

# THE GEODE

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## Lakeside Gem and Mineral Club Meeting

Sept 5th at 7 pm

**Bragging table: Bring a thunderegg**

**Refreshments:** Tina Murphy, Rosalie  
Faubion and Pat Harmon

**Juniors Meeting: Sept. 11th**

**Board of Directors meeting:**  
7:30 pm  
on  
September 17th

**Program: Basics of wire wrapping  
discussion/demonstration**

**Bring a wire wrap project: as  
a finished piece or a cab to be  
completed. If you have tools and  
works in progress bring those to  
talk about. This your opportunity  
to share and inform others on your  
techniques. If time permits a short  
demo may be provided.**

**Please come and ask questions  
and share your knowledge. I am  
sure many of us have a few pieces  
that could benefit from this  
program.**

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### **HOT NEWS:**

**The summer picnic is September  
22nd at Steve Shoemaker's  
home. Plan to bring some items  
to auction off and have a great  
time. Page 5 has information and  
details on the picnic.**

# LAKESIDE JUNIOR CLUB

## NEXT MEETING

Banner Bank, 203 W. First Ave  
Kennewick, WA

### Officers:

President : Jeffrey Spinner  
V. President : Michaela Coleman  
Secretary : Ashley Engleman

### Advisors:

Steve Shoemaker  
Leona George  
Amy Coleman  
Maria Weis

## Lakeside Junior Rock Club Minutes

### Junior meeting minutes: August 14, 2007

The meeting came to order at 6:40 p.m. We had one visitor, Marvin Barger from the adult club.

We gained one new member.

**Old business:** A discussion regarding the fair. A reminder that election of new officers will be in October.

**New business:** We need more adults to help with leading the club. We would like two parents to work with our leadership. We also would like two adult club members to join with us. Jennifer Kasko is in charge of the birthday activities. She also volunteered to take over the Future Rockhounds Badge program so we can get back on track with it.

**Door Prize winner:** Cynthia Trejo. Mineral of the Month for September will be Grace Trumbo. Our August Mineral of the Month report was given by Justin Farris, who did an excellent presentation on "Window Amethyst."

Jennifer Kasko gave an interesting presentation on the gem stone "Peridot, the Green Stone" Peridot is the August birthstone.

**Announcements:** Marcus Whitman Show in Walla Walla on September 15 and 16 at the Fairgrounds.

Annual Lakeside Picnic and Auction, Sept 22, at 295 Paradise, Burbank, (Steve Shoemaker's home.) Junior members and families are welcome to attend. Bring a potluck dish (salad or dessert) the Club will furnish the main entree.

Our activity was to prepare Petrified Wood cards for the Fair. (We did 230 cards.)

Next meeting Program : "Dinosaurs" by Evelyn Cataldo. Plan to attend.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15.p.m.

## Election of Officers

At the September meeting we will have our annual election. We will be voting on the following slate of candidates:

<b>Secretary</b>	Judi Allison Patricia Richardson
<b>Treasurer</b>	Mary Lou Omstead Heather Moon
<b>Director</b>	Mickee Madden Max Hatfield

Nominations from the floor will be accepted at the meeting. If you plan on nominating somebody, be sure that you have secured their approval prior to the nomination.

**August 13th, 2007**

**Fair Committee Minutes:** Members attending: Ron Passage, Steve Shoemaker, Evelyn Cataldo, Mary Lou Olmsted, Floyd & Leona George.

The Board decided to lower the prices of the grab bags and the petrified wood cards. It was suggested that people should start tumbling for next year. Rocks & grit are available for those wishing to tumble for the club.

A reminder to the Junior members and parents they need to pick up their displays 8:00A.M. Sunday , August 26. We will need help with take down.

**Lakeside Board Meeting Minutes:** Members present were: Evelyn Cataldo, Mary Lou Omstead, Steve Shoemaker, Ron Passage, Floyd & Leona George.

**Old Business:** Check with Jane about the September Program. Election of new officers will be by ballot in September. The board agreed with the percentage split of 80/20 for our Auctions.

**New Business:** Our treasurer will send a Memorial Donation for Roger Allison . The Board voted to continue our membership in the Resources Coalition. We also agreed to suspend our magazines subscriptions.

Steve reported that we will need another grill for our picnic Sept 22. If you would like to loan yours, it would be appreciated.

We would like at least two adult members to help with the Junior Club activities. Our parents are stepping forward but we need more help.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.  
-Leona George.

## **Help! Help! Help!**

Yes, we need help at the meetings. Please volunteer for one of the following tasks by telling President Ron that you are ready, willing and able.

**Official Keeper Of The Key chains:** This involves getting the can of key chains out of the storage closet prior to the start of the meeting. Then when President Ron introduces the visitors, you will give each guest a keychain. When the supply of key chains becomes small, then let President Ron know and we will re-supply the can. Put the can away at the end of the meeting.

