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President's Message

May is starting out with the typical Idaho mix of good and bad weather. The field trip to Beacon Hill was rained out, but Doug took the intrepid folks that were present over to the Hog Creek crystal area. It was quite muddy, but good material was found. We hope to reschedule Beacon Hill, possibly for fall.

I would like to extend a big **THANK YOU** to everyone who helped clean out the workshop space. All of the existing shelving was removed and the drywall is going up. Many people stopped in early around noon and everything was handled before the official meeting time. Well done! The insulation is being installed and the drywall should be going up soon. The Workshop is getting closer each month.

I also want to thank Don Dorman for a very informative gold panning program. The hands-on approach was fun and well received. Also, thank you to Robin Solt, Deana Ashton, and everyone who helped take the displays down and pack up the bins, buckets and gold pans.

If you are interested in learning more about gold panning and getting in some practice, see page 4 for details on the Idaho Museum of Mining and Geology's field trip to Grimes Creek. Don is also going to be leading this trip and it promises to be a great time.

This month's program will be an interesting look at Herkimer Diamonds with Robin Solt. See page 4 for further information. The next field trip will be to the Queenstone and Wangdoodle claims. By that time the weather should be a little more cooperative. I didn't make it to the last outing, but I will definitely be going on this one.

We have the final numbers for the show now, and we did set a record for adult attendance at 3,451. The children's numbers were a little lower than some past years, but with 725 children, it was the same as last year and we didn't lose ground. If you have any questions about the income for different areas, our trusty treasurer, Barb, can give details at the next general meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Dana Robinson, President

MINUTES OF THE IDAHO GEM CLUB **GENERAL MEETING APRIL 19th, 2016**

President Dana Robinson called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Carl Woodward led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dana welcomed new members and guests.

Rick Corbett drew door prizes for 14 adults and the kids; Dave Douglas had 2 winners from the building fund.

No changes to the minutes needed. Phil Newhoff proposed a motion to accept the minutes of last months' meeting as printed in the Grindings, motion was seconded by Clint Chaney. Members voted and motion was passed.

Juniors were excused for their program.

Linda Barlow had several items from the recent Federation meeting to touch on:

AMFS meeting mentioned; display cases for the federation show are available.

Juniors are encouraged to participate and it was suggested that starting a scrapbook of club activities be something to think about:

IGC was recognized for member involvement and growth. Phil Newhoff's recent letter about our success as a club mentioned:

Reminder that stamps for cancer research go to the Federation and can be turned into Linda;

Federation directories are available for \$10.00;

- AMFS tickets are being sold for a raffle to support the endowment fund;
- There are several positions open for various NFMS offices if anyone is interested;
- Only 5 spots left for the NW Rockhound Retreat at John Day Fossil Area:

A club is needed to host the 2019 NFMS show:

Reminder that Southern California is now closed for rockhounding and collecting due to designations as National Monuments; Craigslist was suggested as a good place for the club to advertise

Gem Show.

Aaron Wanner reported about Field Trips:

Not a very large turnout for the Graveyard Point trip in March but they had fun;

Trip next week to Beacon Hill planned but needs to be dry so watch the weather, group will caravan up to the site from the rest stop outside Ontario if weather permits and will leave promptly at 730 am, scheduled for both Saturday and Sunday.

Brent Stewart had a progress report on the workshop: Electrical work is done;

Sheetrock is the next step;

Help is needed to empty the space and pull down the existing shelves. Work party is scheduled for Thursday, May 19th, at 5:30 pm to prep the area for the sheetrock to be installed. Helpers meet at Stewarts' shop downtown.

Willa Renken reviewed the rock tumbling and the grab bag sewing contests. Prizes will be selected and shown at next months' meeting. The instructions and a pattern for the bags can be found in the Grindings. Gene Alvey will have grit and polish for tumblers and if you need material to tumble Phil Newhoff said he has plenty. Save all sizes of your tumbled material since even the little tiny stuff can be used in the garnet dig. Winners will be announced at the banquet at the end of the year. Tina Fredrickson has stepped up to take on the Historian duties for the IGC. Already she has found some interesting stuff. She shared a letter from Neal Armstrong to the Club which we got back in 1969. A very nice thank you for making the astronauts honorary members and for sending them star garnets. Tina thinks this and other historical items would make an interesting display at the show and will look into this more.

