



# 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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## October Meetings

**Club: Wed. 3rd**– Social 6:30 p.m. Meeting 7:00 / **Board Meeting 15th 6:30** Seventh Day Adventist Church, 7105 W 10<sup>th</sup> Ave, Kennewick

**Junior Club meets 9th** 6:30 pm; Banner Bank, 203 W 1st Ave., Kennewick  
JR Club Leader Thora Trumbo (509) 582-4297

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### GEODE Submission Deadlines:

- 19<sup>th</sup> – member articles & photos
- Day after Board mtg. - officer & committee contributions

E-mail them to

[mickeemadden@charter.net](mailto:mickeemadden@charter.net)

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

### October Program

A safety presentation by  
Janelle & Andrew Lacey.

We all need to know, remember, and put into practice safety precautions for tools, materials, and conditions encountered during field trips. Working for the US Forest Service for many years, the Lacey's have an experienced and well-rounded perspective for outdoor safety in wilderness areas.

**Rod Coler** currently has a small part of his extensive butterfly and moth collection on display at the Reach. Check out Rod's Smithsonian worthy case, as well as the Lakeside Club items. You may become inspired to showcase your collection as well.

## **Minutes – Club Meeting – September 5, 2018**

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

### **General Business**

- **Welcome Guests:** Steve Sontag paid a visit to the meeting. Steve is a flint knapper with knapping friends in our club.
- **Treasurers Report:** Not published per historic Club policy.
- **Refreshments:** Rhea needs volunteers to bring refreshments for the October, and November Club meetings.
- **Federation News:** Larry reminded everyone to check out their Northwest Federation Newsletter for tons of information on everything from upcoming shows and events to staying on top of critical legislative changes impacting our hobby.
- **Fair:** Larry reported that the fair was a big success and thanked everyone who helped out with setup, filling cases, manning the booth and teardown. Several Club members talked with fairgoers who stop by our booth every year to buy grab bags, and have done so for many years. It was suggested by some that we include slabs and cabochons in the bags as an extra surprise.
- **Door Prizes:** Congratulations to Pat Snyder, Jerry Johnson, Jon Zarzoza, Duane Schock and George Weeks.

### **Old Business**

- **Elections:** Elections will be held during the October 3 Club meeting. Candidates running unopposed are Bill Hamel, President, Wayne Larson, Vice President and Ron Northy, Director
- **Membership Chair:** We need a volunteer to take over as Membership Chair. Mark Kidder will show you the ropes for this easy but important club position.
- **Silent Auction:** Any donated material for the silent auction is greatly appreciated. Ryan King donated his “clean out” rocks for the auction. Thanks Ryan!
- **Club Historian:** Thank you Mickee Madden for taking over as Club Historian.

### **New Business**

- Jane Moore volunteered to head up the Christmas Party Committee.
- Members voted on the categories for this years’ Club Contest Night in November. Check out the Geode for further details.
- Club member, Marcie Wall, has used saws and grinders for sale. Contact Marcie for more information.
- Mike Zinski reminded everyone that he has equipment available to teach members everything they want to know about the lapidary arts.

**Program – Columbia Basin Agates by Ryan King:** Thank you Ryan for showing us an array of agates unique to the Columbia Basin. Also, thanks for offering to head up field trips to the best agate collection site in the Tri-Cities!

**Next Meeting:** Club Meeting – October 3, 2018, 7:00 p.m. (social at 6:30). Board Meeting – October 15, 2018, 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Sally Lyon, Secretary

## **Minutes – Board Meeting – September 18, 2018**

Present: (Board Members) Bill Hamel, Chris Sorensen, Duane Schock, Wayne Larson, Larry Hulstrom, Marty Casto, Sally Lyon

Bill Hamel called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

### **Old Business**

- Show Venue: Discussion of costs involved in utilizing the TRAC facility. TRAC costs are prohibitive at this time and so negotiations will continue with the fairgrounds for a possible 3 year guaranteed contract. The Board will continue to look at other possible venue sites. This is an ongoing project.
- The motion was made and passed to increase show vendor fees by \$1 per lineal foot, and the entrance fee will remain at \$5.00, with no \$1.00 off ticket coupon being offered.
- Website: Work in ongoing to update and maintain the website.
- Membership Chair: The announcement will be made again at the October Club meeting to fill this opening.
- Club Contest Night: Contest categories were amended by a membership vote. More information in the Geode. The categories will be reviewed by the Board on a yearly basis.
- Christmas Party: Jane Moore will need volunteers to help out with planning.

