

# 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 Deadlines:**

- 19<sup>th</sup> member articles & photos **E-mail:** lakesidegemandmineral@yahoo.com
- **Membership:** Please contact Mark Kidder to pay your dues or make updates to your street address or email at markkidder@msn.com or (206) 478-3685.

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## Club Meeting on Zoom April 7 at 7pm

Bill Hamel will tell us about "Collecting Minerals from US Localities" for the April meeting. Please join us. Our Zoom meetings now have the capability of including a sort of closed captioning during the meetings. Check it out during Bill's presentation.

If you have not used Zoom before, click on the link in Option 1 below and download the Zoom app to your device. You can use a laptop, computer, android, iPhone, tablet or iPad. After it is downloaded, create a username and log in.

How to Use Zoom overview video at: https://youtu.be/5iap0Ffl5Lg

**Option 1**: Use direct link to meeting

https://zoom.us/j/95861269849?pwd=VEkwNng0UGxraGt3NVQ5TXZESGJQUT09

Option 2: Login into zoom on device and enter the meeting id and the passcode

Meeting ID: 958 6126 9849

Passcode: 232250

## Attention Everyone – 2021 Membership Is FREE (So Far)

All members of the Lakeside Gem and Mineral Club should be aware that the board has decided to suspend the collection of membership dues for 2021 until such time as we can all meet again at our regular location at the 7<sup>th</sup> Day Adventist Church on W 10<sup>th</sup> Ave in Kennewick. Once we can meet again in public the board will reconsider whether or not to collect dues at a pro-rated schedule for the remainder of the year.

We hope that more people will join us on our monthly ZOOM meetings held on the first Wednesday of every month at 7:00 PM. Details for joining our meetings are published in the GEODE you receive by email the week before each meeting. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to give me a call. Stay safe everyone!

Mark Kidder 206-478-3685 LGMC Membership Coordinator

## From the Yakima Rock and Mineral Club News March, 2021 FIELD TRIPS

Jerry Wickstrom and his sidekick Howard Alexander will be going on all of these Rock digging field trips. We have learned a lot about the dig sites from previous generations of Rock club members and just people digging there that we met. Jerry and I welcome all to come along with us and dig beside us and we will show you where to get the good stuff.

We have waited all winter for the digging weather to get here. We will still be social distancing. So please plan your ride ahead of time. On the Glass Buttes trip we will sign up ahead of time so let us know if you are going.

We as a club would like to extend an invitation to the Tri city's Rock club. We welcome them to join us on all of our field trips. Jerry Wickstrom and Howard Alexander look forward to going on their field trips also.

DATE LOCATION 5/1/2021 Saddle Mountain	MEETING PLACE Beaudry Rd & HWY 24 Park & Ride (Moxee)  TIME 8:00 am	SUGGESTED TOOLS Shovel, Bar, Chisel, Rock Hammer
6/16/2021 Glass Buttes, OR	Wolf Den, Wapato 8:00 am	Shovel, Bar, Chisel, Rock Hammer
6/26/2021 Red Top	Firing Center Exit Selah 8:00 am	Shovel, Bar, Chisel, Rock Hammer
7/10/2021 Little Naches	Ace Hardware, Naches 8:00 am	Shovel, Scratcher, Rock Hammer
8/7/2021 Timberwolf	Ace Hardware Selah 8:00 am	Shovel, Scratcher, Rock Hammer

For more detailed information and reservations contact Jerry Wickstrom 653-2787 or Howard Alexander 945-3119

#### Jr Rock Club Meeting March 9, 2021 minutes by Thora Trumbo, advisor

"2021" Have you gotten into the habit of writing the new year numbers yet? Hope so, and I hope you marked your calendar each month for the Jr Club meetings on the 2nd Tuesday each month. (The adults meet also on ZOOM on the first Wednesdays.) The reason I ask is because so many families missed a terrific guest this month; only 6 students and 5 parents attended.

Trent Meyers from the Central Pennsylvania Rock and Mineral Club joined us via ZOOM to present a wealth of information on fluorescent minerals. Trent has been a member for 5-6 years but really got into the hobby when he was introduced to the fluorescence side of the hobby. Trent is blessed to have a grandfather who built him a beautiful, tall cabinet to display his best specimens and store the rest in drawers below.

Trent truly has a passion for his fluorescent minerals. He explained fluorescence means "giving off light." He shared a wonderful slide show of pictures which coordinated with his discussion on the topic. He encouraged those who travel to his area of the eastern USA, to be sure to visit the Sterling Hill Mine and the nearby Franklin Mine (open 3rd Sat/Sun) and Museum (April-November), when they are open to the public. (Always call or check websites for updated info)

Sign-up your student to receive an Easter goodies bag of rock specimens, surprises, sweets, etc. Each bag done in past months has been different in order to help student's collections and knowledge continue to grow.