The program for the evening is being presented by Ron Dorman on gold panning and mining in Idaho with a hands on demonstration outside. Business meeting adjourned at approximately 8:30 pm with gold panning demonstration to follow.

Respectfully submitted, Christina Asderton, Secretary

MINUTES OF THE IDAHO GEM CLUB BOARD Meeting MAY 3rd, 2016

Meeting CALLED TO ORDER by Dana Robinson at 7:32 pm. Present: Dana Robinson, Barbara Wanner, Aaron Wanner, Brent Stewart, Twila Gallagher, Deana Ashton, David Douglas, Cheryl Peterson, Ed Moser, Sandy Blodgett, and Willa Renken. ABSENT: Christine Anderton, Secretary.

MINUTES: kept by Deana Ashton tonight.

Dana Robinson made one change to the minutes as printed in the Grindings-wishes to change minutes from last board meeting to show Sandy Blodgett was not present.

TEASURER REPORT: Barbara Wanner went over current activity on the Gem Club accounts. She also handed out the report from the February Gem Show totals.

JUNIORS REPORT: Ed is going to do his program of fossils with specimens. Ed requests that juniors bring in some of the samples of rocks they have found in the last 2 months to be identified. As always, remember to bring your folders please! NW FEDEDRATION REPORT: Linda Barlow was absent this evening- no report.

MAY GENERAL PROGRAM MEETING: Deana reports that the program will be on Herkimer Diamonds and speaker will be Robin Solt.

REFRESHMENTS: Members with last names beginning with S through Z are asked to support this month's refreshment program by bringing one of the following: a) 4 dozen cookies or treats. You can bring vegies, also. b) punch and juice- whatever flavor you wish. We use 2-3 gallons per meeting for our group. c) door prizes. If you have some extra rocks around that could be wrapped for door prizes, bring them!

Come early to set up chairs and stay for clean up afterwards please. Call Deana at 208-794-5628 and leave a message if you are able to come and offer some help with refreshments. Thank vou!

FIELD TRIP REPORT: Beacon Hill was rained out. this trip will be made up at a later date. On Saturday, Doug Renken led a group to the Hog Creek area where the group parked off road and walked in to area. Many nice specimens were found. This month(May 21) the field trip will be to Graveyard Point and Whang Doodle. There are new spots opening up at Graveyard Point providing good specimens. Sandy Blodgett reported he was out there and saw a lot of people there on 4 wheelers, no rock hounds.

WORKSHOP REPORT: New doors are ordered. Insulation going up. Wiring done.

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE: Bank accounts (D L Evans) are being updated. Names are being removed of former Presidents and Dana Robinson is being added as a signer. **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. No updates on BUILDING FUND t-shirt price comparisons. 2. Aaron Wanner wanted to know if anyone is thinking of taking over GEM SHOW case favors and assignments for 2017 show. He also mentioned Jim Witt will need help in BLACK LIGHT room next year.

3. Dana Robinson is working on an OFFICIAL GEM CLUB LETTERHEAD. The Agate Expo requested our WhangDoodle logo to be used in recognition of our club allowing use of our display cases.

4. NEW MEMBER APPLICATIONS were reviewed and approved for the Stoddard, Rayburn, McNeal, and Roose families. Ed made a motion we accept new memberships and Twila Gallagher seconded motion.

Meeting was ADJOURNED at 8:12 p.m.

Deana Histor, 2nd Vice President

APRIL SHOWERS BRING MAY FLOWERS By Linda Barlow

When I was growing up in Florida, I learned that rain showers were called LIQUID SUNSHINE. If you have ever lived in Florida on the coast, you know that every day there is a rain shower which comes and goes in about 20 minutes. I found this also in upstate NY. In Mountain Home, Idaho, if you don't like the weather, just wait a few minutes, it will change! There was a paper years ago that promised a free paper if the sun didn't shine. I believe that guarantee came from the Tampa Tribune. But you see it never rained, because it was always sunshine, LIQUID SUNSHINE! So now I look at the positive of rain, LIQUID SUNSHINE. April showers will clean the earth and air by bringing all the suspended dirt particles down to the ground where it will be mixed with the dirt and create nourishment or just provide water for the plants to drink whether they are your spring time flowers, the vegetables you want to grow in your garden, or the WEEDS. It also washes the dirt away from all those rocks we love to hunt, that is why we go spring cleaning of Idaho lands looking for those newly washed rocks surfacing!

