

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.

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GEODE Submission Deadline:

19th of the month for member articles & photos **E-mail:** lakesidegemandmineral@yahoo.com

Membership: Please pay at meetings or mail in.

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Update your email address on your Membership Application so that you don't miss out on Club Communications.

Club Meetings

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

August 23 – 27, 2022 – Fair Booth Volunteering

August 27, 2022 - Mammoth Dig

September 7, 2022 – Monthly Club Meeting – Program TBD (7:00pm)

September 13, 2022 – Junior Club Meeting (6:30pm)

September 18, 2022 – Picnic & Auction, Highlands Grange Park on Kellogg Street (9am – 4pm)

September 24, 2022 – Saddle Mountain Field Trip (9:00am)

Minutes – Club Meeting in August 3, 2022

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

Welcome visitors.

Old Business

- Benton/Franklin Fair: There are still time slots open to help out at our booth during the fair.
 Your participation gets you a free bus pass and ticket. We also need to fill 2 more display cases, and help with load out from the storage units, set up and tear down. Details for volunteering can be found on the email Patty sent to our membership.
- The club picnic and auction will be at the Grange Park on Kellogg Street on Sunday, August 18. See the Geode for more information and guidelines for selling your rock related items.
- A reminder, Mike Zinski's shop is open and available for club members to use. Mike has years
 of experience and knowledge to pass along, as well as a shop full of all types of equipment to
 utilize and learn on.

New Business

- Nominations for President, Vice President and Director will be published in the September Geode.
- Larry received an email from RiverFest 2022 asking whether the club would be interested in setting up an information booth at Columbia Park on October 8 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Members felt this was a good way to showcase the club during a community event. Larry will get further information before the Board Meeting on August 15.
- Wayne and Marty are putting together field trips to Saddle Mountain and the Polka Dot Agate Mine. Look for more information in your email or upcoming Geodes.
- Marty has put in a new display case at The Reach. You can check that out on our Facebook page, or at The Reach through September. We will need to rotate to a new display in October.
- Walther is organizing a field trip to the Mammoth Dig on August 27. Further details are in the Geode. (Walther Rohlfing 509-221-1159)
- The Walla Walla show will be held on September 10 and 11 at their fairgrounds.
- Larry has Northwest Federation Directories available for \$10, along with club hats and t-shirts for \$10.
- We need a new Program Director to coordinate what we learn about or participate in during our regular meetings.
- The motion was made and passed to send a \$50 donation to the Northwest Federation Scholarship Fund in the name of longtime club member, Bryan Schroeder.

Program: Stump the Chump

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted Sally Lyon, Secretary

Minutes – Board Meeting in August 15, 2022

Present: (Board Members) Chris Sorensen, Peter Kovich, Patrick Donohue, Wayne Larson, Larry Hulstrom, Caroline Bowdish, Sally Lyon

Peter called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

Old Business

- **Field Trips**: Wayne has organized a field trip to Saddle Mountain on Saturday, September 24th. Further details will be published in the Geode. He is also working on a trip to the Polka Dot Mine in October.
- Picnic: Details have been finalized for the picnic/auction at Grange Park on September 18th.
- **Fair**: All the time slots to help man our booth have been filled, and we will have six cases on display as well. Larry has contacted or emailed everyone who volunteered in order to coordinate getting their bus pass and ticket to them.
- RiverFest 2022: Discussion on providing a booth during RiverFest. It was felt that we will man a table with club brochures, business cards and information. The event is on October 8th at Columbia Park from 10:00 to 3:00. Larry will complete their signup sheet, asking for an 8' table and chairs in the shade. It was suggested that we also have a popup canopy available just in case for shade. A volunteer signup sheet will be provided at the September meeting.
- **Nominations**: The election ballot will be formally published in this edition of the Geode. If there are no further nominations, the published ballot will stand as printed.
- **Open Volunteer Positions**: The board will again ask for volunteers to fill the positions of Refreshment Coordinator and Program Coordinator.
- The storage unit clean up and table skirting measurement parties will be organized for October.

