

HELL'S CANYON GEM CLUB
P.O. BOX 365
LEWISTON, IDAHO 83501



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62 YEARS

PURPOSE OF HELLS CANYON GEM CLUB, INC.

The purpose of this nonprofit, social club is to promote the rock hound hobby by providing opportunities for the collection, working and displaying of gems and minerals, as well as educational programs in the field of geology.

MEETINGS: 2nd Friday of each month

Board Meeting 6 pm Regular Meeting 7 pm

VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME

Dues: Adult [per person] \$15.00; Junior [under 18] Free with a responsible adult membership.

2014 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President	Steve Rand	208-791-2325	1st Year Trustee	Richard Peterson	208-276-7077
Vice President	Mel Wilks	208-301-3939	1st Year Trustee	Jerry Blemka	509-758-7384
Secretary	Marylou Northrup	208-743-6944	2nd Year Trustee	Betty Wilks	208-301-3939
Treasurer	Marilyn Sharp	509-758-4218	2nd Year Trustee	Torch Yates	208-743-3358
Past President	Linn Enger	208-746-4957	Federation Director	Jeremy Giard	509-758-2581
			Federation Delegate	Gail Giard	509-758-2581

HELLS CANYON WEBSITE: <http://www.hellscanyonclub.com>

WEBMASTER: Rick Westerholm: hcgemclub@yahoo.com

HOW TO FIND OUR MEETING PLACE



To get to new meeting location for the Hells Canyon Club, go south on 15th Street in Clarkston. 15th turns into Scenic Way and goes up the hill. Scenic Way turns into Appleside Rd. Continue south on Appleside Rd to where it turns and becomes Reservoir Rd.

The Grange Hall is located at the junction of Reservoir Rd, 6th Avenue and 22nd Street.

Additional parking is available in the Church parking lot across 6th Avenue.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Rockhounds,

Well it looks like summer is winding down, hope everyone had some time to get out and do a little rock hunting, and some other activities. It is time again to get things put together for our show coming up in October so if you have not thought of putting together a display case now is the time. We will be going over show information at the meeting so make sure you come help in the planning. Also this month we will be picking a nominating committee for new officers for next year so now is the time to get involved. Well bring your treasure's and we will see everyone on the 12th at the meeting.

NO AUGUST MEETING

July 11, 2014 Board Meeting 6:30pm

Board meeting called to order by Rick Westerholm. Officers present were Marilyn Sharp, Linn Enger, Jerry Blimka, Torch Yates.

Marilyn Gave the Treasurer's Report. Minutes as printed in the newsletter approved by all members present.

Linn offered to donate a printer to the club if someone would take over the job of sending printed copies of the newsletter to members. The best way to advertise for the show in October was discussed. The Tribune, the big signs for Bryden Canyon Road, hand held signs and flyers. Any other ideas?

General Meeting 7pm

Mel Wilks conducted the meeting. No program this meeting.

Orville and RoseAlene McArthur were up from Meridian and announced that Emily Pollske, their grand-daughter, would be moving to meridian with them. Emily had to down-size her rock collection so she gave all kinds of specimens for door prizes.

Rick Westerholm and Randy Squires went on a field trip to Challis, ID and brought back zeolite, barite, flourite and heulandite. They donated some nice pieces for the drawing.

Four guests present - Donna and Doug Heieren and grandson Jonathan and grand-daughter Kirsten.

Rick and Linn gave a report on a garnet claim that Lloyd Nye has leased until the end of July. Rick and Linn will check it out this week-end. The club approved \$300 for a lease if they decide the club should take over the lease.

No word on the garnet claim the club put money toward to lease, so will try to get the money back. If not just let it stand.

Rick and Linn checked on the crystal claim, and said the road in was muddy but gate will be left open this next week until a club lock can be put on the gate with the state's lock.

Please sign up to help with the show in October.

Bruce Borgelt has some rocks and equipment for sale.

Jerry Blimka has rock equipment for sale.

