

Owyhee Gem

Owyhee Gem & Mineral Society

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January President Message

Hello to all and so begins our New Year. Are you thinking about your showcase and what beauties to put in it? I know Pauline is getting anxious to have them full again this year. Sylvia is already stumping for projects to show off on the special display. If you can help fill up this open space I know she will be grateful to you all. Have you been down to the Caldwell Library and checked out the displays Ed has gotten going down there? These are just some of the winter projects you can get involved in. I know Carolyn will soon be asking for the tumbled stones and grab bags. Our Show is the one large endeavor we put on, so any and all things and time you can donate the better it is.

Larry Beattie is taking all field trip suggestions so if you know of a place that is different or where we haven't been in a while please let him know. This is another fun club activity that is great for old and new members. The more you join in the faster you get to realize why you became involved with this club in the first place.

I would like to thank all those who step forward and give of themselves as this has certainly made my job a lot easier and enjoyable. Many hands make for light work and a little laughter doesn't hurt any either. You each are what really make this club as great as it is. With out the contributions from all it would not run as smooth as it does each year. Thank you to the out going directors and those taking their place. You are appreciated I just want you to know how much we all appreciate your service.

This month we will be back on track with a slab drawing and program. If you have a slab to share it will be welcomed. Thank you all for your participation and we will see you on the 19th.

Willa Renken
OGMS President

Here we go again these two awesome rock club members are our first 2012 Inspiring members. Keep out a close eye you might just be next!!!!
Bill and Anna Stringer

STRINGERS

Anna and Bill were married in Kansas in 1948 they lived there until moving to Idaho in 1957. They have a lovely family of five children 14 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren. They are scattered all over but all call 1812 W Orchard Ave. home.. Bill and Anna moved into their present home on Orchard in 1982. They opened their present rock shop at that time. But before that they had a rock shop on Middleton Road they opened it in 1978.

They joined our rock club in 1974 and from their first day they have proven to be very important members to our club.

Anna and Bill have held various offices over the years from Refreshment chairman, Secretary, Vice President, Assistant show chairman and yes by golly he was Show Chairman for several years. In fact he was the first person to be Show Chairman in the O'Connor Field house.

They had to do a lot of remodeling, Wiring and such to get the field house ready. The club members worked together bought the heavy duty wire thru the school District (At a real good price) a lot of the supplies were purchased over in Marsing at the lumber yard. As you can see it was a definite community project getting us set up at the O'Connor field house.

They had to build a lot of new cases for the show but almost every member helped in the building of the 35 new cases yes I said almost every member gave a helping hand. Clyde Morgon helped in getting the glass for the cases at whole sales prices. The group built about 14 extra cases and those were sold to the members for their personal use. Everyone helped if you weren't a carpenter you could varnish, clean glass or help clean up it was a definite true club project.

There were over 100 cases in the early shows, oh what a site that would have been. They had cases from people all over the US and from various clubs that came to set up their special cases.

Bill retired from the Union Pacific Rail Road in 1985. Bill and Ana traveled all over the US for 14 years dealing at various shows they were even dealers at the Boise show at one time. But now they just enjoy dealing out of their shop and spreading the world of rock hunting to all that stop by. They are a wealth of information and always willing to share their knowledge and a cup of coffee.

Thank you Bill and Anna you are what I like to call a true friend.

Joan Alvey

CHECK OUT OUR CLUB WEB SITE



www.owyheerocks.com

Check it out today!!!



OGMS CHRISTMAS DINNER PARTY

DECEMBER 21, 2011

THE OWYHEE GEM CLUB met at Orphan Annie's Restaurant in Caldwell, Idaho at 6:30pm.

There was a good group of rock hound friends attending the evening for a lot of fun. There was plenty of food and gifts for all to enjoy. The Officers for 2012 was introduced and all members were told that they need to help their officers through out the coming year. There was no business meeting held. It was announced that there would not be a board meeting in December.
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*Hey Guys and Gals Lets Get Busy
Just a little Reminder!!!!!!!!!!!!!!*

2012 SHOW is coming up and the SPECIAL DISPLAY Chairman will need a lot of items to fill the shelves ,so please all you Owyhee Gem Club members call her . So the Public can see our OLD - NEW – HAND-CRAFTS – ROCKS – anything that interest you will be of interest to anyone that might attend the show. PLEASE HELP ME FILL the shelves SO WE CAN ALL BE PROUD of our display at the show.

Thank you, Sylvia Foreman Chairman



Ever wonder where a number of OGMS members disappear to in the winter. Here's members Mary & Larry Ridley, Lillie & Tom Rogers and Freda & Gene Babbitt on top of the **Harquahala Peak** in SW Arizona.

This is the site of an observatory used by the Smithsonian Institution from 1920 to 1925. The view was 360 degrees on a very nice Arizona day, this peak being the tallest in SW Arizona at 5,681 feet.

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

Show Chairman Report

Hope all of you are having a Happy Holiday. The show is fast approaching so be sure to keep making them Critters, Tumbling Rock, collecting things for the sand Dig and the Silent auction.

Also be thinking about things that you can put on the Special Display for Sylvia. Remember it does not need to be Rock Related.

Please remember we need all the help we can get during the Show. It takes all of us to make a good one. If you have any preference where you would like to work please contact the committee Chairman. Also Be thinking about what you would like to put in your Show case. But remember this does have to be ROCK RELATED.