Showers of tears from our eyes are our body's way of cleansing our mind, heart, and physical body of impurities. I know sometimes those are tears of joy. Other times, those are tears of grief for loss of loved one, loss of way of life, or of a heartache for a person gone astray from our line of thinking. No matter the reason for tears, the shower of tears always brings May flowers (a new way of life or new way of thinking) once the tears are dry.

How can you help yourself and the earth use those showers? Conserve water? Recycle? Redirect the shower water? Learn about other products of the earth, like herbs, plants, & CRYSTALS. You can choose to **learn a crystal or rock every month.** Why not take this month and learn about a crystal that you can connect with. Crystals carry the DNA of the earth and provide us with all kinds of material to aide our day to day transition. If you take a class on these items, you will learn how to provide cleansing for yourself and all your needs whether emotional or physical or spiritual.



IDAHO GEM CLUB PROGRAM SCHEDULE

May 17th, 20126: HERKIMER DIAMONDS

Speaker: Robin Solt, Geologist & Lifetime Idaho Gem Club Member

Herkimer Diamonds are fascinating double terminated crystals which are found in Herkimer, New York. Double terminated means there is a crystal point on each end of crystal. They are prized by collectors for their clarity. They have metaphysical properties and are powerful healing stones.

Please join us during the general meeting program segment and learn about these amazing gems.

ATTENTION ROCKY RATTLERS!

Have you been out collecting this year? Bring in the interesting rocks, etc., that you have found for show and tell and to identify what you have. This month will also be learning about Fossils. Ed has some books to give out, as well as other donated material for your collections.

Be sure to bring your folders.

IDAHO MUSEUM OF MINING AND GEOLOGY FIELD TRIP

On May 14, the Idaho Museum of Mining and Geology is having a field trip for Panning for Gold in Grimes Creek with Don Dorman and the Idaho Gold Panners. It will give those interested parties a chance to practice their gold panning in the field. Rubber boots or thigh-high waders are advisable. Also, bring a "Shorty" shovel or a garden trowel. Children 10 years and older will be accommodated on this trip. (There will be a panning event at the Museum on Sunday, May 22, 12 noon to 5 p.m. for the younger Rocky Rattlers.)

The meeting place is the Idaho Museum of Mining and Geology at 2455 Old Penitentiary Rd. Registration will be at 7:30 a.m. with a prompt departure at 8:00 a.m. There is a cost of \$10 for Museum Members and \$15 for Nonmembers. Dress for the weather, and bring your lunch and water. We will return to Boise by 5:00 p.m. No preregistration is needed.

For further information on Gold in Idaho, check out the Idaho Museum of Mining's lecture on June 19, 1-2 p.m. at the Museum. Historian Troy Lambert will talk about Idaho's Gold Mining History and Gold Panning. There is no cost for the lecture, however donations are welcome.

Idaho Gem Club Field Trips 2016

MARCH 19 th	GRAVEYARD POINT-AGATE
APRIL 23 rd - 24 th	BEACON HILL– GEODES
MAY 21 st	QUEEN STONE, WHANGDOODLE
	- JASPER, OPAL
JUNE 25 th 26 th	GLASS BUTTE- OBSIDIAN
JULY 23 rd	DISMAL SWAMP-
	SMOKEY QUARTZ
AUGUST 20 th 21 st	EMERALD CREEK- GARNET

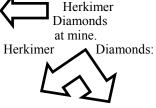
WHANGDOODLE/ QUEENSTONE

When: MAY 21st 2016 weather depending.

What: We'll be collecting jasper and opalene at Queenstone; common and possibly some fire opal at Whang Doodle
Where: 8:00 a.m. Meet at Gem Stop at the intersection of Hwy 55 and Hwy 95
8:30 a.m. Depart We will travel south on Hwy 95 past Sommer Camp Rd. to the Whang Doodle claim.
Parking will be directed and organized as members arrive. Club will depart for Queenstone claim around midday.
Equipment needed: rock hammer, shovel, bag or bucket for specimens collected, appropriate clothing for the weather and location, lunch, water, fuel, and any items you need for your personal use.

