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#### July President's Message

Happy 4th of July to all the rockhounds out there.

So begin the dog days of summer already. This month is our picnic at Memorial Park in Caldwell. It is on the corner of Irving and Kimball and starts at 6:30pm. We will be having a potluck



so dust off your recipes and bring a nice dish or two to share. Please bring your own table service and a chair to chase the shade. After we eat, there will be an auction. If you can bring a nice item to donate, it will be greatly appreciated. The money made will go towards the offset of our Annual Christmas Banquet.

If you did not get to attend the Delamar Mine tour, I hope you were able to see some of the pictures shared on Facebook. A BIG THANK YOU! To Sue Cassidy for organizing this event. From the pictures, it looked like a fun time was had along with some interesting facts.

I would also like to thank Don and Sue for arranging to have the Museum open last month. There were many positive comments about the displays downstairs.

We are still looking for a new Editor for the newsletter. If you are able to volunteer for this office, please let one of our Board Members know. Most of it is done electronically so the time required to create it is easier.

Our field trip this month will be to Graveyard Point for moss agate. John will meet you at the Extra Mile on the corner of Hwy 95 and 55 at 7am leave at 7:30am. Since things are heating up please be mindful of where you park and take the time to make sure there are not grass touching the catalytic converters, which could cause a fire. For those who smoke please be careful as one spark can cause a lot of damage in hot conditions. Remember water, sunscreen and protective clothing. It would seem that this year more snakes have been out so pay attention to your surroundings and have a great time! If some of you could get there early on the 17<sup>th</sup> to help Jim with lifting the cooler of ice and water I know he would be grateful. The club furnishes water, punch and ice cream. I look forward to seeing you all out there.

-Willa Renken, OGMS President

#### General Meeting —June 19, 2024



# 2025 Show Dates: March 1 & 2, 2025 "GEMS COME ALIVE IN '25" O'Connor Field House, Caldwell, Idaho



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Well, summer has arrived... leave the house before the sun shows its face and arrive at your rock hunting spot while it's still cool... several hours for collecting rock treasures before it gets too hot. (great days) June has been a great month as members have started donating material for the 2025 show, "GEMS COME ALIVE IN '25"... THANK YOU, THANK YOU...

Steve Narkaus has donated a large amount of great rock for the silent auction along with John Wright contributing several buckets of beautiful cut rock... the geodes and minerals received from Andrea Sawyer is much appreciated... we also received several nice Idaho Garnets (Potlatch area) from Jessica Chilcott... Tom Clement, Baker City, Oregon, is no stranger to OGMS and again, Tom has made a generous donation, which includes a good quantity of Riverview Agate... "Thanks To All"...

OGMS will continue to pay \$120.00 per five-gallon bucket of small, nicely tumbled rock that can be used for the wheel of gems, grab-bags and the sand-dig...

Please, remember this summer to set aside a piece or two for "GEMS COME ALIVE IN '25", every donation helps in a big way. The silent auction will thank you.

We still have slate coasters (favors) available... they read, "Gems & More in '24"... Owyhee Gem & Mineral Society... 70<sup>TH</sup> Annual show... on the bottom of the coaster it reads "OGMS Established 1938"... etched by society member ROBERT MURPHEY, they are nice, a great keepsake... the cost is \$7.00 each...

STAY SAFE AND HAVE FUN

#### General Meeting Minutes—June 19, 2024

**President Willa Renken** called the June General Meeting of the Owyhee Gem and Mineral Society to order at 07:15pm at the College of Idaho, Boone Science Bldg., Room 103, Caldwell, Idaho. Ed Moser made the motion to accept the minutes as printed in the newsletter; Jessica Chilcott seconded; motion carried. All guests and new members were welcomed to the club by Willa and the membership.

**VP Sue Cassidy** thanked **Don Dixon** and **Cindy Woolsey** for making the Orma J. Smith Museum of Natural History (in the basement of the Science building), available to the club for the evening program. Many members came early to visit before the meeting and more went after the meeting... the Museum has the amazing 'Evans Collection' of rock and minerals, beautiful slabs and specimens, we hope you all enjoyed your visit!

Secretary Chris Deveau advised that the club received one new membership which was given to Sue Cassidy for processing while Kim Bashford Membership Chair is recovering. A letter regarding the club taxes from the IRS was given to Willa, BLM documentation on the Club's claims was passed to David Schmidt, and a notice of the traffic pattern shifts on the Interstate 84 construction through Caldwell was shared with the group. A card was put out for the group to sign for Jewels Haines – Sunshine Chair.

