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Purpose: To promote activities of mutual interest for collecting and displaying gems and minerals.

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GEODE Submission Deadline:

19th of each month for member articles & photos

E-mail: lgmgeode2025@outlook.com

Membership: Annual dues are due in October.

Please pay at the monthly meeting or remit to LGMC, PO Box 6652, Kennewick, WA. 99336-0603.

Membership Forms: Link to form can be found on the club web site.

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Club Meetings & Upcoming Events

Club Meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month. At the Seventh Day Adventist Church, at 7105 W. 10th Ave., in Kennewick. Doors open at 6:30 pm for social. Meetings begin at 7 pm.

Mar 3rd – General Club Meeting 6:30 – Gather before meeting, 7:00 pm general meeting

Mar 10th - Junior Club Meeting at the REACH, Columbia Park, 6:30 – 8 pm

Mar 16th – Board Meeting 6:30 pm

A Note from the President . . .

As I write this, the calendar says it's the middle of February but the bulbs in my backyard tell me it's the middle of spring so it looks like we're going to be able to go out and look for treasures early this year. And with spring comes our annual show so it's time to decide on what to display and how to help the club be successful with its annual show. This month's program is on the Rice Museum so if you're interested in it or considering going there on our club trip; it should be an informative talk. If you haven't filled out our membership survey, please go online and look at last month's geode and fill out the forms. If you do, it will help the whole club. Thanks. See everyone in March Dave Westland.

Upcoming Meeting

Patrick and Larry will be giving a 30-45 min presentation on the Rice Museum at this month meeting. For those of you have not attended or possibly not been for a while, this could be a chance to learn more about the museum before our planned trip on June 13th, 2026. You can also find additional info at their website <https://ricenorthwestmuseum.org> the museum is not your typical museum, but is rather located in the home of a long time collector, who donated the home to house the museum. There are unique items that can be found nowhere else. For those of you who haven't decided yet, this just might help you make up your mind. There's still time to sign up. Please include how many will be in your party so that we can get an accurate number for the transportation and museum. The museum also has grounds around the museum that you can explore with additional things to see, weather permitting. The website shows an amazing collection that has new items added or subtracted over time. So even if you have been before in the past, there are still new things you can see. The cost will be \$50 a person, with a full buss, with 56 seats available. In order to estimate a cost, we used a full occupancy. Adjustments to costs would have to be made if we do not fill the bus. For those wishing to attend, we will require payment by May 5th. The bus will pick up at the back of the parking lot, near the Goodwill drop off at the Fred Myers on corner of 10th and Hwy 395 in Kennewick. Please arrive between 6:30 and 6:45 am, as the bus will be leaving promptly at 7:00 am. The price includes transportation to and from and admission to the museum. We encourage folks to bring a snack and/or sack lunch and drinks, the bus has a restroom on board If you have any further questions, please address at the meeting,

Classes, Gatherings, Field Trips, and Groups

Field trip to: WSMC's new lead at this time has closed their field trips to nonmembers. Rock~N~Sage has offered to allow members to join theirs. Will post when know, or you may find on Facebook under Rock~N~Sage for full details. Will let you know if anything changes.

Social / Crafting Gathering Dates (Could change as needed)

This is a great opportunity to get together with friends and work on a project. There is no charge for these gatherings. Class times for all dates are from 1 until 4 PM.

2026 Dates

- Social Crafting Group: Jan 11th, 25th
- Social Crafting Group: Feb 1st, 15th
- Social Crafting Group: Mar 8th, 22nd

These classes will be held at Mickee Madden's workshop in Kennewick. To join the fun, call her at 509-438-5798 to sign up or for more information. Look for future classes offered by Sandra Bryant, you can also check out her selection of classes offered at The Downtown Mercantile. **Classes offered by Sandra will be in red.**

Flat Lap Cabbing Class Dates (Could change as needed)

Flat Lap Cabbing classes are going great guns. Following are the class dates Mondays thru Wednesdays, 6-8 pm and Saturdays 1-3 pm.

