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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

March Meetings

Club: Wednesday, March 4th Social 6:30pm Meeting 7:00pm

Board: Monday, March 16th 6:30, Seventh Day Adventist Church, 7105 W 10th Ave, Kennewick

Junior Club: Tuesday, March 10th 6:30pm, Banner Bank, 203 W 1st Ave., Kennewick
JR Club Leader Thora Trumbo (509) 582-4297

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Member contact information updates:

Please notify Mark Kidder at markkidder@msn.com

GEODE Submission Deadlines:

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

E-mail them to Patty DeForest

Pjdeforest@gmail.com

- **Please contact Mark Kidder with any changes to your street or email address**

markkidder@msn.com

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.

Minutes – Club Meeting – February 5, 2020

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

Welcome Guests: Randy, Jess, Gabriel, Ely, Blake and Maureen.

Door Prizes: Congratulations to all 14 winners!

Bragging Table: Dave Westland brought in petrified bogwood pieces that he collected on the northern slopes of Saddle Mountain. They are different from the wood normally dug in the lower areas, and actually polished by the wind. The only catch is, you have to go hunting before the grass grows and covers everything up, so wear layers!

General Business

- **Secretary's Report:** The membership let the minutes stand as printed. The Secretary would like to amend previous minutes to include thanking Caroline Bowdish for her help with the Christmas party! I'm sorry I missed including Caroline and her work on the party.
- **Treasurers Report:** Not printed per historic Club policy.
- **Committee Report:** We only have one person bringing a refreshment to the March meeting. Please help out if you can by contacting Rhea Bowerly at 509-628-6404. Refreshments are always greatly appreciated.
- Check out the Northwest Federation Newsletter for details on the Ogden, UT show running from April 10 to the 12th at the Weaver County Fairgrounds.
- **Programs:** Duke Rauh, our new program coordinator, would like members' input on future programs. Let him know if there's something in the rockhound world you would like to learn more about, or if you have an area of interest or speciality you'd like to share for a program.
- Please help out after every meeting with moving chairs under tables and cleaning up the gathering room at the church.
- **Absolutely no smoking near the building.** Smoking is allowed by the fire hydrant in front, but please dispose of your butts.

Old Business

- **2020 Show:** Signup sheets are available for members to help out during the show. From setup to tear down, taking tickets, working the silent auction, geode cracking, demonstrations, helping in the hospitality room, and filling a display case. Members can also distribute fliers and set up advertising signs. The more the merrier when it comes to helping out with the show. Teardown and loadout at the storage units on Sunday is **greatly** appreciated and much easier for everyone who has worked hard all weekend to bring off a fun show!
- **Social Media:** If you haven't already, check out the Club Facebook page and become a follower. Like and share the show flier to your page and we will get the word out about our Club. We are also active on Twitter, and of course our website.

New Business

- No new business.

Program: Chad from Columbia Safety talked with us about basics of first aid in the field.

Next Meeting: March 4, 2020, Social 6:30 p.m., Meeting 7:00; Board meeting March 16, 2020, 6:30 p.m. (Board meeting to follow show planning).

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Sally Lyon, Secretary

Minutes – Board Meeting – February 17, 2020

Present: (Board Members) Bill Hamel, Ron Northey, Larry Hulstrom, Chris Sorensen, Patty DeForest, Sally Lyon; (Members) Jerry Sorensen, Marty Casto, Mark Kidder

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

Show Planning

- The show is coming together. Larry is finalizing details on materials to be printed, advertising, campsite coordinator, nighttime security, etc. Signup sheets will be available during the March meeting. There are still time slots available to work during the show, as well as during setup, tear down, and filling display cases.
Remember, if you sign up to help out, your admission to the show is free.
- Mark Kidder has secured “Between the Buns” as our food vendor this year.
- The gold panning club will be back again with a booth outside the building.
- A volunteer is needed to check with the Richland, West Richland and Prosser libraries on putting up a display to advertise the show.
- Bill will take flyers with him to the Spokane show. Member help is needed to share the show flyer on their Facebook and Instagram pages.
- We will need up to 10 cases filled by the Junior Club.
- The motion was made and passed for Marty to buy an additional large hand truck to make moving cases faster and easier.
- Ron is finalizing the demonstration area.
- Patty got the okay to publish silent auction rules provided by Mickee, as well as a list of items for the raffle provided by Pat.

Old Business

- **Open Club Positions:** The Club needs volunteers for Treasurer, Membership Chairman, Show Chairman, and will need a Nominating Committee for President, Vice President and Director by the end of the year.

New Business

- **Coyote Canyon Mammoth Site:** Mark will contact the site to get specifics on their schedules and tour to present to the Club during the March meeting.
- Sally volunteered to ask for volunteers to help make 5 or 6 new case liners.
- The announcement needs to be made again that **dues are due**.
- Discussion on whether the Club needs have vests available for members to buy.
- Discussion on Rockhound of the Year and Lifetime Memberships.
- The March meeting program will be a Northwest Federation slide show titled “Fossil World of Clarno, Oregon” and if time allows, “Stone Age on the Columbia River.”