Meeting adjourned.

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WSMC FIELDTRIPS 2014 (Will be updated—see mineralcouncil.org)

The Washington State Mineral Council plans guided fieldtrips to collecting sites. Open to member clubs, and the general public. Most trips are free. Included will be Pow Wow trips (must join to go on trips). Host clubs and contact persons will be set up as I gather info. For now, go to mineralcouncil.org for updates, or contact Ed Lehman @ wsmced@hotmail.com , or home (425) 334- 6282 cel (425) 760-2786.

Date	Host	Site	Meeting place and time	Material	Tools
09/13	NWOS	Little Naches	9:00 @ Enumclaw Ranger Station	Thunder-Eggs	Dig, lt hard rock
10/04	Msvl	D.P. Mine & H.T. Creek	9:00 @ Money Creek Camp	Ore, picture Jasper	Lt hard rock, light
11/08	MtBkr	Blanchard Mt	9:00 @ I-5 240 exit gas Station	Stilpnomelane & Chert	Hard rock tool

Kit = Kitsap M & G Soc— T B D

Msvl = Marysville R & G Club - Ed Lehman wsmced@hotmail.com (425) 334-6282 or (425) 760-2786

MtBkr = Mount Baker R & G Club—Kris Menger @ (360) 927-0994 kmenger@comcast.net

Elb = Ellensburg R Club—Steve Townsend—(509) 933-2236 srtrocks@aol.com

Spk = Spokane Rock Rollers—Mike Shaw—(509) 244-8542 mikeshawmoose@yahoo.com

NWOS = Northwest Opal Soc—Tony Johnson—(253)863-9238

This is just a work in process. Participants please respond for corrections and updates.

Thanks, Ed Lehman

Merlyn Brusven known to us as “MERL” spent many club meetings and field trips with us. Merl passed away Aug 7th in Seattle.

Did not realize how good a friend Merl was and will be remembered always by me and many others that rock hound together. He was a very nice gentle fellow that would do anything for his fellow rock hound and friend.



One time we spent the night at our claim that turned into days of excitement when we unearthed museum quality crystals by the lot. It was that camp out that we became very good friends enjoying our friendship. We sat around the camp fire enjoying long lost stories about ourselves and the fun times of rock hunting. It did not make any difference if it rained down on us in buckets while all of this was going on. I can picture him now as he emerged from his camper calling out to the wild with his moose calls, elk and deer calls. No responses came back to us listening for them, only a grouse thumping on a log near us.

Dan

Let's face it - English is a crazy language. There is no egg in eggplant, nor ham in hamburger; neither apple nor pine in pineapple. English muffins weren't invented in England or French fries in France . Sweetmeats are candies while sweetbreads, which aren't sweet, are meat. We take English for granted. But if we explore its paradoxes, we find that quicksand can work slowly, boxing rings are square and a guinea pig is neither from Guinea nor is it a pig..

HELP !



These pictures show most of about a ton of rocks (mostly petrified wood) that a friend of mine from Pullman gave me to do with as I see fit. He and I both thought that the best thing to do with it would be to give it to the Rock Club. Please come to the Sept. meeting and help decide if we should have a club member yard sale or put it on the silent auction at our show. Whatever gets it out of my front yard is fine with me. Thanks much,

Linn Enger

Gemshow Committees

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| 1. Show Chairman..... | } Linn Enger & Mel Wilks | 1-208-746-4957 |
| 2. Show Treasurer..... | } Marilyn Sharp | 1-509-758-4218 |
| 3. Dealer Chairman..... | } Gail Giard | 1-509-758-2581 |
| 4. Advertising Chairman..... | } | |
| 5. Displays Chairman..... | } Linn Enger | |
| 6. Demonstration Chairman... | } Mel Wilks | |
| 7. Floor Plan Chairman..... | } Rick Westerholm | 1-208-746-2101 |
| 8. Silent Auction Chairman.. | } Jerry Northrup | |
| 9. Kids Corner Chairman.. | } | |
| 10. Admissions Chairman..... | } | |
| 11. Security Chairman..... | } | |



**Hells Canyon Gem Club
48th Annual**



Gem - Mineral Jewelry Show

**October 18th and October 19th, 2014
Display Application**

Name _____ Phone _____

Name of Spouse _____ (free admission to both)

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Number of displays _____

Do you need to borrow a case? Yes ___ No ___

We have federation size cases with liners for your use.

