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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.

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GEODE Submission Deadlines:

- 19th – member articles & photos
- E-mail: lakesidegemandmineral@yahoo.com

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

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Club Meeting – October 6

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

General Meeting will begin at 7:00pm.

The October Program will be a choice of Nick Videos. No refreshments will be available.

October 9, 2021 Picnic & Auction

Our picnic and auction this year will once again be held at the Grange Park behind the Kennewick Union Street Library.

Set up: 10:00

Eat: 12:00

Auction: 1:00

Due to pandemic restrictions, this will be a “bring your own picnic” party. So, stop by McDonalds or your favorite fast-food place, or bring something great from home, along with a chair, and join us under the gazebo for a much needed get together. Families may bring up to 10 items to auction. The owner gets 70 percent of the proceeds, and the club gets 30 percent. There will be some tables available to place auction items.

Minutes – Club Meeting – September 1, 2021

Bill Hamel called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. This meeting was conducted in-person and simultaneously broadcast via Zoom.

- The minutes of the previous meeting stand as printed.
- Treasurer – nothing to report.
- No new correspondence.

Old Business

- It was announced that the Walla Walla rock show had been cancelled. Due to that cancellation, and not many members volunteering to help out at our show, discussion was opened as to whether we should move forward with the show. The following comments were made:
- Masks are mandated now for indoor gatherings. How can we enforce the mask mandate.
- Masks were required at the Benton/Franklin Fair and almost no one was wearing one, and there was no enforcement. A spike in the virus spreading due to the fair has yet to be seen.
- Covid transmission rates are very high right now, but seem to be stabilizing.
- If the show is cancelled, how can we keep dealers interested in participating in the future.
- The overall health and wellbeing of our members and the public should be our first concern.
- Club liability in the case of possible positive Covid transmission, i.e. a super spreader event.
- We should skip this one and try for an even bigger and better show next year.
- We should concentrate on getting the club up and going again and not risk exposure now.
- While it's important to stay safe, it's equally as important for people to be able to get out and about again.
- We need to get the club stronger so we can have the best possible show next year.
- Would it be safer to hold everything outside?
- Logistics for an outdoor show are difficult for vendors as they would have to move their displays inside at night.
- Bill then asked for a vote by show of hands whether to cancel the show. The majority vote was to cancel. There were no votes to hold the show.
- The motion was made and passed to refund dealer fees collected for the 2021 LSGM Rock Show.

Elections

- The list of nominees will be published in the October Geode along with an Absentee Ballot. Due to the Board extending their terms of service because of the pandemic, the President and Vice President positions for this election will be one year. This will bring the cycle back in line with our bylaws.

New Business

- Mark Kidder has resigned as Membership Coordinator. Thank you Mark for your many years of hard work for the club.
- Dues are once again being collected beginning on October for the 2022 calendar year.
- Walther has lots of books currently checked out of the library. If you have borrowed a book, please return it at the next meeting.

- Our club picnic and auction this year will be at the gazebo in the Grange Park on Union Street in Kennewick on Saturday, October 9th. Set up will begin around 10:00a.m. This will be a “bring your own picnic”, and drinks will be provided.

CRITICAL REMINDER: The state has mandated that masks be worn during indoor gatherings. The church also requires that masks be worn at all times while inside. Please, if you cannot wear a mask or don't feel that you need to wear one, we respectfully ask that you not attend meetings in person. We have maintained our subscription to Zoom Meetings so that those who cannot meet in the church can still participate in our club activities. If you forget your mask, one will be provided to you at the door. By choosing to not wear a mask, we are risking our club losing use of the church facility. We are also putting our fellow members at risk, and in a position of having to enforce the mask requirement, which we're all too old tired of the craziness to have to deal with.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted
Sally Lyon, Secretary

Minutes – Junior Club Meeting – September, 2021

Three students and three adults attended the September meeting. With the school year beginning and Covid restrictions, many of us have pulled back from normal activities. Perhaps poor attendance is also because I didn't send a meeting reminder (shame on me!) so it's, "Out of sight - Out of Mind " for many perhaps. Expect a monthly reminder e-mail in the future.

