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# President's Message

A nice big congratulation goes to Aaron Wanner for winning project of the year! He entered a sterling silver labradorite pendant and it will be displayed at our annual gem show next month, so please make it a point to see Aarons work.

I was pleased to see other entries for the Project of the Year, and I sincerely feel that they were all great! I enjoyed viewing the many talents of the club's members. For those of you that need some motivation start your projects now so that the December deadline won't sneak up and catch you off guard. Now is also the time for our junior members to start projects, two years in a row without junior entries.

It's Banquet time, Tuesday January 21st, which will be our January meeting, and we will install the new officers and board of directors for 2014. The Banquet will be at the Red Lion Downtowner this year. The address for the Downtowner is 1800 Fairview, in Boise. No-host cocktail reception starts at 6:30pm and Dinner served at 7pm.

The Show Chair committee will have sign up sheets at the banquet. Be sure to sign up to help. This is a great and fun opportunity to support your club. The 2014 show will be held February 22 & February 23. Show hours are 10am - 6pm Saturday & 10am -5pm Sunday. The show is held in the South wing of Expo Idaho that is located at 5610 Glenwood, Boise, Idaho. Admission is \$3.00 for Adults, children 12 and under free.

We need ALL available help to set up and take down the show. Thursday, February 20th at 1:00 we will meet at Lock-A-Way Storage on 5246 W. Chinden Blvd in Garden City to load up everything for the show. Friday, February 21st at 8:00 am we will meet at the Expo Idaho at 5610 Glenwood, Boise to set up. Take down will begin shortly after 5:00 pm Sunday, February 23rd.

The Grab bag stuffing party will be 9:00 am on Saturday, February 15th at the Mountain View Church of the Brethren. There will be refreshments provided. If you have tumbled rocks and bags to donate please bring them. The show sells through all the bags each year.

I would like to thank everyone for his or her help and support this past 3 years. Your help sure made my job easier, it has been a pleasure serving as our club president. I will still be very involved in the club, and trying to work on keeping interest in our

hobby for our members and new members.

Stay tuned. Thanks again.

Best wishes to the new president and board members for 2014.

# MINUTES OF THE IDAHO GEM CLUB GENERAL MEETING December 17, 2013

President Brent Stewart called our meeting to order at 7:30pm.

Junior, Jaden Wanner led our "Pledge of Allegiance."

There were 2 guests present tonight. No new members were present for the evening.

Junior door prizes were drawn for 5 lucky winners. Adult door prizes were drawn for 38 lucky winners.

Building fund had 4 lucky winners.

A motion to accept the minutes as printed in the "Grindings" was made by Willa Renken, and seconded by Phil Worley; the motion carried.

Secretary's report is as follows. I received several bank statements, member dues, a bill, and some deposits. I gave all the items received to our Treasurer for her attention.

Treasurer's report is as follows. Barb spoke of balances and disbursements.

Federation report is as follows. Charles wanted to thank me for enclosing motel/hotel information for the 2014 NFMS Rock & Gem Show & Convention in Hermiston, OR. This information is available on page 8 of the "Grindings."

Junior's report is as follows. Ed wants to thank everyone who donated specimens for our Juniors this past year.

Workshop report is as follows. Willa invited members and their guests to the "Christmas Workshop". It will be held on December 21-22, from 10 to 5pm. Members are going to be treated to soup and are welcome to bring fingers foods and goodies to share.

There was no old business at this time.

New business: Rock Show sign-up sheets for different locations, for volunteers are available. The locations needing help are: ticket sales, host & hostess table, wheel of fortune, garnet dig, grab bags, and

kids craft table.

Our Annual Idaho Gem Club Banquet is to be at the Red Lion Downtowner on January 21st; Jim DaSilva wasn't available at this meeting for ticket sales. Barb, our treasurer, did collect some money from members, otherwise tickets will be available at Stewarts Gem Shop. Our table favors are being handled by Dan Conley.

"Project of the Year" voting is open tonight and the "Winner" was project #1. The winner will be officially announced at our Banquet. There weren't any Junior submissions.

