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APRIL 2014 List of Events

April 2 – General Meeting Meeting starts at 7:30 pm. Doors open at 6:30. Members with the last name N-R bring refreshments. A friendly reminder to all that bring refreshments or food items, help at the end of the meeting to clean up the serving area is greatly appreciated.

Member sales this month. Bring your goodies so we can all fill our Easter Baskets

April 5-6 Central Point, Oregon: Roxy Ann's 59th. Gem, Jewelry, and Mineral show. Olsrud Arena; Jackson County Fairgrounds; Sat. 9-5:30, Sun 10-4:30; admission \$4, children (under 6) free, Students with ID \$2, seniors \$2; "The Amazing World of Rocks" Exhibits, Demonstrations, Dealers, Rock auctions, Food, and Family Fun.

April 11-13 Portland, Oregon: Mt. Hood Rock Club; National Guard Armory, 10000 NE 23rd. Dr. (off Marine Dr.) Fri.-Sat. 10-5, Sun 10-4 free admission. Contact L.F. Smith mhreshow@gmail.com

April 11-13 Hillsboro, Oregon: Gem Faire; Washington county Fairplex, 873 NE 34th. Ave. Fri. 12-6, Sat. 10-6, Sun 10-5, Weekend pass \$7, children 11 and under free. Contact Yooy Nelson, 503-252-8300 or info@gemfaire.com

April 18-20 Rickreall, Oregon: Willamette Agate & Mineral Society; Polk Co. Fairgrounds, 520 S. Pacific Hwy W; Fri. 9-6, Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-4:30; Admission \$2, children 11 and under free: contact Etheleen Flippo, 503-623- 4247 orreflippoo@hotmail.com

April 25, 26, 27 Rogue Gem and Geology Rock & Mineral Show: Josephine Co. Fairgrounds, 1451 Fairgrounds Rd. Grants, Pass, Fri. 9-5, Sat. 9-5, Sun 9-4; Admission Fri FREE, Sat and Sun \$1, children 11 and under free. Exhibits, Demonstrations, Dealers, Rock Auctions, Food and Fun contact Linda Pullen 541-476-1712 or neenapullen@msn.com

April 26-27 Seattle, Washington: West Seattle Rock Club, Alki Masonic Temple, 4736 40th. Ave. SW, Sat Sun 10-5 Free contact Lyle Vogelpohl 206-932-3292.

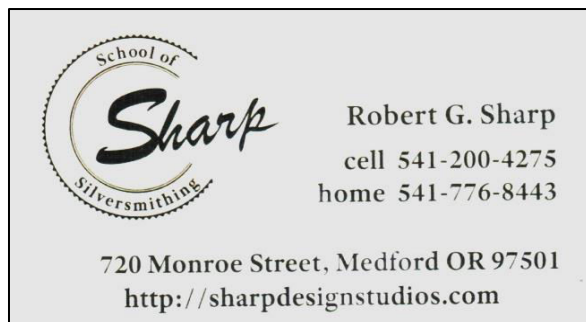
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GENERAL CLUB INFORMATION

- The purpose of the Rogue Gem & Geology Club is to foster healthful fellowship among its members while pursuing the activities and knowledge of the earth sciences, and to serve the community by introducing its young people and adults to the wonders of the mineral world.
- Regular meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month at the Fruitdale Grange, 960 Rogue River Hwy., Grants Pass. Meetings begin at 7:30, and Guest are always welcome.
- Members are entitled to use the equipment and join in the classes that are available at the clubhouse located at 1003 Isham, Grants Pass. There are shop fees applied to use of equipment and materials.
- A one-day field-trip is held each month on the second Saturday or Sunday following the club meeting. A once a year extended field-trip is usually held each June.
- Membership dues of \$20.00 per year per (immediate) family include the bulletin, "Gems of the Rogue" and are payable at the general meeting. Individual junior (youth ages 12-18) membership dues are \$7.00 per year.
- Non-Member subscription to the bulletin is \$15.00 per year. Send subscriptions to P.O. Box 1224, Grants Pass, OR 97528. We exchange bulletins with other clubs at no charge.

- Deadline to submit articles in the bulletin is the 3rd Wednesday of the month.
- Permission to reprint material from the bulletin is granted provided due credit is given.

Please thank our Newsletter Sponsor!



April Birthstone: Diamond: It comes in colors of yellow, brown, gray, pink, black, and colorless. It has a hardness of 10. It is used in making jewelry and industrial tools. Diamond is the most famous and precious Gemstone next to ruby and emerald. Folk lore states it instills courage, healing and spirituality.