New Business

- Junior Club: Chris gave an update on the status of the Junior Club. They met at the park this month, and Chris will contact the Kennewick School District once classes begin to coordinate a regular meeting site. She is also working with the Junior Club on once again participating in the Federation Junior Badge Program.
- **Dues**: October is the month to begin collecting membership dues.
- Caroline researched the bank fees which the club was being charged for deposits in excess of
 their lowest tier checking account parameters. She found that we could move the account
 status up one tier which would forego being charged to deposit large amounts after our show
 each year. Caroline made the changes to our account, and we will no longer be charged for
 these larger deposits.
- Larry found the "Rock N Sage Field Trips" Facebook page while looking for places to advertise our club events. They are an active rock collecting group. He suggests that we check out their page to find out about field trips in our area.

September 7 meeting program to be determined. Possibly a presentation by the Mammoth Dig Site.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.
Respectfully Submitted - Sally Lyon, Secretary

Minutes – Junior Rock Club Meeting, August 9, 2022

On August 9th the Junior Rock Club met in Howard Amon Park for a rock swap. Juniors present were Ryan, Cinda, Arthur, Martin, and Andrew. The weather was pleasant and some rocks found new homes. Look for a message from Pauline about meeting in September and what we will do.

We discussed some upcoming events that Juniors may attend: Mammoth dig on August 27th Walla Walla Rock Show September 11th and 12th Lakeside Picnic and Rock Auction September 18th at Grange Park

Chris Sorensen

Junior's Announcement:

Please take the time to look at the rockhound badges listed in the survey or here at https://www.juniors.amfed.org/fra-badge-program. Rank your top six favorites and answer the survey and complete it before August 31st, so we can plan some programs for you.

A link to the survey is here.

https://forms.gle/KWDD24Fgmg8a81G57

For fun on your own the website for Future Rockhounds of America has activities you can do too:

https://www.juniors.amfed.org/rock-mineral-activities

Please collect some photos or rocks to share with your peers on any trips you do.

Chris Sorensen

Upcoming Juniors Meeting

Please join us at our next junior rock club meeting on September 13 at 6:30 pm. We will be sending an email to everyone about where we will meet as soon as we have a confirmed location. The topic will be mineral identification! You will learn about some of the characteristics of minerals and how to test them. Do you have a favorite mineral you want to show off? Bring it and share some information.

Chris Sorensen

Saddle Mountain Field Trip

Date

Saturday, September 24th, 2022

Where are we going

• Saddle Mountain, just north of Matawa.

Meeting Location and Time

- We will meet at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 24th, in the Fred Meyer parking lot in Richland, near the McDonalds. We will be leaving at 9:30 a.m.
- Will stop at the Vernita Bridge rest stop for a break.

Vehicle Information

• SUV or higher clearance vehicle.

Things to Bring

• Shovel, pick, digging tools, bucket, digging cloths, good hiking shoes, hat, food and water.

What will we collect

Petrified Wood

Reminder: There is not a potty at the dig site.

Have not seen any snakes where we are going, but....

Lakeside Gem & Mineral Club YouTube Channel

Did you know the Lakeside Gem & Mineral Club has a YouTube channel? To date we have presentations from select Zoom meetings and most recently videos from our annual show. In order to learn more about our members and to share your stories we would like to create a series of member videos highlighting your interests in rockhounding, jewelry making, mineral collecting, and whatever else brought you to the club. These would be short features – five to ten minutes – and could be recorded before or after club meetings, in your studio or workshop if you want to showcase your setup, or even at a convenient meet-up location like a park.

Fill out an interest card at the next meeting, or email the club if you would like to be profiled.

Lakeside Gem and Mineral Club Election Ballot

Nominations:

President Patrick Donohue
Vice President Peter Kovich
Director Wayne Larson

Should no further nominations be made, the above Election Ballot will stand as written.

Classifieds

Mike Zinski's Workshop for lapidary arts: 509-783-9337 or gemmakermz@cs.com

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

Mickee Madden - 509-438-5798.

Saw oil purchasing information:

- Must be a LSGM club member to purchase saw oil.
 - o 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.

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 <u>must be directly related to minerals, rocks, and fossils or jewelry.</u> Please remember what we sell reflects upon our club and tells the public what we are about!

Officers E-mail: lakesidegemandmineral@yahoo.com			
President	Chris Sorensen	Director	Patrick Donohue
Vice President	Peter Kovich	Director	Jane Moore
Secretary	Sally Lyon	Fed. Rep.	Larry Hulstrom
Treasurer	Caroline Bowdish	Jr Club Leader	Pauline Schafer
Past President	Bill Hamel	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: Kathy Larson 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







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