



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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The Membership List is being updated for 2023 of paid members. Make sure your dues are paid so that you don't miss out on Club Communications and The Geode.

Club Meetings & Upcoming Events

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

Social at 6:30pm – Meeting at 7:00pm

April 29-30, 2023 – Annual Gem Show

April 29, 2023, 1-3pm – NFMS Mid-Year Meeting, Building #3

May 3, 2023 – Club Meeting – 5 Minute Rockhound – 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.

May, 2023 – Coyote Canyon Mammoth Dig, Walther Rohlfing is organizing this field trip.

May 9, 2023 – Junior Club Meeting – 6:30pm

June 10-11, 2023 – Wire Wrapping Classes, Kathy Larson is contact person.

July 8, 2023 – Wild Turkey Mine, A volunteer is needed as contact for this trip. Mine is about 8 miles from Chewelah, WA. Noble Serpentine can be found here.

Minutes - General Meeting, April 3, 2023

Patrick called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Corrections to Geode:

- The Juniors will meet on Monday, April 10th, not the 11th.

Old Business:

- Fir Road trip: More than thirty members joined the hunt for agates. Patrick was hit in the head with a rock. Field trip leaders should make a brief speech about potential hazards and we hope everyone acts safely on future field trips.
- Reminder that Don Snyder has free material including colorful petrified wood and agates that any member can take home and keep. The only requirement is that said member bring in one worked item to show to the club. Once a worked item has been shown, the member can get more material.

New Business:

- Thanks to Deborah Muller for assuming temporary secretary duties for the meeting.
- We are saddened to report member Rick Tobin passed away. His funeral will be held April 14th. A motion was made to donate \$75 in his memory to the Federation Scholarship Fund. The motion passed by voice vote.
- Caroline would like the help of assistant treasurer during the last few months of her term, with the intent to take over sooner rather than later.
- April 22nd is Earth Day, and the REACH is hosting a free admission day and community expo. The club is signed up for a table and volunteers are requested to help out from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- The Saddle Mountain field trip is scheduled for April 15th. Patrick will be the point of contact.
- The Yakima Rock Show is April 21st to 23rd at the Yakima Fairgrounds.
- Mike Zinski said he's seeing a growing interest among club members in silver and copper work, such as making mountings, soldering, casting. He suggested they get together to share experiences and ideas.
- Wire Wrapping with KittyKat Jewelry is scheduled for June 10th and 11th at Kathy's house. A signup is available at the meeting. The class is free to members, with the only charge being for materials (\$45 for silver).

Junior Club Business:

- All future regular Junior Club meetings will be held at the REACH.

Show Business:

- To be discussed during the program. An email with all the details and volunteer list will also be emailed out before the show.

Program: The Annual Show

Bragging Table: Fir Road agate finds

The meeting adjourned at a reasonable time.

Minutes recorded by temporary secretary Deborah Muller.

Summarized and typed up by Patrick Donohue, President.

Junior Club News

Our Junior program this May 9th at the REACH museum will be to build a rock and mineral display to share at the REACH MUSEUM. We will be using your rocks or minerals to illustrate some common rocks and minerals and provide some information about sedimentary, metamorphic or igneous rocks or mineral to the public.

Juniors you need to select your top 4-5 specimens (rocks or minerals) and Chris will make labels if you provide the appropriate information by May 7th to go in the REACH MUSEUM display. We will build a display with what you bring. While we are setting up the display, we will be sharing what we learned about our specimens and the processes necessary to create them.

Juniors you need to provide the name of the rock or mineral and the descriptor (type of rock or mineral formation using form linked below). For instance, if I wanted to show granite it would be an igneous rock as a descriptor. You would enter granite and igneous together. If you have more than one way it forms, list them, such as a specimen of calcite to show the name would be calcite and I would have the descriptor as sedimentary, igneous or metamorphic.

Please answer the following so we can provide a display showing your rocks or minerals with labels. Go to the link and fill out the questions there. <https://forms.gle/utfDi3vmx8i6XRDH6>

Bring your rocks or minerals to our May 9th meeting and we will set it up with your display items and learn more about how these form.

