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Newsletter of the
Puyallup Valley
Gem & Mineral Club

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2018 Club Show Report

Our Club Show Committee group has been meeting regularly. Committee members are "Whoever-Shows-Up" and the following; Diana Acosta, Jim Christian, Dick and Susie Diedrich, Allan Henneberry, Amber Henneberry, Jim and Wanda Hightower, John Huber, Tony Johnson, Karen Lebeter, Glen Ripper, and myself.

We have been meeting at Mrs. Turner's and at Swiss Park, our Show's location.

I want to thank everyone that has signed up so far for booth times. The sign – up sheets are circulating through the Club House, at Board and Business Meetings and of course the Club Show Meetings.

We need everyone that can, to polish rock for the various activities at the Show and the Fair.

Some additional tasks that are not covered or confirmed yet are:

- We need someone to drive the transport truck for moving the Show items from the Club House to Swiss Park and back.
- We have not determined yet where the transport truck will come from i.e.: rental?
- We need several able bodies to move items out of the storage areas, into the trucks, into Swiss Hall and back to the Club's storage areas.
- We are looking at Case favors (gifts for those that put in a display). If you have ideas please speak up.
- The kids area can always use: small fossils, polished rocks, and crystals.

If any of the items listed are something you can provide or you have a lead to where we can find them please speak up and or come to a planning meeting.

Our next Club Show planning meeting is April 17th at 5:30 at Mrs. Turner's restaurant, downtown Puyallup. Everyone is welcome. We only have two months left to get ready for the show so please consider helping. It's fun and rewarding.

Be happy!

Nancy LeMay

Club President and Club Show Director



Club Show Update

Our 2018 Club Show is looking very promising. So far we have all of the indoor spaces reserved and the Vendors are excited! Remember the Show starts on Friday June 1st and runs through Sunday June 3rd. Open hours are from 10:00-5:00 all three days. In addition to our wonderful Vendors there will be Door Prizes called hourly, Silent Auctions, Club Sales, and Raffle items to be drawn on Sunday afternoon. There will also be daily demonstrations of our Lapidary craft. Check out our Vendor list;

Addis-Sea Gemsparkly

Amber America

Candi's Jewelry & Gifts

Cascade Gems

Cosmic Earth Elements

The Crystal Lined Pocket

Gem Nest

Grand Products

H & I Lapidary

Main Event Trading Company

Rare Earth Studios

Stone Styles

Susie Moon's

Tipps Gems

Washington Rocks

Washington Treasures

Western Gem & Mineral

The World's Fossils & Minerals

Submitted by Nancy LeMay



April Birthdays

April 9th Jim Christian

April 14th Bill Peterson

April 18th Jan Nichols

April 20th Anita Patch

April 21st Aaliya Garinga

April 25th Larry Hoffman

April 28th Dale Subitch

April 30th Tony Johnson

2018 Elected Officers

| Title | Name | Phone | Email |
|----------------------|----------------|----------------|--|
| President: | Nancy LeMay | (253)985-5784 | beesknees369@Gmail.com |
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| 2 year Trustee: | Tony Johnson | (253) 863-9238 | |

2018 Committee Chairs

| Title | Name | Phone | Email |
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The Puyallup Valley Gem & Mineral Club is a member of the Northwest Federation of Mineralogical Societies and the Washington State Mineral Council and affiliated with the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies. www.amfed.org/nfms