2026 dates

- Jan 12th, 13th, 14th, & 17th, 26th, 27th, 28th, & 31st
- Feb 7th, 9th, 10th, & 11th, 23rd, 24th, 25th, & 28th
- Mar 9th, 10th, 11th & 14th, 23rd, 24th, 25th, & 28th,

If you're interested in learning how to make cabochons please call Mickee at 509-438-5798 to sign up or for more information. For newcomers to cabbing, you are given material to get you started. I am willing to add Wednesday and Friday nights on the same weeks I do our usual weeks classes. For those new members and older members who may be interested. Will bring a sign-up sheet to October meeting for those interested

These classes are for adult club members only. No children please. Please do not bring thunder eggs, geodes or any thick material to cut. An assortment of slabs will be available. Beginners are certainly welcome!

The first visit is \$10. After that, the club charges \$2 an hour, which is to be paid at the end of each class. The fees go to replenishing the materials used for the class. (\$10 fee is an annual fee)

General Club Meeting Minutes February 6–2025

Meeting was called to order by Dave Westland at 7:05 pm

No corrections or additions to last month's minutes – accepted as printed in the Geode

Old Business No Old business

New Business

- Membership Those members, who have not paid their dues by now or contacted Lisa Noland to work out payment, will have been removed from the active member list. If you have and have not received your Geode, contact me at lmggeode2025@outlook.com.
- Presentation We would like to thank Rhea Bowerly, who was our scholarship winner last year, for her presentation on the Hancock Retreat. Hopefully those of you who have not had the opportunity to attend the Hancock retreat, and would like a chance to check it out, submitted your application for the scholarship. I have attended the retreat myself and found it a great way to connect up with other rockhounds and get a chance to learn a skill that maybe you had wanted to try, but couldn't find a teacher. Then this is the place to go. They have great instructors, who are both knowledgeable, and patient, and willing to work with you one on one if you should ask. I got to try my hand a carving, and my first intro to trying chainmail. The only costs outside of the retreat costs are for any materials or classes to cover material cost. I encourage everyone to try out at least once.
- Annual Show Just a reminder that our annual show this year will be on the 18th & 19th of April this year, and our Saturday hours have been expended to 9-6. I know it is early, but time flies by fast with school schedules and busy work days, and April will be here before you know it. Now would be the time to start thinking about if you would like to do a display, what you would like and how to display it. Especially if you have any props that you want to use and make. It makes it much less stressful. We will also as usual need volunteers to help with the set up and tear down. We could really use some of our younger members to help with this as it is becoming increasingly more difficult for our older members to perform these tasks. We will also need people to man the silent auction tables, perform demonstrations, crack geodes, man the glow room, sell tickets and just be available to answer questions from the public. Our volunteers are an important part of our show. If you can't do a full shift, perhaps you could buddy with someone to split one. This is our biggest fundraiser for the club along with Riverfest and the fair. It is also provides the biggest showcase for our members to show off their art, skills, and knowledge and advertise the club.
- And if you have rock, lapidary equipment, of items you made to sell, now is your opportunity at the tailgate that will be held near the show on one of the two days of the show. And for those who have watched his show Nick on the Rocks, you won't want to miss the opportunity to attend his lecture at the REACH's Earth day celebration.

2025 Selected NFMS Club Shows - Schedule

The Shows listed below are a subset of the complete list of club shows provided in the Northwest Federation Newsletter. More complete and specific information can be found in the NFMS Newsletter or online at:

[The Northwest Federation of Mineralogical Society welcomes a new President, Give a big welcome to Michael Rhodes](#)

Feb 27 th – Mar 1 st Fri 10-5 Sat 10-5 Sun 10-5	Oregon Agate & Mineral Society	OMSI (Museum of Science & Industry 1945 SE Water Ave. Portland, OR 97214	Rose Cohen N wcohenfamily@gmail.com
Feb 28 th & Mar 1 st Sat 10-6:30 Sun 12-5:30	Chugach Gem and Mineral Show	Midtown Mall 600 E. Northern Lights Blvd. Anchorage, AK 99514	Paul Burger cavemonpaul@hotmail.com
Mar 7 th & 8 th Sat 10-6 Sun 10-5	E. King Co Rock and Gem Show	Pickering Barn 1730 10 th Ave. NW Issaquah, WA 98207	Kim Villines earthlightgems@aim.com
Mar 13 th & 14 th Fri 9-6 Sat 9-5	Panorama Gem and Mineral Club	NE Washington Fairgrounds & AG Trade Center 317 W. Astor Ave. Colville, WA 99114	Johnie Pitman (509) 684-8887 jgpitman@outlook.com
Mar 13 th – 15 th Fri 10-5 Sat 10-5 Sun 10-5	Tualatin Valley Gem Club	Forest Grove Natl. Guard Armory 2950 Taylor Way Forest Grove, OR 97116	Gordon Hale gordonhale@comcast.net
Mar 14 th & 15 th Sat 9-5 Sun 10-4	Magic Valley Gem Club	Twin Falls County Fairgrounds 215 Fair Ave. Filer, ID 83328	Sandy Hansen 3toadfrog@gmail.com Magicvalleygemclub.org