Note from the President

The big news in April is our Rock and Gem Show April 25, 26, & 27. We need volunteers to sign-up at the meeting or call Mary Blankenship 541-226-8019: to set up on Thursday (lunch and dinner provided), work on fair days (even if you can only do 1-2 hours), bring goodies to sell (no cream pies), be a tour guide for the children on Fri., security, fill-in for dealer's breaks, and tear down and take back to the club on Sun. We need everyone's support for this event. Thanks to everyone for handing out flyers announcing the show, especially Gail Mahon. Due to all your support, the word is getting around town and all the neighboring areas.

We are trying to keep an updated list of birthdays and anniversaries of all members. If yours is not listed, please contact James Sargent ezroguerider@yahoo.com or 541474-1321. He will keep Janet Sessions informed of the changes.

The Bylaws committee will be getting together to begin work on updating our old bylaws Thursday March 27 @1. Clyde gave a talk at the Board Meeting about non-profit status. Thanks Clyde. After the bylaws are updated, we will re-visit the non-profit status.

The Roseburg Show will be May 3-4 at the Douglas co. Fairgrounds, Sat. 9-5, Sun 10-4.

We had a fun time on our field trip to Obenchain and Worthington Mt. We found some beautiful jasper, yellow, red, and green. Some found agates also. It was a beautiful day and a great place to just walk around. Thanks to Bill and Jan Patrick for their guidance. Our next trip is April 6th led by Charlie Foutch to \$8 road for jasper and carnelian. Please sign up at the meeting. We will meet at Ray's Market in Selma at 10.

See you April 2nd.

Trish Hepburn

March 5th. Meeting was cut short due to a power outage. We had time to enjoy a tasty potluck dinner before we were cast into darkness. There are no minutes due to this unfortunate timing. Since we didn't get to show rocks from the letter Q, you may bring rocks from Q & P to the April Meeting.

Board meeting minutes: March 12, 2014

The meeting was called to order by President, Trish Hepburn at 1:30 P.M.

Treasure: Jan Patrick gave the March Treasurer's report.

Shop: Mike Hepburn reported the shop needs cutting oil. A 55 gallon barrel is \$741.99. Mary Blankenship made a motion that we buy the cutting oil. The motion passed.

Membership: Janet Sessions reported she is having trouble getting the roster to print and that Michael Wetmore was helping her to understand the process. She will have copies available as soon as possible. Thank you Michael for your help.

Sales: Millie Casey reported she is learning what the sales position is all about. They are working on a PMC project.

Field Trips: Saturday March 15 the field trip will be to Obenchain out Hwy. 140. Looking ahead to the week long summer field trip, the plan is to go to the First Sunstone Festival in Plush on July 12th. Then head north to Stinking Water, east of Burns

Show/Fair: Linda Pullen reported the show is progressing. She has heard from all vendors except one. If she is unable to contact him, she will arrange for another vendor to take his place. She is working on getting lighting for the case by the front door at the show.

Mary Blankenship reported that sign-ups for helping to set up and take down the show are very slim. Also a few people have volunteered to supply baked goods for the kitchen. Please consider signing up to make cookies, pies, cakes. If baking isn't your thing, donations of candy bars, individual bags of chips, or store bought pies and cakes are greatly appreciated.

Mary Blankenship also presented \$281.35 the club earned at the Enlightened Living Fair.

Janet Sessions made a motion that cases at the Rock Show and Fair should represent rock and rock related topics. Linda Pullen seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Bill Patrick reported that the President of the Umpqua Gem and Mineral Club will be visiting at his home March 19th. At 1PM and would like to meet any board members from our club that are available. Maybe some joint field trips can be arranged.

Clyde Wilson gave a short presentation on the value of our club becoming a nonprofit status. He left paper work for the board members to study to help with the decision. Grant money and tax deductible donations to us are a few of the advantages. It will be a lengthy process and getting our bylaws in order one of the steps. The By-Law Committee will be meeting soon to start working on revising and updating them.

Clyde also inquired if the club would be willing to charter buses to transport students to our rock show. He reported that most of the schools do not have the funds to do so. The board directed Clyde to find out the costs and bring the information back to the board

Mary Blankenship requested approval for purchasing fabric for display area at the show. The board decided for a purchase under \$50 she should use her discretion and purchase suitable fabric.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30

Minutes submitted by Jan Arnold

Sign up to help with the show!!!

ALAA
American Land Access Association, INC.

“Protecting the Public Land for the Public”

Unfortunately, we live in a time when money and numbers count. Money is needed to lobby Congress and educate the people with printed materials and renting space for meetings.