Call our Field Trip Chairmen Aaron Wanner @ (208)794-9474 cell phone or Email: <u>aaronwanner@gmail.com</u> Brent Stewart @ (208)863-9336







GRINDINGS

NFMS NEWS

Two links for additional newsletters we receive as members of the rock club. NFMS—Newsletter available at: <u>http://www.amfed.org/nfms/newsletters.asp</u> AFMS—Newsletter available at: <u>http://amfed.org/news/default.htm</u>

SHOW SCHEDULES

May 14 & 15 Sat – 10 – 5 Sun – 10 – 4 Hatrockhounds Gem and Mineral Society Hermiston Conference Ctr 415 Highway 395 South Hermiston OR Mike Filarski, 541 571 2593 stonemorlin1@netscape.net

May 21 & 22 Sat – 10 – 6 Sun – 10 – 5 Bitterroot Gem and Mineral Society First Interstate Center, Ravalli County Frgrnds 100 Old Corvallis Road Hamilton MT Steve Vieth 406 381- 7597 viethsteve88@gmail.com

June 3- 5 Fri & Sat – 10 – 5 Sun – 10 – 5 Puyallup Valley Gem and Mineral Club Swiss Park 9205 198th Avenue East Bonney Lake WA 98390 Nancy LeMay bees2knees@att.net 253 985 5784 info@puyallupgemclub.org

June 4 & 5 Sat – 9 – 5 Sun – 10 – 4 North Idaho Mineral Club Kootenai County Frgnds, 4056 North Government Way, Coeur d'Alene ID Dean Hutchinson 208 686 9156 PO Box 1643 Hayden ID 83835

June 11 & 12 Sat – 10 – 5 Sun – 10 – 5 Butte Mineral and Gem Club Butte Civic Center Annex 1340 Harrison Avenue Butte MT Pete Knudsen 406 496 4395 PO Box 4492 Butte MT 59702

July 16 - 17 Sat – 10 – 5 Sun – 10 – 5 Darrington Rock and Gem Club Manford Grange 1265 Railroad Avenue Darrington, WA Ed Lehman 9120 20th Street SE Lake Stevens WA 98258 wsmced@hotmail.com 425 334 6282 (cell 425 760 2786) or Angela Moore angela51726@gmail.com 360 436 2107

July 29-31 Fri - 10 - 6 Sat - 10 - 6 Sun - 10 - 4 Willamette Agate and Mineral Society AFMS and NFMS MEETINGS Linn County Expo Center, Albany Oregon Janice Van Cura 541-753-2401 jvancura@peak.org, www.wamsi.org

August 5 - 7 Fri & Sat – 10 – 5 Sun – 10 – 4 Far West Lapidary & Gem Society North Bend Community Ctr., 2222 Broadway North Bend OR Don Innes 541 396 5722 doninnes.innes20@gmail.com

September 10 & 11 Sat – 9 – 6 Sun – 10 – 4 Clallam County Gem and Mineral Association Vern Burton Community Ctr., 308 East 4th Street Port Angeles WA Jennie Bourassa 360 681 0372 or Kathy Schriner 360 681 3811 PO Box 98 Sequim WA 98382

September 10 & 11 Sat - 10 – 5 Sun – 10 – 5 Marcus Whitman Gem and Mineral Society Walla Walla Cnty Frgnds Community Cntr Bldg., 363 Orchard St., Walla Walla WA Keith Bacus, 509 529 1248 1829 Howard St Walla Walla WA 99362

September 17 & 18 Sat – 10 – 5 Sun – 10 – 4 The Southern Washington Mineralogical Society Castle Rock Fairgrounds, 120 Fair Lane SW Corner of Highway 411 and Cowlitz River Castle Rock WA Nicole Doiron 360 785 4417 raknad@q.com

October 22 & 23 Sat: 9 - 6 Sun: 10 - 5 Clackamette Mineral and Gem Club Clackamas County Fairgrounds, 694 NE 4th Ave, Canby, OR 97013 Beth Heesacker, heesacker@coho.net, 4145 NW Heesacker Rd., Forest Grove, OR 97116 ksandhorses3@gmail.com or Eileen Paul 541.672.5229 <u>beadpatch@mydfn.net</u>

October 22 & 23 Sat – 10 – 6 Sun – 10 – 5 Bellevue Rock Club Vasa Park, 3560 West Lake Sammamish PKWY SE, Bellevue, WA Bruce Himko bellevuerockclub@comcast.net PO Box 1851 Bellevue, WA 98009

