

GEMS OF THE ROGUE



Rogue Gem and Geology Club
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LOCAL EVENT LIST

General Meeting: October 11th, doors open at 6, meeting at 7. Member sale. Refreshments A-D, Rocks C-F

Board Meetings October 11th, 5:00pm, Clubhouse

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/GrantsPassRockClub/>

Website <https://www.roguegemandgeology.org/> **Rogue Gem & Geology Club does not have general meetings, at the Grange, in the months of September & January. Renewals are due by August. November is the month of the Pie auction, and December is the month of our Christmas Party. Our September Picnic is only open to club members, as is our Christmas Party. No business will be performed during these events. Please be in active status beforehand if you wish to participate.**

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, 1440 Parkdale Dr., Grants Pass. Doors open at 6:00 PM, meetings begin at 7:00, and Guests are always welcome. Potluck meals are scheduled for March & June, September Picnic, December, Christmas Party.
- **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. Some classes may have a small fee for materials.
- **One day field trips** are held several times through the year on Saturdays or Sundays following the club meeting. A once-a-year extended field trip is usually held each June.
- **New Membership** dues of \$28.00 per (immediate) family. This includes one plastic badge and the Newsletter, "Gems of the Rogue". Additional member badges \$8.00 each. Club year runs September 1st through August 31st. **Renewal dues** are still \$ 20.00 per year and payable September 1st. •Every member is asked to **volunteer** a minimum of 16 hours per year, as stated in the club By-laws.
- **Deadline to submit** articles in the Newsletter is the 3rd Wednesday of the month.
- Permission to reprint material from the Newsletter is granted provided due credit is given.

Members are allowed to take one rock from the club each week for free. Additional rocks may be purchased for 10 cents /lb. for members, when the club is open.

Members may also purchase slabs from the shop during open club hours.

Volunteers needed: Our club is operated by volunteers. There are no paid positions.

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General Meeting

Rogue Gem & Geology

General Meeting Minutes-----None this month due to the picnic.

CUT SLABS & TUMBLER ROCKS are always needed and appreciated for the Wheel of Fortune

Board Meeting Minutes

Rogue Gem & Geology, Inc.

Board Meeting

September 11, 2024

Vice President Cindy King called the meeting to order at 5:16.

Minutes: The August Board meeting minutes were approved as written

Treasurer's Report: Operating Account \$28,284.01, the Building Fund \$14,759.12, and Edward Jones \$27,000.00. Perri Knopp made a motion that the club move \$10,000.00 from the Building and Building Repair Fund into a CD. Place to buy the CD to be determined by who is paying best interest. Jan Arnold seconded the motion. Motion passed. Michelle will be giving the club's debit card to Perry.

Members Reports:

Membership: Sherry Shippy stated the club has 423 members including children. Sherry reported 9 new members signed up at the Yard Sale.

Shop: Mike Hepburn reported income from the shop is \$15 shop use and \$10.00 sales. Two saws need repair, and Jim is working on them.

Classes: Jeannie Lehl reported classes are September 12th the Lawn Art. September 26 Nena Ahalt Beaded Medicine Bottle (must know peyote stitch. October 10th Warren Harger wire wrap Cab. Bring your own Cab. October 24 Trish Hepburn Pine Needle Casting.

Website: Zach White the site is updated, and it is a great resource for club information.

Field Trips: None currently to report.

Newsletter: All good.

Education: On hiatus for the summer.

Facebook: Susan Szabo was absent.

Old Business: The Yard sale had an Income of \$512.84. Sales of \$354.84 table rent of \$158.00. Expenses were \$26.53 for a net profit of \$486.31.

Picnic: Income from Picnic was \$437.00 from the silent auction and \$171.00 from the white elephant auction. Expenses were \$209.98 for a net profit of \$398.02

Budget Committee presented their suggested Budget for 2024-2025. Mike Fields stated he had a problem with the Budget. The Budget Committee should be meeting In May to determine the Budget. Also, that the Budget should be completed by June 1. He also requested that the membership dues be due in August instead of September.