Did you find something cool at the rock show? Bring it as a show and tell item.

Putting Together a Display for the Show

If you're new to the hobby or been at it awhile and have never attempted to put together a display for the annual gem and mineral show it's not all that hard to do. At the April meeting we will provide you with some hints and suggestions to help you organize your materials into a display that you will be proud to have everyone see. And don't worry if you think you don't have enough to fill a display, you can get with someone else and fill it up in no time.

If you are using a Club furnished case all you need are your materials and eye for arranging things into something that is attractive and informative. Where possible you should attempt to label what you are displaying with the name of the material (e.g., jasper, agate, Trilobite, etc.) and the location where the material came from. More tips can be found on the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies (AFMS) website at <http://www.amfed.org/rules/rules.htm> in the AFMS Uniform Rules. These are the rules used for competitive displaying, but that can be the subject for another discussion some other time.

Minutes - Board Meeting, April 17, 2023

Present: Officers Patrick Donohue, Peter Kovich, Chris Sorensen, Larry Hulstrom, Jane Moore, Pauline Schafer; Wayne Larson, Kathy Larson, Patty DeForest.

Peter called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

Old Business:

- None recorded.

New Business:

- Member Allyson Leonhard offered to make club vinyl decals at a reduced rate for the club to sell at the show and elsewhere. The board approved a run of 20 to sell at the show.
- Earth Day at the REACH, April 22nd - Free admission, and many local vendors and organizations will be showcasing their areas of expertise. Patrick will host a table for the club from 10-1.
- Discussion of the cost of mailing the Geode. With a further planned increase in shipping costs, the board passed a motion to start charging \$10/year starting in November to members who wish to continue receiving printed Geodes.
- Kathy recently overhauled the member list and will get an updated list of Junior members from Pauline. Any regular or junior member who has paid their dues and does not receive the next Geode should contact the club. Juniors should also be receiving the Geode and Federation Newsletter.

Junior Club Business:

- Patrick and Pauline signed the formal partnership agreement between the REACH and the Junior Club
- Junior Club members will fill a REACH display case as part of the next meeting.
- Pauline made Junior Club fliers to hand out.

Show Business:

- The issue with the liability for the show has been resolved and the contract is finalized.
- Larry reports everything is in place for the show. He will do a final walkthrough this week.
- An email will be sent out with details about the timing of events and lists of volunteers.
- Thanks to Marty for volunteering to be camp host.

May Program: The May program will be the Five 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.

Bragging Table: Bring in your Saddle Mountain finds and any worked material from Don Snyder.

The meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Patrick Donohue, President

Lakeside Hat and T-shirts are on Sale Now!

It's going to start warming up outside. Do you have a Lakeside Gem & Mineral Club hat or T-shirt yet? They would be great to wear during the April Show coming up! It also helps to advertise our club, and deter would be shop lifters. The T-shirts are available in a variety of adult and children's sizes. If you already have one why not buy another so when one gets dirty you will have a spare.

The Club Board of Directors has approved a reduction in the price of the T-shirts which are now \$5.00 each. Hats are in short supply and remain at \$10.00 each. Help support your Club. See Larry Hulstrom to get yours today! They will be available at club meetings the next few months.

Classifieds

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

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

Mickee Madden -

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.

Contact: Mickee Madden - 509-438-5798

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.** Limit of 5 lots per seller. Please remember what we sell reflects upon our club and tells the public what we are about! Note: No auction during the December and January meetings.

Officers E-mail: lakesidegemandmineral@yahoo.com

President	Patrick Donohue	Director	Wayne Larson
Vice President	Peter Kovich	Director	Jane Moore
Secretary	Sally Lyon	Fed. Rep.	Larry Hulstrom
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Past President	Chris Sorensen	Bulletin Editor	Patty DeForest
Program Director		Librarian	Walther Rohlfing
Membership	Kathy Larson	Refreshments	
Sunshine	Sally Lyon	Historian	Mickee Madden

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

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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