License plates report is as follows. Deana Ashton and Charles Osgood have met with a retired Senator to discuss options we need to explore. Unfortunately, without him being assigned by anyone in an official capacity, he was only able to suggest ideas to explore. With special attention on what the money's are used for: maps that have been given to Elementary Schools in ID and it can be used for possible field-trips.

Refreshments were served at 8:30pm.

An Auction started at 8:45pm for finished items and raw slabs that were donated for this evening.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30pm.

Respectfully submitted, Melodee Worley-Secretary

## Gemology Kit for sale

I am trying to sell a gemology kit and would like to let people who get the Grindings know about it if they are interested. With the gemology kit is a polariscope, refractometer, spectrascope, Chelsea Color Filter, flash lights/lamps, dichroscope, and an older type microscope. All previously used and working well. Asking \$850.00 and contact info is grandmasterwing@gmail.com or my cell is 871-1708. Nathan Brasley

# MINUTES OF THE IDAHO GEM CLUB Board Meeting January 7, 2014

Our meeting was called to order at 7:30pm.

Present were Phil Neuhoff, Phil Worley, Willa Renken, Barb Carey, Jim Clinton, Charles McCreath, Ed Moser, Deana Ashton, Barb Wanner, and Melodee Worley.

Guests present were Dana Robinson, Shirley McCreath and Doug Renken.

A motion to accept the minutes as printed in the "Grindings" by Phil Worley and seconded by Barb Carey; the motion carried.

Secretary's report is as follows. I've received member dues, tax information, a few bills, I've given those to our treasurer to handle.

Treasurer's report is as follows. Barb spoke of balances and disbursements. Barb is working with our Editor, Tony Griffin to submit NFMS dues for members. Barb has also purchased case favors for our Idaho Gem Club Show, for members doing a display case.

Federation report: Charles had nothing to report at this time.

Workshop report is as follows. Willa said there was a great turn out on both days. Soup was provided and she had a special "thank you" for Bill Anderson, for his handmade candies.

Banquet information. Our MC will be either Mr. Gene Stewart or Sandy Blodgett. It will be held at the Red Lion Downtowner, January 21,2014. Tickets are available at Stewarts Gem Shop.

Junior's report: is as follows. Ed wants to encourage juniors to do a display case. A reminder "BRING YOUR FOLDERS" to our February General Meeting.

Old business: There has been a winner selected for our "Scholarship". The winner is Hester Mallonee, she's a student at Boise State University.

New business was for President-elect, Phil Neuhoff

to choose his Officers. 1st Vice President is Willa Renken, 2nd Vice President is Deana Ashton, Federation Chairman Charles McCreath, Historian Patsy Bethel, Librarian Melodee Worley, Secretary Melodee Worley, and Treasurer Barb Wanner.

For our upcoming show, Willa has filled several demonstrator spots at our front location. She's working on contacting additional dealers for our show.

Our Grab bag Stuffing Party will be on February 15th from 9am till completed. At this time tumbled rock can be brought in. Barb Wanner, is the Chairman for Grab Bags, and Barb Carey is the Chairman for Wheel of Fortune. Postcards will be sent out, commercial and newspaper ads will be placed.

There is an opening for Ticket sales chair, contact any Board member or Officer, if interested.

Our Idaho Gem Club is still in need of a new Field-trip Coordinator.

There were 4 new member applications. A motion to accept the members was by Ed Moser and seconded by Barb Carey; the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50pm.

Respectfully submitted, Melodee Worley-Secretary

# 2013 Idaho Gem Club Scholarship Winner

The scholarship committee is pleased to announce that the recipient of the 2013 Idaho Gem Club Scholarship is Ms. Hester Mallonee from Boise State.