New Business: Trish Hepburn asked permission to present her idea for a member's only Sale to be held at either the Fruitdale Grange or? which would be for noncommercial Club members to sell the products they make. Perhaps near Mother's Day. She will broach at the meeting.

Michelle Wheeler reported she found books of interest to children and purchased them for \$180.00 for club resale.

Perri Knopp suggested that the club again buy shirts, hats and vests for club members' purchase. Trish suggested that she take orders from members and then order the items wanted.

The picnic next year will be on a Sunday.

Mike Fields asked the Board to write a list of goals they would like to see the club accomplish this year, three years from now and five years from now.

The meeting adjourned at 7:20

Respectfully submitted. Jan Arnold

Donations: Connie Silver-5 Genie wheels, 4 buffing pads, mallet, cab stencil, headlamp, 10 rock & shell turtles, beaded cameo necklace & earrings, tiger eye pendant with gold chain, multi-bead pendant with gold chain, seed beaded necklace with copper, beaded spiral necklace, magnetic beaded necklace, beaded zipper pull, 1 faceted aquamarine stone, 1 faceted smoky quartz stone, 1 faceted large pink glass, 1 faceted yellow glass. 3 belt buckle blanks. Rick Knaggs- 2 boxes of small thundereggs. Alice Ringering-a gallon bag of sunstones. Cindy King-20 small containers of glass moon, stars, hearts & blobs, 5 pieces of mahogany obsidian, 1 piece of selenite, 1 dozen bags of tumbled rocks, nice group of paint brushes & some rock slabs. Dick Marsh-1 gallon jar of tumbled rocks. Gerry McInnis- 2 bags of flat glass cabs.

Thanks to all of you! Your donations are greatly appreciated. Trish Hepburn, Donation Chairman

From the Editor, Jeannie Lehl: We are having trouble with the saws in the shop. Please **DO NOT** use a saw unless you have been trained by Jim or Zack. **PLEASE** check with them before using them, and only if they are present!!! No one is to work in the shop alone. **Please see the new notes on our first page regarding important information from the board.**

For the next several months there will be no cabbing classes. Please also check the calendar for dates the shop will be open for ALL members. We are having a brief rest/break for our leaders.

THURSDAY NIGHT CLASSES: Please be sure to **REGISTER** for all classes.

September 12th, back by popular demand, Painted lawn art. Purchase items between \$5-\$10, some at \$15. September 26th, Nena Ahalt is teaching a beaded medicine bottle class. This is a 2-week course, and you need to watch an on-line peyote stitch, and practice it before taking. This is an easy stitch, but the class will go faster if this part does not need to be explained.

EVER CONSIDER SELLING YOUR ARTS/CRAFTS? I have an idea how members (NON commercial) can sell your beautiful jewelry and craft items. How many would be interested in a 1-day sale at the Fruitdale Grange? Maybe the first part of May so we can sell for Mother's Day and Father's Day. Contact Trish Hepburn 818-800-9956 if interested. More info at the meeting.

Membership: First, I want to welcome new members **Casey Economy, Devon Gebhard & Tess Collins, Brent Hansen, Alexa Loye, Naomi McBriety & Micheal Tyler, Michael McClendon, Michel Stephenson, Stacy Wade-Robb, Charlie Werner, and Richard Woolley.** Welcome to the club! For anyone ordering a badge, when I get it in, I will send you an email letting you know I have it. For those who don't have an email address, I will call you instead. I am usually at the clubhouse at 1003 Isham St, Grants Pass, most Wednesday mornings from 9:30-11:30 am. Also, I am usually at the general meeting the first Wednesday of each month, held at the Fruitdale Grange on Rogue River Hwy, Grants Pass, from 6:00-9:00 pm. You may pick up your badge/s at one of these places and times. **Second,** I want to remind all members that our club is run by volunteers. Each member is asked to contribute a minimum of **16** hours per membership year, helping out in some way. **PLEASE,** we ask you to honor this commitment to help us keep our club running, and in good condition. **Third,** I want to

remind everyone that membership renewal is \$20 per year per household. The membership year runs from September 1st through August 31st. **Membership dues are due by August 31st. Any memberships left unpaid by October 31, 2024, will be cancelled (purged).**

Thank you,

Sherry Shippy

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Field Trips: Be sure to sign up prior to the trips. Sign-ups can be done at the clubhouse, meeting or call the trip leader. And remember, **you must have a signed member liability form on file to participate in trips.** If an injury happens the club is not responsible.

