



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

June Meetings

Club: Wednesday 7th– 6:30 p.m. meeting.

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

Junior Club Leader Thora Trumbo (509) 582-4297

GEODE Submission Deadlines:

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

E-mail them to

tracyandnicky@gmail.com

or call (509) 460-7120 to make
other arrangements

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June Program

Barter, Swap and Cash: The June 7th Program is Tailgating!

The event starts at 5:00 and runs to 7:00 p.m. Our meeting will begin promptly at 7:15, and to make things short and allow everyone to have fun in the parking lot, there will be no silent auction or bragging table.

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**NO MEETING IN
JULY
&
NO GEODE**

Minutes – Club Meeting – May 3, 2017

Bill Hamel called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

General Business

- **Visitors:** Anthony, Danielle, Rhonda and Walter shared their interest in rocks, and were welcomed by the Club.
- The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as written.
- Treasurer's Report: Provided by Bert Kaé-Je (not published per historic Board policy).
- Lost and Found: Someone left sunglasses, a cell phone and reading glasses at the April show. Please contact Larry Hulstrom if you are missing any of these items.
- **Geode:** Mickee Madden confirmed that she will be resigning as Geode Editor after the June issue, due to family obligations. Tracy Rabon volunteered to take over as Editor. Many thanks to Mickee for her years of work on the Geode! Enjoy Steve's retirement and your time with family.
- **Federation News:** Larry reminded everyone about the Federation show in Hamilton, Montana on May 19 through the 21st.
- Refreshments: Rhea needs volunteers for June through the end of the year meetings. Nothing fancy, just cookies and a drink are greatly appreciated.

Old Business

- Wayne Larson thanked everyone for the hard work put in to make our April show a success. It was another good show! Thank you Wayne for the wonderful job coordinating everything.
- Bert reported that 14 to 18 people participated in the silversmith class this year.

New Business

- Bill asked for a volunteer to act as a contact for the Benton-Franklin County Fair. We need to fill six cases and set up members to man the information/sale table.

Raffle – And the Winners Are:

- Petrified Wood – Tonda Steele
- Leaf Fossils – Bert Kaé-Je
- Pyrite – Pat Lambert
- Sphere – Rosann Ferris
- Crystal Necklace – Marc Spinner
- Fish Fossil – Tyler
- Agua Nueva – Ed
- Ring – John Larson
- Mask – Pete Robinson
- Arizona Wood – Shannon Jennings
- Cabochons – Evelyn Cataldo
- Gem Tree - Blaze

Door Prizes

- Bear Bentrup, Heather Moon, Jon Zarzoza, Pat Lambert, Guislen Eager, Kerry Norton and Shawn Blakley won door prizes. A special thanks to Jerry Johnson for donating faceted stones as door prizes.

Program – Mineral Identification: Thank you to Marc Spinner and Jerry Johnson for their presentation on crystal forms and mineral identification.

Next Meeting: Club Meeting – June 7, 2017, 7:00 p.m. (social at 6:30). Board Meeting – June 19, 2017, 6:30 p.m.

Minutes – Board Meeting – May 15, 2017

Present: (Board Members) Chris Sorensen, Bill Hamel, Wayne Larson, Myrene Northey, Bert Kaé-Je, Larry Hulstrom, Sally Lyon
(Members) Jerry Sorensen

Bill Hamel called the Board Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Old Business

- **Benton/Franklin Fair:** We need a volunteer to act as coordinator at the Fair in August. Larry Hulstrom will provide signup sheets for people to man the information/sale table, as well as volunteers to help with set up and we need to fill six cases. A work party will be organized to make keychains prior to the fair.
- **Show Advertising:** Larry reported that our show advertising was most effective through street signs, the Tri-City Herald, fliers, word of mouth and social media/the internet, in that order. Discussion on coding each type of coupon in some way to identify the advertising source.

New Business

- Larry let the Board know that Floyd George is living at the Prestige Assisted Living Facility at 1745 Pyke Ave. in Richland. He has Floyd's phone number if anyone would like to give him a call.
- Wayne Larson volunteered to be our club Delegate at the Federation show in Hamilton Mt.
- The Board discussed revisiting our insurance coverage as the policy is up for renewal. It was proposed that a small committee meet with the agent to clarify coverage details. Larry will meet with Evelyn Cataldo for specifics.
- Bill Hamel put forward discussion regarding show vendors, vendor options and tailgating. It was decided that the topic will be revisited before contracts actually go out in October of next year. The Board will look at vendor queries during the September meeting.
- Lifetime memberships will be tabled until the June meeting.
- Discussion on the criteria necessary to decide what members may get into the show for free. Further clarification is required.
- Mark Kidder has indicated that due to his busy work schedule, the Club needs to find a new Membership Coordinator, or possibly divide his duties among a helper or two. This will be put forward to the membership during our next meeting.
- Bert asked for clarification on the rate used to reimburse special instructors for their travel expenses, as well as other ways for the club to say thank you for providing classes. Sally Lyon volunteered to research past minutes and republish the established pay rate.
- Discussion on revising the categories in the year end awards program. Topic tabled for further discussion during the June meeting.
- There will be no Club meeting in July.

The meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Sally Lyon, Secretary

- **Junior Rock Club Minutes for May 9, 2017**

- Today we opened with the flag salute, birthdays, door prize tickets, and more. We had several visitors. We had 2 birthdays in May, Avery and Sawyer, age 8 and 9. Joy and Sawyer shared their Show and Tell items. Sawyer had minerals from Japan. Thank you to all who did a Mineral of the Month report. Thank you to everyone who entered a case in the rock show. And thank you to all the juniors and families who helped at the junior club corner at the rock show. It was a very successful show. We played "Let's Make A Deal". Everyone got to take home a different specimen. Each junior also went home with a surprise bag at the end of the night.
- There were 22 juniors and 16 adults in attendance tonight.
- **Mineral of the month reports for next month are:** Maya: Calcite, Lucas: Pyrite, Irie: Pyrite, Olivia: Tiger Eye, Sawyer: Pyrite, RJ: Pyrite, Samantha: Tiger Eye, Kiley: Pyrite, Marcus: Salidite Rose, Trey: Heulandite, Emma: Tiger Eye.
- Respectfully Submitted, Olivia

**Colemanite and Ulexite
Sawyer, Age 7**

Colemanite is a mineral that forms in places where borax and ulexite is found. It was discovered in 1884 and was named after William Tell Coleman who owned the mine Harmony Borax Works where it was first found.

Ulexite is a complex mineral containing chains of sodium, water, and hydroxide that are connected together by calcium, hydroxide, oxygen and water and boron chains. It was discovered by George Ludwig Ulex and was named after him.

The biggest difference between colmanite and ulexite is that ulexite contains sodium and colemanite does not. They, along with several other mineral compounds, are commonly found together where borax has been exposed to water and then evaporated.

Colemanite is useful for making high temperature glass but ulexite is a lot more interesting because it sometimes will form fibers that light will travel though like a tunnel and it can glow when exposed to UV light.

Chalcedony by ZJ

Chalcedony looks sparkly, and may be a little transparent.

It can be found in different colors, but the most common are white to gray and grayish-blue to nearly black.

Chalcedony belongs to the quartz group of minerals. The name comes from the name of a Greek town and is found all around the world.

Some people believe it has healing powers.

**Phantom Calcite
Trey age 9**

Phantom looks like the mariposa butterfly because this is the name of the mine where this type of calcite comes from. We call it Phantom.

Covellite by Kylie age 9

Covellite is a copper mineral that is dark blue to dark gray. It is iridescent and has luster that is metallic blue and purple. The crystals are hexagonal, bladed and double terminated. The hardness is 1.5-2. Some of the best covellite can be found in Italy. It can also be found in Montana.

Apothyllite by Sam age 10

Apothyllite are well-formed and occasionally very large. Apothyllite was originally regarded as a single mineral. Apothyllite is worldwide.

Barite by Marcus age 9

Barite is a crystal cluster. It looks like quartz but is barite. When you look closely inside it looks like a rainbow. The colors are yellow, clear, and sometimes both. That is all for my report.

Classes – Mark Your Calendar

Cabbing Class at the Omsteads

5:30 to 9:00
(509) 783-2798

June: 20-21
July: 18-19
Aug.: 15-16
Sept.: 19-20
Oct.: 17-18
Nov.: 14-15
Dec.: 19- Christmas

Flintknapping at the Omsteads

5:30 to 9:00
(509) 783-2798

June: 8-22
July: 13-27
Aug.: 10-24
Sept.: 14-28 Heritage Days/
Sacajawea Park
Oct.: 12-26
Nov.: 9- Thanksgiving
Dec.: 14- Christmas

Stamps -- Stamps – Stamps

Our club donated 3 boxes of stamps to the stamp collection. The stamp chairman is selling some of the stamps online and doing very well. He is making even more money for the cancer fund. Please keep up the good work and keep collecting stamps. Try to keep as much paper around the stamp as you can. You can just tear off the end of the envelope if it is handier for you. Bring your stamps to a meeting and give them to Pat Lambert.

Thank you for taking the time to collect stamps for a good cause!

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. 80 grit-\$2/lb. 220 grit-\$2.50 lb. 600 grit-\$3.75 lb.

For every 5 lbs. of tumbled rock you donate, get 1 lb. of grit free. Frank & Mary Lou Omstead - (509) 783-2798

No information was forwarded on what the August Program will be. So...it will be a nice surprise for everyone.

LGMC Board of Directors

Officers E-mail: lakesidegemandmineralclub@yahoo.com

President	Chris Sorensen 392-1362	Director	Wayne Larson – 586-1203
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Phone numbers are all Area Code 509. By-Laws specify two year elected terms of office for Board Members, beginning in November. President, Vice President and one Director begin in even numbered years. Secretary, Treasurer and one Director (*) begin in odd numbered years. Federation Representative, Junior Club Leader, Bulletin Editor and Committee Chairs are Board-approved volunteers. By-Laws at www.lakesidegemandmineralclub.com

Other Contact Info:

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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. Call Evelyn Cataldo at (509) 628-0170 for details.



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>

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The Geode welcomes its new editor, Tracy Rabon!

Please see her email address on the front for submitting material for the newsletter. Her phone number is listed under Board of Directors.