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Vice President Sue Cassidy again thanked Don and Cindy for getting access to the Museum for the Club... much appreciated. She said there will be no presentation at the July or August meetings, since we are having our annual picnic plus the fundraising auction in July - don't forget to bring an item to sell at the auction... the proceeds go to fund our Christmas Banquet in December and in August, the Ice Cream Social takes place. Sue also reminded everyone who signed up for the DeLamar Mine Tour to be at the Chevron west of Marsing at the Hwy 95/Hwy 55 junction on Saturday 29 July at 8:00am, leave at 8:30am. Bring a sack lunch... rock hammer and bag to put rock in!

**Treasurer Ken Christensen** said he had paid the ARC invoices for the newsletter. He gave a summary of all bills, income, and the Club accounts.

**Show Chair Paul Deveau** reminded everyone that the Club needs all sizes of rock for the 2025 Show. He shared that he has received a few donations.

Membership Assistant Sue Cassidy advised that she has received two new memberships.

**Federation Chair Ed Moser** told the group that the Federation is changing the distribution of their newsletter to electronic only. Their membership book will only include officers of each respective club (it used to include everyone). He asked everyone to continue to save stamps to be donated to the Federation, however the money raised will not be donated for Breast Cancer research anymore, the Federation Board voted to change the money to be donated to the Federation Junior Scholarship Fund. Lots of changes!

**Field Trip Chair John Wright** will be meeting everyone on Saturday 22 June 2024 for the June field trip to our Pink Plume Claim for Pink Plume Agate. Meet at Owyhee Junction Hwy 201 and Owyhee Ave at 7:00 a.m., leave at 7:30 a.m. Bring your hammer, shovel, flat chisel, and bucket... and lots of water. It will be hot!

#### **Unfinished Business: NONE**

#### **New Business:**

Willa advised the group that Denise Stringer, Newsletter Editor, was notified by the ARC that June was the last time they would be doing our newsletter as they are shutting down their print shop. So, we need a new printer... if anyone has any contacts, please let the Board know. Willa also advised that we will need a new editor for the newsletter by the end of the year... Denise has let her know that this is her last year. Thank you, Denise, for all your hard work. If you are interested in volunteering for that position, please contact the Board.

Willa also shared that the Northwest Federation is only going to send their newsletter to one member of each respective Club, then it will be up to them to forward it on to the membership. The membership dues are going up, they have been less for the past 4 years because the Federation lowered them to help clubs due to COVID. With that... what exactly does the Federation provide to our club? With some discussion, Paul Deveau made a motion for OGMS to opt out of the Federation and Dan McCann seconded. More discussion... Willa will follow and get more information from the Federation and provide it to our membership at the next meeting. Paul Deveau made the motion to table the opt out, Dale Rawson seconded... till next time.

The OGMS annual picnic and fundraising auction will be held at the Caldwell Memorial Park, 618 Irving, Caldwell, Idaho on Wednesday, 17 July 2024 starting at 6:30pm. This is a half hour earlier than our regular meeting. It is a potluck... bring your favorite homemade dish... the club will provide water, ice, and ice cream... Jim and Ruth Hopkins bring homemade JUNGLE JUICE... bring your own place settings... a serving spoon for your dish... This is always a fun event. There are picnic tables, but if you want to pick a comfortable spot in the shade, bring a lawn chair. Bring lots of money to pick up your treasures at the auction... there are beautiful jewelry items and quite an array of gifts and things! It's fun and for a great cause – OGMS!

Please bring items for the auction... rock related are preferred, but homemade, baked goods, fresh garden, etc. This is a fundraiser to help defray the cost of our Christmas Meeting/Party in December. If you can come early at 6:00pm and help set up... thank you in advance.

Member, **Paul Verhange** brought in a wood and rock sphere game that he made to share with the membership... beautiful... thank you Paul.

**Jim Hopkins** won the door prize, a beautiful' OLD' Owyhee Picture Jasper pendant from last months' winner **Deana Ashton**. If you want to take part in the door prize drawing, just sign up on the sheet at the front desk... if your name is picked, you win, then you provide the rock related prize for next month's winner... (jewelry, tools ,books, ...whatever you choose). Pretty easy... lots of nice gifts!

The Club raised \$71.00 at the slab drawing... there will NOT be a slab drawing at the July and August meetings. The meeting was adjourned at 08:20pm. More time for the museum!