**Lakeside's Most Popular Member:** This involves getting the door prizes out of the storage closet and displaying them on the table. See that each person attending gets a door prize ticket. Have someone draw the winning number. Put the unused door prizes away at the end of the meeting.

**The Up & Down Team:** We need four to six people to volunteer to arrive early (6:30 pm) to set up the room. This would involve making note of how the room was arranged upon arrival, then moving tables and chairs into our arrangement, and setting up the microphone and fans. Then at the end of the meeting, return the room back to way it was upon arrival including putting the fans and microphone away.

Tell President Ron that you agree to be responsible for one of the above tasks.

**ALSO,** Steve Shoemaker needs some help with set-up and take-down for the September picnic. Let Steve know if you can help.

Thank you.

## **Lakeside Gem and Mineral Club Minutes Wednesday, August 1, 2007**

President, Ron Passage asked that members please wear their name tags to facilitate getting to know one another. He introduced guests Greg Morgan from West Richland and Jennifer Kasko, whose daughter is a Junior member.

**Treasurer's Report:** The treasurer's report again showed that our club is financially secure.

### **September:**

We will have a regular meeting on Wednesday, September 5<sup>th</sup>. We will also have our annual picnic/live auction at Steve Shoemaker's on Saturday, September 22. Floyd George made a motion that the percentage member and club receive be changed: a split of 20% for the club and 80% for the member was suggested. Dom Cataldo seconded and the motion was carried. A member can also place a minimum bid on an item. If it sells for more, the club receives the difference. If the minimum bid is not reached it is a 'no sale'.

### **Nominating Committee:**

Evelyn Cataldo is in charge. Two-year positions that need to be filled this year are: Director, Secretary and Treasurer. The slate offered for those positions follows:

Director: Mickee Maddan and (possibly) Doug Stout

Secretary: Pat Richardson and Judi Allison

Treasurer: Heather Moon and Mary Lou Omstead

Next year the position openings will be for Director, President and Vice President

### **Fair:**

The sign up sheet was essentially full by the end of the meeting. Thanks to all who volunteered. You will receive a ticket in the mail.

### **Field Trips:**

The trip that Randy Cannon was hoping to lead to Lolo Pass, Montana has been cancelled. Check with the Mineral Council about other trips. Their website is listed on page 7.

### **Miscellaneous Business:**

There is a possibility that Cathedral of Joy on the far end of Gage Boulevard may have space available for meetings. The board will discuss this at its next meeting scheduled for Monday, August 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 at Coldwell Bankers. Remember that everyone is invited to board meetings.

Ron reminded members that the silent auction at meetings ends at the end of refreshments.

Membership rosters are available for free. We also have NFMS Directories for \$6.00 each.

Members can avail themselves of the cabbng machines at Omstead's on August 14 and 15.

Usage fee is \$1.00 per hour.

**Door Prize:** Rhea Bowerly was the lucky winner.

### **Bragging Table:**

Ron Passage brought a "red rock" he hoped to have identified.

Floyd George showed off peanut wood from Australia and told about a saw that could make a cut 6 feet high and 10 feet long.

Max Hattfield had a collection: opal from Rainbow Mine; opal; Emerald Creek garnets, Spokane Bar sapphire, Bruneau wood and specimens from Crystal Park, Calvert hill and Elkhorn Mine in Montana. He's been having a busy, fruitful summer.

Kevin Newcomb showed off two spheres: a coprolite from Henry Mountains in Utah he had polished for Norm and quartz with red jasper. Randy Cannon shared tales of the Dust Devil Mine and the sunstones he netted. One was a three and a half carat red stone after faceting. If members are interested in going, it is near Plush, Oregon; 388 miles from the Tri-Cities.

Steve Shoemaker had molybnite, peacock ore and pyrite quartz from the Virgin Valley Ashdown Mine tailings. He also showed off his piece from the intarsia class.

Heather Moon brought in the items she had found on the Middle Fork of the John Day River. Frank Omstead showed off an obsidian sphere from Davis Creek, California (on the Oregon, California border)

**Minutes continued:**

Jerry Sorensen displayed a contour polished wood from Hanksville, Utah and the intarsia pieces he and Chris had made in the class. Judi Allison showed her intarsia along with a story about how rocks do break.

**Program:**

The program consisted of the “bragging table” and all the stories and articles that were great finds for the summer.

