

# "Owyhee Gem"

## Owyhee Gem & Mineral Society

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### October President's Message

Hello everyone. Hope this month is finding you all well and enjoying the beautiful fall weather. As of the writing of this newsletter, we are still meeting at the College of Idaho. I hope that more of you will start coming out. The School has us under a mask policy and we can spread out more in the meeting room so the risk of anything is less.

Our year is getting shorter and so we have started planning some of the fun events that we usually end it with. October is our elections month so if you were considering being on the Board please let us know. We welcome new turnover, and would entertain any offers. November is our annual auction so please be thinking of your donations. This is always a fun event and Ed loves teasing you all into spending a little extra for the Club. December is our Christmas Banquet and we hope that you will consider attending. It will be in Nampa at the Elks and we will have more information soon.

Our Show Chairman Paul Deveau has asked us to help him come up with a Theme for our March Gem Show. If you have an idea please bring it with you and present it at our October meeting. I know some of you are quite clever at these things so I am looking forward to hearing your ideas.

Our last field trip for the year will be to Graveyard Point. We will be joining the Idaho Gem Club on their claim for Plume Agate. Robert will be meeting you Saturday the 23rd at the Extra Mile Chevron on the corner of 55/95 at 8am and leaving at 8:30am. He has also ask for any ideas for the 2022 season.

If you know of a site or trip that you would like to do next year please let him or Dale know so they can get our next year's trips lined out. The Board would like to thank all of you who have gone out on our field trips this last year and appreciate the many donations to our Field Trip Chairs so they can provide you the guidance to these areas. We look forward to the New Year and the adventures it holds.

This month's meeting will be on the 20<sup>th</sup> of October at the College and starts at 7pm. We hope you will consider coming out and sharing an evening with us. We will be holding a slab drawing so if you have any slabs you would like to donate they would be graciously accepted. Thank you again for all that each of you do on behalf of our club!

Without each of you it would not be as strong and resilient as it is. See you all on the 20<sup>th</sup>.

-Willa Renken OGMS President



**OWYHEE GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY GENERAL MEETING MINUTES 15 SEPTEMBER 2021**

**President Willa Renken** called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm at Boone Hall Science Building Room 103 at the College of Idaho in Caldwell. Kim Bashford made the motion to accept the minutes as printed in the newsletter, Dave Schmidt seconded, motion passed. New members and visitors were heartily welcomed to OGMS.

**Vice President Roxanne Franklin** was not in attendance, but she set up two presentations for the meeting:



**Dan Stevens** shared his methods for making his spheres... with examples of all the cuts required, the tools for rounding them out, and all the steps in between... about polishing them... the whole process for his works of art! Thank you, Dan... they are really beautiful.



**Karen Davis** demonstrated how to use an Arrow Spot Cleaning gun to clean rocks but it is especially handy on crystals. She only uses water in the gun and it basically acts as a mini pressure washer that can be used indoors. It is good at cleaning off dirt, lichen and is especially handy for crevices. It gets the deep dirt off better than any brush she's tried using. She got hers on Amazon. She brought several samples to clean and showed how easy it was to operate. Works great! Thanks Karen! She also gave a great tip on how to get iron stains off crystals and other rocks. Use "Iron Out" and dilute in water and let them soak overnight in a plastic container. Rinse thoroughly, if necessary repeat for stubborn stains You can buy this in the cleaning supplies section at stores.

If YOU would like to make a presentation or share with the club, please contact Roxanne.

**Secretary Chris Deveau** received one advertisement at the PO Box. There were two memberships given to Membership Chair, Kim Bashford and a Bureau of Land Management mail receipt passed to Dave Schmidt for the claim records.

**Treasurer Debbie Lawrence** gave a review of the club accounts, bills paid, and deposits made.

**Show Chair Paul Deveau** summarized the status of advertising for the show and reminded everyone to continue tumbling rock.

**Membership Chair Kim Bashford** reminded everyone that October is membership renewal month. Please send in your renewals to Kim or bring them to the meeting.

**Assistant Field Trip Chair Dale Rawson** reported that everyone found good specimens at Texas Springs... had a good turnout. The next field trip is Saturday, 18 September 2021 to the club's Blue Egg Claim. Please meet at the tank at Homedale Park at 8:00am, leave at 8:30. Picks and shovels for digging will be handy to have. Due to the dry conditions, watch where you drive and park... bring fire safety equipment.