Respectfully submitted, Christine Deveau Secretary

#### Board Meeting Minutes—June 24, 2024

**President Willa Renken** called the June Board meeting to order at 7:10pm at the Caldwell Public Library, 1010 Dearborn, Caldwell, Idaho. Ed Moser made a motion to accept the minutes from the last board meeting as written in the newsletter; Sue Cassidy seconded; motion carried.

**Secretary Chris Deveau** received the renewal notice for the Club BLM CD which was given to Willa; one membership renewal was passed to Sue Cassidy, Membership Assistant; and a deposit slip for two memberships was given to Ken Christensen, Treasurer.

**Vice President Sue Cassidy** reminded everyone of the 29<sup>th</sup> of June DeLamar Mine Tour. There will be no program at the General Meetings in July (annual picnic/auction) nor in August (ice cream social).

Treasurer Ken Christensen reported on payments, deposits and CD's.

**Show Chair Paul Deveau** reported that several members of the club have made donations of rock for the Show. We need lots more!

**Federation Chair, Ed Moser** said he had contacted the Federation President, and she will provide a letter of value to clarify what the Federation brings to the member organizations. Willa has also been in contact with the Federation President and concurred they will provide some information to substantiate what we pay for as members. That will be shared at the next meeting.

Membership Assistant Sue Cassidy presented seven new memberships to the Board: Shaughn Belmore; Julie Branch & Celena Wright; Steve Kirkeby & family; Joel & Cheryl Mason; Richard Strack & Laurie Ellis; Robert & Marilyn Troyer. John Wright made a motion to accept the new members; Ed Moser seconded; motion carried unanimously. Welcome, each of you, to the OGMS FAMILY!

**Field Trip Chair John Wright** said the trip to our Pink Plume Claim had a good turnout... about 20 vehicles in attendance, also some visitors from Washington State that were traveling through and asked to join us. He thanked Don Dixon for also taking our Washington guests to Graveyard Point the next day. The July field trip to Graveyard Point will be on Saturday 20 July 2024, meet at the Chevron west of Marsing, junction Hwy 95/Hwy 55 at 7:00am, leave at 7:30am. It will be hot... bring lots of water.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

At the General meeting, we were informed that the ARC will not be printing our newsletter. Paul Deveau contacted Copycat Printing in Caldwell and they agreed to do our newsletter for a price comparable to the ARC. It will be in black and white and sent to those that don't have e-mail. The Board voted and decided to give Copycat our business.

We had not heard from Sunshine Chair Jewels Haines... Chris will contact her and Membership Chair Kim Bashford... let them know we are thinking about them and hoping for quick recoveries.

#### **New Business:**

17 July 2024 is the OGMS potluck and fundraising auction at Caldwell Memorial Park at 618 Irving Street, Caldwell, Idaho. It starts at 6:30 pm (1/2 hour earlier than our normal meeting to have social time and auction). Please bring your favorite dish, a serving spoon for your dish, your own place settings... the club will provide water, ice, and ice cream. Please come, it is a fun event. Bring your rock related items, homemade, baked goods, fresh garden... for the auction, the money is used to defray costs of the annual Christmas Meeting/Dinner in December. You might bring a lawn chair, to find a more comfortable spot in the shade.

The August General Meeting will be held at the same location in Caldwell Memorial Park, starting at 6:30pm on Wednesday, 21 August 2024. We are planning on an ice cream social. If you have an ice cream freezer... make some... there's no such thing as too much homemade ice cream!!! Otherwise, toppings, cookies, cake... to go with ice cream are always a winner!

Ed Moser advised the Board that member Howard Emry will have a display representing OGMS at the Caldwell Library during the month of August 2024. Stop by and check it out, our members have wonderful collections that they share so willingly with our community. Thank you, Howard. Also, Ed Moser will have a display at the Library during September 2024 and again in time for our Show during January and February 2025. Thank you, Ed.

Again, the July General Meeting will be held at the Caldwell Memorial Park,618 Irving Street, Caldwell, Idaho on Wednesday, 17 July 2024 at 6:30pm.

The July Board Meeting will be at the Caldwell Public Library, 1010 Dearborn, Caldwell, Idaho on Monday, 29 July 2024 at 7:00pm. There will NOT be a slab drawing at the July General meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 08:15pm Respectfully submitted, Christine Deveau, Secretary

#### Vice-President's Corner—Sue Cassidy

#### "My Favorite" Presentations

If you have a favorite rock, gem, mineral, or fossil you would like to talk about and share with the members at the next meeting and in the newsletter, please contact Sue at (603) 548-8822, pypnhot@comcast.net

#### **Monthly Meeting Topics**

If you have an idea for a presentation or information session, please contact Sue.

