



# THE GEODE

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

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## GEODE Submission Deadline:

19<sup>th</sup> of the month for member articles & photos

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**Membership:** Please pay at meetings or mail in.

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The Membership List is being updated for 2023 of paid members. Make sure your dues are paid so that you don't miss out on club communications and The Geode.

## Club Meetings & Upcoming Events

Seventh Day Adventist Church, 7105 W 10th Ave, Kennewick

**First Tuesday of the Month** - Social at 6:30pm – Meeting at 7:00pm

September 5, 2023 – Club Meeting, Agate Symposium

September 12, 2023 – Junior Meeting

September 16, 2023 – Club Picnic and Auction, Grange Park, 10<sup>th</sup> & Union

September 18, 2023 – Board Meeting

October 3, 2023 – Club Meeting, Alberta, Canada

October 10, 2023 – Junior Meeting

October 16, 2023 – Board Meeting

November 7, 2023 – Club Meeting, Bob Carson, Professor Emeritus at Whitman College

December 5, 2023 – Club Meeting, Project of the Year and Christmas Party

## Minutes – Meeting, August 1, 2023

Meeting called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Patrick Donohou.

### Old Business

- Discussed new brochures being printed and distributed.
- Discussed still the need for a new person to handle the buying, storing, and dispensing of saw oil. (Grit has been handled.)

### New Business

- AFMS has revised competitive case rules and regulations – ¼” or less –
  - Does the club endorse them? All Yay      Zero Nay
- Picnic and Auction, Sept. 16, Kennewick Library / Grange Park on 10<sup>th</sup> & Union, Gazebo
  - Setup 10:00 a.m.
  - Lunch 12:00 noon
  - Auction
- WS Mineral Council Membership has lapsed. Do we want to rejoin?
- Discussed possible future programs
- Discussed upcoming Elections: Treasurer, Secretary, Director and Membership
- Mickey announced that the new batch of tumbler grit prices increased, while polish prices declined. There is a sign-up sheet for a class to make “Halloween Trees” in September.
- We had 8 guests/new members who received door prizes
- Kathy spoke about the booth at the Fair this month – there will be 6 display cases that need to be set up by 9:00 p.m. Monday and emptied by 9 a.m. Sunday. We need volunteers to “man” the booth, sell grab bags, pass out information flyers, and speak with visitors. Each volunteer will work a 3 hour shift. “Show up, learn a lot.” Volunteers will receive a free ticket to enter the fair.
- Rhea spoke about the Carey Norton Labyrinth at 317 7<sup>th</sup> St, Prosser. Dedication will be on August 27<sup>th</sup>, at 2 p.m. at St. Matthews Episcopal Church
- Bothell Rock Show flyers available in the back.
- Silent Auction
- Marty had Prineville info sheet & map, 4 left at \$4 each. All sold.
- Wayne noted some alternative methods to acquire rocks beyond trips are yard sales, estate sales, moving sales, and thrift stores.
- Patrick advised that August 19/20 would be the last public date available at Wild Turkey Mine this year.
- Discussed Hampton Butte, Prineville, and Madras field trips.
- Gem trees were displayed.
- Mike discussed creating a 3D printer club for making tools for lapidary work – discs, wheels, tools, cabbing, etc. Mike continues to make his shop available to club members – details in the Geode.
- Kathy still has 9 openings for booth at the Fair.

Patrick adjourned the meeting at 8:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Debbie Muller, Secretary

## Minutes – Board Meeting, August 21, 2023

Present: Officers – Patrick Donahue, Patty DeForest, Larry Hulstrom, Peter Kovich, Wayne Larson, Sally Lyon, Kathy Larson, Chris Sorensen, Debbie Muller.

Members: Mickey and Steve Madden

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

### Old Business

- Discussed our booth at the Fair next week.
- Discussed Picnic and Auction arrangements for Sat., Sept. 16:
  - Shelter/area has been reserved;
  - Sally will ask Jane to chair food committee and Sally will coordinate Silent Auction.
- Treasurer's report: Not published per historic club practices. No pending bills need to be paid.
- Discussed treasury audit, last done by Gerry Johnson the previous year; decided to have it after board elections (Dec/Jan).
- Follow up to next year's April show at the Fairgrounds:
  - Larry had received a reply from Fairground staff, but it only reiterated what had already been discussed. He will reach out again to try to reach higher-level management to get discrepancies and questions resolved. Patrick had done research on alternative spaces to hold the event, with no real options found.

### New Business

- Discussed time to think about the election committee. The subject will also be raised at the next club meeting, asking for nominations.
- Chris Sorensen advised that with the change of the meeting night to Tuesday that Bob Carson, the speaker scheduled for the October 4<sup>th</sup> meeting will need to change to the November 7<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- Meeting agendas:
  - September Agate Symposium presentation by Chris Sorenson
  - October Alberta, Canada presentation by Chris Sorenson
  - November Bob Carson, Professor Emeritus at Whitman College
  - December Contest and Christmas Party Combined – probably desserts
  - January Rock Bingo
  - February To be determined.
  - March Emily Cahoon, OSU Moonstones
  - April Show meeting
- Mickey brought information to the board about storing and moving the showcases and liners together in sets. Her research provided information about truck carts that will allow storage of 8 sets on each cart, standing up; secured with inner straps, and then outside wrapped with additional straps. She had also done a preliminary measurement of the storage area(s) to ascertain that they would all fit.