Mar 14 th & 15 th Sat 9-6 Sun 10-4	Northwest Montana Rock Chucks Rock Club	Kalispell Fairgrounds or Flathead County Fairgrounds	Lloyd Fager oldgrayelf@sbcglobal.net
Mar 20-22 Fri 10-7 Sat 10-7 Sun 10-5	Timpanogos Gem and Mineral Society	Spanish Fork Fairgrounds 475 South Main Spanish Fork, UT	Jerry Davis, President (801) 830-9228 Carpetman405@gmail.com
Mar 21 st & 22 nd Sat 9-5 Sun 10-5	Hellsgate Mineral Society 2026 NFMS Show	Hilton Garden Inn 3720 North Reserve St Missoula, MT 59801	Neil A. Meier (406) 546-6013
Mar 28 th & 29 th Sat 9-5 Sun 10-4	Clallam County Gem and Mineral Assn.	Vern Burton Community Center 308 East 4 th Street Port Angeles, WA 98292	Mitch Fox Fox.mitch@gmail.com Sequimrocks.org
Mar 28 th & 29 th Sat 10-6 Sun 10-5	Mt. Baker Rock and Gem Club	Pioneer Pavilion Community Center 2007 Cherry St. Ferndale, WA 98428	Candi Gerard candisjewelry@gmail.com mtbakerrockclub.org
April 10 th – 12 th Fri 9-6 Sat 10-6 Sun 10-4	Mt. Hood Rock Club and Gem Show	Jackson Armory 6255 NE Comfoot Rd. Portland, OR	Robert Hanson (503) 449-3543 Shane Gerrad (971) 322-6263 Mthoodrockclub.com
April 10 th – 12 th Fri 9-6 Sat 10-6 Sun 10-4	Golden Spike Gem and Mineral Society	Golden Spike Event Center Weber County Fairgrounds 1000 N 1200 W. Ogden, UT	Margie Miller (385) 205-9187 Goldenspikegem.org
Apr 17 th – 19 th Fri 9-5 Sat 9-5 Sun 10-4	Willamette Agate and Mineral Society	Polk County Fairgrounds 520 S. Pacific Hwy West Rickreall, OR 97371	David Smith rockclubnewsletter@gmail.com

Apr 18 th & 19 th Sat 9-6 Sun 10-4	Lakeside Gem and Mineral Club	Benton County Fairgrounds 1500 S. Oak St. Kennewick, WA 99336	Larry Hulstrom Rockhound132@charter.net lakesidegemandmineralclub.com
Apr 18 th & 19 th Sat 10-6 Sun 10-5	Idaho Falls Gem and mineral Show	Bonneville County Fairgrounds 1542 E. 73 rd South Idaho, Falls 83404	Nicole Strong Wildandlapidary@gmail.com www.ifrockhounds.com
Apr 24 th – 26 th Fri 10-4 Sat 10-5 Sun 10-4	Yakima Rock and Mineral Club	Modern Living Bldg. Central Washington State fairgrounds and event Center 1301 South Fair Ave. Yakima 98901	Marti Sondgeroth marthams@myct1.net (509) 910-3484
Apr 25 th & 26 th Sat 10-5 Sun 10-5	West Seattle Rock Club	Alki Masonic Temple 4736 40 th Ave. SW West Seattle, WA	Annette Nelson show@westseattlerockclub.org westseattlerockclub.org
Apr 25 th & 26 th Sat 10-5 Sun 10-4	Gray's Harbor Rock and Gem Club	Gray's Harbor County Fairgrounds 43 Elma-McCleary Rd Elma, WA 98541	Gary Emberley (360) 533-6196 Elissa624@hotmail.com
May 2 nd & 3 rd Sat 10-5 Sun 10-5	Everett Rock and Gem Club	Evergreen County Fairgrounds – Weik Event Center 18359 Cascade View Dr. Monroe, WA 98292	everettrockclub@hotmail.com
May 9 th & 10 th Sat 10-6 Sun 10-4	Bozeman Gem and Mineral Club	Gallatin County Fairgrounds 901 North Black Bldg. 1&2 Bozeman, MT 59715	Linda Johnson bgmcmnt@gmail.com bozemandgemandmineralclub.com
May 9 th & 10 th Sat 10-6 Sun 10-4	Hatrock Gem and Mineral Show	Eastern Oregon Trade and Event Center 1705 East Airport Rd. Herminston, OR 97838	Mike Filarski stonemarlin@netscape.net (541) 571-2593