### **New Business**

- Auction Guidelines: The motion was made and passed to clarify our auction rules as follows:
    - All items being auctioned must be rock or lapidary related only.
    - Sellers may not bid on their own items.
    - The auction split is a straight 70%/30% - this includes items marked with a minimum bid.
  - Rockhound of the Year: The motion was made and passed to nominate Thora Trumbo as Rockhound of the Year for her years of dedication to education and our Junior rockhounds.
  - Sound System: Marty Casto will check out his portable microphones and amplifier equipment.
  - The motion was made and passed to pay a \$200.00 food and lodging stipend to visiting instructors who teach classes for multiple days, as well as \$.50 per mile (up to \$150.00 total) for mileage. This motion will be reevaluated by the Board on a case by case basis.
  - Silversmith Class: Discussion on offering silversmithing in conjunction with the April show.
  - Raffle: Discussion regarding donations for a Christmas raffle, as well as the show raffle, and suggestions for a Special Speaker meeting.
  - Robert Forsythe memorial donation.
- The meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Sally Lyon, Secretary

## Junior Club meeting notes for September 11<sup>th</sup> 2018

- We had 19 kids and 14 adults attend, including 4 first timers.
- Kevin Miles and his father gave a presentation on their expeditions looking for gold. They showed us some impressive samples of pyrite and several of the tools they used. They also warned us about the dangers of gold fever.
- We had several families bring rocks to share with all the junior members. Max's family brought fish fossils they collected near Kemmerer, Wyoming. Arthurs's family brought obsidian from Glass Butte in central Oregon. I failed to write down the name of the last family (my apologies) but they brought two different samples of rocks from Canada. One from Kootenay National Park in British Columbia and one from Banff National Park in Alberta. Thanks for being very generous and sharing your finds with us!
- We finished up the night with mineral card games and everyone also got a pyrite sample to take home.

### Reach

Previously, our club has put in a case showcasing items that members make. We would like to put in a case at the REACH again in our club case there this fall.

Please consider your items: Gem tree, jewelry, polished rocks, and items that display well in a locked glass case. I would like to display your work for you in the case showing the various interests in the club.

I will collect items at the October meeting. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Chris Sorensen

### For Sale:

Petrified Wood from 4 locations  
Large Thundereggs from Succor Creek  
Blue Thundereggs with black danderites, some doubles  
Agates from Graveyard Pt.  
Beacon Hill  
Prairie Agates from S. DK.  
Fourth of July Butte AZ  
Jasper and Agates by the bucket from AZ.  
Obsidian  
Apache tears  
Rough slabs \$5.00 Polished slabs 20% off from last April

### Equipment for sale

Richerson High speed sander with vaccum attached  
4 tumblers  
1 trim saw with 6"blade  
1 8" arbor with expandable drums  
arrowhead making equipment

**Call for appointment to look at Rocks and Equipment. NO Saturday calls**

Elmer and Marilyn Ringering 509-520-0647

### **An Opportunity for Service!**

This is your chance to be a more active member in the Lakeside Gem and Mineral Club. Our club is in need of a new Membership Coordinator. It's a great way to meet all the members of the club and help out with a vital position of service to the club. And it's pretty easy to do.

Your first duty is to be at all the meetings and greet people coming into the meeting, making the membership badges available, and signing up new people who want to join the club. They sign the form, you take the money and give them the receipt. Then you keep an active membership list up to date. The membership list is kept on an Excel spreadsheet so it's real basic and very easy to use.

Once a year the club puts on our annual show and you'll need to make up badges for all the members working at the fair. It takes about an hour of your time. I estimate I put in about two to three hours of time to this position every month so it's not a huge commitment of time and effort. The best part of the position is the people you meet and the positive feeling you get being a more active member of the club. Please consider stepping up and doing just a bit more for your club. Give me a call and I can tell you more about the position. Thanks for thinking about it.  
Mark Kidder 206-478-3685

### **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!****

**November Program**  
**“Rocking With The Stars”**  
**Annual Show & Tell Awards**

As the frost appears on the pumpkins, it is the time of the year that we gather to share the past year’s rocks, projects, triumphs and tales with fellow club members.

**The more members that participate, the merrier the evening.**

**Time Period:** Your entries must have been purchased, found or made between November 1, 2017 and October 31, 2018.

**Remember: Only one entry per category per member.**

**A member may enter one item in each category.**

**Category 1 - Best Fossil:** Your fossil can be either found by you or purchased, and can be rough or in a finished presentation.

**Category 2 - Jewelry:** This category includes jewelry made using wire wrap, chain maile, torch on metal, lost wax or sand casting, Viking weave, or bead weave. It can be a pendant, ring, belt buckle, brooch, earrings or bracelet.

**Category 3 - Faceter of the Year:** Bring your bling and treat us to the sight of the best gemstone of the year that you have personally cut. The gemstone can be in a setting.

**Category 4 - Cabochon of the Year:** Show us your talent by entering the best-looking cab (intarsia and doublet or triplet included) that you personally cut and polished. This cab should not be set into a mounting so the judges can see our technique on the edges and back. **If your cabochon has been set, then it needs to be entered into Category 2**

**Category 5 - Silverpicker of the Year:** Bring something (cab, stone, carving, rock, jewelry, etc.) that you have purchased at a rock show, rock shop, yard sale or from a hobbyist that will impress us.

**Category 6 – Best Find:** The best personal find of the year while out rock hunting. It can be a mineral specimen, gemstone or rock – either rough or finished. You need to have dug it or found it yourself.

**Category 7 - Project of the Year:** Show us your flair and skill by entering something that you have made between 11/1/2017 and 10/31/2018, and incorporates rock in some manner. It can be a sphere, bookends, a gem tree, a carving, an educational exhibit, or ??

**PLEASE NOTE – JEWELRY YOU HAVE MADE MUST BE ENTERED  
IN THE JEWELRY CATEGORY.**