**Editor, Denise Stringer** requested that all articles for the newsletter be in by the 4<sup>th</sup> day of each month.

**Unfinished Business** - None

#### **New Business**

- The Board will be meeting in the Idaho Room at the Caldwell City Library on the last Monday of the month through the end of the year.
- Elections will be held at the October General Meeting... if you are interested in getting more active in the club, please contact Willa.
- The Christmas Banquet is being planned for the December General Meeting at the Elks in Nampa.
- Membership renewals are due in October... please send them to Kim Bashford, Membership Chair.

The slab drawing raised \$25.00 for the club. Please bring your slabs to the next meeting... there will be a slab drawing.

Bill Stringer won the door prize... but our previous winner, Deana Ashton was not in attendance, so we'll look forward to that next month. For those new members, the winner of the door prize gets to provide the prize for next month's meeting.

The September Board Meeting will be held at the Caldwell Library at 7:00pm on Monday 27 October 2021. The meeting was adjourned at 08:10pm.

Respectfully submitted, Christine Deveau Secretary



**Vice President's Corner—Roxanne Franklin**  
[Owyhee Gem & Mineral Society | Facebook](#)



**Monthly Meeting Topic**

If you have an idea for a presentation or information session, please contact me: Roxanne Franklin (208) 577-7095, rocksfrank@cableone.net

**Trade a Slab**

Bring a slab to the next meeting and trade it for someone else's slab.

**"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 Roxanne.

**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.

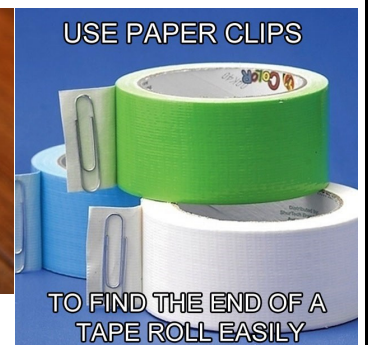
Please Respect the Rules when you are out collecting rocks, be careful of ticks and snakes, and have fun.

-Ed Moser, Federation Director  
 (208) 340-8060, edmoser15@gmail.com

**Life Hacks**

What is a life hack? It's any trick, shortcut, skill, or novelty method that increases productivity and efficiency. Do you have life hacks you would like to share? Send to denisemstringer@gmail.com.

How many times have you picked up a roll of tape and can't find where it starts? Here are a couple of ways to find that spot easily. Use a bread tab or a paper clip to find the end!







**Robert Murphey**

Robert Murphey (208) 590-1848  
or Dale Rawson (208) 283-7990



**Dale Rawson**

**OGMS 2021 Field Trips**

**USEFUL ITEMS TO BRING ON YOUR 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, 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.  
Remember, when you are finished, fill in all holes that are dug at the site.

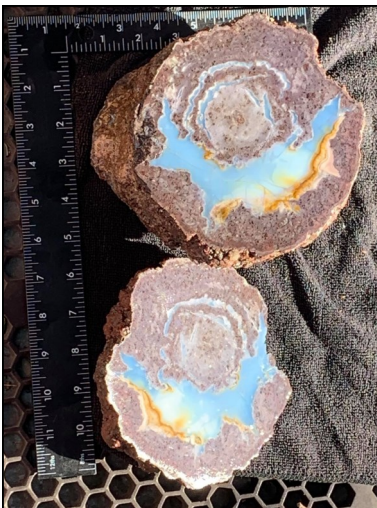


**ALL FIELD TRIPS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DEPENDING ON THE WEATHER AND ROAD CONDITIONS.**

**OGMS 2021 Field Trips**

**Oct 23rd:** \* Graveyard Point for agate and Jasper. Meet at Gem Stop / Chevron (Hwy 55&95).  
\*(meet @ 8am – leave @ 8:30am)

**Field Trip Report:**



Hello All, Last trip to the Blue Egg Claim was a great trip. There were approximately 35 people who showed up and 17 vehicles. Everyone went home with some great thundereggs and the weather was great. Most people filled their buckets by 2PM and headed out before the storm came in. The road was a bit washboard going through Succor Creek Rec area and a bit dusty but everyone made it. Before we headed out I briefed everyone that we will not be marking the road in and each vehicle should wait at every turn for the person following before moving on. It is important to follow these instructions, as on this trip about 10 vehicles missed the turn. Dale had to catch up to the lost bunch and direct them back on the right



path. I know everyone is anxious to get out and start collecting but it is important as a group to follow instruction so we all make it to our collecting sites as a group.