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted
Sally Lyon, Secretary

Lakeside Gem and Mineral Junior Club Report January 2020 by Thora Trumbo

Students gathered with excited anticipation of the annual Rock Auction to begin. They had emptied their piggy banks and done extra chores in preparation of this evening; they had hopes of purchasing treasured items to add to their personal collections at home. Tables had been rearranged from end to end and circled around to allow continuous flow of students with their parents. Fossils, all manner of rock material and minerals were on display. Following flag salute and instructions, the auction began. The students circled around, parents in tow, writing their initials and bid amounts, hoping to get their favorite items. Lots of time was given; there was no reason to rush. Even the youngest in our class had plenty of time to circle around the tables and increase their bid of favorite hopeful purchases. As students slowed, end of auction time warning was given and soon the buzzer rang and pencils were put down. Students and parents collected auction items won.

Students were gathered away from the tables, paper bags distributed and crayons given to decorate their bags for their treasures. Brief announcements were shared about the upcoming Rock Show at the Ben-Franklin Fairgrounds. Students were reminded to look at their personal collections at home and ready them for case displays. Encouragement was given to prepare early, especially labeling specimens. Sign-ups sheets will be at the next meeting for cases and volunteers time. A reminder that all hands are needed for this once a year show and our only fund raiser.

While students were busied with a fun card game using cards with mineral photographs and identification, the second round of auction materials was set up. Students were found having discussions of how unfamiliar mineral names are pronounced. Help given, cards were later put away and the second auction began.

We tried something new this year for the auction. Some auction items were collections of various materials in boxes. Those with the highest bids choose first from the box. It seemed to add to the fun and allowed for more material to be displayed during the action.

Mrs. Trumbo surprised everyone with a lovely crystal geode to add to their collection. After the students paid for their items the surprising total came to \$179.61! Thank you, parents and students, for making this such a well supported event. Thank you also to the many adult club members for remembering the Junior members with your generous donations of material throughout the year.

CHALLENGE: Write a report on one item you won at the auction. Bring it to the March meeting.

Lakeside Gem and Mineral Junior Club Report continued

ROCK SHOW BREAKDOWN:

- April 17th Set-Up Day - Everyone is needed!
Morning coffee, juice and treats available.
Morning- help wherever needed please.
Luncheon provided.
Help Mrs. Trumbo empty car and set up Junior Corner
Set-up your display case in afternoon
Potluck Dinner - Please bring a salad or side dish.
- April 18 10:00 am to 5:00 pm Show begins
Please be prompt to volunteer times. Enjoy the show!
- April 19 Last day of Show, Awards Ceremony, Doors Close 4:00
4:00-4:15 pm - Everyone removes their case displays.
Break down and clean up, help Mrs. Trumbo load car

March 10th is the next Junior Rock Club meeting at 6:30 pm.
Bring your calendar and sign-up to volunteer at the Rock Show.
Bring a report on something you bought at the auction.
Bring a friend, wear your club shirt, sash or hat.

April 14th Junior students will bring their Show displays to club meeting.
Display can be laid out on a bath towel on a classroom table.
This will allow students to show preparedness and be given suggestions.

Any questions regarding the show, your display, or to sign-up for volunteer times,
please call Mrs. Trumbo at 582-4297

The Junior Club needs polished Washington petrified wood.

The Junior Club needs small pieces of polished Washington petrified wood about the size of your little finger's second digit to be placed in a 2x4" space on cards to be sold at the Rock Show and August fair. Please donate what you can so the Jr. Club students can assemble the cards for you. Contact Thora Trumbo or bring them to an adult club meeting and give them to Pat Lambert.

The April 2020 Show is Coming!

We need your help! The April show is coming up quick!

At the February club meeting we started talking about the show and passed around the sign-up lists. There are still a lot of blank spaces on the lists where you can sign up to help out the club make this show a success.

Help is needed in getting things loaded at the storage units Thursday afternoon before the show (4/16), set up the show on Friday morning (4/17), work at the show on Saturday and Sunday at ticket sales, geode cracking, or the silent auction areas, and then breaking things down on Sunday afternoon after the show closes and we move everything back to storage.

And not to forget, we have 40 display cases to fill. If you would like to demonstrate a skill you have learned you could also do that.

There are **LOTS** of ways you can help out and have fun doing it! We will be talking about it more during the March and April meetings. If you can't make it to a meeting but want to sign up to help, get in touch with me. Remember, to get in free at the show you need to be signed up to help do something to support the show!

Larry Hulstrom
2020 Show Chairman

We Need Your Help!

Volunteers are what makes our Club work.

Please consider stepping up and taking over as Treasurer, Membership Chair and Show Chair. It's fun and easy to get involved, and so very much appreciated.

Help out at the April Show and show your support for our club. Signup sheets will be at the club meeting for tasks before, during or after the show. Or contact Larry to volunteer.