Club House Classes – April 2018

| DATE | DAY | ACTIVITY | COORDINATOR - INSTRUCTOR |
|------|-----------|---|-------------------------------|
| 1 | Sunday | | |
| 2 | Monday | 10:00 carving & beading | LaVon Siperek |
| 3 | Tuesday | 10:00 carving & beading 4:00 cabbing | Tony Johnson LaVon Siperek |
| 4 | Wednesday | 4:00 wire wrapping | Tony Johnson |
| 5 | Thursday | 4:00 cabbing | LaVon Siperek |
| 6 | Friday | | |
| 7 | Saturday | 10:00 open house | Glen Ripper |
| 8 | Sunday | | |
| 9 | Monday | 7:00 Opal club meeting | Tony Johnson |
| 10 | Tuesday | 4:00 cabbing | LaVon Siperek |
| 11 | Wednesday | 4:00 opal cutting | Tony Johnson |
| 12 | Thursday | 4:00 cabbing | LaVon Siperek |
| 13 | Friday | | |
| 14 | Saturday | 10:00 silversmithing | LaVon Siperek |
| 15 | Sunday | | |
| 16 | Monday | | |
| 17 | Tuesday | 4:00 cabbing | LaVon Siperek |
| 18 | Wednesday | 4:00 wire wrapping | Tony Johnson |
| 19 | Thursday | 4:00 cabbing | LaVon Siperek |
| 20 | Friday | | |
| 21 | Saturday | 10:00 open house | Jim Christian |
| 22 | Sunday | | |
| 23 | Monday | | |
| 24 | Tuesday | 4:00 cabbing | LaVon Siperek |
| 25 | Wednesday | 4:00 opal cutting | Tony Johnson |
| 26 | Thursday | 4:00 cabbing | LaVon Siperek |
| 27 | Friday | | |
| 28 | Saturday | 10:00 knapping | LaVon Siperek |
| 29 | Sunday | | |
| 30 | Monday | | |

For questions about a specific class or event, contact the coordinator/instructor

LaVon Siperek @ 253-531-7294, Glen Ripper @ 253-508-7645, Tony Johnson @ 253-863-9328, Jim Christian @ 253-720-9502.

2018 NFMS 80th Anniversary Show & Convention

Hosted by the Yakima Rock & Mineral Club

April 27, 28, 29



**Northwest Federation of Mineralogical Societies
Show & Convention 2018 &**

“Parade of Gems” Show

Hosted by Yakima Rock & Mineral Club, Inc.

Friday, April 27th, Saturday April 28th, and Sunday, April 29th, 10–4 pm

Admission:

Adults \$4.00

Students \$2.00

Children under 14 free with adult paid admission

Location:

Modern Living Building & Pioneer Hall

Central Washington State Fair Park

1301 S. Fair Avenue, Yakima, WA

Free parking

SADDLE MOUNTAIN FIELD TRIP ANNOUNCEMENT 4/21/2018

We are going to Saddle Mountain in Eastern Washington to collect petrified wood. Please meet at the Shell station on the east end of Mattawa at 10:00am. Mattawa is in Eastern Washington across the Columbia River from Vantage. You will need your shovel, rock hammer, hand cultivator (claw), and a bucket. Bring a hat, dress in layers and bring your lunch with lots of water. It is a fairly easy walk down a slope where we are going to collect.

Questions Contact: **Dennis Batchelor at # 360-870-8741**

Vantage Washington

Vantage is a census-designated place in Kittitas County, Washington, United States. The population was 74 at the 2010 census. The area around Vantage has been occupied by the Wanapum Native Americans since prehistory. A number of well-preserved rock-paintings have been found on the cliff walls. They also used the abundant petrified wood in the area for arrowheads and other tools. The site where these petroglyphs were found was inundated by the rising waters behind Wanapum Dam in the 1960s. About 60 of the more than 300 carvings were cut from the basalt cliff face and saved. The nearby Ginkgo Petrified Forest site is one of the most unusual fossil forests in the world, and was designated a National Natural Landmark by the National Park

Shell Station in Mattawa, WA

Address: 723 Government Rd, Mattawa, WA 99349

Do you have an article or information for the newsletter?

Please have newsletter articles submitted to
Teresa Rodrick: gtrodi@comcast.net, our Secretary, by the 25th of the month

GOLD & FISH RULES

There has been a bit discussion about the **Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife Gold and Fish Rules for Mineral Prospecting and Placer Mining pamphlet**. Does it or does it not apply to rockhounding and if it does, how/when does it apply? Although these rules were primarily developed for gold prospecting in the areas adjacent to streams and lakes some of them do apply to rockhounding. The most common questions rockhounders have is - when do you have to have a copy of the pamphlet with you? The answer has to do with “timing restrictions”. Page 10 of the pamphlet deals with “mineral prospecting without timing restrictions” (see tables starting on page 16 of the pamphlet) and in this case, you do not need to have a copy of the pamphlet with you. Page 13 of the pamphlet deals with “mineral prospectation with timing restrictions. In this case, you must have a copy of the pamphlet on the dig site, not one for each person as has been suggested. To print your own PDF copy, go to <http://wdfw.wa.gov/licensing/mining/> and click on the gold and fish download on the right side of the page.