



THE GEODE

Lakeside Gem and Mineral Club, Inc. (LGMC)

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Club purpose: Promote activities of mutual interest for collecting and displaying of gems and minerals.

Address: Lakeside Gem & Mineral Club, Inc., PO Box 6652, Kennewick, WA 99336-0603

August Meetings

Club: Wed. 7th – Social 6:30 p.m. Meeting 7:00 / **Board Meeting 19th 6:30** Seventh Day Adventist Church, 7105 W 10th Ave, Kennewick

Junior Club meets 13th 6:30 pm; Banner Bank, 203 W 1st Ave., Kennewick
JR Club Leader Thora Trumbo (509) 582-4297

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GEODE Submission Deadlines:

- 19th – member articles & photos
- Day after Board mtg. - officer & committee contributions

E-mail them to

mickeemadden@charter.net

- Please contact Mark Kidder with any changes to your street or email address for our membership list.

August Program

Bill will present **What Is It Or Where It's From** – *“The Case of the Mysterious Duck”*.

Classes:

Cabbing classes have resumed at Mike Zinski's shop located at 7302 W Yellowstone on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. Please call Mike at 783-9337 or Rhea at 628-6404 if you're planning on attending cabbing class.

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Member contact information updates:

Please notify Mark Kidder at markkidder@msn.com

Minutes – Club Meeting – June 5, 2019

Wayne Larson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

General Business

- **Welcome Guests:** Welcome Jamie, Kylie and Carol.
- **Secretary's Report:** Nothing to report. The minutes stand as printed.
- **Treasurers Report:** Nothing to report.
- **Federation News:** Larry attended the mid-year Federation meeting in Coeur d'Alene and reported on the stamp collecting program, monies which go toward cancer research. See Pat Lambert if you have stamps to donate. Also, check out the Northwest Federation website for information on the upcoming show in Lewiston, Idaho on October 18 thru the 20th. You can download forms to register for a competitive or non-competitive display, look into hotel accommodations, as well as get updates on camping at the fairgrounds.
- **Hancock Station Retreat:** Wayne gave an update on events at Hancock Station's lapidary classes and what to expect if you're interested in registering. Also see the Northwest Federation Newsletter for more information.
- **Pow Wow:** Marty Casto has information on the Madras and Prineville rock shows, as well as the annual Pow Wow.

Old Business

- Please be sure to pay your membership dues if you haven't already, and confirm that we have your current email address.
- Reminder: Danielle Marshall has volunteered to work with a committee of members to get us up to speed on establishing a presence on social media. The committee will meet before our regular Board meeting.
- We're still looking for someone to take over as Program Coordinator. If you're interested, Kathy Larson and Jerry Sorensen can give you information on what's involved in setting up our monthly meeting programs.

New Business

- **Fair:** The Fair is August 20 thru the 24th. Signup sheets were passed around for volunteers to man the booth, and to fill 6 display cases. The sheets will also be available at the August meeting. If you volunteer, not only will you get into the Fair for free, you'll also get a bus pass.
- **Elections:** Volunteers are needed for the Nomination Committee to find members willing to take over as Secretary, Treasurer and Director. **Club Picnic/Auction:** Kathy Larson has volunteered to look into reserving the gazebo by the Union Street Library once again this year. The tentative date for our picnic is Saturday, September 14.
- Larry will be putting in an order for Club name badges. Please see Larry if you're interested.

Next Meeting: There is no Club meeting in July. The next regular Club meeting is August 7, 2019, 7:00 p.m. (social at 6:30), Board meeting July 15, 2019, 6:30 p.m.. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Sally Lyon, Secretary

Minutes – Board Meeting – June 17, 2019

Present: (Board Members) Bill Hamel, Wayne Larson, Chris Sorensen, Ron Northey, Rick Tobin, Larry Hulstrom, Sally Lyon (Members) Danielle Marshall, Karl Marshall, Mike Zinski, Jerry Sorensen
Wayne Larson called the meeting to order at 6:25 p.m.

Old Business

- Bill will again ask for volunteers to form a Nominating Committee for upcoming elections in October during the August Club meeting.
- Danielle Marshall has developed a pamphlet explaining the basics of how Facebook works, and the best way to begin populating our page in order to gain views and generate interest in our club. She explained how to email our rock related photos or articles which can then be posted to the page. More information will be shared during regular Club and Board meetings.
- Larry will ask again if anyone is interested in ordering name badges during the August Club meeting.
- We also need to fill up the volunteer signup sheets for displays and working at the fair.
- Kathy Larson has reserved the gazebo by the Union Street Library for our September picnic and auction.