July 17, 2024: Pot Luck/Auction at the Caldwell Park August 21, 2024: Ice Cream Social at the Caldwell Park

September 18, 2024: Nawid Mousa—"Minerals of Afghanistan"

October 16, 2024: Amber Pike, BLM Baker City—"Geologic Reading of the Terrain"

November 20, 2024: Annual Silent Auction December 2024: Christmas Banquet and Party



Sue Cassidy

#### June 29, 2024 DeLamar Mine Tour

("For those who didn't get to join us, the DeLamar mine will be hosting additional mine tours during their annual DeLamar Day community appreciation event on August 9<sup>th</sup>.) Photo credits: Hildy Langewis, Sue Cassidy, Deana Ashton See more of their photos on Owyhee Gem & Mineral Society | Facebook













#### July and August General Meetings—In the Park

The summer general meetings will be at the Caldwell Memorial Park
618 Irving Street, on the corner of Irving and Kimball

See you there at 6:30 p.m. on July 17th for the July meeting.

July 17—Pot Luck and Auction

- We will be having a potluck so dust off your recipes and bring a nice dish or two to share. Please bring your own table service and a chair to chase the shade.
- We will have a Silent Auction, so bring your checkbook/cash!
- The money collected will offset our December Banquet costs.

August 21—Ice Cream Social

#### Membership—Kim Bashford

#### We are accepting payment of 2024 dues

Membership forms are available at every meeting and on the next page of this newsletter. Invite your "rockhound" friends to our next meeting!

Any member needing a name badge, membership card, or patch, please call me so I can have them ready for you to pick up at the next meeting. If you need a "replacement" of any of these, there will be a nominal charge of \$2 for the name badge and \$3 for the small patch. In addition, large patches are available to members for \$10.

Please remember to wear your name badge to meetings, it makes it so much easier to identify you.

Your yearly dues cover membership privileges from October 31st through the following October 31st.

You can either pay at a meeting or by mailing the form on the next page to:

Kim Bashford, Membership Director P.O. Box 1053, Caldwell, ID 83605-1053

Phone: (208) 454-7287 Email: kmcewan1957@msn.com



Welcome New Members!

Shaughn Belmore;
Julie Branch & Celena Wright;
Steve Kirkeby & family;
Joel & Cheryl Mason;
Richard Strack & Laurie Ellis

#### Field Trip Report —John Wright



#### **USEFUL ITEMS TO BRING ON YOUR FIELD TRIP**

Buckets, Shovels, Rock Hammer, Pick (Large and Small), Sieve, Gloves, Spray Bottle for Water, Small Scrub Brush, Knee Pads, Magnifier, Plenty of Drinking Water, Food, Appropriate Clothing, Protective Eyewear, Sun Protection, Day Pack or Back Pack, Umbrella, Pry Bar, Tick Spray, First Aid Kit, Protective clothing and sunscreen to avoid burns.

Shovel and fire extinguisher to put out any fires that may start.

- •Trips can last most of the day.
- •Generally, a High-Clearance vehicle and sometimes 4WD or an ATV is required. Check with the Field Trip Chair before you go.
- •Please remember to not park on tall grass or sagebrush as the fire season is in full swing and watch out for snakes.
- •When you are finished, fill in all holes that are dug at the site.



### ALL FIELD TRIPS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DEPENDING ON THE WEATHER AND ROAD CONDITIONS.

For further information contact John Wright at 208-571-6873 or Red Lovette at 208-965-7624

#### **2024 OGMS Field Trip Schedule**

#### July 20—Graveyard Point—Moss Agate

Meet at Chevron-Hwy 55/95 Junction at 7:00 a.m., leave at 7:30 a.m. (5644 Buntrock Rd, Marsing)

#### August 24—OGMS Picture Jasper Claim

Meet at Chevron-Hwy 55/95 Junction at 7:00 a.m., leave at 7:30 a.m. (5644 Buntrock Rd, Marsing)

#### September 21—Blue Egg Claim—Blue Opal Thundereggs

Meet at Homedale Park (by the tank) at 8:00 a.m., leave at 8:30 a.m. (E Idaho Ave and S 2nd St E)

#### October 19—Bruneau Wood Pile—Petrified Wood and Pine Cones

Meet at Walter's Ferry Boat Ramp, Melba, at 8:00 a.m., leave at 8:30 a.m.