November 12 & 13 Sat -9-5 Sun -10-4 Skagit Rock & Gem Club Sedro Woolley Comm Center, 703 Pacific Street Sedro Woolley, WA Debbie Frank skagitrockandgem@gmail.com PO Box 244 Mount Vernon WA 98273

Hi Linda

This link is to the petition opposing the Owyhee canyon lands national park designation. Everyone should sign this petition. If it is declared a national park almost all the popular and famous rock collecting sites will be off limits to all collecting. Not to mention what it will do to the farmers, ranchers, and hunters. This is the official petition so if anyone has signed one before they cannot transfer your signature to this petition. I thought the club members should at least know what is going on and about this petition. <u>http://ourlandourvoice.com/petition.php</u> Jimmy J. Clinton

2016 AFMS Annual Meeting Date: Thursday, July 28, 2016 Time: 9 am Place: Linn County Fair & Expo Building Albany, Oregon (before the Willamette Agate and Mineral Society's Annual Show) **NFMS Annual Meeting** Date: Friday, July 29, 2016 Time: 4pm Place: Linn County Fair & Expo Building Albany, Oregon (During Willamette Agate and Mineral Society's Annual Show)

YESTERYEAR

May 2016

This is the correct date as Tina Frederick has been very busy with her daughter spending the past week in the hospital delivering her baby. Thankfully all was okay and then the baby started having trouble. Prayers are sent from all of us for continued improvement in the grandbaby and the mother. They are being discharged and Tina is picking them up as I put this newsletter to bed.

Thanks for the work you do for us Tina. Blessing of love and light to you and your family as you deal with this experience.

Editor,

Linda Barlow and all of the membership

Welcome New Members

- 1. Howard & Linda Roose Boise
- 2. Suzanne McNeil & Duane Winterroth—Eagle
- 3. Richard & Michelle Rayburn Boise
- 4. Rocky Rattlers: Eric & Kevin Rayburn Boise
- 5. Curtis & Nichole Stoddard—Ashton

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! Degna- 208-794-5628

Bench Tips

"Bench Tips for Jewelry Making" and "Broom Casting for Creative Jewelry" are available on Amazon <u>www.BradSmithJewelry.com</u>

DRILLING SMALL ITEMS

Small pieces need to be held securely while drilling to prevent them from spinning if the drill catches. Having sliced my fingers occasionally in my younger days, I avoid band-aids now by using flat-jaw pliers or a ring clamp. Pliers also save you if the piece gets hot. Put a little tape over the jaws of the pliers if needed to avoid scratches. (see below)



DRILLING A STONE

One of the things my students often ask to do is drill a hole through a piece of gemstone. The usual thought is to get a diamond drill, but I've been disappointed with them. I think the reason is that the tip of the drill is just pivoting in the hole and does not cut well. When it looks like the drill isn't cutting, the tendency is to push with more force. The drill gets hot, and the diamond grit falls off.

A much better approach is to use a core drill. This is a small hollow tube with a coating of diamond grit at the business end. The diamonds easily carve out a circular arc without undue pressure or heat buildup.

Core drills are readily available from lapidary and jewelry supply companies. They come in sizes as small as 1mm and are very reasonable in price. For instance, a 2mm diameter drill is about \$6.

Chuck up the core drill in a drill press, Dremel or Foredom and be sure to keep the drilling zone wet to cool the tool and to flush out debris. Also, if you're drilling a through hole, go very easy on the pressure as the drill is about to cut through. Otherwise you will usually chip off some of the stone surface around the hole. (see above to right)

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



MAY

5/1 Suzanne McNeil 5/5 **Deborah Butte** 5/6 **Richard Clark** 5/10 Natalie Douglass 5/10 Shiori Furuya 5/11 Ashlyn Price 5/13 Tim Justice 5/14 DJ Johnson 5/14 Gina Gartman 5/18 Gerri Goertzen 5/18 Diane Wheeler 5/19 Larry Friend 5/20 Shawn Bowlin 5/22 Leigh Douglass 5/22 Janice Edger 5/22 Duane Mayer 5/25 David Douglass 5/25 Mike Edger 5/30 Blaine Dahlstrom

JUNE

6/4 June McConnell 6/10 Tina Frederick 6/14 Damon Torres 6/15 Chuck Fawcett 6/15 Sarah Newhoff 6/16 Chris Blickfeldt 6/17 Sandy Blodgett 6/18 Kyle Wold 6/18 Ryan Wold 6/18 Sydney Wold 6/21 Cheryl Peterson 6/22 Mike Unruh 6/23 John Conklin 6/30 Bella Aragon Faceted: EMERALD