New Business

- Our Club Member Roster needs to be checked for new additions to the Lifetime Membership Roles.
- Mickee has researched grit and polish prices, and also taking into consideration shipping costs, has found ordering from Johnson Brothers to be our best bet. The motion was made and passed for Mickee to place an order for grit, as well as pro polish.
- Mickee would also like to purchase non-acidic clear sleeves to safely store the Club historic documents. The motion was made and passed for Mickee to make this purchase as well.
- Mickee has also been trying to set up the most efficient email mailing list generator in order to distribute the Geode and enable mass contact for Club announcements.
- Discussion regarding charging \$10 for members to set up and sell items during tailgating at the Show. It was felt that as of now, the traditional setup will be maintained. Feedback on this matter is welcome during the next regular Club meeting.
- The Board would like our member's consideration regarding the listing of items that could be sold at Club shows, auctions and other club related activities. This listing was published in the June, 2019 Geode.
- Larry has learned that the next years Federation show will be in Ogden, UT on April 10th through the 12th. This is just one week before our 2020 show.
- Discussion on how the Federation is using Amazon Smiles, which is a donation link that allocates a percentage of Amazon sales to charitable or non-profit organizations. The Board will look at the links that Larry provided for further discussion during the next meeting.
- Discussion on the flyers that the Hells Canyon Rock Club developed to advertise their October show. It was felt that a committee could be set up to investigate printing costs, sponsorships, ad allocation, etc. Item tabled for further discussion.
- Ron Northey reported that cabbing classes have had low participation now, which is normal for the summer.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m. Respectfully Submitted, Sally Lyon, Secretary

Minutes – Board Meeting – July 15, 2019

Present: (Board Members) Bill Hamel, Wayne Larson, Ron Northey, Rick Tobin, Duane Schock, Larry Hulstrom, Sally Lyon (Members) Marty Casto

Wayne Larson called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

Old Business

- Fair: Signup sheets will be available at the August Club meeting to help with set up, displays, manning the booth and tear down.
- Social Media: Discussion on getting a hands-on demonstration of navigating Facebook.
- Picnic: The space has been reserved at the gazebo at the Union Street Library for September 14 from 10:00 to 4:00. Bill will ask for volunteers to handle food/drinks, the auction table, auctioneer, etc. Larry reported that the sound box is working, and he will locate our corded microphone. Bill will also go over the published list of items allowed for auction at the August meeting.
- Nominating Committee: Bill will ask for volunteers for this committee. We will need to fill the Treasurer position.
- Tumbling Grit: Rick Tobin and Marty Casto will research the most cost effective polish available.
- Saw Oil: Rick will get pricing from Connell Oil, and Ron Northey will contact Schafer Manufacturing in Moses Lake to see what products they have available.
- Amazon Smiles Program: Larry will explain the program during the August meeting for feedback from the membership.
- Program Chair, Fieldtrip Chair: Volunteers are still needed for these positions. Bill will develop suggestion sheets to ask our members for their ideas on possible upcoming programs and trips.

New Business

- Discussion on the categories for the Annual Show and Tell Awards program in November. The categories will be discussed and ultimately published in the Geode before awards night.
- A tumbled rock bagging party will be organized in August.
- The storage unit needs a bit of a cleanout/reorganization, as well as building a stand for the cases.
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The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted Sally Lyon, Secretary

FOR SALE: Twenty-three inch ceramic kiln with all the supports, stilts and plates. Asking \$1000. Valued between \$3000-4000. Call Stan Sloan 480-495-1862

From the Board Minutes: Mickee has also been trying to set up the most efficient email mailing list generator in order to distribute the Geode and enable mass contact for Club announcements. It was suggested that the Club set up a separate business email address which may allow our entire membership list, with valid email addresses, to be mass mailed to in one batch. It was determined that the email list needs to be generated, updated and verified in order to move forward with a new platform.

Editor note: My last position as Editor will be the November issue of the Geode, so this is more for the new editor to consider. The newsletter e-mailings have been a problem for all the years I've served as editor. Daemon mailers (emails bounced back by the server), mistyped addresses, etc. Yes, the club could create a new means to email the newsletter, but it occurred to me that there is a means that would simplify the editor's job AND create more hits on our website making it more visible, which has been another topic of the board for some time.