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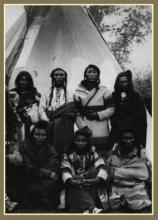
Patsy Bethel mentions Tom Miner Basin in her "Yester Year February 1972" (on page 7 of this newsletter). This article is about that basin:

First human use of the Tom Miner Basin was by local Native American tribes as summer hunting grounds. The Absaroka (Crow) lived in a large territory bordered by the Beartooth Plateau on the south, the Yellowstone Plateau on the southwest and the Gallatin Mountain Range and Yellowstone River on the west and north. Tom Miner Basin is located on the western edge of that region, in the Gallatin Range. In addition to the Crow, the Sheepeater Indians most likely hunted in the Basin as well. The Sheepeaters were a small, isolated tribe (an offshoot of the Shoshone) who ranged in western Wyoming and southern Idaho. Timid and relatively primitive, the Sheepeaters kept much to themselves in the Yellowstone Park area.

Two hiking trails we still use – one traveling into Yellowstone and the other over Buffalo Horn Pass into the Gallatin River drainage – were likely used by Native Americans as they traversed the area. Tipi rings are still visible on the land, and some arrowheads and chips have been found in various ranch locales.

Although not known with certainty, a member of the Lewis & Clark Expedition named John Colter may have been the first person of European descent to visit Tom Miner Basin in the early 1800s. Colter's stories include trapping in a location that could well have been this Basin. He spent months alone in the wilderness, and is

widely considered to be the first "mountain man".



Picture: Members of the Crow Tribe, who along with the Sheepeater Indians, lived and hunted in the present day Tom Miner Basin area.

In the mid-1860s when Emigrant Gulch was settled as a lively gold mining camp, hunters frequented the Basin as well. It was around this time

that Thomas J. Miner began trapping here, and it is for him that the area was named.

Tom Miner's life story is not well documented. What is known is that he first came to the area to herd stock for W.W. Alderson. For \$50.00 a month he stayed on to trap, prospect, poach and eventually leave his name on the map. In 1897 Miner applied for a permit to erect a stamp mill (to assist in his gold mining operation) along Yellowstone National Park's northern boundary. Park officials



did not have a survey of the northern boundary at that time, so one was commissioned. Miner's gold mine and proposed stamp mill were found to be within the park's boundary and he was promptly evicted. Miner was

Tom Miner and friends also known for squealing on other poachers; it is presumed he did this to protect "his territory." Once he was evicted from Yellowstone, Miner moved to

Washington State to live out his last years.

The first homesteaders arrived in the Basin in the 1890s. following the settlement of Paradise Valley immediately after the Civil War and upon completion of the Northern Pacific Railroad a decade earlier. The first documented resident in the Basin was a man named Burkins, who

homesteaded around 1900 where the main B Bar Ranch buildings are now located. In 1906 he sold his holdings to Charlie and Adelaide Scott, who owned the B Bar brand. There were at least six other home-



Davis Cabin

steads settled about this time, as the Northern Pacific sold land in the Basin to ranchers for grazing. Names given to areas of the ranch - the Reed Place, Styers Pasture, Davis Cabin and Anderson Place – remind us of the families who struggled to make a living in the upper reaches of the Basin.

In the late 1930s, Bill Ward (a businessman from the Twin Cities) came to Montana and consolidated various homesteads into a larger B Bar. During Ward's tenure, the ranch was managed and operated by Don Hindman, a rancher and furniture maker from Cody, Wyoming. Hindman built our shop, Skully Barn and much of the Molesworth-style furniture in the lodge.

By the mid-1960s the Wards were forced to sell the ranch due to management problems and ill health. They sold to the Dunevant Corporation, an agricultural commodities brokerage firm in Tennessee. Very quickly they found that conditions here for raising cattle were very different than what they were accustomed to. When the ranch was again put on the market three long-time ranching families in the Basin purchased it to protect the property from

(Tom Miner continued on page 8)

# Bench Tips

# **Soldering Prongs**

I often use prongs to hold an irregular cab or other object on rings and pendants. But prongs can be a little tricky to solder. You have to find some way to hold them all upright while soldering, and the simple butt joint that looks strong sometimes breaks when you start to bend the prong over the stone. There's nothing worse than having a prong break off when you're setting the stone \*#~\*!

I solved both problems with one little trick. It keeps the prongs in position for soldering and it gives you a stronger joint at the same time.