Please text Mrs. Trumbo at 509-582-4297. Thus far bags are reserved for Andrew, Cinda, Hannah, Arthur, Theo and Joy. Bags may be picked up in the days before or after Easter.

See the student badge program at: <a href="http://www.amfed.org/fra/fra">http://www.amfed.org/fra/Poster contest</a> at: <a href="http://www.amfed.org/fra/PosterContest/National Youth Poster Contest 2021.pdf">http://www.amfed.org/fra/PosterContest/National Youth Poster Contest 2021.pdf</a>

Deadline to enter: May21, 2021

#### **REACH DISPLAY**

I am looking for a volunteer to display a rock related activity in the REACH Museum; starting in May and going through July. Do you have some items you have made or purchased that illustrate rocks or minerals from the Northwest?

The three shelves in the display are approximately 2 feet wide by 6 inches deep. Past displays have included: petrified wood, agates, cabs, thundereggs, minerals, fossils, flint knapped items, and jewelry made with northwest materials. All that is needed is your time, some labels and your materials.

Please contact Chris Sorensen to coordinate. (See Page 5 for Reach display photos.)

#### Minutes – Board Meeting (via Zoom Meetings) – March 15, 2021

Present: (Board Members) – Bill Hamel, Wayne Larson, Larry Hulstrom, Chris Sorensen, Patty DeForest, Sally Lyon; (Members) Jerry Sorensen, Kathy Larson

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

#### **Old Business**

- The Board once again discussed filling the Club Treasurer position being vacated by Duane Schock. Bill Hamel will call Caroline Bowdish to see if she is willing to accept this position. (Bill followed up after the meeting on March 16 and indicated that Caroline has accepted the nomination and will begin working with Duane to transition files and transfer the checking account.) The Club will also conduct a financial review of the files as the transition proceeds. A big heartfelt thanks to Caroline from the Lakeside Board and the club in general!
- Larry contacted the Church to see what the policy will be regarding the resumption of meetings there. The Church Board was meeting on March 15 and hopefully we will hear back soon. In lieu of meeting inside there were discussions of perhaps have an outdoor rock bingo event or a club tailgating event in the church parking lot.
- Larry has contacted the Benton County Fairgrounds and confirmed that September 25 and 26 are still reserved for us if we should decide to hold our annual Show at that time. Discussions were also started with regard to our contract with the Fairgrounds which is scheduled to end this year. Fairgrounds management are going to get back with Larry with details.
- Field trips were discussed. It was noted that Andy Johnson had posted on the Club Facebook page that the Emerald Creek Garnet dig site is reopening May 28. A day or over-night trip might be arranged if people show interest. The Yakima Rock and Mineral Club have invited Lakeside to join them on their planned field trips for the summer. Details have been included elsewhere in the Geode. Bill indicated that he would contact the Walla Walla Club to see if we could do some joint field trips with them as well. Jerry reported that the Prineville Pow Wow is planning to hold their event June 17 20 if all things work out.

#### **New Business**

- Chris reported that the Reach Museum will be reopening in May and is seeking a volunteer from the club to put something into the Club Display case. (A couple of previous displays are shown elsewhere in the Geode for scale). Contact Chris if you are willing to put something in.
- Larry inquired about the status of Lifetime membership review. Mark Kidder was working on this
  and will be contacted for an update.
- A discussion was held regarding the Zoom license the club currently has. It is an annual license
  that expires in August so it was concluded that we could wait for several months to decide if
  renewal was warranted.

## **April Zoom Meeting Program**

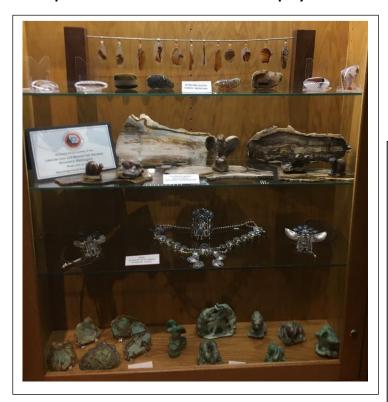
Bill Hamel will present a program entitled "Collecting Minerals from U.S. Localities" for the April meeting. Please plan to join us.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Larry Hulstrom for Sally Lyon, Secretary

Note: Sally had to leave town due to a death in the family before she could type up her notes from the meeting, so Larry has attempted to capture the discussions held.

## **Examples of Previous Lakeside Club Displays at the Reach Museum**





#### Classifieds

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

Rick Tobin, 2767 South Lyle St., Kennewick,

## 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: \$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 (no river rock), get 2 lbs. of 60/90 or 220 grit free.

Officers E-mail: lakesidegemandmineralclub@yahoo.com				
President	Bill Hamel	Director	Ron Northey	
Vice President	Wayne Larson	Director	Rick Tobin	
Secretary	Sally Lyon	Fed. Rep.	Larry Hulstrom	
Treasurer	Duane Shock	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: Mark Kidder 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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