



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

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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 & Upcoming Events

Seventh Day Adventist Church, 7105 W 10th Ave, Kennewick
Social at 6:30pm – Meeting at 7:00pm

January 4, 2023 – Club Meeting – Rock Bingo

April 29-30, 2023 – Annual Gem Show



Best Christmas Sweater - Kathy

Minutes – Club Meeting, November 2, 2022

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

- New LSGM President, Patrick Donohue, returning Vice President, Peter Kovich, and Director, Wayne Larson, were introduced.
- Minutes of the previous meetings stand as printed.
- There was no new correspondence.
- Visitors Peter and Sarah from Colorado Springs, CO, Kathy and Terry, Vickie, Hal from Montana, Todd, Debbie and Elijah were welcomed to our meeting.
- It was reported that the field trip to the Polka Dot Mine was a great success with good finds taken from a newly dug pit, as well as the discard pile.
- The Christmas party committee will get together for a planning meeting at 1:00 p.m. on November 5 at the Wendy's on Canal.

Old Business

- Don't forget that dues are being collected through December.
- Chris reported that the storage unit cleanout went well, and there is still plenty of work to be done. It was felt that scheduling regular cleaning and sorting parties would be a good idea.
- A reminder that volunteers for program chair, refreshment coordinator and door prize coordinator are needed. If you're interested in helping the club, please talk with Patrick or Larry.
- Steve Shoemaker has placed a display of painted rock from Arizona in our case at The Reach.

New Business

- Volunteers are needed during the November 21st Board meeting at the church to measure and organize our table skirting.
- Don Snyder is donating Montana agate rough to any club member who would like to finish a piece and bring it back for show and tell during our regular meetings. Members may take an assortment of agates but must bring in a finished piece to show before they can "checkout" another bag. You cannot get more until you have finished a piece. Mike Zinski's shop is available to help with cutting and polishing these generous donations.
- Marty mentioned that if you're interested in gold panning in Washington state, Fish and Game provides a pamphlet listing all the requirements and regulations.

Program: Club Contest Night.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Sally Lyon, Secretary

Minutes – Board Meeting, November 21, 2022

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

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Old Business

- Treasurers report: Not published per historic Club practices.
- There are still some items owned by the Club being stored at the Banner Bank.

- Membership: Kathy reported that dues are being paid, and she is updating the membership list on an ongoing basis. She will email the Board a revised list as soon as possible.
- Larry reported that trophies for the Club contest night have been ordered and will be presented before the Christmas party in December.
- Larry and Judi are working on sending contract letters to vendors for the 2023 show.

New Business

- Discussion regarding utilizing the Zoom Meetings platform for Board members who are unable to attend meetings in person. This would necessitate the Club purchasing a computer headset with mic to be easily heard during discussions. Chris will research the cost of a headset.
- The motion was made and passed to allow a delegate to stand in for Board members unable to attend a meeting. The delegate would have to be a member in good standing and would have voting rights. This will be a discussion item at the next regular Club meeting, and it was felt that the Club bylaws should be amended to include this as well.
- Chris asked that the Junior Club be allocated a budget to purchase the specimens used for their Mineral of the Month program. Further discussion regarding who would be available to buy and bring back the specimens from the Tucson, AZ show. The motion was made and passed to develop a budget for the purchase. Chris will supply a list of the most common minerals to purchase (no larger than 2 inches in size).
- Further discussion regarding our current inventory of geodes and material sold during the show. Larry will check the storage units.
- Chris has also been in contact with Kit Kat Wire Wrapping of Hamilton, MT regarding them possibly offering classes in the spring. Wayne and Kathy Larson are willing to host the classes if Club members are interested in learning to wire wrap. Patrick will put this on the agenda during our December meeting, and Chris will ask Kit Kat for pricing information.
- Sally will check with the Washington Secretary of State on the status of renewing our non-profit status.
- There will be no Board meeting in December.

The meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Sally Lyon, Secretary

Junior Club Meeting, November 8, 2022

The junior meeting on November 8th was attended by Arthur, Cinda, Wyatt, Tyler, Alex, Juni, Tate, Ahziah, Jessy, Malachi, Aria, Martin, Davian, Alexandria, Leonardo, Lilly, and Calvin.

My Copper report by Alex

Copper is an element and a mineral, that was used in ancient times. Nuggets of metal attracted many people's attention and is now used for conducting electricity (mostly as wiring), cooking utensils, heat sinks, and heat exchangers as it was excellent at conducting heat. Copper was also found in the U.S. and it was first discovered in 9000 BC. In history, copper was used as metal buttons but the changed to being used for electricity and heat.

Apache tears by Tyler

There are Apache Tears all over. If you have a small hammer or small pick, you can pop them out.

Carborundum by Wyatt

Carborundum is a silicon carbide and it is manmade. It was discovered by a man named Edward.

Aragonite by Juni

Aragonite has a hardness of 3.5-4. The iridescent surface, like mother of pearl is a layer of aragonite secreted by mollusks in their shell. Aragonite is a carbonate mineral form of calcium carbonate. It is polymorphic with calcite and vaterite.

Project of the Year Winners:

Best Color: No Entries
Best Fossil: Larry Hulstrom
Jewelry: (a tie) Ron Northey and Chris Sorensen
Facetor: Patrick Donohue
Best Cabochon: Marty Casto
Silver Picker: Judi Allison
Best Find: Marty Casto and Wayne Larson
Project of the Year: Mickee Madden



Pictured from the left: Mickee, Ron, Patrick, Judi, Marty, Wayne, and Larry

Membership Application
Lakeside Gem and Mineral Club
January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023

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: 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)

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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 _____

Please make check payable to:

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Club Meeting Silent Action Information:

For all that sell and buy at the auction, please bring small \$ bills. I know a lot a people don't carry cash, but it creates a headache when you want to buy an item and the seller does not have the correct change.

Also, if selling please be there at the table when the auction time is closed so the buyer knows who the seller is. There was some confusion last month, people were trying to pay me for another seller items.

Thanks to all the people who have donated items to be sold to support the club fund that started to help pay the church for use of this nice facility, and also to the people who buy.

Thank you, Marty (Martin Casto)

Classifieds

Mike Zinski's Workshop for lapidary arts

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

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

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!

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
Treasurer	Caroline Bowdish	Jr Club Leader	Pauline Schafer
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:

Librarian: Walther Rohlfing

Membership Coordinator: Kathy Larson

Refreshments:

Historian: Mickee Madden

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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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.