Locate and center punch the position for each prong. Then drill holes a little smaller than your prong wire. Sand a small taper on the ends of your prong wires and stand them up in the holes. The wires support themselves, soldering is easy, and the joint is stronger because of the increased soldering area

#### TRY A TOOTHPICK

The round, stronger toothpicks have a multitude of uses on the jewelry bench. I use them for mixing epoxy resin, for applying paste



solder, with Zam for polishing in tight spots, and with a bit of beeswax for stone

setting. They're particularly good for testing the fit of a small faceted stone in a prong or tube set finding. Just break off the sharp tip, mold a little wax over it, and press it onto the table of your stone.

What have you tried them for?

Attribution requested with each publication:

More Bench Tips by Brad Smith are at: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/BenchTips">https://www.facebook.com/BenchTips</a> or see the book "Bench Tips for Jewelry Making" on Amazon

## **Basic Lapidary**

For those of you who are interested in learning basic lapidary, cutting and polishing gemstones, Lapidary Journal - Jewelry Artist Magazine offers a free download of an E-book called "The Complete Lapidary Experience: Hunt, Cut, and Set Gems".

This collection of articles takes you on a field trip to collect rough moonstone then through the cutting and polishing phases and finally to setting the stone in a piece of jewelry. Being able to cut or modify a gemstone opens up whole new areas of jewelry making and gives greater depth to the pleasure you get when you reply "Yes, I made it myself"

#### Get the free E-book

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# BIRTHDAY

**JANUARY** 1/3 Helen Dillion 1/04 Dave Dore 1/5 Becky Gibson 1/5 Jeri Kelly 1/8 Ronald Ridenour 1/8 Audra Weslowski 1/9 Julie Mayer 1/11 Ron Bailey 1/11 Terry Tomberlin 1/12 Deborah Shaffer 1/12 Stephanie Potter 1/15 Arlene Bailey 1/18 Cami Horton 1/19 Greg Biebel 1/21 Jordan Lindsay 1/21 Jerry Schwartz 1/22 Steve Lane 1/22 Mary Ostrander 1/23 Gena Grissom 1/25 Alice Stewart 1/27 John Chaplik 1/27 Matt Leslie 1/27 Valerie Lesur 1/29 Marion Phillips 1/31 Katelyn Luercher

January Birthstones

Cabochon - Star Garnet

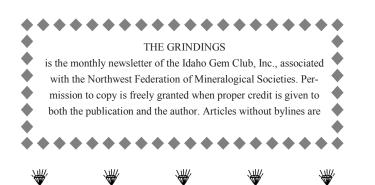
Faceted - Garnet

**FEBRUARY** 2/1 Charles Osgood 2/1 Maria Snyder 2/3 Winnie Snowball 2/4 Andrew Davies 2/10/39 The Idaho Gem Club 2/10 Kim Williams 2/10 Hailey Madsen 2/11 Rick Corbett 2/11 John Skene 2/11 Jim Storey 2/13 Kensie Luercher 2/13 Arlene Purchase 2/13 Terry Potter 2/14 Betty Metzger 2/16 Kylee Madsen 2/16 Shawn Blades 2/18 Justin Seaman 2/20 Jackson Neuhoff 2/22 Aaron Wanner 2/23 Jim Clinton 2/24 Ken Woodbridge 2/25 Deanna Moser 2/26 Joseph Miles 2/26 Rodney Sharp 2/26 Erin Seaman

February Birthstones
Faceted — Amethyst
Cabochon — Onyx

# **Workshop Report**

# No Workshop until April or possibly May



# **Dates To Remember**

GENERAL MEETING
3rd. Tuesday of every month
January 21, 2014
Annual Banquet Boise, Idaho
Dinner Starts at 7:00 p.m.

#### **BOARD MEETING:**

1st. Tuesday of every month February 4, 2014 Church of the Brethren 2823 N. Cole Road, Boise, Idaho Meeting Starts at 7:30 p.m.