## Minutes – Board Meeting, August 21, 2023 – continued

- Discussion included renumbering sets and their appropriate liners, washing and/or replacing liners, protection of glass fronts, work parties to clean up the older materials, overall space and temporary rental of a third unit for assistance with the cleanup and organization of cases and staging.
- Patrick moved and Peter seconded that Mickey purchase one cart on the Club's behalf for us to work with this endeavor. The motion passed unanimously. Larry Hulstrom will arrange the rental of the third space beginning September 1. The initial work party will occur the week of Sept 11-15...exact day(s) to be determined by those participating.
- It was discussed and agreed that we will not renew Club's Zoom subscription.

### Junior Club Business

Chris Sorensen reported that she had spoken with someone from Columbia Basin College who has let us borrow their Meteorite Kit for a presentation and she hopes to also borrow a couple of meteorites from Mike. She is trying to find a guest speaker for a Geology presentation.

They are working on Future Rockhounds of America for the Christmas awards presentation.

The meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Debbie Muller, Secretary

## Halloween Tree Class September 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>

**Choose Either Day**  
**1pm - 3pm**  
**\$20.00**

Please call Mickee before September 2nd to be signed up for the class.

## A Rock Opportunity

Several months ago Don and Pat Snyder started a rock opportunity for members. The member would receive a bag of rocks and in return they were to work one or more rocks by cabbing, slabbing, tumbling, or polishing and show their results to the club at a meeting. Some members have shown their rocks off and did a great job. Others may be working on them this summer. Please show off your rock(s) to the club. Chris has the master list and will check you off. It's fun to see what you do with your rocks.

**Geode Editor's Note:** A lot of you missed getting The Geode in August and let me hear about it. Since there were no club meetings in July to report on the Editor got the month off too. 😊

## Minutes – Junior Meeting, August, 2023

The juniors have kept busy this summer. A couple of our families were able to join the Hermiston Hatrockhounds Junior Club for their geocaching session in July, which was so much fun! We also met up in July for a picnic and rock swap.

For the August meeting we started on the "Earth in Space" badge by learning about the scale and size of the solar system using the Hanford Reach Solar System Model. This scale model of the sun and planets is centered at the Solar Arches sculpture at the REACH Museum and sprawls out across the Tri-Cities area. We also used a giant map of Mars to compare its geologic features to those in eastern Washington. Both have lots of basalt, evidence of catastrophic flooding, and sand dunes. We will continue to work on this badge at the September 12 meeting as we learn about impact craters and look for micrometeorites.

Junior meetings are on the second Tuesday of each month at the REACH Museum at 6:30 pm.



### **Lakeside Hat and T-shirts are on Sale Now!**

It's going to start warming up outside. Do you have a Lakeside Gem & Mineral Club hat or T-shirt yet? They would be great to wear during the April Show coming up! It also helps to advertise our club, and deter would be shop lifters. The T-shirts are available in a variety of adult and children's sizes. If you already have one why not buy another so when one gets dirty you will have a spare.

The Club Board of Directors has approved a reduction in the price of the T-shirts which are now \$5.00 each. Hats are in short supply and remain at \$10.00 each. Help support your Club. See Larry Hulstrom to get yours today! They will be available at club meetings the next few months.

## **Classifieds**

**Mike Zinski's Workshop** for lapidary arts:

**Rock Saw Oil and Grit:** Please have exact change and contact for pickup:

Mickee Madden -

**Saw oil purchasing information:**

- Must be a LSGM club member to purchase saw oil.
  - Membership forms are available if you need to join.
- Oil \$12 per gallon.  
Available in 5-gallon buckets, or bring your own containers

**Tumbling grit all sold in 2# bags only:**

- 80 grit \$5.50
- 220 grit \$6.80
- 600 grit \$8.50
- Cerium Oxide Polish Powder \$23.00
- For every 10 lbs. of tumbled rock you donate (no river rock), get 2 lbs. of 80 or 220 grit free.  
Contact: Mickee Madden -

### **Selling Items at Club Shows, Auctions and Other Club Related Activities**

Items that could be sold at club shows, auctions and 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.** Limit of 5 lots per seller. Please remember what we sell reflects upon our club and tells the public what we are about! Note: No auction during the December and January meetings.

Officers E-mail: lakesidegemandmineral@yahoo.com

President	Patrick Donohue	Director	Wayne Larson
Vice President	Peter Kovich	Director	Jane Moore
Secretary	Debbie Muller	Fed. Rep.	Larry Hulstrom
Treasurer	Sally Lyon	Jr Club Leader	Pauline Schafer
Past President	Chris Sorensen	Bulletin Editor	Patty DeForest
Program Director		Librarian	Walther Rohlfing
Membership	Lisa Nolan	Refreshments	
Sunshine	Sally Lyon	Historian	Mickee Madden

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](http://www.lakesidegemandmineralclub.com)

### 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)  
 Northwest Federation of Mineralogical Societies (NFMS)  
 American Lands Access Association (ALAA)

<http://www.amfed.org>  
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