



Quarry Quips



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From the President

Boy, you really know how to start off the new year. We had a great 66th Anniversary Party in January. Then we had an awesome Auction at our February meeting. Thank you to the great team presenting the items to be auctioned, registering the auctioned items, collecting the monies, etc. There was the setting up and preparations for our Pot Luck Lunch before the Auction kicked off. Thank you to the Snack Sisters, Shannon and Shara, for facilitating the setup. Lots of great food to share. The auction was a great success thanks in part to all the great contributions. Al White led the way with some exceptional specimens. We ended up raising over \$1600 from all the bids. Thank you everyone. I believe everyone had a great time. There was something for everyone.

So, our next meeting will be focused on our Show preparation and activities. Each year our Wichita society puts on an awesome show that competes with many of the larger cities and clubs. The way we are successful is having everyone's participation and support. Please check in with Gene Maggard, our Show Chairman, at gandpmaggard@gmail.com to see what areas of support are needed. There is still lots to do. We still need some rocks to be broken, and that will happen 9-12 am at the DeGood's on March 30 (there will be no other activities or pot luck lunch). I understand there will be a Fossil Hunt for material later in this month weather permitting for the kids Fossil Hunt at our show.

We also have Class at the Maggard's Saturday, March 16 offering instruction in Fossil Identification, Creating Cabochons, and much more. Contact the Gene or Peggy before to make sure the class you are interested in is not filled up.

Our new website wichitagemandmineralsociety.org is up. We need to upload pictures to help fill in. If you have some good pictures from past club activities, please pass them on with notes of the Date of the Activity, and Where it Took Place, and possibly Who are in the pictures (especially if older pictures). Thanks

Stay tuned in. Lots going on. Look forward to seeing you at our various activities. All the best to you...

David Marshall Acting President 650 815-8134

Calendar of meetings:

General Club Meetings

March 24, C of Christ Church
Show: April 26,27,28. Setup APR 25

Board Meetings

March 18th, C of Christ Church
April 22 at C of Christ church

Other dates to keep in mind:

March 16th, Field trip to Maggard's.
Fossil gathering field trip March 23.

Programs

See President's message.
David Marshall 650 815-8134

Show for 2019

Showtime is just about upon us. The one area that we must get finished up is breaking rocks for the Junior Rock Pile. Bad weather has really set us back. Rock breaking is now scheduled for Saturday, March 30, at the DeGoods, 1233 Autumn Drive, Goddard. A map is attached. We need to have able bodied people ready to break rocks starting at 9am. There will be no inside stuff or pot luck lunch. We will break rocks until we are done and then call it a day. Please call me or email (742-3746/gandpmaggard@gmail.com) if you will be there. Remember, bring your own hammer (3 or 4 pound), heavy shoes that protect your ankles, gloves, and eye, ear and breathing protection.

Signups for working at the show will continue at the March general meeting. The Show Committee Chairs for the various club show activities will give a description of the various club activities at the March general meeting to help people decide where they would like to work. Signup sheets will be available.

We will have two activities at the March meeting after the business meeting is over. One will be sorting 10 kg (22lb) of orthoceras fossils into those to be used for the Spin the Wheel, the Fossil Hunt, or Grab Bags. Orthoceras was an ancient marine animal that lived approx. 400 million years, ago. It was a lot like a squid except it had a long, pointed hard body with tentacles at the large end by which it propelled itself and grabbed food. The fossilized body is what we are sorting.

The other will be putting postage stamps on approx. 1,100 pre-addressed postcards notifying last years' attendees of this year's show. These folks are the ones that filled out these postcards at last year's show to be mailed to them this year as a reminder of this year's show.

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SPECIAL EXHIBIT CASE – We want to stock our Special Exhibit Case with examples of Rocks of the USA from members' personal collections. We want high quality rock, mineral and fossil specimens with known provenance. If you have such a specimen or specimens, please email me with a description of what you propose to display. I will sort out the possibilities and let you know if we will be able to use your specimen(s). I will also make labels for all items being exhibited.

Gene Maggard
Show Chair

Subnote 1 to Show from Wheel chair person Kay Johnson. Now taking donations for the wheel. They will be used for this year's shows, April 26-28. A box will be provided by the door at each of our meetings January, February and March. Everything will be appreciated.

Finance:

No report submitted

Meeting Minutes

Board meeting Minutes: (February)

David Marshall, Karen Carney, Ardis Cruz, Peggy Maggard, Gene Maggard, Tony Giardina, Karen Van Embden, Sandy Whiting, John Rhodes, Non board members in attendance, Kay Johnson, Rita Sickler

Began with a short show committee meeting.

Gene-Gem and fossil hunts are in good shape. Lots of new polished stones for wheel, grab bags.

Will bring them to March meeting to sort. Will also need to place stamps on mail out reminder post cards. Need nominations for rock hound of the year:

6:42 Show meeting ended board began. David Marshall presiding
Secretary will Check mail this week.

KAREN V. – Treasurer. Preparing paperwork for new bank signature cards.