## Pink Plume slabs from June 24 Field Trip:







#### **Community Corner—by Karen Davis**

Busy, is the word that described my life in April/May. I reached out to teachers on a Teacher Facebook site, to see if they had a need for mineral/rock specimen in February. The response was immediate & a bit overwhelming. I found out 1<sup>st</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grades, all have rock/geology units in the curriculum and most needed real rocks in their classrooms. So, I starting making rock collections. Boxes are handmade out of cardboard with specimen that are needed for each grade level. I now have a better idea of what rocks and or information are needed for what age groups.

I schedule a day to go to each school and give an hour rock/mineral lesson to each class (teachers seem as excited as the students). I usually give 4 presentations at each school, so I am there most of a school day. A rock & mineral collection are donated to the school's fourth grade teachers on behalf of OGMS. And so far, every student has been given their very own mineral/rock to take home. They are so grateful when they get their own rock!





I am grateful for the rock/mineral donations from club members...Don Dixon, Cindy Woolsey, Diane Rahn & Steve Narcus. In addition, Ted Diehr gave up a day to help me with the "Pioneer Day" activity at Skyway Elementary where we had an actual rockhounding activity on the lawn for 130 kids! According to the OGMS website the purpose of our club is: "To promote interest in the wonders of nature and in particular, rocks, gems, minerals, and fossils. To conduct field trips for exploration and collection. To encourage as wide participation as possible in the "Rock Hound" hobby and the many activities that go with it." I believe this community outreach fulfills the purpose of our club and it means so much to these kids & their teachers! They are excited to learn how rocks/minerals are used in their everyday lives and love using the magnifiers, and I love seeing them learn! Here is a schedule of my activities on behalf of OGMS for 2024.

Feb. 5 <sup>th</sup>	3- 1 <sup>st</sup> grade classes	Sherman Elementary-Nampa
Feb.14-15 <sup>th</sup>	4 -4 <sup>th</sup> grade classes	Skyway Elementary- Caldwell
April 24th	10- 3rd-4 <sup>th</sup> graders	My garage- S. Nampa
April 17th	delivered 2 rock collections	Middleton Middle School, Middleton
April 26 <sup>th</sup>	4- 4 <sup>th</sup> grade classes	Reed Elementary School, Kuna
May 6 <sup>th</sup>	4- 4 <sup>th</sup> grade classes	Spaulding STEM Academy- Boise
May 15 <sup>th</sup>	Pioneer Day- 130 kids	Skyway Elem Caldwell (with Ted Diehr)
May 26 <sup>th</sup>	6 kids ages 5-12	My garage-S. Nampa

This summer I will be preparing for next year 's classes by finding more minerals & rock specimen to give away! Respectfully, Karen Davis

#### Federation Director—Ed Moser



Bring your postage stamps to the next meeting. Remember to *cut ½ inch all the way around the stamp*. The money raised will go to the Northwest Federation Jr. Scholarship Fund. Thank you all for this. It helps others and it might just help someone you know.

Please Respect the Rules when you are out collecting rocks, be careful of ticks and snakes, and have fun. Website:

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#### Bill Stringer is selling his personal lapidary equipment. If interested, please call Denise at 208.283.1903



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Double Wheel

\$200.00



Drill Press \$50.00

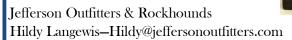


# Jefferson Rockhounds

Lifelong rockhound and collector of earthly treasures, now sharing our passion with fellow rock lovers. Please visit us at a local gun show (follow us on Facebook) and view our treasures at Antique World Mall in Boise, 4544 Overland Rd, cases 11, 12, & 42.

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#### **July Birthdays**

6 Howard Emry

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- 8 Leta Collord
- 12 Ron Cassidy
- 12 Loren Francis
- 13 Norman Young
- 14 Denise Irwin
- 14 Linda Waller
- 15 Dennis McManamon
- 16 Doc Morgan
- 16 Mark Rednour
- 18 Teisha Adams
- 21 Dustin Baker
- 22 Tom Rogers
- 23 Melody Greer
- 26 Larry Ridley
- 30 Ken Freeze
- 31 Justin Cranney

#### **July Anniversaries**

- 6 Greg & Shelly Downs
- 8 Ted & Lisa Diehr
- 9 Doug & Willa Renken
- 11 Robert & Karissa Sudweeks
- 14 Everett & Penny Costa
- 16 Chris & Jeannie Johnston
- 17 Doug Merrell & Trisha Kelsoe
- 21 Rick & Tammy Payne

#### **Newsletter Editor**

If you have articles or information for the newsletter, please submit to denisemstringer@gmail.com

#### Orma J. Smith Museum of Natural History College of Idaho—Boone Science Hall basement— Caldwell, Idaho

Orma J. Smith Museum of Natural History | The College of Idaho

As the only natural history museum in the region encompassing southwestern Idaho, southeastern Oregon, and northern Nevada, The College of Idaho's Orma J. Smith Museum of Natural History is the premier resource for environmental and natural history education in the region. The Museum is listed in the "30 Most Amazing Higher Education Natural History Museums," compiled by Best College Reviews.