January 21st will be our

Annual Banquet
6:30 pm no host cocktail reception

7:00 pm dinner served

See page 9 for details

REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE GUIDELINES
Need approximately 15 dozen cookies.
Wrapped door prizes are also needed.
Arrive early enough to set up the chairs. The chairperson brings the coffee urn, coffee, punch, cream, sugar, cups and napkins.
Afterward, put meeting tables & chairs away, clean kitchen and sweep the room.
Gather and take all the trash with you. Don't forget it is the responsibility of the chair for the coming month to pick up the coffeepot, take it home and bring it the next meeting

**February Refreshment Committee** 

To be arranged

#### SUNSHINE LADY REPORT:

Please let me know if you are aware of any of our members having surgery, an illness, or just in need of cheer. We all can use some good cheer! We try and keep in touch with all our members, and I apologize if we have overlooked any member who has lost a loved

one. Please let us know if we can help in any way. Contact Deana Ashton at 208-794-5628 or any Idaho Gem Club Board Member/ officer.



IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND ANY GEM CLUB FUNCTIONS BUT ARE UNABLE TO DRIVE, CALL ME! WE WILL DO OUR BEST TO GET YOU THERE! Deana - 208-794-5628

Two links for additional newsletters we receive as members of the rock club.

NFMS—Newsletter available at: <a href="http://www.amfed.org/nfms/newsletters.asp">http://www.amfed.org/nfms/newsletters.asp</a>

AFMS—Newsletter available at: <a href="http://amfed.org/news/default.htm">http://amfed.org/news/default.htm</a>

#### YESTER YEAR

#### December 1972

Monroe Coleman moved that they look into the cost of the repair of the old typewriter and also check into the surplus of typewriters from the Government. They discussed the disposal of the old trailer. Al Larson said the November Field Trip was a success in spite of the weather.

It was decided to have the annual Banquet at the Downtowner. The Club was awarded the all American Club Trophy for 1972, and also one for outstanding Service to The Communities.

At the Board Meeting a sample of polishing compound was given to several members to test and send their evaluations back to the Company.

A motion was made to write to the appropriate land use coordinators requesting that they let us know of any areas for land closures, and to be put on their list to notify of any meeting regarding land use.

A secret ballot elected Al Larson President for 1973.

#### February 1972

Directions were given for those who wanted to go find fossils on Succor Creek.

The College of Idaho was planning to send one or two displays to our Show this year.

The new club directories was available for \$1.00

Mettie Clay announced the March program would be a slide show of Al Larson's trip to Tom Miner Basin.

March's field trip would be to the Queenstone Claim to do the assessment work. The next field trip will be to Hog Creek in the Weiser area and a possible side trip to Beacon Hill if any one was interested.

A motion was made and passed by the board they would meet every month at the Provident Federal building and no refreshments were to be served. Before it met at various board members homes and they had refreshments afterward.

George Fields reported the Rock Show was a success grossing approximately \$1800.00.

Arthur Hart was the program speaker and he presented a very interesting program of early Idaho and it's mining history. Clarke Elwell reported that he had given a rock

program to the 6th grade at Garfield school and also to the 2nd grade at Lowell School.

The club didn't think the building would hold more than 5 dealers at the show. Pat Bethel made a motion that there be seven dealers and the motion held. (This is the same place we now hold the Show) Ted Miller was still having trouble finding a trailer to hold all the club equipment and ask for two more members help him to make a decision.

In Loving Memory of Days Gone By Patsy Bethel—Historian

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subdivision or other development. Two of the ranchers took acreage for their share, leaving the third as sole owners of the reduced-size B Bar. It was from these owners that the B Bar, as it is today, was purchased by the current owners in May of 1978.

Children or other relatives of earlier Basin families still reside in the area. At least one Ward daughter returned to the area and settled just north of the entrance into Yankee Jim Canyon. She and her husband visited us and enjoyed seeing the changes as well as what has remained the same. We have reminisced by telephone with a son of the Reed family about what it was like to grow up in the old house by the Reed Barn. Perhaps the most poignant story occurred in the early 1980s when a couple arrived at the ranch and the woman came to the door (her husband was too shy and remained in the car) to ask if they could visit the Davis Cabin, where her husband had lived as a child. After their visit, they came back and again the woman came to the door to ask for permission to remove a board from an inside doorway in the Davis Cabin that had pencil markings showing the children's growth over a period of years. Permission was granted and they replaced the board with another.