I did e-mail a word search sheet of hidden dinosaur names to the Jr. Rock Club families and a fun craft idea. Instruction for using softened spaghetti noodles placed onto a dinosaur picture (or any picture can be used) onto damp construction paper. The soft noodles become the bones of the dinosaur, pinching off extra lengths to fit. Once the picture is completed with noodles, a sprinkle of sand (glitter, sifted dirt or other tiny material you choose) onto the noodles and then hours to dry should reveal a nice skeleton of a dinosaur as the excess dry sand is shaken off.

I demonstrated how to make gem trees and offered materials to those who wish to call and come by to get supplies. I hope many do. Those who missed the meeting can get a quick lesson how to make a gem tree if they wish to come by for supplies also.

Minutes – Board Meeting – September 20, 2021

Present: (Board Members) Bill Hamel, Wayne Larson, Larry Hulstrom, Patrick Donohue, Chris Sorensen, Caroline Bowdish, Sally Lyon; (Members) Marty Casto

Wayne Larson called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

Old Business

- Larry put the word out that the show is cancelled.
- The picnic/auction is scheduled for Saturday, October 9. Setup is at 10:00, and this is a “bring your own picnic” event. See the Geode for more information.
- Elections will be held during the October 6th meeting. Ballots will be published in the Geode.
- Sally will continue to receive membership dues through the mail and at meetings until a replacement for Mark Kidder has been trained.

New Business

- Larry and Wayne met with the fairgrounds event coordinator in response to an email that Larry received regarding the contract for 2022 and beyond. The fairgrounds are not offering a 3 year contract in the future, but they are offering to extend the current rate we’re paying for building 1 to the use of buildings 2, 3 and 4 in 2022. Building 1 is 8,000 square feet, building 2 is 15,000 square feet, building 3 is 8,700 square feet, and building 4 is 7,000 square feet. We have been paying \$1710.00 to rent Building 1. They toured all of the buildings, and Larry has begun a preliminary sketch of possible layouts for the larger building 2, as well as for building 3. Use of the larger building 2 would give us the chance for a bigger 25th anniversary show next year in conjunction with the Club hosting the mid-year Northwest Federation meeting. Building 3 would be used for the NWF meeting, as well as judges training class.
- The motion was made and passed to utilize buildings 2 and 3 for the 2022 show.
- The fairgrounds is offering us a rate of \$1575.00 for building 2 or 3 in 2023.

The October program will be a choice of Nick Zinter videos. November’s program is Project Night Competition. No refreshments will be available.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted
Sally Lyon, Secretary

November Program
“Rocking With The Stars”
Annual Project of the Year Awards

Let’s finally get together and share the past two years rocks, projects, triumphs and tales with fellow club members. The more members that participate, the merrier the evening.

Time Period: Your entries must have been purchased, found or made between November 1, 2019 and October 31, 2021.

Remember: Only one entry per category per member. A member may enter one item in each category.

Category 1 - Best Color: This award is for the best or most appealing color in a rock or specimen – either rough or finished. You need to have dug it or found it yourself.

Category 2- Most Unique Rock: Do you have a rock with a story to tell? Can you see a picture in it, or does the shape remind you of something? Bring your unique piece and let us know what you see.

Category 3 - Best Fossil: Your fossil can be either found by you or purchased, and can be rough or in a finished presentation.

Category 4 - Jewelry: This category includes jewelry made using wire wrap, chain maile, torch on metal, lost wax or sand casting, Viking weave, or bead weave. It can be a pendant, ring, belt buckle, brooch, earrings or bracelet.

Category 5 - 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.