I know your new Show Chairman will do a great job for us but she Needs all our help.

Carolyn

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 10am-6pm
Other Hrs. By Appointment

ATTENTION CLUB MEMEBERS

Please save your postage stamps to donate the federation. Stamps are sold and the proceeds are donated to Cancer Research. Please leave a margin of at least 1/2 inch around the stamp only do not save the postmark when you cut it from

The envelope.

You can turn them in at our next meeting to Ed Moser our Federation Director.

Owyhee Gem & Mineral Society**Membership Report**

Well the new year has arrived .Several of you have not renewed your Club membership! Dues are \$20.00 for a family, \$18.00 a couple or \$12.00 for singles. Children (18 and under) are \$3.00. If you need the membership form, my contact information is located below. I believe it is also found on our website You can either bring it to the next General Meeting or mail it in to PO Box 1053, Caldwell ID 83605-1053.

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)

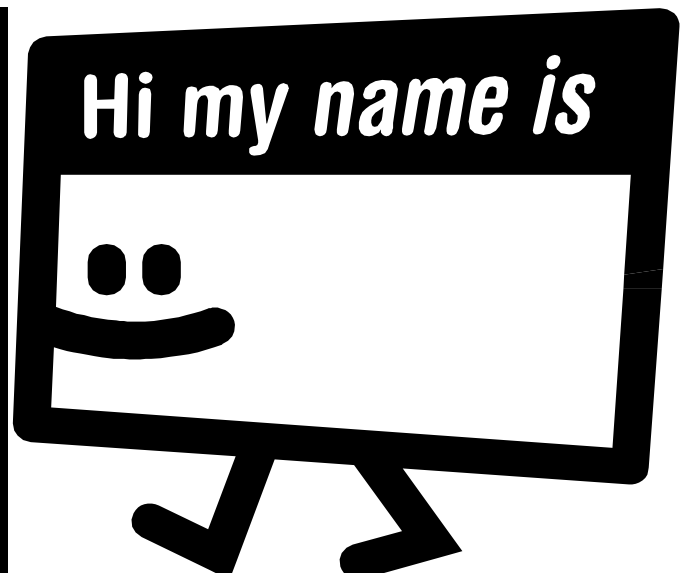
We have had some inquires for replacement of Name Badges or small patches that have gone astray. Your can purchase the Name Badge for \$2.00 and/or the small patch for 3.00 each. We also have the big patches for \$10.00.

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

Neava Haney 899-1519
2801 S Illinois Ave

We want you all to be able
To continue getting your
News letter so if your dues
have not been paid for
2012. We need To get that
done ASAP.

Joan Alvey Editor



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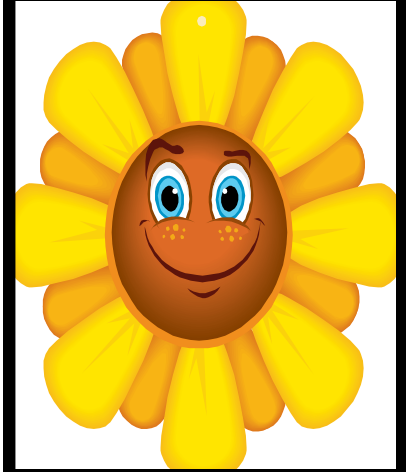
Remember the Items in our show cases must be !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
ROCK RELATED.

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Sunshine Report

I sent many Get Well cards and with Bill's help delivered plants to our members that have been ill and Christmas gifts to our senior members.

HAPPY NEW YEAR Sylvia Foreman



For Sale

Stainless Steel TS10-C Trim Saw

The perfect choice if you hate rust! The worktable has a 14-1/4" x 16-5/8" work surface and centered blade. Includes 10" diamond blade, sealed ball bearing arbor, arbor pulley, 3/4" steel shaft, 1/3 hp motor, belt blade guard, plastic hood, vise and mounted base dimensions: 14 1/2"W x27 1/2" L
Requires 2 quarts of cutting oil. #059-093 \$600.00 New

Jim & Jacque Yandle
860-3007
5599 S. Santa Cruz Way

Happy Birthday and Anniversary

Birthdays

Melissa Jones 1/5 Jan Smith 1/9
Jerry Scherer 1/18
Jim Wilson 1/18
Dick Parker 1/24
Kurt Fosnaugh 1/24

Happy Anniversary

Melanie & Scott Olmsted 1/19
Dan & Linda Phillips 1/21
Isaac & Betty Ward 1/22



I am hopping I am on a
roll and not forgotten
anyone
Let me know if I missed
you.
If so I am sorry,
catch you next time .
Joan .

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

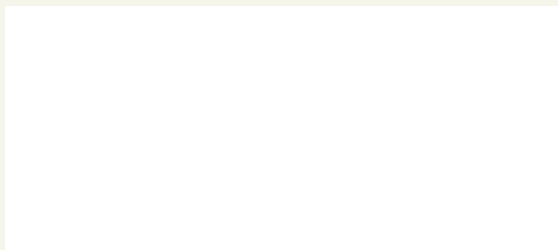


Our annual show is almost here!

Set up day: March 2- Friday 8:00 am to 9:00 pm

Show Date March 3--Saturday 10:00am to 6:00pm
March 4---Sunday 10:00am to 5:00pm

Joan & Gene Alvey
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Happy New Year one and ALL