



Owyhee Gem



Owyhee Gem & Mineral Society

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Sunshine

RoseMary Peterson 546-1897

OGMS President July President Message

Hello fellow rockhounds!! Are you surviving the heat wave that has fallen on us?? I hope so remember if you wait until you feel thirsty you are already dehydrated so be sure to increase your water intake. Another reminder would be to consider the elderly in your lives and check up on them. It is sometimes hard for them to get around in this heat to make meals and keep cool.

This month is our Annual picnic at the Caldwell Park off of Kimball. It will be a potluck so break out an old or new recipe or two to share with your club members. We have so many really excellent cooks that this night is always filled with super food and fun. Be sure to bring your own table service and the club will furnish the drinks and ice cream. There will also be an auction to help off set the cost of our Christmas banquet so if you can provide a nice item someone might want to bid on it will be most appreciated. Ed Moser and Brad Larson usually help run this and they make it a fun time. I hope you will all come and enjoy this time visiting with your fellow club members.

This month is also "Thunder egg Days" in Nyssa OR and there are several of our club members participating so if you are looking for a day outing come over and check us out. It runs from Thursday through Saturday. There will be lots to do from field trips to lawn mower races and even a car show not to mention a chance to find some nice rocks. Come give it a try.

I look forward to seeing everyone this month!! Stay cool, hydrated, and enjoying the opposite of 5 below zero.

Willa Renken



Thank you all for allowing me for these past few years to be you News Letter Chairman it has been great fun and an extremely big learning experience. Thanks again one and all..

I am writing this to all my fellow rock club members. I have a lot of mixed emotions about this but I think it is all our officers and chairpersons obligation and duty to step down and let new club members bring their new ideas to our club so that it can continue to grow. If we are not growing and changing we will be come stagnate and die off. So it is with great pride and a little sadness that I inform you this will be my last news letter. Starting next month Denise Stringer will be our new News Letter Chairman. I ask that you all step up to the plate and help her as you have been so kind and willing to help me. Remember it is not my news letter or hers it belongs to ALL OF US. And it is ALL of our responsibility to do our part.

Thank you all so much

Joan Alvey

OWYHEE GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY**JUNE 19, 2013**

GENERAL MEETING: held at College of Idaho in 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 June newsletter. With no changes to be made Pauline Prather made motion to accept the minutes as printed 2nd by Red Larson and approved by members.

EVENING ACTIVITIES: There was no program for the evening meeting.

GUEST: We had the pleasure of 4 guests for the evening.

SECRETARY: Sylvia Foreman did not have any information to report.

VICE PRESIDENT: Melissa Jones was not present.

EDITOR: Joan Alvey would like all information for the July newsletter by July 1.

TREASURER: Janie Ehlers gave the treasurer's report.

FEDERATION CHAIRMAN: Ed Moser reported the scholarship donations, from the Owyhee Gem Club, goes direct to the AFMF Federation.

Ed asked the members of OGMS how they wish for him to vote on up dating the By-Laws for Northwest Federation.

Joan Alvey made motion to accept the up-date to the By-Laws for Northwest Federation 2nd by Brad Larson and motion passed.

HISTORIAN: Pauline Prather had nothing to report.

SUNSHINE: RoseMary Peterson has not received any request for a get-well or sympathy card or acknowledgement of any kind for any of our members.

MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN: Neava Haney had a name of a prospective new member for membership in our club.

Helen Krivy made motion to accept the new member, seconded by Joan Alvey and accepted by general membership.

FIELD TRIP CHAIRMAN: Larry Beattie reported that the field trip for June will be to Succor Creek. Meet at Homedale Park at 7:30am leave at 8am. Bring usual rock hunting tools and lots of water, picks, bug spray, etc., and be sure to fill all holes you dig after digging for your treasures.

On front desk Larry had a sheet to list all rock hounds that were wanting to go to the Oregon Sunstone Claim so he could call them to make plans for the trip.

WEB REPORT: Brad Larson reported that he had posted the newsletter on the Web and the Website was up to date.

REFRESHMENT: Ruth and Jim Hopkins thanked the June refreshment crew.