- PLEASE SIGN UP PRIOR TO ALL FIELD TRIPS. IF WE NEED TO CANCEL OR CHANGE PLANS, WE MUST BE ABLE TO CONTACT EVERYONE INTERESTED IN GOING. You can always call the trip leader for details or check the member section of the website. Thank you to all members.

All Field Trips, unless otherwise stated, will meet at the Rite Aid on Williams Hwy and Union Ave in Grants Pass at 9am. Sharp! All trips are subject to air quality, fires and any severe weather, etc. Check the Website if in doubt.

Silversmithing Class: Sign up for several silver smithing classes at the clubhouse. A small fee is charged for the amount of silver used. Students will be called when it's your time to attend. Only 4 per class. **When signing up, please be aware that you need to be able to commit to attending for 6 weeks. Please also have your volunteer hours in.**

RGGC Website, Zach White: I would encourage you to take a look and make yourself familiar with what can be found there. Why, **you might even see yourself in a photo or two** out having a great time. Do you have suggestions for places to go? Send the Webmaster, Zach White, an email and he will post it for you. <https://www.roguegemandgeology.org/>

Member site access of the web page is: User name; rockhound Password; Rhodonite!1

RGGC Facebook Page: search out the Rogue Gem and Geology page. You can find lots of information and photos of what the club is up to.
<http://www.facebook.com/GrantsPassRockClub/>

Club Clothing: I will have sample of club wear at the meeting to see if there is enough interest to make an order. Trish Hepburn 818-800-9956.

Gem & Mineral Sale
at the Josephine County Fairgrounds, in Grants Pass, Oregon

Nov 2-3, 2024
Saturday & Sunday

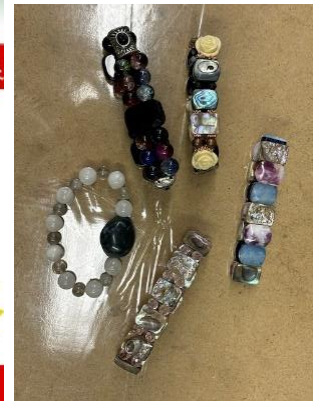
Saturday 9 am - 5 pm
Sunday 10 am - 4 pm

FREE ADMISSION

Vendors
Raffle
Wheel of Fortune
Silent Auction
Food Truck

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Some of the bracelets from Barbara Cromwell's class. Many were made for the kid's Wheel of Fortune. Below are some from the lawn painting class.



HOT- HOT- HOT! How else to describe this year's (11th annual) yard sale. Attendance, sales, and the weather. A great big **THANK YOU** to everyone who participated, helpers, and attendees. Welcome to our new members who joined the club at the sale. A special *thanks* to Dan and Dawn Simcoe for their many donations. Together we make Rogue Gem & Geology **ROCK SOLID!** Hope everyone had **FUN**. Gary R.

October 2024

Sunday

Monday

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Friday

Saturday

		1 1-5 Chat & Craft 1-5 Phoenix SSWS	2 9-11:30 Clubhouse crafts 9-12 Shop open 1-5 SSWS General Meeting, doors open at 6, meeting starts at 7	3 5-8 Open shop for trained workers. Contact Alice	4	5 Laurie teaching silver smithing
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27	28	29	30	31 Sale Set-UP!!		

****trained members have received instruction and have passed into being able to work on their own.**

Important notice!!! As we use the FRUITDALE GRANGE: **Please DO NOT park behind Eddy's Burger** when you come for our meetings! That takes up parking space for his restaurant patrons.