We've met the son of the gentleman who installed the first septic system here and who was still in the business – fortunately for us, since he remembered where the septic field and its trap were to be found. We've also met a woman who cooked for the Wards in the west end of the lodge which had a room called the spring room where our north-facing deck now stands. This was the room in the house where items were kept to stay cool.

In the last two decades, a good bit of development has occurred in the Basin. As you turn off Highway 89 and begin your trip up the Basin, one can't miss the number of new homes. This development commenced in 1983 when the Todd family sold their ranch headquartered at the bottom of the Basin. The new owners subdivided the land into twenty-acre parcels, many of which were sold. Since then a few of the parcels have been further subdivided so that some homes are now on two acres. Several other new homes have been built a few miles further up the road. All the land beyond this point is held by several ranchers with large acreages who are dedicated to keeping the land in agriculture, with about half the land now protected by easements from subdivision. In the future, unless something drastic or unforeseen occurs, upper Tom Miner Basin will remain much as it is today: a mountain ranching enclave surrounded by 10,000 foot-high mountains with Yellowstone National Park on one side and Gallatin National Forest on the other.

### Federation & Other Club News More Dates to Remember

OGMS-60th Annual Rock Show-O'Conner Field House 2200 Blaine-Caldwell,Id; Hours: Sat, March 1st 10am - 6pm, Sun, March 2nd 10am - 5pm Admission: \$3.00 – Kids 11 and under Free (with Adult).

MVGC—Annual Rock Show—Twin Falls County Fairgrounds in Filer, ID; <u>Dates—Saturday</u>, March 8, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Sunday, March 9, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. <u>Admission</u> Adult – \$2.00 Kids 12 – 18 – \$2.00 Kids < 12 – free

Idaho Falls—Annual Rock Show—April 12th & 13th - more information to follow as I find out the particulars.

Multi—Club Field Trip planned for April 25,26,27 2014. Plan on collecting invertebrate fossils, jasper, and agate.

Mike Shaw from the Spokane club is our host and has invited anyone that would like to come along. We will camp at Succor Creek Campground and plan day trips from this base camp; possible trips will include Graveyard Point, Succor Creek, and Grassy Mountain (near Adrian, Or.) Field trips will be led by Tony Funk from Gooding, Idaho and Tony Griffin from Nampa, Idaho. High clearance vehicles are a must for these trips! Bring your own food and gear!

Inter-Regional Fieldtrip in Terry, MT. July 31, August 1-3, 2014. Email dtruefossils12@yahoo.com2014

# EARTH SCIENCE AND LAPIDARY SPECIAL INTEREST PLATE:

Another new and exciting development and hope for saving our license plate from extinction, was joining forces with the Idaho Science Teachers Association President. We are composing a letter directly to teachers in Idaho, and he promises to get in in their email boxes directly. He really values the concept and with over 4,000 science teachers statewide, we may just get lucky and sell the 1,000 plate minimum soon! I also plan on attending a Science Teacher Conference in Pocatello in the fall to speak and show the plate design and promote our program.

We are working on a promotional sticker for the back windows of cars sharing information about the plate. Hopefully we can make sure the text on sticker is large enough we don't end up with hazardous rear end crashes from motorists trying to read them! Pretty creative ideas...we have to try it all! Ask me for the business cards to pass out for anyone you know. We have plenty!

Thank you for supporting the Earth Science special interest plate!

### Idaho Gem Club Banquet 2014:

### Tuesday January 21, 2014

### Red Lion Boise Downtowner, 1800 Fairview, Boise

6:30 pm no host cocktail reception

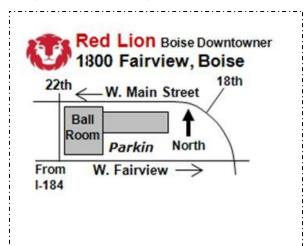
7:00 pm dinner served

Club members: \$12.00

Non-members: \$24.00

Choice of one of the following entrées:

Roasted Prime Rib



Roasted with rosemary & cracked pepper, served with creamed horseradish, au jus and an Idaho baked potato

- Char-Grilled Northwest Salmon— Smoky char-grilled and basted with garlic pinot grigio butter
- Chicken Breast Cordon Blue— Breast of chicken surrounding smoked ham and aged Swiss cheese, topped with moray crème sauce
- Herb Roasted Pork Loin— Served over mashed potatoes and topped with forest mushroom crème sauce (no garlic present)
- Vegetarian Entrée

All the above entrées include pasta, vegetables, rolls and butter, house salad, coffee or cold/hot tea.