You can check them out on <u>Facebook</u> and also on <u>Instagram</u> or call (208) 459-5507.

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#### **Sunshine Report**

Hi, I am Jewels Haines and I am your Sunshine Chair.

If you hear of anyone needing a getwell card or visit, please give me a call at (760) 331-3443.

jewelsmalia@yahoo.com

#### **Community Corner**

If you are presenting to the community or working with the community on behalf of OGMS, please submit a summary of what you are doing for our "Community Corner". This helps us maintain our non-profit status and gives you a recognition for a job well done.

#### OWYHEE GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY—2024 Membership Application

#### **Rockhounds' Code of Ethics**

- I will respect both private and public property and will do no collecting on privately owned land without permission from the owner.
- I will keep informed on all laws, regulations or rules governing collecting on public lands and will observe them.
- I will, to the best of my ability, ascertain the boundary lines of property on which I plan to collect.
- I will use no firearms or blasting material in collecting areas.
- I will cause no willful damage to property of any kind such as fences, signs, buildings, etc.
- I will leave all gates as found.
- I will build fires only in designated or safe places and will be certain they are completely extinguished before leaving the area.
- I will discard no burning material matches, cigarettes, etc.
- I will fill all excavation holes which may be dangerous to livestock.
- I will not contaminate wells, creeks, or other water supplies.
- I will cause no willful damage to collecting material and will take home only what I can reasonably use.
- I will practice conservation and undertake to utilize fully and well the materials I have collected and will recycle my surplus for the pleasure and benefit of others.
- I will support the rockhound project H.E.L.P. (Help Eliminate Litter Please) and will leave all collecting areas devoid of litter, regardless of how found.
- I will cooperate with field-trip leaders and those in designated authority in all collecting areas.
- I will report to my club or federation officers, Bureau of Land Management or other authorities, any deposit of petrified wood or other materials on public lands which should be protected for the enjoyment of future generations for public educational and scientific purposes.
- I will appreciate and protect our heritage of natural resources.
- I will observe the "Golden Rule", will use Good Outdoor Manners and will at all times conduct myself in a manner which will add to the stature and Public Image of Rockhounds everywhere.

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#### **Owyhee Gem and Mineral Society Purpose:**

To promote interest in the wonders of nature and in particular, rocks, gems, minerals, and fossils.

To conduct field trips for exploration and collection.

To encourage as wide a participation as possible in the "Rock Hound" hobby and the many activities that go along with it.

#### **MEMBERSHIP DUES:**

Family - \$20.00 per year Couples \$18.00 per year Singles—\$12.00 per year Children (under 19) - \$3.00 per year

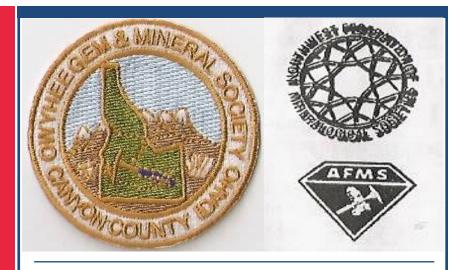
The Owyhee Gem and Mineral Society was established in 1938 at the College of Idaho in Caldwell, Idaho.

**GENERAL MEETING:** The club meets the third Wednesday of each month at 7:00 P.M. in the Boone Science Hall at the College of Idaho, Room 103, except for the summer months and the December holiday party.

Bring a friend—Wear your name tag— Bring an unidentified rock and we'll help you figure out what it is!

#### **FIELD TRIPS:**

Field trips are scheduled once a month. Visitors are welcome at all these events!



#### **Have You Visited our Club Website?**

Our awesome website has great information on it. There are some great pictures of our outings, and our newsletter is posted on it. Brad Larson, our Web Master, does a great job of keeping it up to date with all kinds of information like upcoming shows, field trip dates, times and much more.

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