



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.

Address: Lakeside Gem & Mineral Club, Inc., PO Box 6652, Kennewick, WA 99336-0603

February Meetings

Club: Wed. 6th – Social 6:30 p.m. Meeting 7:00 / **Board Meeting 18th 6:30** Seventh Day Adventist Church, 7105 W 10th Ave, Kennewick

Junior Club meets 12th 6:30 pm; 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

mickeemadden@charter.net

- Please contact Mark Kidder with any changes to your street or email address for our membership list.

February Program

“Ten Minute Rockhound”

The February program will be the Ten Minute Rock Hound. Please bring a hobby related project or passion to share. We will utilize the many tables in the church for club members to setup their projects to share. One could also bring an item they made or found to talk about.

Minutes – Club Meeting – January 2, 2019

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

General Business

- **Welcome Guests:** Welcome to everyone who paid a visit to our January meeting.
- **Minutes:** Minutes of the previous meeting stand as printed.
- **Treasurers Report:** Not printed per historic Club policy.
- **Federation News:** Check out the January Federation Newsletter for information on the Federation Show in Lewiston, Idaho on October 18 thru the 20th.
- **Refreshments:** Rhea Bowerly asked for volunteers to bring refreshments to upcoming Club meetings.

Old Business

- **April Show:** Larry Hulstrom announced that the Show Committee will begin meeting before our regular Club Board meetings each month at 6:30 p.m. He invited anyone interested in helping out to stop by the meeting. He also asked that anyone who is familiar with social media to please consider helping us get show information out on those platforms. We also would like to have someone begin to shadow Larry and learn the particulars of advertising, fairgrounds contract and other details that Larry has always taken care of.
- **Christmas Party:** Jane Moore thanked everyone for participating in the Christmas party, and for bringing a donation to the Food Bank. Please let her know if there are any suggestions for next year's party.
- **Club Contest:** Don Snyder was presented with the Silver Picker of the Year award.

New Business

- **Field Trip:** Andy Johnson is coordinating a field trip to Saddle Mountain on the last Saturday in March. See Andy for more information.
- **Club Groups:** Bill asked about interest in restarting the Silversmith Group and the Fossil Group. Mike Zinski also reiterated that he has equipment and shop space available to anyone wanting to learn cabbing, faceting, casting, silversmithing carving, etc. Mike can be reached at 509-783-9337, and his shop is located at 7302 W Yellowstone in Kennewick.

Program – Bingo Night

Next Meeting: Club Meeting – February 6, 2019, 7:00 p.m. (social at 6:30).

Board Meeting – February 18, 2019, 6:30 p.m. Show Planning, Board meeting to follow.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sally Lyon, Secretary

Show Planning Meeting – January 21, 2019

Larry Hulstrom, Show Coordinator, outlined progress made with planning:

- Language has been resolved on the fair contract regarding insurance requirements for vendors and the contract should be signed next week.
- Vendors are in place and contracts are almost completely in.
- Volunteer coordinators are needed for badges, display cases, demonstrations, lunch/potluck, hospitality room, camp host.
- Library displays need to be coordinated.
- A display at The Reach needs to be put together showcasing the diverse interests and talents of our club members i.e. minerals, fossils, flint knapping, cabbing, faceting, jewelry making, gem trees, etc. The display should be installed at The Reach in March to advertise the April show.
- Discussion on modifying the ½ day auction and having the ability to take debit and credit cards.
- Jerry Sorensen asked that a tribute case in honor of Bob Forsythe be included in the April Show. Bob's family will be contacted to coordinate.

Respectfully Submitted
Sally Lyon, Secretary



Don Snyder
was the 2017 Silverpicker of the
year winner!

Shown here with our club
president Bill Hamel.

Minutes – Board Meeting – January 21, 2019

Present: (Board Members) Chris Sorensen, Duane Schock, Ron Northey, Rick Tobin, Larry Hulstrom, Sally Lyon, Mickee Madden (Member) Jerry Sorensen

Chris Sorensen call the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Old Business

- Larry and Wayne met with the Club insurance carrier to clarify what our policy actually covers and does not. It was determined that items kept in the storage unit were not included and needed to be added which resulted in a premium increase. The motion was made and passed to proceed with modifying the Club insurance policy to include storage unit inventory and pay the premium.
- Discussion on the February meeting Program, *10 Minute Rockhound*. Mickee will include a description in the Geode for members interested in participating.
- We still need a volunteer to act as Program Chair. Walther Rohlring has volunteered to take over as Club Librarian.
- Discussion on the website updates. Mickee volunteered to look into the page and see if she can help.

New Business

- Information on the China Hollow fee dig site will be presented during the February meeting.
- Storage unit rent will be paid next week.
- Ron Northey asked the Board to consider forming a committee to visit Mike Zinski's shop and determine how the Club could best utilize Mike's generous offer to use his space and equipment for classes and workshops. Ron will coordinate a meeting time with Rick Tobin, Sally Lyon and Rhea Bowerly to tour his shop.