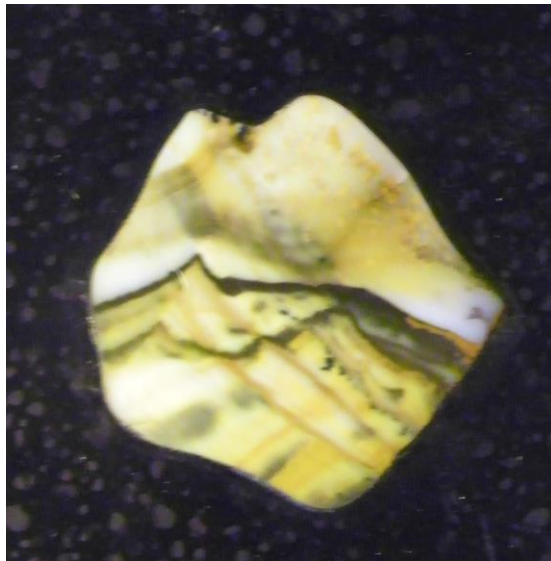
Raffle – Raffle – Raffle

We are having our yearly raffle and we have some beautiful items that have been donated for this year's raffle. Here is a preview of a few of them:

- Montana agate pendant created and donated by Ron Northey
- An inlaid plaque created and donated by Wayne Larson
- A flower arrangement donated by the family of Floyd and Leona George
- Laguna Lace agate donated by Don and Pat Snyder
- Brazilian agate donated by Don and Pat Snyder
- Cabochons donated by Marvin & Ruth Brooks-Butler and Wayne Smeaofski

The drawing will be at the Lakeside general meeting in May. You do not have to be present to win. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Get your tickets at the April and May club meeting or at the April show.

If you have an item you would like to donate for this year's or next year's raffle, Pat Lambert is collecting items.



2020 SILENT AUCTION RULES

- A silent auction round will be 30 minutes in duration. The first of the day will end at 10:45 am, so as not to interfere with the calling of door prizes.
- NO BIDDING while working behind the tables and NO socializing with non-workers behind the tables.
- All items must be paid for at the end of the auction round & there will be no storing of materials for club members behind the tables.
- Only volunteers that are pre-signed up are allowed behind the tables unless someone is filling in for a no-show.
- The chairs behind the tables are for the auction-workers use only.

4) 2 Hour Auctions:

● There will be 3 two hour auctions each day (hour and a half on last one on Sunday) for higher value items, and a limit of two items per family, per auction for each session unless there is a shortage of material for the table. The bid sheets for the **2 Hour auctions** are on colored paper, the ½ hour auctions on white. Please print your name clearly on the slip as well as what the item is. Fill in the beginning bid price on the white sheets. On the 2 hour colored sheets, put in your BUY IT NOW price, and an opening bid below. **BUY IT NOW** seems to sell better if that price runs about \$10 to \$15 above opening bid amount. Each sheet should be attached to its item with a rubber band.

A 4% cover charge will be added to the buyer's total to cover card user charges.

● **The payout on sales is 70% to owner, 30% to club. If you want a certain amount for your item, please figure out that amount in your 70% return and write that on your slip as the opening bid. If you have any questions regarding this new payout, please contact Wayne Larson.**

If an item does not sell, it will be removed from the table and set aside for another sale round or set aside for the owner to claim later.

5) Consignment Sales:

● Items may be consigned to sell at the half-hour auctions. Fill out a white bid sheet and attach it to the item with a rubber band or tape. **Print your name clearly and check the "consign-ment" box on the sheet.** If no box is checked, it is assumed that it is a donation. Bid slips will be available at the April meeting so club members can prepare their items for sale. We suggest you open your ½ hour bids with at least a \$1.00 amount.

Lakeside Gem and Mineral Club on Social Media



Do you have pictures of Club activities, interesting rocks from your collection, or a project you're working on that you would like share with fellow club members? Or just want to check on the latest happenings with our club?

Join, follow and post at **Lakeside Gem & Mineral Club** group on Facebook.

Follow **lakesidegemandmineral** group on Instagram. To post send pictures with caption to tumbleduponfaceting@gmail.com.

Classifieds

- **Rock Saw Oil -- The new oil contact** is Rick Tobin
 - 2767 South Lyle St., Kennewick 509 572-7345
- **Oil & Grit:** Rick Tobin is handling the sale of Club oil and grit.

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) \$16.00/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 his. Exact change, please!

Stamps -- Stamps -- Stamps

Our club donated several boxes of stamps to the stamp collection. The stamp chairman is selling some of the stamps online and doing very well. He is making money for the cancer fund. Please keep up the good work and keep collecting stamps. I asked him which stamps he wanted us to collect and he said everything. There is a market for everything. 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 again for taking the time to collect stamps for a good cause.

2020 Dues are Due!

The new year is well under way and you know what that means don't you. Yes, that's right. It's time to pay your yearly membership dues for the year 2020. There's was a lot going on with the holidays last year so I want to thank everyone who paid early in November and December. And thanks to those who paid up and who joined at the January meeting.

Now, for the rest of you. You're probably thinking, "I can't wait to get to the March meeting and pay my dues for 2020". Me too. See you at the next meeting.

Thanks

Mark K. – Membership Coordinator

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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