



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:

- 19th – member articles & photos

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- **Membership:** Please pay at meetings or mail in.

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Membership Dues are due by March 2 at which time the mailing lists will be updated.

Update your email address on your Membership Application so that you don't miss out on Club Communications.

Club Meetings

Seventh Day Adventist Church, 7105 W 10th Ave, Kennewick
General Meeting starts at 7:00pm. No refreshments will be available.

February 2, 2022

Rock Bingo! & Competition Case Rules

March 2, 2022

Designing a Competition Display Case.

April & May Meetings
Show Preparation Information

May 21-22, 2022
LGMS Annual Show

President's Message

Welcome to our New Year!

I want to thank everyone that has kept up with club activities in zoom and our in-person meetings. We will be doing rock bingo on February 2, if the weather and church allow us to continue meeting. At this time, we have plans to bring rocks and receive some rocks in our bingo game (bring some extra). DO watch your email AND Facebook club page for any last-minute changes, as this is our main communication with members.

Larry has been busy keeping the club planning organized for the show in May. We will need your help. Please consider how you can help the club with the event. Even a small amount of your time during setup, show and/or teardown helps.

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Thora Trumbo resigned from the Junior Club. She provided the Junior Rock Club with many different activities and crafts for many years. Can you help with the junior club? There are many roles and opportunities: leader, program, craft, or field trip coordinator or lead an activity. Consider and let me know. We intend to begin in person junior activities if the church allows it starting in February.

Mike Zinski has provided some videos about casting and Patrick Donohue posted in the newsletter a link to the YouTube video. Mike also offers times in the shop for making cabs and he might even show you some of his faceted materials, do reach out to him. Do remember to wear a mask when you visit.

There has been discussion about club communication and the geode being mainly electronic within the board. Publication and postage are large expenses for our club and consume quite a bit of time for our volunteers. Are you willing to pay more for your print copy or have a different solution? Let me know. Once dues are paid for this year, we will need to consider how we want to communicate as a club.

Do you have program ideas, or did you watch any cool videos online the club might enjoy? Make suggestions to a board member.

Thank you, past and current board members and our volunteers, in helping coordinate and communicate during these challenging times.

Rock on!

Chris Sorensen, President

Board Minutes

Minutes – Board Meeting – January 17, 2022

Present: (Board Members) Chris Sorensen, Peter Kovich, Patrick Donohue, Larry Hulstrom, Caroline Bowdish, Bill Hamel, Patty DeForest, Kathy Larson, Sally Lyon

Peter Kovich called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

Old Business

- The Reach: Chris and Jerry Sorensen have been working with Julia Gifford to put in a display of Ray Gifford's Little Naches thunder egg collection. Be sure to stop by The Reach and check it out. The case is rotated every 3 to 4 months so members are encouraged to consider putting in a display of their northwest gathered material.

New Business

- Junior Club: Thora Trumbo has retired as Junior Club Director after many years, and countless hours of dedication to our youngest members. Her shoes will be extremely tough to fill, but the juniors are an important part of LSGM and we need to ensure they can continue to learn and grow their passion for the natural world. Due to the pandemic, our Junior Club lost the use of Banner Bank for meetings. Larry is talking with the church later in January to see whether the juniors could possibly meet there, using social distancing, for future in-person meetings. Their club supplies need to be cleared out of Banner Bank, and alternate storage set up. The meeting date may also have to be changed depending on available scheduling. The Board discussed possible future programs, and finding members willing to step in and help out so that the Junior Club can begin meeting in person again.
- Bill Hamel has filed the LSGM 2022 Annual Report for Non-Profit Status with the state.
- Mark Kidder is working on the membership roster for dues payment to the Federation. This process has been complicated by the pandemic, and our club not collecting dues for 2021. A reminder that we are collecting dues for 2022. There is a deadline of March 2 to have your dues paid. Mark will be updating our membership roster after that meeting and removing unpaid members. Lifetime members are exempt from paying dues.

Show News

- Larry has received a copy of the updated contract with the fairgrounds showing the rate for building 2. Building 3 use is at no charge. He also confirmed that the fairgrounds no longer provides chairs and tables with the building rentals. He checked with Bennett Rentals and was given a quote for 118 tables and 150 chairs. He also confirmed the May 21 and 22 show dates. The larger building 2 can accommodate 16 vendor spaces, and Judi has 12 vendors contracts committed. She and Larry are following up with the remainder to finalize spaces. Larry is working on other show details as they arise. The Board will begin regular show meetings possibly in February.

The February 2nd meeting program will be a brief overview of competition case rules, and Rock Bingo. The March program will be details of display case setup. The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted
Sally Lyon, Secretary

Thank you Thora !

November 28, 2021

To Lakeside Gem and Mineral Club officers and members,

It is with great sadness I resign from the office of Junior Club Advisor after 17 years.

I began teaching science lessons at Jr Club meetings and shortly thereafter served as leader when our late member, our dear Leona George's health began to fail. Leona and her husband Floyd's joy in the hobby continued as they donated time and materials to the children's side of our club for many years thereafter.

Huge volumes of gratitude go to the many who also donated their gift of knowledge and passion as guest speakers, for all who shared supplies and quality donations to the students; you know who you are! Thank you especially to those who regularly served beside me, especially Pat Lambert, Marvin Barger, Laurie Sorensen and many others' sacrifice of time and talent, without whom our club could not have been as successful!