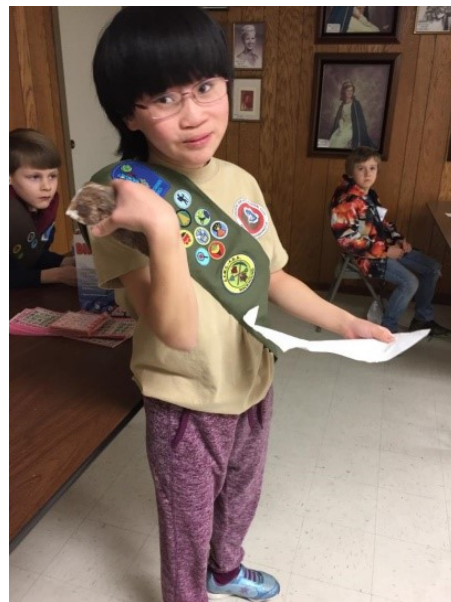
The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted
Sally Lyon, Secretary

January 2019 Junior Rock Club Meeting

- President Hannah, Vice President Ahziah and Secretary Sawyer presided over the meeting with 22 students, 22 parents and 3 visitors in attendance. We celebrated 4 birthdays and enjoyed Show-N-Tell by 6 others.
- Mineral of the Month reports were read by Ahziah, Justine, and Sawyer.
- Steve Shoemaker and his grandson joined us in 2 very fine games of BINGO-BINGO-BINGO! where everyone won 2 prized selections from Steve Shoemaker's donations. Thank you Mr. Shoemaker for making it a wonderful evening of treasures to be had by the students!
- A special thank you to Laurie Sorensen who does a marvelous job keeping our attendance and membership records for the Jr. club, now totaling 44 students in 2019!

JR Rock Bingo



How to do a Mineral Report:

Choose a mineral at the club meeting or one of your own interest. Get started right away with your research. Go to the library or the family book shelf, on-line, etc. Read and learn all you can about your mineral. Make a note of your sources of information. Think about all you've learned and write about it, including your sources. Read it to your family. Allow your family to make suggestions for editing your writing. After editing, read your report again to them. Practice reading your report again before Rock Club meeting. Come to club, read your report and display your mineral. You will be a proud published writer as your work appears in the GEODE Newsletter.

Parents, please allow your child to do the work themselves and thus gain great rewards; it's part of the learning process. IF they type their report (optional), you are welcome to e-mail the report to me, saving me the time to type it myself for the GEODE Newsletter.

Send it to:

trumbosnews@gmail.com, subject line: Jr Rock Club. Mrs. Trumbo

February Mineral Report due by: Hannah-appophylite/stibitite, , Marcus-galena, Ezra-appophylite, Nadine-aragonite, Lucas-Stillbite, and Davian-aragonite.

JR Mineral Reports

Aragonite of Morocco by Ahziah, age 6

- Aragonite is usually white, but it may be red, yellow, orange, green, purple, gray, brown, or blue. It's found in caves and around hot springs. In damp caves, aragonite crystals can make flower-like shapes. They form when dripping water contains calcium and carbon.
- I found this information in my "Rock Explorer" Minerals book.
- It is sometimes called sputnik cluster because it looks similar to the first man-made satellite in space.
- Aragonite is a calcium carbonate mineral with a hardness of 3.5-4. If Aragonite contains sand, it gives the rock a brown color. I got this information off of wikipedia.com

JR Mineral Reports continued

Cobalto Calcite, by Justine, age 7

- Lepka cobalto calcite is a mineral in the carbonates class named after its chemical make-up of cobalt and carbonate. It has pretty colors or a deep rose red to pink. On the hardness scale it is a 4.
- I'm very happy to add this mineral to my collection.

Calcite by Sawyer, age 9

- Calcite crystals occur in a variety of forms, including hexagonal or trigonal, or often resulting as a rhombohedron. It exhibits double refraction (an object viewed through the crystal appears as a double image). White calcite crystals often form attached to other crystals such as amethyst, citrine, and fluorite.
- Various forms of calcite may be found throughout the world including the U.S. Brazil, China, or like this one they can be found in Mexico.
- They are very powerful energy amplifiers, helping to raise the energy level of your space. The chemical formula is CaCO_3 it has a hardness range of 3 and its color is mostly white.
- Calcite is light colored and is either pointed or blocky.
- I found this info at bestcrystals.com and Rocks and Minerals a Field Guide to the Evergreen and Beaver States.

Bragging Table

We are bringing back the bragging table to our regular Club meetings! Every meeting will be an open forum. Bring something you found (and maybe need someone to identify for you), a rock or fossil you find interesting or love, something you made...

ANYTHING YOU ARE WILLING TO BRING TO THE TABLE AND TALK ABOUT.

This is not only fun and educational, it also reveals the multifaceted interests of our club members. (Pun intended).



Don't be shy! Be seen and heard.

Classifieds

Rock Saw Oil -- The new oil contact is Rick Tobin 2767 South Lyle St.,
Kennewick 509 734 8357

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) \$14.00/gallon
 - Superla 5 (the new oil) \$17.50/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 Mickee Madden at 509-438-5798. Sold in 2 pound bags only. Pick up at her
house in Richland. **Exact change, please!****

- Larry has 2016/2017 Federation Directories available now for sale at \$10 each.
- Larry also has LSGM t-shirts and hats for sale at \$10 each.

Tree of Life Pendant Classes



\$10 Class, includes pre-cut wires (choice of colors), a choice of stones, and a neck cord to have a finished product.

March 14th 10-12

March 15th 10-12

March 16th 1-3

March 17th 1-3

I can only have 4 people per class. I can add more time slots if needed. A sign-up sheet will be available at the February and March meetings.

If you can't make these meetings and would like to take one of the class, please call:

Mickee at: 509-438-5798