This month will be our last scheduled field trip of the year. We will be joining up with the Boise Idaho Gem Club and heading out to Graveyard Point in search of Plume Agate and other misc. minerals. On this trip we will teach about mining claims, how claims are marked and talk about tools to help one research areas that are claimed as well as about being a good steward to the land.

Please join us on October 23<sup>rd</sup> in the parking area around the back side of the Chevron on the corner of US Hwy 55/95 @ 8AM (just outside of Marsing). We will go over some of the above information mentioned prior to leaving @ 8:30AM. Hope to see you all there, happy rockhounding!

**2022 Show Dates: March 6 and 7  
O'Connor Field House, Caldwell, Idaho**

The Gem Show "IS" getting closer and plans are moving forward... New "Black Lights", have arrived and been tested – All of the last Gem Show vendors have secured their places. Covington Engineering, manufacturer of lapidary equipment, now located in Meridian, Idaho, will also be present at our 2022 Gem Show.

The "SHOW THEME" will be voted on at the October General Meeting... currently to be held on Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> of October, at the College of Idaho, Boone Science Building, Room 103, at 7:00p (19:00)

**"CONTACT SHEET – 2022"**

**SHOW VENUE CHAIRS:** (2-hour sign-up to take part and have fun)

|                            |                                |              |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|
| Front Door                 | <b>Roxanne Franklin</b>        | 208-577-7095 |
| Sand Dig                   | <b>Jody and Natasha Atwood</b> | 208-409-7377 |
| Wheel of Gems              | <b>Chris Rawson</b>            | 208-371-7639 |
| Grab Bags                  | <b>Janie Ehlers</b>            | 208-674-1213 |
| Silent Auction             | <b>Don Dixon</b>               | 208-908-3374 |
| Membership                 | <b>Kim Bashford</b>            | 208-454-7287 |
| Grand Prize/Basket Raffles | <b>Deana Ashton</b>            | 208-794-5628 |
| Demonstrators              | <b>Willa Renken</b>            | 208-362-3941 |

We will have **Jari McClarin** and **Bill Anderson** as our Roving Membership Ambassadors again in 2022.

**Kim Bashford** (208-454-7287) will be taking reservations for the "SHOWCASES", so get your name on her list to reserve one or more for the show. **THESE GO FAST !!**

**Diane Stevens** (208-454-5406) and **Andrea Sawyer** (208-323-1345) will Co-Chair the "Chili Feed" for the Friday show set-up.

**Donations always needed...**Wheel of Gems Prizes  
Grab Bag Prizes  
Polished and Faceted Stones for Sand Dig  
Critters and Critter Making Supplies

**Tumble Rock...**

Please continue tumbling rocks for grab bags, OGMS will pay \$120.00 for a five-gallon bucket of nicely, tumbled rocks...

Save a few of your rock hunting treasures to donate for the 2022 Silent Auction.

**KAREN & BRIAN DAVIS** are the new "CO-ASSISTANT SHOW CHAIRS"  
- (208) 409-8936 bkdavis76@gmail.com

VOLUNTEERS, please contact any of the SHOW VENUE CHAIRS and sign-up "IT'S THAT EASY"

**LOOKING FORWARD TO ANOTHER GREAT SHOW... BE THINKING OF THE NEW "SHOW THEME FOR 22"...**

SHOW CHAIR: Paul Deveau  
(208) 994-8025, devidaho@q.com



### October Birthdays

- 1 Celia Quignon
- 10 Alan Ballinger
- 11 Vickie Wise
- 14 Marilyn Troyer
- 16 Betty Brown
- 16 Harry Erichson
- 16 Craig Holladay
- 16 Dee Huntley
- 16 Scott Powell
- 16 John Wright
- 18 Daryl Hood
- 18 Christine Newman
- 20 Bill Sawyer
- 21 Stanley Grove
- 23 Cindy Hendrix
- 23 Chuck McGuire
- 23 Randy Robin
- 26 Joy Harris
- 26 Robert Murphey
- 26 Bill Todd
- 26 Dennis Waller
- 28 Don Ferreira
- 29 Sandi Johnson
- 29 Brad Larson
- 30 Aubrey Kopp
- 30 Dan Stevens

### September Anniversaries

- 11 Jay & Kim Erb
- 19 Scott & Patti Powell



### October Birthstone—Opal

The birthstone for October is **Opal** and the October birthstone color is **Multi-Color, White or Pink**.