I've been blessed to watch Jr Club students' passion for the hobby flourish and grow. Many students have continued their scientific studies beyond the high school years to college studies in various divisions of science. This includes my own daughter, Grace Trumbo -- a master's graduate, working in a world class museum in Washington, DC. Many stories could be told here, but adult club members of many years have also seen some Jrs "graduate" into the adult club, much to my pride of them.

Whoever may begin the new year of 2022 with my Jr Club students, I pray they enjoy the students as much as I have. The wealth of resources belonging to the Jr Club will be passed on to new leadership in the spring as time allows. When Banner Bank allows, I'd like to collect personal items from the Jr Club supply closets. I am happy to assist new leadership with the next Rock Show's Jr Corner if they desire.

I shall miss my students, but know others will continue teaching them and their wonderful families the joy of gem and mineral collecting and study. Surely talented and knowledgeable leadership will step forward in my place.

Thank you to the adult club for the privileged years of trust granted to me to lead the Jr Club families in this exciting field of study.

With sincere gratitude,
Thora Trumbo

Junior Rock Club Minutes

December

December 14, 2021 ZOOM Jr Rock Club Meeting
by Thora Trumbo, Advisor retired

8 students and 3 adults joined in some fun Christmas trivia games Dec. 14th. Questions were asked about various Christmas topics including: Santa, movies, stories, Christ, music, decorations, etc., all taken from on-line sites. Students kept track of their own score as Mrs. Trumbo revealed the point value of each question once answered. An answer's point value was predetermined by the number of people who answered from a polling of 100 people. You'd be surprised to know how much comprehension students have of the various Christmas topics. Also, we laughed at some of the point values which seemed skewed by the polls. We have a great group of intelligent students in our Jr club whom I'm proud to know!

Towards the end of the meeting, students confirmed whose parents were willing to come by Mrs. Trumbo's home to pick up Christmas goodie bags. Students always are delighted with holiday gift bags. Christmas bags are stocked with various minerals to help their collections grow, treats, candy and other various goodies to excite them. Christmas well-wishes were given and received by all. And, as the board members had been notified, I had to tell students of my retirement. I reassured them that I may still meet with them when available but not on a regular basis as has been my passion. There was much sadness but I'm hopeful the adult club members will pick up where I leave off and Jrs will continue to learn and grow in this wonderful division of science studies and the collecting hobby. Excited students want to continue learning from adults in our great club so hopefully folks will join the Jrs and share their wealth of info, experiences and hobby interests. You all have my blessing for a healthy and very successful future!

January

Hello Junior club members!

On January 11th we met on zoom and talked about the possibility of having in person meetings again. Larry Hulstrom will be checking on this and let us know in about a week if we can meet at the church. Watch your email for news. Pauline will be helping me (Chris Sorensen) coordinate our activities.

Larry gave a very nice talk about trilobites he owned during our zoom meeting. Cinda, Arthur and Theodore attended the zoom session.

Look for messages from me (Chris Sorensen) or from Pauline about our plans in February.

Mike Zinski's Workshop

The Lakeside Gem & Mineral Club YouTube channel has several videos available for viewing at: [Lakeside Gem & Mineral Club - YouTube](#).

The most recent YouTube video is Lost Wax Casting. Mike demonstrates the lost wax casting process, from mold to silver ring. If you want to give it a try, LGMC members are welcome to make their own rings from scratch or with molds at Mike's workshop

As a special treat for club members - Mike has opened up his shop for a tour.

Michael Zinski has fifty years' experience in the lapidary arts, and as a member of the Lakeside Gem and Mineral Club, he has opened his shop to Lakeside Club members to visit and learn just about anything they might be interested in. From faceting and silversmithing to rock cutting and cabbing, machining parts, building machines...you name it! Check out what Michael has to offer, and if you want to drop by to use the machines or need help with your own stuff, give him a call or email.

Classifieds

Wanted 18" or larger slabbing saw in working condition.
Contact Kerry Cleavenger

Mike Zinski's workshop for lapidary arts:

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

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.

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!

Membership Application
Lakeside Gem and Mineral Club
January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2022

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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Officers E-mail: lakesidegemandmineral@yahoo.com

President	Chris Sorensen	Director	Patrick Donohue
Vice President	Peter Kovich	Director	Jane Moore
Secretary	Sally Lyon	Fed. Rep.	Larry Hulstrom
Treasurer	Caroline Bowdish	Jr Club Leader	Thora Trumbo
Past President	Bill Hamel	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: Kathy Larson
 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>
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CRITICAL REMINDER: The state has mandated that masks be worn during indoor gatherings. The church also requires that masks be worn at all times while inside. Please, if you cannot wear a mask or don't feel that you need to wear one, we respectfully ask that you not attend meetings in person. We have maintained our subscription to Zoom Meetings so that those who cannot meet in the church can still participate in our club activities. If you forget your mask, one will be provided to you at the door. By choosing to not wear a mask, we are risking our club losing use of the church facility. We are also putting our fellow members at risk, and in a position of having to enforce the mask requirement, which we're all too old tired of the craziness to have to deal with.