Each displayer must provide his or her own insurance.

Hells Canyon Gem Club will not assume responsibility for loss or damage to any exhibitor's property. There will be security guards on duty Friday and Saturday nights provided by Club members.

Setup: 12:00 to 9:00 P.M. Oct. 17th and 9:00 to 10:00 A.M. Oct 18th.

Please return applications to: Linn Enger..
engerocks @ yahoo.com
475 Knollcrest Court, Lewiston, Id. 83501

NFMS MEMBER CLUBS' SHOW SCHEDULE

(Partial list)

DATE & TIME	CLUB	SHOW	LOCATION
September 13 & 14 Sat 10–5 Sun 10–5	Marcus Whitman Gem and Mineral Society	Walla Walla County Frgrnds, Com. Cntr. Blding, 363 Orchard St., Walla Walla, WA	Lisa Stearns 509 386 0584 lisa_sundin1@hotmail.com
Sept. 27 Sat 10–5 Sept. 28 Sun 10–4	Billings Gem and Mineral Club	Billings Hotel and Conv. Center 1223 Mallowney Lane Billings MT	Doug True 406 670 0506 2622 Broadwater Billings MT 59102 dtruefossils12@yahoo.com
October 4 & 5 Sat 9–6, Sun 10–5	Hellgate Mineral Society	Hilton Garden Inn 2730 North Reserve St. Missoula MT	Bob Riggs 406 543 3667 boblr@bresnan.net
October 18 & 19 Sat 10–6, Sun 10–5	Hells Canyon Gem Club	Nez Perce County Fair Building, 1229 Burrell Avenue, Lewiston ID	Linn Enger 208 746 4957 engerocks@yahoo.com
October 25 & 26 Sat 10–6 Sun 10–5	Bellevue Rock Club	Vasa Park, 3560 West Lake Sammamish PKWY SE, Bellevue WA 98008	Dave Scott lagger175@yahoo.com PO Box 1851 Bellevue, WA 98009
November 8 & 9 Sat 9–5 Sun 10–5	Maplewood Rock and Gem Club Annual Fall Show	Maplewood Clubhouse, 8802 196th ST SW, Edmonds WA	Don Wilcox 206 226 1868 tundrafox@earthlink.net
March 14 - 15, 2015 Sat 9–5, Sun 10–5	Magic Valley Gem Club	Twin Falls County Fairgrounds, Merchant Building #1, 215 Fair Avenue, Filer ID	Shirley Metts 208 423 4827 imetts@centurylink.net 550 Main Street South Kimberly ID 83341

And why is it that writers write but fingers don't fing, grocers don't groce and hammers don't ham? If the plural of tooth is teeth, why isn't the plural of booth, beeth? One goose, 2 geese. So one moose, 2 meese? One index, 2 indices? Doesn't it seem crazy that you can make amends but not one amend? If you have a bunch of odds and ends and get rid of all but one of them, what do you call it?

If teachers taught, why didn't preachers praught? If a vegetarian eats vegetables, what does a humanitarian eat? Sometimes I think all the English speakers should be committed to an asylum for the verbally insane. In what language do people recite at a play and play at a recital? Ship by truck and send cargo by ship? Have noses that run and feet that smell?

How can a slim chance and a fat chance be the same, while a wise man and a wise guy are opposites? You have to marvel at the unique lunacy of a language in which your house can burn up as it burns down, in which you fill in a form by filling it out and in which, an alarm goes off by going on.