Numbers are needed to convince our elected officials and federal agencies that we are concerned and want to be heard. When only 30-40 people attend a BLM or USFS meeting for the public to comment, the government has no fear of closing roads to timber or mineral harvest, cattle grazing, rockhounding, etc. When hundreds attend, the rulings can be defeated.

Example: I traveled to the State Capital with three friends, to protest a hearing on a hunting issue. Only twelve other hunters from Oregon, came to stand up for their rights. The judge ruled in favor of the anti-hunters.

What is your freedom worth? A day's wage, a tank of gas, an hour or two of your time? Think about it. When your freedom is gone.....So are your rights.

ALAA was founded by rockhounds to protect your rights to access public lands. We have been locked out, roads closed. We need YOU to stand up with us, loggers, miners, hunters, quad riders, bike riders, snow mobile riders, hikers, and those who use public lands for recreation.) As Patrick Henry said, “Stand together or fall separately.”

Join us. Go to: www.amlands.org on the left side, click on join application, fill out and mail to: Membership, PO Box 54298, San Jose, Ca. 95154

A pig walked into a Tavern, sat down on a stool and ordered 15 beers. After he had finished the beers, he got down from the stool and turned toward the door. The bartender pointed to the rear of the room and said, “The restroom is back there.” The pig replied, “I don't need the restroom, I'm the little pig that goes Wee Wee Wee all the way home.”

Submitted by Bill Patrick

Shop Talk

As of now the shop is running smoothly and I see new faces working there.

We will be going on more field trips. Here is a list of items you might want to take along: sun screen, spray bottle of water for cleaning your rocks, (No licking rocks, some are poisonous.), Handy wipes, toilet paper (you may have to go in the woods), first aid kit, knife, hat, work gloves, chair, water & food, pick hammer, shovel or trowel, buckets for collecting, pry bar, paper towels, trash bags, & boots. Each time we have been on a trip, we keep adding to the list.

The safety tip of the month is on Heat Exhaustion. The signs include: pale clammy skin, profuse perspiration, rapid pulse, weakness, headache, nausea and cramps in the abdomen or limbs. Treatment is move the person to a cool, shady place. Have them lie down with head level or lower than the body. Protect from chilling and if conscious with no breathing difficulties, give sips of water. No alcohol.

If you have suggestions for a better, safer shop, e-mail me at: mikehepburn46@yahoo.com
Mike Hepburn Shop Steward

Sign up to help with the Show!!

April Birthdays

3rd. Kaitlyn Rogers

4th. Aryan Guenthner

5th. Mary Vanderburg-Hopper

7th. Nancy Watson

16th. LeeSan Trumbly

17th. Harold Silver

18th. Dick Bowman

22nd. Milly Ringering

23rd. Bee Iamnok

29th. Kamryn Strader

30th. Diane Ruehling



April Anniversaries

8th. Bob & Karen Carr

10th. Robert & Carol Sharp

15th. Fred & Michelle Rutan

10th. Chris & Monica Funk

15th. Cody & Nola Rambo

27th. LeeRoy & Erin Rambo



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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | 1 | 2 6:30 member sales 7:30 general meeting Open workshop 9-12 Silver class 1-4 PMC 1:30-3:30 | 3 Silver class 1-4 | 4 | 5 |
| 6 Field trip Meet at Ray's in Selma 10 o'clock Going to \$8 Rd. for carnelian and jasper | 7 | 8 Faceting Class 1-4 | 9 Open workshop 9-12 Clubhouse Workshop 9-12 Silver class 1-4 PMC Workshop 1:30 - 3:30 | 10 silver class 1-4 Open workshop 5-8 Wire wrapping 5-8 | 11 | 12 |
| 13 | 14 | 15 Faceting Class 1-4 | 16 Clubhouse Workshop 9-12 Open Workshop 9-12 Silver Class 1-4 PMC Workshop 1:30 - 3:30 | 17 Silver class 1-4 | 18 | 19 |
| 20 | 21 | 22 Faceting Class 1-4 | 23 Clubhouse Workshop 9-12 Open Workshop 9-12 Silver Class 1-4 PMC Workshop 1:30 - 3:30 | 24 Set up for Show 8AM-finish Lunch & dinner provided | 25 RGGC Show | 26 RGGC Show |
| 27 RGGC Show | 28 | 29 Faceting Class 1-4 | 30 Clubhouse Workshop 9-12 Open Workshop 9-12 Silver Class 9-12 and 1-4 PMC Workshop 1:30 - 3:30 | | | |