversary**

Chuck Fawcett	12/15
Pat McConnell	12/20
Evertt & Evelynn Ensley	12/12
Roy & Pat Bethel	12/20



I Sure hope I didn't Miss anyone's special date  
 if I did I am so Sorry Joan



# Rock -N- Gifts

942 South Lincoln • Jerome, Idaho 83338

(208) 324-8860

**Bruneau Jasper**

Cabs - Slabs - Specimens - Rough

**Gerald & Joy Scarrow**

(208) 324-4024

**Rocky & Kelley Scarrow**

(208) 324-1034

rockingift@cableone.net

## **STRINGER'S GEM SHOP**

Idaho Opals

Picture Jaspers & Plume Agate

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

**O K Folks as you can see the News letter is 2 pages smaller this month. I can use some help with some Ideas. I have ask a member to submit a article for next month and she has agreed.. Please help give me some ideas.**

I want to wish you all the merriest Christmas you could ever possibly have.

Remember all our Men and Women in the Arm Forces this year when you are saying your prayers and giving out your best Wishes.

**Merry Christmas and Happy New Year**

Thank you all Joan & Gene Alvey

**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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