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Meetings are held at the Klamath County

Museum Meeting Room – Main & Spring Streets,
using the *West* entrance. **Meetings are**held on the 2nd Monday of each

month at 7:00 pm with the exception of
December when we have our Christmas
Luncheon and Party.

Visitors are cordially invited:

Dues are \$10.00 per year per adult (\$18 for couples), \$7.50 ages 16-18 and free for juniors ages 15 and under whose parents pay dues.

General Objectives of the Club:

To promote popular interest, knowledge and understanding in the various earth sciences, as in Geology, Mineralogy, Paleontology and Lapidary and other related subjects. To sponsor and provide means of coordinating the work and efforts of all persons interested therein.

Helping Others:

The club participates in the NFMS stamp program, saving large commemoratives, airmail, pre-canceled, foreign and "ordinary" stamps of all values. Proceeds from stamp sales will be used to benefit any charity deemed worthy by the NFMS Endowment Fund.

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Dusty Rocks

March 2010

February 8th, 2010 Meeting Minutes

order and we did not say pledge of allegiance no flag present.

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Welcomed the guests tonight. Ed Hause

Door prize donated by Charlie Wyckoff -Roseanne Long congrats!!!!!

Jeff Eastburn President called meeting to

Treasurer's report – read as posted in bank

Secretary's report – stand as written

Correspondence and mail – got a thank you from Heidi Eli for the club's condolences for the loss of her husband. Sherri Wagner from IYS sent a great letter to our club and we appreciate that. Happy Retirement Sherri.

Sunshine report – mostly we will put the birthdays in the newsletters. Please have some thoughts for Gene Newnham and Dale Clark in our prayers. Chuck Newnham broke his nose.

Librarians report – The books are out tonight and we need the black light back as soon as possible please.

Historians report – passing off from Kathi Milem to Heidi Eli as our new appointed person welcome and thanks Kathi.

N.W.F report – They have a plea for a club to step up and host the next federation meeting. This is posted in the N.W.F newsletter so please check it out.

Old Business – Black light showcase we

might be using the Grants Pass one again this year thank you to Grants Pass. We will try as a club to get our own set up by next years rock show of 2011. Oregon council doesn't know whom benefits from the money sent in. We are talking about the show for the IYS show meetings this Thursday at 6pm and the

next one is on February 25th at 6pm and Jennifer our show chairman wants you to come on down and get into the fun.

New Business – Wednesday afternoon between 1:30 to 4pm please come if you can to help these youth it is in Mills addition just off of East Main St. kiddy corner from the school. The club wants to pay for our show chairman for her gas to and from the show meetings and the show it's self. The club as made the motion and has been carried out.

Set Chairs are as follows – John and Roseanne Long are for charity's there phone number is (530) 667-2401 feel free to call them about Charity's. Chuck Newnham is set for the new room in the Klamath Museum. His number is in the directory.

Field Trips – Salem will be joining us on the Hampton Butte trip on memorial day weekend. Come one come all we have a lot of fun we do a potluck and a silent auction and we have a blast so make sure you mark your calendar's for this great event bring buckets and your shovels and gloves and bug repellant. Bring extra tires for your RV's and your vehicles. Gas up before you leave Bend, Oregon.

Announce program – We are talking about getting another TV/Combo System for our club programs.

Announce refreshments – No refreshments for February's meeting no one signed up. There are a lot of club members and we all need to participate so that the same people don't keep bringing the refreshments all the time. We all need to take a turn.

Meeting Adjourned - Thanks for coming to our monthly meetings hope you continue to come to our meetings.



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NEXT MEETING:

March 8th

• Refreshments:

The Chance Family

Happy St. Paddy's





From The Editor

I love March! I love that daylight savings time begins and we have more time outside. I love that spring finally arrives. Although we've had a mild one here in Southern Oregon, many across the country are tired of winter. I love being outside working in the yard, playing with my dogs, and working on my suntan. Spring also means field trips; it is always good when we can hunt for rocks! Most importantly for us, March is our annual show. I've put together an entire newsletter dedicated to the show. Might be over kill I know, but take a minute and think what this show means. For the past twenty four years a small group of volunteers works hard for several months sweating over details to put on a world class show. Trust me I've been to many rock shows and ours is one of the best. We strive each year to offer family entertainment at a reasonable cost, something that is hard to come by in this day and age. Most importantly we are making memories, family memories that last long after our hard work has faded.

I have the best memories of this show. I've always tried to visit my grandparents show weekend. As a child I remember winning prizes at the kids' games, running over every few minutes to check on silent auction bids and eating every meal at the fairgrounds. My Grandpa would enter two or three cases and work on them all year, proudly displaying his work. He would often work security and help with set up. Grandma didn't spend all weekend at the show like Grandpa did, but would come spend a couple of hours eat a meal or two and appreciate not having to cook and keeping Grandpa out of her hair. My Grandpa was always generous with money allowing me to buy many treasures at our show and because the show has always had the best prices, I've got many good deals. I often tell people to come and do your shopping for birthdays and Christmas at the show. You can't beat the prices or the quality craftsmanship.