English was invented by people, not computers, and it reflects the creativity of the human race, which, of course, is not a race at all. That is why, when the stars are out, they are visible, but when the lights are out, they are invisible.

FEDERATION REPORT

Jeremy Giard, Federation Director; Gail Giard, Federation Delegate
August 15, 2014 Federation Meeting-Hermiston, Oregon

The 2014 NFMS 76th Annual Show & Convention was hosted by Hatrockhound Gem and Mineral Society of Hermiston, Oregon. There were six (6) Competition Cases at the show. All of these six cases were judged and received 1st place ribbons for categories of education, cabochons, spheres, wire gemstone trees, specimens, and petrified woods. The cases were judged in Master, Novice, Junior, and Society expertise areas. There were approximately a total of 25 display cases at the show and 18 dealers inside and 4 dealers outside. Demonstrations included Faceting, Spheres, Silversmithing, and Cabochon Making. Show Chairpersons were Mike Filarski and Judi Allison.

The 2015 show will be held at the Fairgrounds in Ogden, Utah on April 10-12, 2014 and will be hosted by the Golden Spike Club. It is still in the planning stage but will include exhibits and multiple field trips.

The 2016 AFMS/NFMS show will be held in Albany, Oregon on July 29-31, 2016, hosted by the Willamette Agate and Mineral Society and is still in the planning stage. "Treasures of the Northwest" is the theme. Janice Van Cura, is the 2016 Show Chair.

NFMS 1st Vice President Warren Hood discussed the \$18,000 cost of printing and mailing the NFMS newsletters. A committee was formed to see about switching the choice of distribution of the NFMS newsletter from mailing to each member to emailing. **The committee proposes each club establish a club editor contact person for the NFMS newsletter. An announcement that the newsletter is ready would be sent to the club editor contact person by Brad Larson, NFMS Webmaster. The club editor would be allowed a choice to receive by email a PDF file of the newsletter or a link to the NFMS site. The local club editor would then advise its' club members of the availability of the NFMS newsletter either by attaching the PDF file or the link out to NFMS site. NFMS would need to be supplied a list of club members who do not have access to the internet and still need to receive the newsletter by mail.** Warren is proposing that with anticipated savings NFMS would help clubs improve their NFMS show with money for special lectures, field trips, or displays. The local club would arrange for the programs and then would submit a request for reimbursement. This new budget line item would be in the \$2000 to \$3000 range. **Warren would like the club contact person to contact him with his/her thoughts on beginning this new process at warrenrood@yahoo.com**

Bulletin Aids Chair Ronna Watkins would like to remind Newsletter Bulletin Editors to send her an email of their club's newsletter to her at yakima_rockhounds12@yahoo.com

The Directory Chair Carol Willey and Circulation Chair Tom Burchard would like to remind clubs to advise them of current member's address changes and new members and addresses. Contact Circulation Chair Tom Burchard at Roxhund@aol.com Directory Chair Carol Willey at going4rocks@outlook.com with those changes. Otherwise new and current members do not get the newsletter, returned newsletters cost the NFMS money, and directories are not updated which are used for credentials.

The Nominating Committee chair Kathy Moedl introduced the 2015 Executive Committee Roster: President: Warren Rood; 1st Vice President: Hidemi Kira; 2nd Vice President: Jim Bosley; Secretary: Judi Allison; and Treasurer: Lyle Vogelpohl. All were approved by the directors and delegates present.