Category 6 - Cabochon of the Year: Show us your talent by entering the best-looking cab (intarsia and doublet or triplet 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. **If your cabochon has been set, then it needs to be entered into category 4**

Category 7 - Silverpicker of the Year: 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.

Category 8 – Best Find: 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.

Category 9 - Project of the Year: Show us your flair and skill by entering something that you have made between 11/1/2019 and 10/31/2021, 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 THE JEWELRY CATEGORY.

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.** Please remember what we sell reflects upon our club and tells the public what we are about!

Classifieds

Rock Saw Oil and Grit: Please have exact change and contact for pickup:
Rick Tobin, 2767 South Lyle St., Kennewick, 509 572-7345

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: \$5.00 for 2# bag
- 220 grit: \$5.50 for 2#bag
- 600 grit: \$7.00 for 2# bag.
- Cerium Oxide Polish Powder: \$23.00 for 2# bag.
- For every 10 lbs. of tumbled rock you donate (no river rock), get 2 lbs. of 60/90 or 220 grit free.

Membership Application
Lakeside Gem and Mineral Club
January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2022

Dues are prorated according to the month you join. Date _____

___ Family - \$25.00 Join date (Jan-Mar) \$20 (Apr-Jun) \$15 (Jul-Sept) (List all of the Members of the immediate family to be covered by the family membership)

___ Individual - \$20.00 Join date (Jan-Mar) \$15 (Apr-Jun) \$10 (Jul-Sept)

___ Junior - Member only (is not a part of a family membership) - \$5.00 join date (Jan-Mar) \$4.00 (Apr-Jun) \$3.00 (Jul-Sept)

Please mail to: Lakeside Gem and Mineral Club Attn: Mark Kidder - Membership
PO Box 6652, Kennewick WA 99336-0603

Name(s) _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ Email: _____

Junior Member(s) _____ Age _____ Birth Month _____
(6 - 16)

_____ Age _____ Birth Month _____

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I would like to receive the Geode newsletter by: _____ mail _____ email

May we list your contact information on our local membership list?
(available to Lakeside members only) ___yes _____no

May we list your contact information in the NW Federation Directory?
(available to Federation members) ___yes _____no

Suggestions for meeting programs:

I would like to see a program(s) on _____

I would like to help with

Field trips _____ Membership _____ Newsletter Articles _____ Programs _____

Publicity _____ Junior programs _____ Mailings _____ Other _____

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Officers E-mail: lakesidegemandmineral@yahoo.com

President	Bill Hamel	Director	Patrick Donohue
Vice President	Wayne Larson	Director	Rick Tobin
Secretary	Sally Lyon	Fed. Rep.	Larry Hulstrom
Treasurer	Caroline Bowdish	Jr Club Leader	Thora Trumbo
Past President	Chris Sorensen	Bulletin Editor	Patty DeForest

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:

Program Director: Duke Rauh
 Librarian: Walther Rohlfing
 Membership Coordinator: Sally Lyon
 Refreshments: Rhea Bowerly
 Historian: Mickee Madden
 Sunshine Chairman: Sally Lyon

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



Member: Tri-Cities Visitor and Convention Bureau

Lakeside Gem & Mineral Club
Official Ballot
2022 Term Elections

President:	Chris Sorensen	(1 year term)**
Vice President:	Peter Kovich	(1 year term)**
Director:	Patrick Donohue	(1 year term)**
Director:	Jane Smith	(2 year term)

** Denotes special term of service due to 2020 cancellation of elections.

Absentee Ballot
Lakeside Gem & Mineral Club
2022 Term

POSITION	NOMINEE	NOMINEE
President	<input type="checkbox"/> Chris Sorensen	<input type="checkbox"/> _____
Vice President	<input type="checkbox"/> Peter Kovich	<input type="checkbox"/> _____
Director	<input type="checkbox"/> Patrick Donohue	<input type="checkbox"/> _____
Director	<input type="checkbox"/> Jane Smith	<input type="checkbox"/> _____

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