It has been a joy for me to be able to chair the show this year. I can only hope our show is just as successful this year as in years past, and hope we all enjoy more memories in the years to come. Thank you to all who are helping make memories shine!

Jennifer Zimmerlee



Come Eat With Us! YUMMIE!!

We have to pay for it even if you don't show up, so please come and support your club and your show!

Friday Night the 5th at 5:30pm Spaghetti by Kathi with all the trimmings! Please bring a desert to share!

Saturday Night the 6th at 5:30 Dinner and Trimmings provided by Keno Lions your cost \$5.00!

Sunday Morning the 7th at 8:00am Breakfast and Trimmings provided by Keno Lions your cost \$5.00!

Sunday Night the 7th after we close, Pizza!



Dates to Remember

March 5th Show Set up starting at 9 am & Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30pm

March 6th Show 9:00am - 5:00pm - Klamath County Fairgrounds

March 7th Show 10am - 4pm, Old-Timers Breakfast and take down - Klamath County Fairgrounds

March 8th Club Meeting 7pm - Klamath County Museum with a special program

March 14th Daylight Savings Time Begins

March 20th First Day of Spring

April 10th The Spring Show - At the Running Y (Contact Charlie Wyckoff for dealer info)

May 28th - 31st Hampton Butte Field Trip (save the date, and Salem's club is coming so get there early)

Sunshine Report

Please remember in your prayers Dale Clark as he recovers from bypass surgery & Ken Newnham recovers from hip surgery.



After Our Show, Visit One Of These!

March 12-14 Tualatin Valley Gem Club, Hillsboro OR

March 12-14 Rock Rollers Club, Spokane WA

March 13-14 Magic Valley Gem Club, Filer ID

March 19-21 Timpanogos Gem Club, Spanish Fork UT

March 27-28 Sweet Home Rock Club, Sweet Home OR

Do you have our black light?

Someone check it out without filling our a library card, please let us know if you have it and arrange for its return.

Thank you!

Happy Birthday to You!

Christine Chance — Klamath Falls

Billy Cogdill - Klamath Falls

Brian Eastburn — Klamath Falls

Lilly-Anna Mixell - Klamath Falls

Xan Overton - Macdoel, CA

Aquamarine is the Birth Stone for March

 Said to have protect sailors and prevent seasickness



- * Is suppose to reawaken love in a tired marriage
- * Member of the beryl family, as is the emerald
- * It is 7.5-8 on the Mohs scale
- * Found in Brazil in 1910 the 553,500 carat Papamel Aquamarine is one of largest ever found







Do you have stuff from last year's show? Critters, Rocks, ETC? If so please don't forget to bring them by, before we open on Saturday!

Working the Front Door:

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9-11am	Don Perryman	10am-12pm	Don Perryman
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11am-1pm Marv Stump Chris Chance

Chris Chance 12-2pm Marv Stump

Sunday March 7th.

1-3pm Kermit Warner Cindy Howland

Cindy Howland **2-4pm** Kermit Warner

3-5pm Jennifer Zimmerlee Leah Stump

Leah Stump

Helping with Charity Table or Raffle Table

Leah Stump Sheila James

Chris Chance Jodean Cogdill

Jennifer Zimmerlee

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Don't forget, we need your help, come to the show, offer to lend a hand or just answer questions, anything you can do would be appreciated. Wear your vests and name tags!

Can you donate?!

Rocks for Silent Auction

Prize for our Raffle Drawing

Items for the IYS Youth Center Craft Table

Rocks for Treasure Hunt

Thank you so for your donation!

Lucky Strike Mine

Spectrum Mine

The Lucky Dog

Atelier Medical Spa & Hair Studio

The Epicenter

Doreen Chase/ Charlie Wyckoff

Ross Ragland

Garwin Carlson

Quackenbush Coffee

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Integral Youth Services (IYS)

Our charity for the 2010 show is the IYS Youth Center. With a mission "To offer hope to youth, providing for their need and mentoring toward positive choice and healthy relationships." the IYS provides a range of programs not just for youth but for their families as well. Started in 1988 the private non profit service offers life skills training including employment, education, intervention and advocacy. One of the programs of-



fered is the Youth Center. Located by Mill School, the youth center is an after school program that offers a safe environment for kids in the first to sixth grade. The staff focuses on educational and fun enlightenment opportunities including crafts, homework help, group games and dance classes to name a few.