Cabuchon: Chrysoprase



Faceted: Alexandrite Cabochon: Moonstone



Traditional: Pearl



METAPHYSICAL PROPERTIES OF STONES & CRYSTALS

EMERALD

Type: A form of beryl & crystalizes in prismatic crystals vertically striated & terminated by small pyramid-like faces. Color: Emerald green (not "red emerald" which is Bixbite) Sources: India, Zimbabwe, Tanzania, Egypt, Austria, Columbia (for gem quality), Brazil (for commercial grade) Astrological Associations: Aries, Taurus, Gemini Chakras: Heart

Vibration #: 4

Emerald is known as "Stone of successful love" because it brings domestic bliss & loyalty, enhances unity, unconditional love and partnership, & promotes friendship. If it changes color is signals unfaithfulness.

It is a "stone of inspiration & infinite patience" because it provides character strength to overcome misfortunes. Wear on little finger, ring finger, over the heart, or on the right arm as appropriate for healing. Triggers negative emotions if worn constantly. Do not use opaque emeralds for mental attunement.

Physically it is good for growth, balance, eyesight, & fertility. Can be used in the treatment of disorders of the spine, lungs, heart, immune & muscular systems. It helps with biliousness, insect bites, high blood pressure, asthma, inflammation, jaundice, bacterial & viral infections, sores, angina, & plague.

Opens, activates, & stimulates the heart chakra while quieting the emotions. It brings harmony in all areas of life.

CHRYSOPRASE

Type: crystalizes in same form of chalcedony. Color: Apple-green or yellow (lemon) Sources: Australia Astrological Associations: Libra Chakras: Heart Vibration #: 3 Chrysoprase is a "feel better stone" because it is good for general mental health & healing to help you see through mental fog. It helps with dexterity. Physically it is good for fertility, spleen, & heart and increase assimilation of Vitamin C. Emotionally & spiritually ti is good for yin/yang balance, meditation, self-acceptance and acceptance of others. Reduces inferiority & superiority complexes. Used to encourage fidelity in business & personal affairs. Helps one to heal from "broken heart" by enabling understanding of growth patterns.

Above information gleaned from THE CRYSTAL HEALER by Philip Permntt, THE CRYSTAL BIBLE by Judy Hall, & LOVE IS IN THE EARTH by Melody

REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE GUIDELINES

We encourage member participation in bringing cookies snacks and beverages to share during break at general meetings. We ask you to provide 8-10 dozen cookies or snacks for approximately 50-70 people. That can be veggie trays, breads, any other treats. We ask for 10 adult and 10 youth door prizes which are wrapped in a bag. Usually minerals or rocks or slabs. Club provides coffee service and paper plates napkins and cups.

Please contact Deana Ashton, 208-794-5628 and let her know if and what you will be bringing for the current month so she can coordinate and be sure enough is provided for snack, beverage, and door prizes. Some could bring food, some could bring beverages, some could bring door prizes. Thanks for your participation.

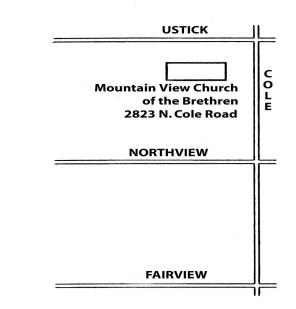
> Members whose last name begins with letter listed below, are asked to bring after meeting snacks for the month indicated.

JANUARY-BANQUET
FEBRUARY
MARCHE-K
APRIL————————————————————————————————————
MAYS-Z
JUNE————————————————————————————————————
JULY———POTLUCK PICNIC
AUGUST———POTLUCK PICNIC
SEPTEMBER——-E-K
OCTOBERL-R
NOVEMBER———-S-Z
DECEMBER—-HOLIDAY COOKIES BY ALL



GENERAL MEETING 3rd. Tuesday of every month

BOARD MEETING: 1st. Tuesday of every month 2 September 2014 Church of the Brethren 2823 N. Cole Road, Boise, Idaho Meeting Starts at 7:30 p.m.



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: \$22.00 per person \$25.00 per couple \$28.00 per family **Subscription:** \$10 per year

General Meeting:

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