The alternative October birthstone is **Pink Tourmaline** and in fact both Opal and Tourmaline are the official birthstones for this month.

The birth flowers for October are the Marigold and Cosmos.

Besides being a meaningful October birthday gift, Opal jewelry is given to celebrate a 14th wedding anniversary and Tourmaline jewelry for an 8th wedding anniversary.

The origin of the name 'Opal' comes from Sanskrit *upala* meaning 'precious stone' and Greek *opallios* meaning 'to see a change of color'. The dazzling Opal gemstone is associated with imagination, fidelity, creativity, innocence and hope.

Opal is actually a hardened silica gel and over millennia it can also replace parts of animal skeletons, plants or wood called opalized fossils or opalized wood.

Opal is found in Australia, well known for Black Opal as well its unique Boulder Opal that includes part of the surrounding rock. White Opal is also mined in Ethiopia and Brazil. Crystal Opal has an almost transparent background and is found in Nevada, Idaho and Oregon, USA. Fire Opal has background colors in the yellow to red range and occurs in Mexico, Brazil, Idaho and Oregon, USA.

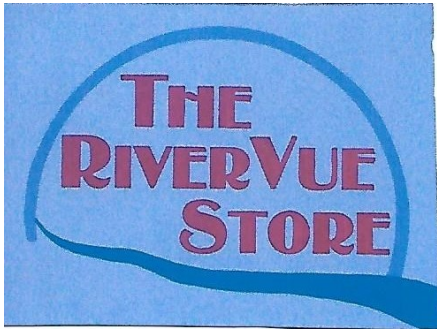
[October Birthstone Color and Flower & more October Birthday Symbols \(monthlybirthstones.com\)](http://monthlybirthstones.com)

### 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.  
-Jewels Haines, Sunshine Chair, jewelsmalia@yahoo.com





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### In Memoriam—Carolyn Polk Whipple

Carolyn peacefully passed away on September 15, 2021 after a valiant struggle with Alzheimer's disease.

Carolyn was born in Washington, D.C. on Dec. 17, 1949. She grew up in Alexandria, Virginia. She loved school, church choir, and frequent trips to the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia to visit family. Carolyn had a brilliant and inquisitive mind and loved to read and learn. She enjoyed exploring the history and the natural beauty of the area. Carolyn loved music and had the voice of an angel.



She went to George Washington High School where she graduated with honors, and from James Madison College graduating Suma Cum Laude with a B.S. in Geology and a teaching certificate. She began her long and distinguished career teaching Earth Science and Mathematics. In 1989, she completed her Master's degree in Special Education at the University of Colorado, graduating with a perfect G.P.A. She worked as both a Program Director and teacher, but her real passion was to teach emotionally and behaviorally disturbed children. Her selfless devotion to them changed so many lives. She was always a fearless advocate for their education and welfare. She taught in Virginia, New Mexico, Alaska, and Idaho, with her career culminating after 33 years of teaching at Middleton Middle School.

She met Randy, the love of her life, and they married on July 8, 1986. She said he danced his way into her heart and never left. Randy said meeting her was the luckiest day in his life. Three days later, they left New Mexico and started their journey together on a 4,500 mile drive to Randy's remote US Air Force assignment in Clear, Alaska. One year later, they moved to Colorado Springs for seven years and many more adventures in the Colorado Rockies, then back to New Mexico for seven wonderful years living in the Sandia Mountains, and finally to Idaho where she had lived since 2001.

Carolyn loved adventure. She embraced the outdoor lifestyle and loved to camp, fish, rock collect, hike and ski. She loved spontaneous road trips! She also enjoyed quilting, scrapbooking, lapidary, and basketry.

Carolyn loved people. She had an indomitable spirit and a steadfast dedication to her friends, family, and students.