OLD BUSINESS: Willa announced that the July 17th meeting was the annual picnic at Caldwell Park at 6:30pm. It will be pot luck. Bring your place setting and a covered dish, the club will furnish the drinks.

NEW BUSINESS: Willa announced that we had a new Road Clean-up chairman. Ithel Kildow will take on that duty. Willa thanked him for the club.

Helen Krivy asked the members if there were any one in the club that would be interested in sharing information of our hobby with another club of other interest.

SLAB DRAWING: Willa had the pleasure of pulling tickets with her little helper Aubrey from the can for slabs and announcing the number for winners. The door prize was won by Helen Krivy donated by RoseMary Peterson.

MEETING ADJOURNED and REFRESHMENTS enjoyed by all.

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June Field Trip to Succor Creek Thunder Egg Claim

Mother Nature threatened us with rain all week long but then gave us a picture perfect day to dig for thunder eggs. A lot of nice eggs were found and a very unique double was unearthed (where the heck was the camera?).



July Field Trip to Oregon for Sunstones

I am still gathering information for our trip for sunstones so I need some information from everyone who plans to go on this field trip. I need your names, contact information, and how many are planning to go. There are pay to dig mines in the area along with the public and private claims we may have access to so I need to know what you are wanting to do there. We will be dry camping somewhere so I will need to be able to contact you with that information. I'm not exactly sure of my work schedule yet but, Darell Ehlers has expressed an interest in caravanning over with anyone who is interested so we need to work that out. It's a long trip over and I don't want to loose anyone going over or running around over there. As long as I bring most of you back we should be ok, right? I need this information in the next week if possible and no later than the picnic. If you can send this information to me by email, great, otherwise, call me.

Larry Beattie

lbeattiejr@aol.com

208-466-6184



Hey Hey Its Here
annual Club Pic-

time for one of our Auctions. We hold these only a couple times a year and we use the monies raised to help with the cost of our Christmas banquet. So bring all your items you wish to donate for the auction and this can be anything from SOUP TO NUTS, it DOES+ NOT HAVE TO BE ROCK RELATED. Oh and don't forget to bring your wallets and or checkbooks. Cause as well as needing things to auction we need folks to purchase these fantastic items.

it is time for our
pic. And is also

The club will furnish the drinks, you need to bring your favorite covered dish, your own table service and you might bring a lawn chair for your self oh and maybe even some bug off cause the darn mosquitoes' are out.

It starts at 6:00 clock meeting will be short and then its grub time.

The address is 618 Irving

Hope to see you all there in the past it has been a blast so if everyone comes out and joins in I am sure this will be no exception,

Joan AlveyHey Joan Alvey

OWYHEE GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY BOARD MINUTES**JUNE 24, 2013**

Present at the OGMS Board Meeting June 24 were Willa Renken, Janie & Darell Ehlers, Ed & Deanna Moser, Joan & Gene Alvey, Pauline Prather, RoseMary Peterson, Bill and Sylvia Foreman.

BOARD MEETING: was called to order by President Willa Renken at 7pm in room 106 at the College of Idaho. Willa asked if there were any changes to the board minutes as printed in June newsletter. There were no changes to be corrected so Ed Moser made motion to accept the minutes as printed 2nd by Gene Alvey and carried by board members.

SECRETARY: Sylvia Foreman had nothing to report.

VICE PRESIDENT: Melissa Jones was not present.

TREASURER: Janie Ehlers had nothing to report .

EDITOR: Joan Alvey asked for all information for July newsletter by July 1.

Joan announced that Denise Stringer will be EDITOR for OGMS starting August 1.

SHOW CHAIRMAN: Susan Beattie was not present.

FEDERATION CHAIRMAN: Ed Moser would like rocks and slabs for the Federation Show. Please bring them to the club picnic in July. Keep saving stamps for Cancer Research and also please bring them to the picnic too.

HISTORIAN: Pauline Prather had nothing to report.

SUNSHINE: RoseMary would appreciate it if you would let her know if anyone needs a get-well or sympathy card.

MEMBERSHIP: Neava Haney was not present.

FIELD TRIP: Larry Beattie was not present.