May 16 th & 17 th Sat 9-5 Sun 10-4	Butte Mineral and Gem Club	Butte Civic Center Main Arena 1340 Harrison Ave. Butte, MT 59701	Jerry D'Arcy jkdudding@gmail.com (406) 491-2054
May 23 rd & 24 th Sat 9-6 Sun 10-4	Clackamette Mineral and Gem Corp.	Clackamas County Fairgrounds and Events Center 694 NE 4 th Ave. Canby, OR 97013	Juanita Whitaker Cmgcshowchair2026@gmail.com Clackamaettegem.org
July 24 ^h -26 th Fri 9-5 Sat 9-6 Sun 9-5	Washington Agate and Mineral Society	Tenino City Park 300 Park Ave. W. Tenino, WA 98589	Doug Shank wamsolympia@gmail.com

If you are planning on attending the Federation show that is being hosted by the Hellsgate Mineral Society in Missoula, MT this year, now's the time to get your plans in place and reserve your hotel. Places fill up fast and the distance between towns wide. Hopefully everyone who was planning to attend and/or display got their paperwork submitted by the cutoff date of February 20th.

Registration forms and links to local lodging and points of interest can be found in the NFMS Newsletter.

Information and Contact Info for Club Events, Volunteers needed for Outside Requests and Field Trips

Field Trips

Mike Mineer, Is our Committee Head for Field Trips. Contact info, Text or call (509) 851-1410, email: michaeltmineer@gmail.com or Message on Facebook if you would like to see a field trip offered at a chosen location, if you could lead it, along with your name, contact info for preferred means of contact. If you could volunteer for any locations, it would open up prospects and help Mike. Thanks

Volunteers to help with request for presenters that come from outside groups in the community submitted on Clubs Facebook page or club email.

The club receives requests now and then from outside groups like scouts, and from schools, requesting for someone to present at their location on different topics dealing with rocks, minerals, and fossils. Any received will be listed here with topic, where, name and contact info of requestor, and when they would like to have done. This is a great way for the club to connect with our community and light that spark of curiosity and desire to learn more. If you would be willing, please include one of the board members when contacting the requestor, This allows us to track who can present, when, on what topics and contact info for future reference.

Share Events outside of the Club

Know of any outside events coming up that you think other members might be interested in? Send information to lmggeode2025@outlook.com to have it announced here in the Geode.

Reminders for those interested from Chris

Wire wrapping in June with KittyKat Jewelry

There are plans to invite Kathy Meuschel to teach wire wrapping in early June. A signup list is currently being used to assess what interest's members most. Once interest level and levels are desired are assessed, the coordination with the Kathy will start. Pre-registration provides our instructor with needed info on what, and how much material to bring, and prepare tutorials.

Please sign up at the next meeting so the list can be forwarded to Kathy.

Questions please contact Chris Sorensen at the next meeting.

Items for Sale

If you have information of interest or classes that you would like to share with other members, please feel free to send to lmggeode2025@outlok.com by the 20th of the month to get into the geode classifieds.

Items for sale can be listed for 2 months unless otherwise noted, or sold. Anything sold needs to notify me so that I can remove, and keep you from further inquiries.

I'm also open to any articles you would like to share, and any written by outside sources, need authors approval to share.

Club Board Meeting Minutes February 19, 2025

Board Meeting Minutes

Present: Dave, Sharon, Patrick, Larry, Debbie, Pauline, Lisa, Cheryl, and Vickie

Meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m.

Treasurer's report: Solvent –Audit was completed, and all is satisfactory.