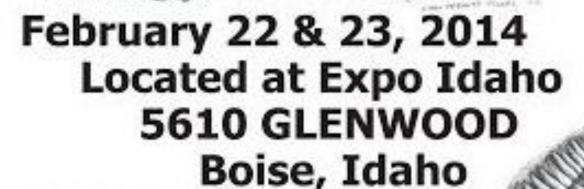
Dessert: Apple Pie or Chocolate Layer Cake (must choose at the time of the ticket purchase)

After the December club meeting (12/17/13), tickets will ONLY be available for purchase at Stewart's Gem Shop, 2618 West Idaho Street, Boise (Phone 208-342-1151). To guarantee the choice of an entrée, tickets must be purchased by end of day January 14, 2014.

The Idaho Gem Club Presents a



Fossil Show



**EXHIBITS** of fluorescent minerals, gems, fossils & one of a kind jewelry

Retail **DEALERS** of jewelry, gems and minerals

EDUCATIONAL DISPLAYS of gems, minerals and fossils



LAPIDARY DEMONSTRATIONS in the art of cabochon cutting, faceting, lampwork beads & the fabrication of silversmithing

# Hours

Saturday: 10:00 am - 6:00 pm Sunday: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

ADMISSION: \$3.00 Adults children 12 and under FREE

### **Welcome New Members**

Melissa Massie 709 N. School Kuna, ID 83634 330-417-9980

Daini Carlson & Pete Moore 2162 W. Pine Ave. Meridian, ID 83642 208-631-0272

> Janet French 4517 Shirley Ave Boise, ID 83703 208-639-9627

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## **Grab Bag Work Party**

Hopefully your tumblers are still turning or you already have some tumbled stones ready to be put into bags. We will be filling the grab bags on February 15th at 9:00 a.m. at the church in the gymnasium. This is where the club meetings are held. So we need as many tumbled rocks as possible. The more people who show up to help with the stuffing the faster the process goes. There will also be postcards to put stamps on as well.

# Save Stamps For Cancer Research

Cut at least 1/4 inch margin around the stamps. You can turn them into Chuck McCreath at our next meeting. THANK YOU!

# OUR ANNUAL ROCK SHOW IS ONLY 6 WEEKS AWAY?

It's not too early to be making items

for our show Wheel of Fortune
Silent Auction
Grab Bags
Garnet Dig
Door Prizes

Idaho Gem Club Show February 22nd & 23rd, 2014

Expo Idaho (Western Idaho Fairgrounds) 5610 Glenwood, Boise, Idaho Chinden & Glenwood

Things you should be thinking about:

Finish polishing as much tumbled rock as you can;

Collect your specimens to donate for the Silent Auction;

Make cute items for the Wheel of Fortune (we need lots of them).

The purpose of the Idaho **Gem Club is to promote** mutual, educational and scientific interests and benefits of its members in mineralogy, geology, gemology, the art of lapidary and kindred arts and sciences. **Dues:** 

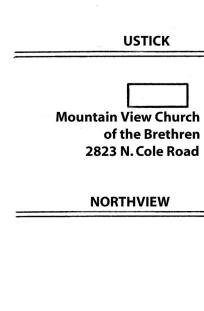
......... \$17.00 per person ......\$20.00 per couple ......... \$23.00 per family

# **Subscription:**

......\$10.00 per year

## **General Meeting:**

........ 3rd. Tuesday of each ......... Month at 7:30 p.m.



**FAIRVIEW** 



The Whangdoodle Bird (Often seen on field trips)







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