Some of our members already download the Geode off our website. Why not everyone who wants a digital copy? This would create over a hundred hits a months. PLUS, the EVENTS calendar would make it far easier to create notices regarding meeting cancellations, rock sales, etc. In bad weather, those receiving a hard copy of the newsletter have been difficult to reach regarding a cancellation. But if everyone got in the habit of checking the EVENTS CALENDAR, this would no longer be an issue.

Requesting donations for the next raffle.

We had another successful raffle, and everyone was pleased with the items they won. It is time to get ready for next year's raffle. If you have an item you would like to donate to the raffle, please bring it to a meeting or contact Pat Lambert to have it picked up (palambert@charter.net). We have the best raffle prizes and I want to thank everyone for their generosity.

Items that could be sold at club shows, auctions & other club related activities:

- Rocks, Minerals, Fossils (specimens, rough).
- Lapidary and carving rough and associated equipment and supplies.
- Rockhounding equipment and supplies.
- Faceting rough and associated equipment and supplies.
- Gold Panning/Metal Detecting equipment and supplies.
- Flint Knapping equipment and supplies.
- Jewelry equipment and supplies.
- Magazines, books, DVDs, CDs, associated with any of the above items/topics.

In short, the items you sell **must be directly related to minerals, rocks, and fossils or jewelry.** Please remember what we sell reflects upon our club and tells the public what we are about!

Classifieds

Rock Saw Oil -- The new oil contact is Rick Tobin 2767 South Lyle St.,
Kennewick 509 734 8357

Saw oil purchasing information:

- Must be a LSGM club member to purchase saw oil. Membership forms are available if you need to join.
- Must have your own containers
- If you call and set a date and time, please show up and show up on time.
 - Diala (the old oil) \$14.00/gallon
 - Superla 5 (the new oil) \$17.50/gallon

Tumbling grit. **New Prices!** 80 grit: \$4.50 for 2# bag / 220 grit: \$5.10 for 2#bag / 600 grit: \$6.50 for 2# bag. Cerium Oxide Polish Powder: \$19.00 for 2# bag.

For every 10 lbs. of tumbled rock you donate, get 2 lbs. of 60/90 or 220 grit free. NO RIVER ROCK!!!! **Call Rick Tobin at 509 734 8357**

Sold in 2 pound bags only. Pick up at her house in Richland. **Exact change, please!**

Discussion at August Meeting regarding these contest categories

Best Color

Most Unique Rock

Best Fossil

Silversmith of the Year

Wire Wrap of the Year

Cast Piece of the Year

Faceter of the Year: Bring your bling and treat us to the sight of the best gemstone of the year that you have personally cut. The gemstone can be in a setting.

Cabochon of the Year: Show us your talent by entering the best looking cab (intarsia included) that you personally cut and polished. This cab should not be set into a mounting so the judges can see your technique on the edges and back.

Silver Picker: Bring something (cab, stone, carving, rock, jewelry, etc.) that you have purchased at a rock show, rock shop, yard sale or from a hobbyist that will impress us.

Best Find of the Year: This award is for the best personal find of the year while out rock hunting. It can be a mineral specimen, gemstone or rock – either rough or finished. You need to have dug it or found it yourself.

Project of the Year: Show us your flair and skill by entering something that you have made between 11/1/2016 and 10/31/2017 and incorporates rock in some manner. It can be a sphere, bookends, a gem tree, a carving, an educational exhibit or ???

PLEASE NOTE – JEWELRY YOU HAVE MADE MUST BE ENTERED IN ANY OF THE JEWELRY CATEGORIES.

Rockhound Legislative Advocate

When notified by the AFMS, the NFMS, ALAA or club members about legislative issues that will affect rockhounding activities, forward that information to club members via email lists.



Club Affiliations:

American Federation of Mineralogical Societies (AFMS) <http://www.amfed.org>

Northwest Federation of Mineralogical Societies (NFMS)

<http://www.amfed.org/nfms>

American Lands Access Association (ALAA)

<http://www.amlands.org>

Member: Tri-Cities Visitor and Convention Bureau



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Elections:

Volunteers are needed for the Nomination Committee to find members willing to take over as

Secretary

Treasurer

Editor

Director

Please consider helping the Club fill these positions.