Vouchers approved and paid -Sandy Motion to approve. Peggy 2nd

\$292 misc show supplies

\$17.27. membership

\$ 20.64 plaque, engraved name plate for plaque

\$56.22 Gene Maggard for Seven K Company -engraved letters

\$153.44 auction materials

\$50.00 for AFMS Memorial fund in Honor of Pat Clough.

Ardis - Membership

New Members: Sue Brown from Tonkawa, OK.

Patsy Osborn from Blackwell, OK

Gene motions to accept. Sandy 2nds. All approve.

Insurance chair is supposed to take care of all property including keeping inventory of it. and that it be insured properly. Peggy and Gene offered to accept (by appointment) the Insurance Chair

Sandy – Editor: Newsletter is out. Further investigation into how many printed copies are being mailed. (Postage has gone up again.)

Discussion was held concerning obtaining board/club permissions prior to club funds being spent. David will look into who is in the appointed offices the club has and report to the board.

Gene – Show. Additional rock breaking day scheduled at 09:00.

Sat 3/2. Rock breaking at Cruz's beginning at 9:00 am.

Peggy - Publicity

David M :website is almost ready for use. New site name is:

wichtigemandmineralsociety.org

Peggy - KS Clubs and OK getting flyers

Lyle will take care of TV stations and Wichita paper with coupons and the GO section.

radio and billboards have not been helpful in past. will check with Westar and NPR

April 6, 13, 20 (Saturdays) BOTANICA Fairy show there is an opportunity to advertise for WGMS between 11:00-3:00. We can choose one or all Saturdays. Need 2 pp to volunteer for each Saturday.

John Finance

The 2017 and 18 bank statements have been found. Budget needs to be set.

Other business: Time to appoint a nominating committee for next year by June.

Looking into re-homing the WGMS library to enable easier access to it.

It has been suggested David Marshall continue on as President with the full support of board to help fill in were needed. (And fill the Vice President position anew)

Programs. John will help get a presenter for July.

David Marshal. Meeting adjourned.

General meeting Minutes: (February)

Meeting was called to order by David Marshall.

Lunch was fun. Then down to business with the auction.

Meeting adjourned.

Membership

Changes and Additions

Please welcome the following new club members and add their information to your directory.

Brown, Sue

BD: Join: 2/2019

1203 N. 6th

Tonkawa, OK. 74653

cinderyela@hotmail.com

Osborn, Patsy

BD: Jan 2 Join: 2/2019

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Blackwell, OK. 74631

580-262-0752

krafty1024@yahoo.com

At the meeting/auction on February 23rd we had 41 members and 5 guests in attendance.

No business meeting was held so there will not be general meeting minutes.

From approximately 12:00 until 1:00 we all enjoyed a wonderful lunch and time to visit before the auction started. The auction lasted from 1:00 until approximately 3:30. As always it was loads of fun and much very nice material was auctioned off. David Marshall was our auctioneer with Gene Maggard, Lyle Koerper and Carl Windholz as helpers.

I will be placing an order for club shirts hopefully in time to get back before the Show.

The following is a list of shirts we have on hand and are available to purchase.

Black, Polo, medium, no pocket 12.25

Black, t-shirt, XL, 12.00

Gold, Polo, Med. No pocket, 19.50

Gold, Polo, Small, with pocket, 17.00

Gold, t-shirt, Small, 10.75

Gold, t-shirt, Large, 10.75

Gold, t-shirt, XL, long sleeve, 15.25.

If you want one of these, or to place an order, call or email me right away. First come first served. The price for shirts I order will vary depending on how many I order, but you can see by the prices above, approximately how much they might cost.

Please notify me with any changes in phone or address.

See you at the next meeting.

Sincerely, Ardis Cruz 316-733-8727 or ardis0521@att.net

Happy Birthday

Happy March Birthday to these club members: David Marshall and Ann Radiel 6th, Susan Bannon 9th, Dana Shannon 21st, Ted McMullin 23rd, David Hardin 25th, Emily Baldrige 29th Nanette Aikens 30th and Nancy Hicks 31st. We hope you have a great birthday.

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Additional “Field Trip March 16th”

It is not too late to sign up for the class day/Field trip at the Maggard’s. Call Gene/Peggy for more information. These classes are intended for beginners wanting to learn the basics of a lapidary art. Classes are offered in silversmithing, cabochon making, bead stringing, gem tree making, wire wrapping, flint knapping, and mineral/fossil identification. The classes start at 10am with a noon pot luck lunch break, then resume in the afternoon until everyone either finishes their project or gets tired and is ready to quit. Everyone always finishes. There are modest charges for materials provided. If you are interested, be ready to sign up at the February meeting.

Hospitality

Hi fellow rock hounds! We had such an awesome potluck dinner and auction on Saturday. We had a wide variety of food brought and no one should have gone away hungry. Thank you so much. We look forward to seeing everyone at the March meeting. Don’t forget snacks. We love to eat!! Lol. Stay warm.

Yours in Hospitality,

The Snack Sisters

Shannon and Shara

Director Report:

No report this month

OTHER:

Tony McClafin is having an auction on Saturday, March 9th beginning at 10:00 am to whenever everything is sold. His address is 1174 Xeric Rd Se, Westphalia, KS 66093.

Publicity

No report.

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