Carolyn was preceded in death by her loving and generous parents, Charles and Frances Polk; her brothers: Pete, Jimmy, and Mike; and her sister, Peggy. She is survived by her sister, Kathryn Mullins; her husband, Randy Whipple; and many much loved nieces, nephews, in-laws, and friends.



In remembrance of Carolyn, friends and family are encouraged to donate to the Alzheimer's Association as a tribute gift or contribute live perennials for her memorial garden. Written remembrances may be made for Carolyn on her tribute wall at [www.flahiffuneralchapel.com](http://www.flahiffuneralchapel.com).

Carolyn, we thank you for the laughter and love, and for standing by us on a wonderful journey. Your deep spiritual center, your compassion and kindness to others, and the way which you gave life its all will never be forgotten.

### 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.



**ATTENTION - BOARD MEETING CHANGED TO CALDWELL ELKS  
- LIBRARY CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

**OWYHEE GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY    BOARD MEETING MINUTES    27 SEPTEMBER 2021**

The OGMS Board Meeting was called to order by **President Willa Renken** at 7:00pm at the Caldwell Elks at 1015 N. Kimball Ave., Caldwell, Idaho. Roxanne Franklin made a motion to accept the minutes as printed in the newsletter; Kim Bashford seconded; motion carried.

**Secretary Chris Deveau** picked up one piece of junk mail at the Caldwell Post Office. She received three memberships, which were passed to Kim Bashford, Membership Chair. One dealer contract with payment was given to Paul Deveau, Show Chair.

**Vice President Roxanne Franklin** is working on programs for the club. Asst. Show Chair, Karen Davis volunteered to make a presentation at the next meeting.

**Treasurer Debbie Lawrence** was unavailable for the meeting.

**Show Chair Paul Deveau** covered much information about next year's Rock Show. Be thinking of something for the theme for next year's show... we will be voting on that at the October General Meeting.

**Federation Chair Ed Moser** was not at the meeting but advised Willa that the Federation Meeting in Walla Walla was cancelled in person for September and was held via Zoom.

**Membership Chair Kim Bashford** presented three new memberships to the Board for approval: **ROYCE & KATIE DAVIS & family; DAVID & BARBARA KORN; and GREG & VALERIE TUCKER.** Roxanne Franklin made the motion to accept the new members, Karen Davis seconded; motion carried. WELCOME, WELCOME TO THE OGMS FAMILY!

**Field Trip Chair Robert Murphey** was not at the meeting but advised Willa that the Blue Egg Claim field trip was quite successful. There were 35 people in 17 vehicles. Everyone got some good material, but a storm came in about 2:00pm so it was cut short. The next monthly field trip will be on 23 October 2021 to Graveyard Point for agate and jasper. Meet at the Gem Stop/Chevron (HWY 55 & 95) west of Marsing at 8:00am, leaving at 8:30.

The Board checked with Robert if the 2 October 2021 field trip to Tony Funk's rock yard in Gooding was still on. He confirmed and Willa sent a message to Denise, who sent a notice to all those on the internet to remind them of that trip!

**Unfinished Business** – None

**New Business**

- Kim Bashford is working with the Nampa Elks to provide our Christmas Banquet at the December General Meeting.
- Elections will be held at the October General Meeting. Unless someone else steps up to get involved, we will retain the existing Board Members.
- Be thinking of the 2022 Rock Show theme... we will vote on that also at the General Meeting.

The Board Meetings have been changed due to Covid restrictions in Canyon County... the Board will be meeting at the Caldwell Elks Lodge at 1015 N. Kimball Ave, Caldwell, Idaho, on the last Monday of the month, October 25<sup>th</sup>, and November 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. There will be no Board meeting in December.