Membership – 176 adult members – and 32 junior members

Old Business

Junior Club Board voted to buy a banner that displayed the new logo created by the juniors to use to display at their activities and in the clubs show.

We have filled the secretaries' position. I would like to give a welcome to Cheryl Rhoads, who came forward to fill the vacancy when Enrique had to step down.

Agreement between REACH and LGMC for display nearing completion.

Our show this year, co-insides with the Earth Day celebration. Our show will also have extended hours this year as well. Saturday, April 18th 9-6, and Sunday, April 19th 10-4.

As usual, we will need volunteers to help with set up, take down, and fill the many positions. Please sign up for at least one spot. Putting on the show takes a lot of work and dedication, and is one the few ways to share with the community. Do a display, put on a demo, or just help out in one of the many spots throughout the show. Due to issues with the provider for the ATM, we will not have one available at this year's show.

Earth Day is April 18th and will be celebrated at the REACH museum along with guest lecturer Professor Nick Zentner of Nick on the Rocks, along with a number of fun activities to educate and show how we can protect our planet. The club will be a sponsor for the event and having a table at the event. Those members who would be interested in attending could volunteer to work a shift at our table.

Additional Information on the show will be provided at the March general meeting.

Updated Inventory of Club equipment and Materials, etc. will be done by the end of February.

NEW Business

With the resignation of Board Director Bert Kae Je', we will need to nominate and vote for a replacement. We would like to thank Bert for her time and dedication to the club and board.

We would like to add two additional positions to make it easier to plan and set up field trips and manage and coordinate our volunteers. Anyone interested can please contact a board member. We will seek to fill those positions once we finish with developing specifications and duties in March. The positions will be for Volunteer Recruiter/Coordinator and Field Trip Manager.

Jr. Club Report – February 13th 2025



The Junior Club had a great presentation on meteorites by Dan Gerhards from Tri-City Astronomy Club at the February meeting. We got to see many different types of meteorites, learn about their origins and formation, and how scientists can tell where in the universe they originate. He also gave some insight into how to build a meteorite collection.

The March 10 meeting will feature a presentation by two of our club members who have experience in putting together display cases. We look forward to hearing their insight into how to create a display for the show!

Here are some Mineral of the Month reports:

Black Tourmaline *by Malcolm*

Geology

- found in granites, schist, and marble
- found in minor amounts in sandstones and conglomerate

Chemical makeup

$\text{NaFe}_2+3\text{Al}_6(\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18})(\text{BO}_3)_3(\text{OH})_3(\text{OH})$ - Sodium, ferrous iron (iron that has lost 2 electrons,) aluminum, silicon, oxygen, boron, hydrogen

Physical properties

- trigonal crystal structure
- non-chiral
- rarely perfectly euhedral
- columnar
- hardness of 7 to 7.5
- pyroelectric (generates an electrical charge when heated)
- piezoelectric (generates an electrical charge under pressure)
- opaque black
- vitreous to resinous luster

Erythrite *by Callan*

Hello, my name is Callan and my report is on erythrite, also known as red cobalt. Its color is pale rose or pink and its hardness is 1.5 to 2.5. It streaks pale red to pink and its name comes from the Greek meaning "red." It was first described in 1832.

Classifieds

Mike Zinski's Workshop is available for any and all lapidary arts. Contact Mike at: gemmaermz@gmail.com or at 509-783-9337. (The email address for Mike is new, old one no longer good)

Tumbling Grit is available to Club members through Mickee Madden and is sold in 2 pound bags only. Please have exact change at pick-up. Club members can contact Mickee at 509-438-5798.

- 60/80 grit \$5.25
- 220 grit \$6.55
- 600 grit \$8.00
- Cerium oxide polish powder \$18.30

NOTE: For every ten pounds of tumbled rock you donate to the club, you receive a 2-pound bag of 80/90 grit or 220 grit. Please, no river rock. Thank you.