WEB REPORT: Brad Larson was not present.

OLD BUSINESS: nothing to take care of at this time.

NEW BUSINESS: nothing to work on at this time.

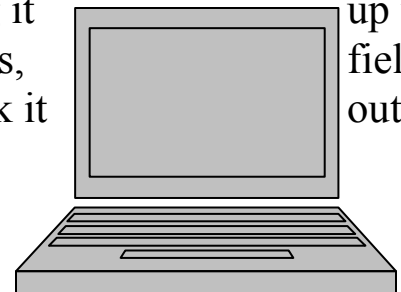
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Have You ever visited our Club Website

Lets Check out our most awesome Web site . it always has great information on it ,there are some great pictures of our outings and our news letter is posted on it. If you have computer access take a look at it sometime it really is amazing and you can see the News letter in **FULL Color** it really makes it look more interesting I think. The fact that it is too expensive to publish it in Color we can't do it but it cost no more to show it in Full Color on the web site so come on and check it out . Brad Larson our Web Master does a great job of keeping it up to date with all kinds of information. Like upcoming shows, field trips dates , times and much much more. So lets go check it out at.

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& Anna Stringer

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1 Mile South of Karcher Mall

Ithel Kildow has stepped up to the plate and volunteered to be our new Road Cleanup Chairman. A big thank you goes out to him from all our membership. Gene Alvey told him he would be happy to assist him also. Thanks guys in advance. We will be doing the next road cleanup in either September or October. Ithel will let us know in advance so we can all make arrangements to sign up to help him.



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Shop Carts For Sale

Shop Carts For Sale & some to give away.

For more information

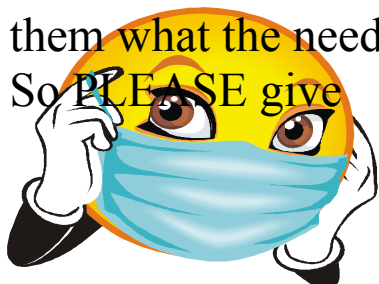
Contact Ron Dingley.

867-2912

Remember this months meeting is our PICNIC and it is held at the Caldwell Park.

It's a Pot Luck and a AUCTION so bring your own service, covered dish, item to auction and of course your wallet to purchase the many auction items. You might bring sunscreen, lawn chair and mosquito repellent in the past these items have come in handy.

Hi I am RoseMary Peterson your Sunshine chairman and I have this great idea. I am going to contact all our members that I can via the phone. To let them know that if they have been coming to the meetings that's great and keeps it up. But if for some reason you have not been attending and there is something we can do to get you there just let me know like if you would like to come but need a ride let me know we will do everything in our power to make that happen. And if you hear of anyone needing a Get Well card or visit please give me a call if I don't know there is a need then I cannot give them what the need or deserve. So PLEASE give me a call 546-1897



Membership Report

The General Body accepted the application of the Alley Family (David & Lorene) at the June Meeting. Welcome to these new members.

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)

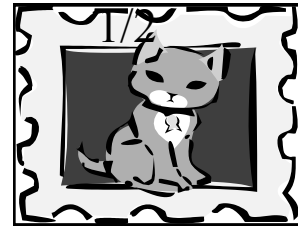
We have had some inquires for replacement of Name Badges or small patches that have gone astray. You can purchase the Name Badge for \$2.00 and/or the small patch for \$3.00 each. We also have the big patches for \$10.00.

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



Neava Haney 899-1519
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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.
Thank you all for this it dose
help others and it might just
Help some one you might know..



Did you find them and save them

Did any of you notice the different stamps that were on your last news letter well Rose Mary Peterson provided them? I put a note on the outside of the news letter to remind us all to save them. So I hope you did. Well there will be some more on this months news letter so remember to save them also .Ed will be taking them to the federation show here real soon so remember to bring them to the next meeting. Also he is asking for rock donation from our members to take to the federation show so they can have some rock from our area to put on their silent auction as well as perhaps their live auction. Bring your donation of rock to the Picnic and he will take care of getting them to Montana. This can be SLABS or RUFF ROCK,
Joan 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



Happy 4th of July
Be safe and enjoy

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