Webmaster Chairman Brad Larson requested the following from persons who are **webmasters for their local clubs**: "Please verify if you are linking to the following sites, to use the current links as listed below. Please email your name and contact information, along with your URL for your site. This is so I can create a

centralized listing/location/site for all Northwest Federation club webmasters information in case of changes to anything on our NFMS Site if I need to communicate to all with new information regarding our NFMS Site. "

- NFMS Main Site: <http://amfed.org/nfms/>
- NFMS Newsletters: <http://amfed.org/nfms/newsletters.asp>
- NFMS Rock and Gem Shows: <http://amfed.org/nfms/shows.asp>
- NFMS Calendar: <http://amfed.org/nfms/calendar.asp>
- NFMS Library: <http://amfed.org/nfms/library.asp>
- NFMS Committees: <http://amfed.org/nfms/committees.asp>
- NFMS Forum Site: <http://nfms.freeforum.ms.org/portal.php>
- NFMS Juniors Program: <http://amfed.org/nfms/junior.asp>

Brad Larson's email is nfms.webmaster@gmail.com **Rockhound of the Year** has a new contact person--Bev Bockman at boybeb@outlook.com She will gladly accept each club's Rockhound of the Year and requests a short note of 100 words or so on why the person was selected and she will see that it is published in the NFMS newsletter.

Website Contest Chair Cheri George is looking for clubs to submit their website in the Website Contest for NFMS. The rules have changed and for information she can be contacted at lizardwoman3@yahoo.com

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"When rockhounding in the rain it's a good idea to have an engineer in camp"
(photo by Linn Enger)

SOUTHERN WASHINGTON MINERALOGICAL SOCIETY

ANNUAL ROCK AUCTION

CASTLE ROCK FAIRGROUNDS

SEPTEMBER 20, 2014 3:00PM

1	OBSIDIAN	29 Lbs
2	PETRIFIED WOOD	29 Lbs
3	TUMBLING AGATE	20 Lbs
4	MISCELLANEOUS AGATE	24 Lbs
5	MISCELLANEOUS AGATE	26 Lbs
6	PETRIFIED WOOD	36 Lbs
7	MUARY MOUNTAIN AGATE	1 piece 21 Lbs
8	POLKA DOT AGATE	25 Lbs
9	DOUGWAY GEODES	12 Lbs
10	MAHOGANY OBSIDIAN	20 Lbs
11	N M BANDED AGATE	27 Lbs
12	FOSSILS	28 Lbs
13	PETRIFIED WOOD	34 Lbs
14	SEPTRARIANS	26 Lbs
15	SEAM AGATE	23 Lbs
16	THUNDER EGGS	45 Lbs
17	PETRIFIED WOOD	30 Lbs
18	MISCELLANEOUS AGATE	18 Lbs
19	HUBBARD BASIN SLABS	25 Lbs
20	HUBBARD BASIN WOOD	25 Lbs
21	BLUE FORREST WOOD	23 Lbs
22	PETRIFIED WOOD	27 Lbs
23	ROGERS MTN WOOD	30 Lbs
24	RHYOLITE	32 Lbs
25	ROGERS MTN WOOD	26 Lbs
26	MONTANA AGATE	18 lbs
27	BLUE FORREST WOOD	25 Lbs
28	PETRIFIED WOOD	28 Lbs
29	JASPER/AGATE	20 Lbs
30	PETRIFIED WOOD	30 Lbs
31	JASPER	18 Lbs
32	JASPER/AGATE	20 Lbs
33	HUBBARD BASIN SLABS	14 Lbs
34	LUCKY STRIKE THUNDER EGGS	24 Lbs
35	TUMBLING AGATE	20 Lbs

36	MISCELLANEOUS JASPER	21 Lbs
37	DUGWAY GEODES	20 Lbs
38	MAHOGANY OBSIDIAN	24 Lbs
39	MAURY MTN AGATE	29 Lbs
40	MIX AGATE TUMBLERS	18 Lbs
41	THUNDER EGGS	25 Lbs
42	OBSIDIAN	27 Lbs
43	TUMBLING AGATE MIXED	25 Lbs
44	WOOD/JASPER AGATE	18 Lbs
45	AGATE CARNELIAN MIX	23 Lbs
46	ALL CARNELIAN	18 Lbs
47	MIXED SLABS	18 Lbs
48	MAURY MTN MOSS AGATE	34 Lbs
49	DUGWAY GEODES	20 Lbs
50	MISCELLANEOUS ROCK	29 Lbs