Saw Oil is once again available to Club members. Cost is \$15 per gallon (bring your own container). Contact James McLean via Text at 509-989-1087 to schedule an appointment for pick-up on Wednesdays and weekends only. A limited number of small containers will be available for transfer at the General Club meetings

WANTED: inexpensive slabs for sale. They can be seconds, any size or material, cast offs, pieces that didn't turn out as expected, unpolished, etc. I want to use them for rock wrapping, so mostly I am looking for a goodly quantity of them at a reasonable price. Are there members of your group who would have such things available, even if they aren't normally what they might sell? Contact: Peggy Hamilton (509-521-0199) or hamgarn@gmail.com

Reminder: Club Membership forms are available online at:

<https://www.lakesidegemandmineralclub.com/officers---new-members-info.html>

New American Federation of Mineralogical societies Website.

The AFMS has updated its website. It has a new look and is very usable. Check it out at: <https://www.amfed.org/>.

- ***You might be a rockhound if*** . . . You describe your vacations by the rocks you brought home.

Cigar Box Rock – 63291 Nels Anderson Rd., Bend, OR 97701, (541) 389-9663 They carry a selection of new and used lapidary equipment. Including refurbished equipment.

Know of any new books of interest in rockhounding, cabbing, jewelry making, geology, etc. that you would like to share reviews or interest in, and where they can be found? Share here. Best info can usually come from those who have read or own them.

Do you have a Prime membership? If so, you can find some interesting documentaries, movies, and other clips of interest on it. I discovered one such clip last night on the crystal cave, located in Mexico. It was truly fascinating. It is located almost a thousand feet below the ground and was discovered while they were mining in the area. They have not been able to fully explore the cave largely because of the extreme heat and humidity contained within it. But it has giant crystals all throughout it, I'm talking telephone pole size selenite crystals up to 37.4 ft tall, with a total mass in the cavern of an estimated 12 tons. They also discovered another opening that was created to provide a vent to draw cooler air down into the mine that looked like it went on forever. They decided to explore it to see if it was possibly an entry way to another cave or entry to the other one beyond where they could reach. The conditions in the crystal cave are such the even with an external cooling covering and respirator, you can only spend 30 minutes inside before risking your life. The drop down the shaft they said was at least the distance of the empire state building in New York, that one wrong move could cost you're your life. They had to be real careful when lowering down to keep the ropes from rubbing against the rough edges and fraying the ropes. They originally sent down one person to see if they could see anything that looked like an opening. He did, and he also found the area to be hot like the cave. Upon returning to the surface he passed along the information. He then returned with two camera men, and two additional members of his group. They climbed on to the ledge and moved inward. The opening wasn't large enough to stand, so they had to either crawl or slide on the back or stomach. They didn't find a large cave or crystals like in the other cave, but they did find an interesting crystal formation of a different kind. They referred to a lot of what they saw above them as a coliflower formation. But what they saw in other areas along the floor area was little thin strands that almost looked like hairs. Like the crystals in the cave, they too were white or transparent, so they referred to the find as an ice formation. Unfortunately the whole area was only available to research while the mine was open, as the entire area had been submerged in water, which was pumped out and released on the surface while the mine was open. Shortly after they had completed this clip, the mine closed down, reflooding the chambers and the opening closed. This was not the first time that this cave had been found, and it is their hope that maybe sometime in the future that it gets rediscovered, and advances made that will allow for further exploration.

So you see, you never know what you might find out there if you don't look. Or even like me stumble upon.

Lakeside Gem and Mineral Club Officers and Committee Chairs

Officers Email: lakesidegemandmineral@yahoo.com

President	Dave Westland	Director(^x)	Wayne Larson
Vice-President	Sharon Louise	Director(^y)	Vacant
Secretary		Federation Rep.	Larry Hulstrom
Treasurer		Junior Club Leader	Pauline Schafer
Past President	Patrick Donohue	Bulletin Editor	Vickie Elkins
Program Director	Vacant	Librarian	Denise Williams
Membership	Lisa Noland	Webmaster	John Wenskovitch
Sunshine	Vacant	Historian	Mickee Madden

By-Laws specify two year elected terms for Board Members, beginning in November. President, Vice-President and

One Director begin terms in even(^y) numbered years. Secretary, Treasurer, and a Second Director begin terms in odd(^x) numbered years. The Federation Representative, Junior Club Leader, Bulletin Editor and Committee Chairs are Board- approved volunteers. By-laws can be found at: www.lakesidegemandmineral.com.

Rockhound Legislative Advocate

When notified by the AFMS, the NFMS, ALAA or club members about legislative issues that will affect rockhounding activities, we will 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>



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