Currently, the October General Meeting will be held on Wednesday, 20 October 2021 at the Boone Science Building Room 103 on the College of Idaho campus in Caldwell, Idaho at 7:00pm. Masks are required to enter the building. We hope to see everyone there to vote! Please bring your slabs... there will be a slab drawing.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm.  
Respectfully submitted, Christine Deveau Secretary



## The General Meeting for October is at the College of Idaho!

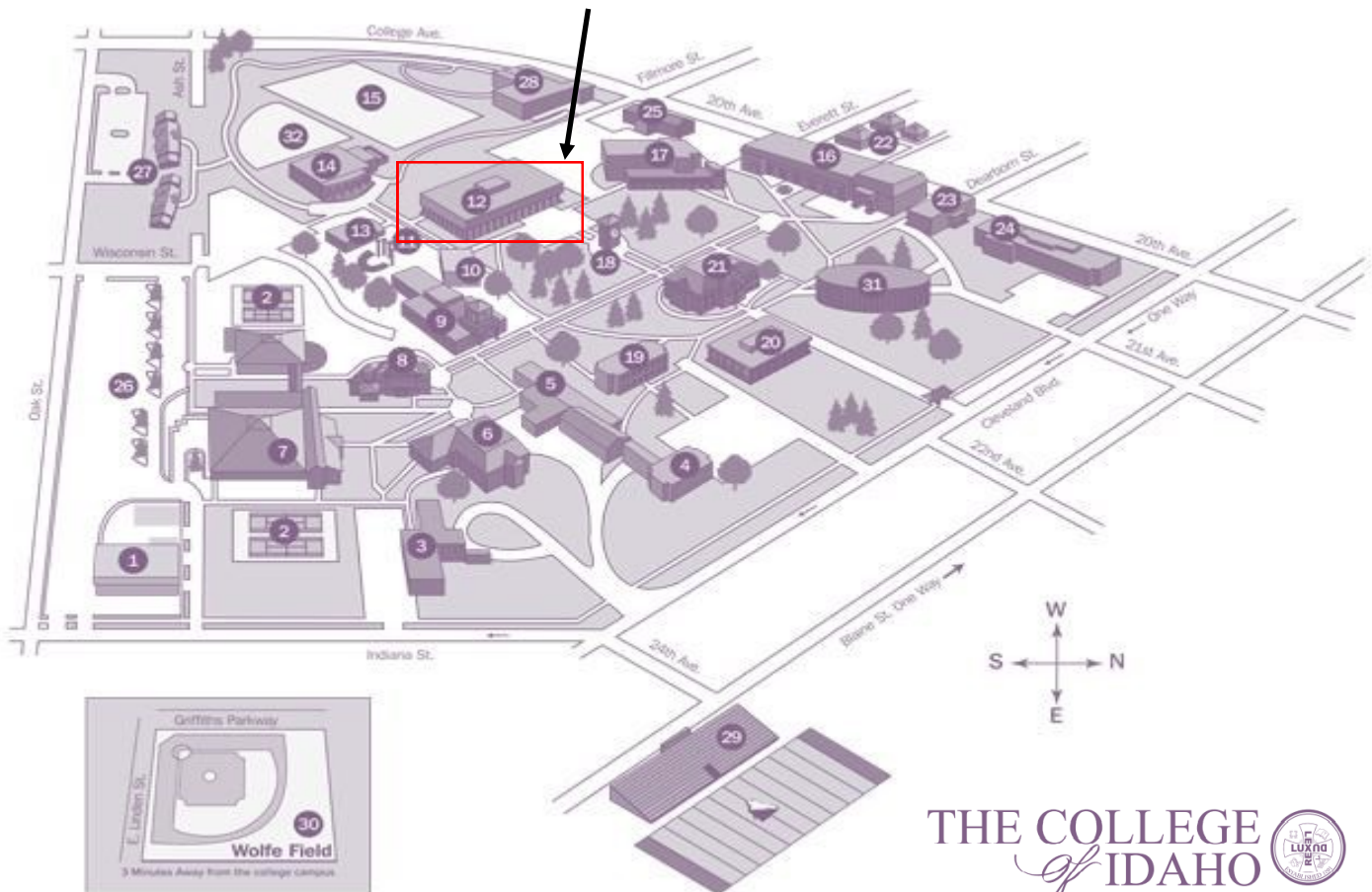
The October 20th General Meeting will be in the Boone Science Hall at the College of Idaho, Room 103.

On the map below, the location is Building 12.  
If you are heading SW on 20th Ave,  
you will take a left at Filmore St and go through the  
parking lot to the side entrance of the building.

See you there at 7:00 p.m.

General meetings are the third Wednesday of each month.

**Park Here**







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.

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.

**<http://www.owyheerocks.com/>**