Secretary, Judi Allison

**Lakeside Gem and  
Mineral Club's  
Annual Potluck/Picnic  
and Live Auction  
Saturday, September  
22<sup>nd</sup>, From 11:00-4:00  
296 Paradise Drive,  
Burbank**

This is a chance to clean out your garage or add to your collection. Each person can place up to 10 lots into the auction. Each lot can be a single rock, tray full, Piece of lapidary equipment or bucket. This year the club gets 20% of sales and the member gets to keep 80%, so get out your checkbook and bring lots of good material for the live auction. The juniors club has 22 buckets of rocks donated, so we will have a good price on buckets full of material. (The auction setup will begin at 11:00 with the auction starting around 1:30, after lunch)

The main dish for lunch will be hamburgers or hot dogs supplied by the club, members should bring a side dish, salad or desert. The club will supply drinks, plates and silverware. Please bring your own chair. (Lunch should start around 12:00 -12:30)

We will have a sign up sheet at the September meeting for other items needed for the picnic, or you can call Steve (509)521-5623, if you want to help or if you have any questions.

**Directions from PASCO**

1. From Pasco take Hwy 12 over the Snake River, as if going to Walla Walla.
2. After the Snake River bridge, turn left at the first light onto Hwy 124 (Ice Harbor Drive) like going to Hood Park.
3. Next, turn left onto Lake Road (the first cross street) by fire station.
4. Lake Road will take you back toward the river and then it curves to the right, and becomes Sunset.
5. Then about a block later there is a fork in the road, stay to the left, now you are on Paradise Drive.
6. 296 is the second house on the right, a 2 story “pink” color with a big white tent in the back, park in back of the house, do not block the drive by the fence.

**For a map see page 8.**

## It's Time to Renew Your Membership

As most of you know, our membership year runs from October 1 to September 30 each year. This means that 2008 dues are almost due. Please fill out the membership renewal form and send it, along with your dues, to **Pat Lambert, Membership, 26106 South Oak Kennewick WA 99337** or bring the form and your dues to the next meeting. Doing this now makes it easier for us to meet our December reporting deadlines.

### 2008 Membership Renewal Lakeside Gem and Mineral Club October 1, 2007 – September 30, 2008

Individual - \$10.00     Family - \$15.00 (List all of the members to be covered by the family membership)

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Desired mailing label address \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to receive the Geode by:     mail only     email only     both

Please indicate interests (to assist in selecting future articles and programs with your interests in

mind):    Geology \_\_\_\_\_    Mineral \_\_\_\_\_    Lapidary \_\_\_\_\_    Gems \_\_\_\_\_    Beads \_\_\_\_\_

Field trips \_\_\_\_\_    Paleontology \_\_\_\_\_    Fluorescent rocks \_\_\_\_\_    Wire wrapping \_\_\_\_\_

Writing \_\_\_\_\_    Fossils \_\_\_\_\_    Others \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to help with any of the following?

Field trips \_\_\_\_\_    Membership \_\_\_\_\_    Newsletter Articles \_\_\_\_\_    Programs \_\_\_\_\_

Publicity \_\_\_\_\_    Junior programs \_\_\_\_\_    Mailings \_\_\_\_\_    Other \_\_\_\_\_

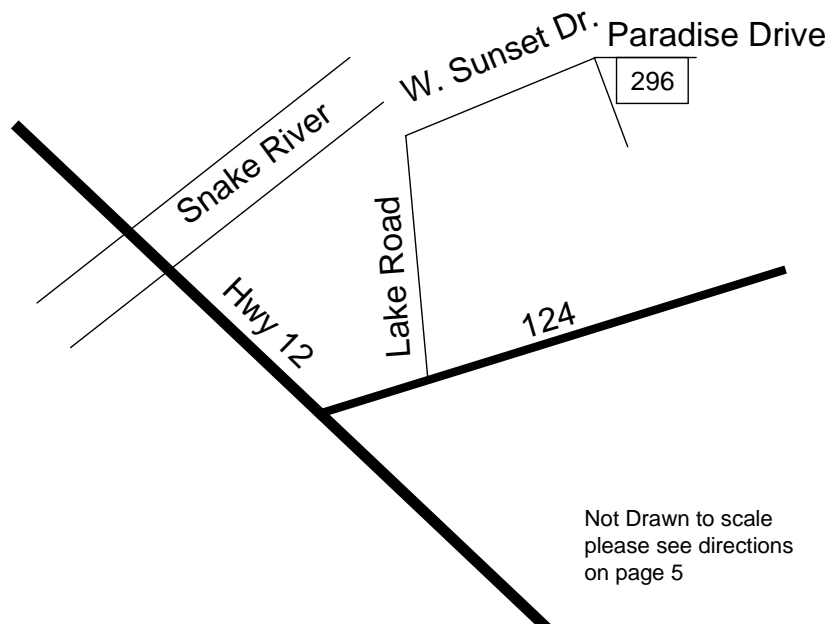
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**Picnic: Saturday, September 22nd, From 11:00-4:00**  
**296 Paradise Drive, Burbank**



Not Drawn to scale  
please see directions  
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