Besides working with the charity at the show, this year Chris Chance, Vicky Davis, Leah and

Marvin Stump and Jennifer Zimmerlee spent an afternoon at the Youth Center working with the kids as they helped make critters and eggs for the craft table, sand pit and wheel of fortune game. It was an enjoyable few hours with just a touch of chaos as the kids created some unique critters and shared their thoughts and ideas. Some kids such as Lauralee made ten critters, for every three they made they got to keep one, others like Jose had never made anything like this before and had a lot of fun.



It was wonderful to share our love of rocks with the kids while adding about 200 critters to the show





OUR DEALERS

C's Little Rock Shop

Hi Desert Craft Rock Shop

Scott's Rocks & Gems

LorMark

Blue Willow Jewelry

Ralph's Rocks

The Opal Zone

Northwest Relics

The Third Rock

Starlight Mines

Norm & Jan's Gems

Lucky Strike Mine

The Lucky Dog

Ancient Artifacts

The Birds & The Beads

The Bead Patch

Packrat Gems

Mark London Design

DorGene

S & S Gems

Swordfish Mining



Our Critters

OUR DEMONSTRATORS

Gemologist Mark Kochevar

Flint Napping (arrowheads) Jerry Barrett

Silversmithing Garwin Carlson

Painting on Rock Slabs Lois Brant-Phillips, Nicky Biehn

Wire Wrapping Pat Bennett

Thunderegg Cutting Gene & Doris Newnham

Sphere Making Chuck Newnham
Chain Jewelry Charlie Wyckoff

Wire Wrapping Robert Watson-Gresham

Soap Stone Carving Bob & Mary McBroome

Black Light Display Garwin Carlson

Faceting Bernie Paris

Beading Lily Kurusz, Hope Piper

Copper Enameling Evelyn Brennan

Gold panning & prospecting Klamath Prospecting Club

Bonseki Herb Bastuscheck

What is Bonseki?

Bonseki means tray-stone and is the creation of miniature landscapes on rectangular or oval black lacquer trays about the size of a TV tray. The scene are three dimensional paintings using stones, rocks and as many nine different types



of grains of sand used to fill in the details. Bonseki was once a widespread practice that has dwindled into an endangered art form. We are fortuned to have Herb Bastuscheck to demo Bonseki at the show as well as at our Meeting Monday March 8th after the show. Please come view this special program and learn this unique art form. Also look for Herb's display of Japanese artifacts at the show.



Making Critters

QUESTION OF THE MONTH:

Besides our show, what other rock shows do you recommend?

(Email, write or call!)

<u>Last Month We Asked Best Rock</u> <u>Finds:</u>

Marvin shared:

Finding a piece of green petrified wood that looked like the Rock of Gibraltar while on Hart Mountain.

Leah shared:

Last year at Hampton Butte finding the 95lb of petrified wood.

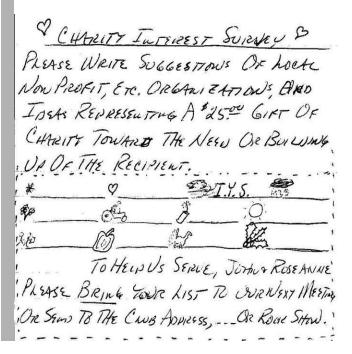
Linda and Robert Shared:

See Article Below.

Rock Finds by Linda & Robert Gresham

On one of our first trips to Obenchain, we came across a fist sized piece of petrified wood sticking up out of the ground. Robert has his eyes trained to find petrified wood, so he was the first to spot it. He tried to pick it up, but it wouldn't budge. So we started digging around with sticks and a small pry bar. It kept getting bigger and bigger. Pretty soon he had a hole about knee deep and it still wasn't budging. We kept digging around it and finally it wobbled. Pretty soon he had it loose and was able to roll it out of the hole. He was covered in mud but was quite happy. It was about 100 pounds. Then came the chore of getting it back to the truck... which was about 1½ miles away. We ended up using the dogs' leashes and pulling it along... at least until the dog leashes broke. We also brought home quite a few other smaller pieces of petrified wood and a lot of jaspers

CLUB CHAT ~ CHARITY & CHAIRS



John and Roseanne Long at 530-667-2401 were named Charity Chair, if our show makes a profit after our yearly expenses then John will recommend a charity to donate \$25 to each month. John sent in the survey on the left and would like us to bring a list of suggestions to him at the next meeting or the show.

Speaking of Chairs, say Hi to Heidi our New Historian Chair, Holly our New Greeter Chair and Chuck our Black Light Display Chair. With Chuck, for now, is also going to be in charge of the Museum Room, the question is do we want to make this a new chair position that includes all of our public displays or just the museum or just the black light? What do you think? Also don't forget we still have the idea of a chair for a position of going out to schools, senior care facilities, etc. and giving rock demos. Anyone interested in that? Let us know.

