# "CUTTING REMARKS"

The Official Publication of the Old Pueblo Lapidary Club 520-323-9154

#### Officers President Victoria Fila 664-0302 Please join us April 9, at Vice President Dave Richardson 245-2172 **9AM** for the monthly Bill Penrose 780-1143 Secretary meeting. There is an Treasurer Mark Davidson optional social hour that begins at 8:00am followed Board of Directors by the monthly meeting 2021 - 2022 David Schulte 954-8554 commencing at 9:00am. 2021 - 2022 Donovan Wagner 869-2050 See meeting minutes for details. 2022 - 2023 Ted Rupp 743-8012 Visitors are always 2022 - 2023 Mike Tucker 400-9656 welcome. 2022 Elizabeth Boccardo 245-0923 Membership Chairperson Janet Keisler 333-3398 OLD PUEBLO I TUCSON, ARIZONA

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### THE PREZ SEZ ..... by Victoria Fila, President

Hello everyone, I hope everyone is doing well.

Website is being moved to a new server and adjustments are being made to bring it up to date. Still working on privileges access. Once we get through this part hopefully we will be able to use the website. The new website will help everyone to see when labs are open or if a monitor has to close a lab time. There will also be a link to post pictures from our field trips.



I am still trying to find someone to help lead April's field trip. If anyone has a place that would be great for a club trip, please contact me at 520-664-0302.

Field trip tip: It is very important to make sure you wear good fitting shoes to avoid injury. I was on a non-club rock collecting trip when I slipped and fell, then my foot turned in my hiking boots (they were a bit too big) which caused me to break my right ankle in 3 places. You need to wear good fitting shoes/boots.

April speaker: David Schulte he will be doing a presentation on inlay. David did this presentation last summer and is doing it again as we have more members in attendance. His presentation is very informative.

Volunteers for labs. We are always looking for members who want to monitor a lab so that we can offer more days and time slots so all can have the opportunity to come in and use labs. If interested in either one of four labs, silversmithing, cabbing, faceting or casting lab, please contact the lab owner. Each owner's contact information is on class sign-up sheets.

So, until we see each other at the April meeting 4/9/22 take care and be well.

Victoria Fila

**OPLC** President



#### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Dedrea & Valery Danilov Daniel Day Sandra Elizondo Cindy & Greg Ewer Jeffrey Gross Luis Mendez Mark Morrissey Richard Tsosie Dave Vermeulen Karen Warseck

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#### Minutes of OPLC General Membership Meeting March 12, 2022 10:00 AM at OPLC

The presentation for the meeting was given by Helen Serras-Herman, "Must-See US Gemstone Mines". As Program Chairperson, She has prepared a nearly full slate of presentations for the rest of 2022.

Thanks to Wayne Klement for supplying the goodies for breakfast this morning. Volunteers to assist in this task are welcomed. Costs are covered by the club to a \$40 limit.

Motion to approve last month's club meeting minutes/newsletter. Seconded? All in favor

Silent Auction – (Dave Richardson) Some five truckloads of equipment and material were donated to the club by Bette Powell in memory of Bob Powell. It is still being catalogued.

Membership status – (Janet Keisler) There were 315 members in good standing as of this meeting.

Treasurer Report – (Mark Davidson) The club is experiencing a positive cash flow in preparation for planned maintenance, like insurance and new wheels in the cab lab. The Board has approved the Treasurer's report.

Field Trips (Victoria Fila) – Due to Victoria's injury, the peridot trip to the White Mountains is being taken over by Wendy Huber. There are no other field trips planned. Volunteers to lead a field trip will be welcomed.

Library (Bill Cascio) – The library is in good shape. Helen Serras-Herman has donated a copy of her new book to the library.

Lab Reports – Please remember that monitors are the final word for wearing masks in the labs. In some labs, mask wearing is encouraged due to silica, copper, arsenic and other dusts from polishing.

Show Reports – The TGMS show display case displayed contributions by: John Poole, Paul Hardenberg, Dave Richardson, Betty Mehlhopp, Bill Penrose, Victoria Fila, Twink Monrad, Jan Keisler, Nancy Brackett, Pete Valentine, Steve Slat, Giac D' Acquisto, Ian Finley, Jean Barkley, Wendy Huber and David Schulte. Special thanks for the volunteers who set up and tore down the display: David Schulte, David Richardson and Donovan Wagner.

Volunteers who helped at the booth: Janet Keisler, Mark Davidson Jane Morris, Kat Skalicky, Twink Monrad, John Poole, Jean Barkley, Mariza Richardson, Dave Richardson, Jack McCabe, Brian Peterson, Mike Wendler and Wendy Huber our booth organizer. Donovan Wagner helped Wendy pack up the cabbing equipment.

Dave Richardson suggested that in future, members who have to pay for parking at the TCC would be reimbursed. This was passed by the Board at a regular Board meeting.

Volunteers are needed for the Pima County Fair. Signup sheets are in the kitchen. Club members staffing our booth park free.

Volunteers are also needed as lab monitors.

The door prize was won by Donna Pugh. Raffle proceeds were \$175.

Members voted to adjourn the meeting.

### April 9, 2022 OPLC speaker – David Schulte Lapidary Inlay Procedures



We are in for another great treat for our April 9, 2022, OPLC monthly meeting. Our very own OPLC member and past President, David Schulte, will share with us his knowledge and experience of creating unique gemstone inlays, which then turn into unique bolos.

This inlay presentation is based on a hummingbird inlay piece David made. He'll walk us through the selection of the figure, stone selection, stone preparation, and stone shaping for the figure. He'll describe how he carves and joins the individual stones, what tools and materials he uses and then how he polishes the final piece. He will have examples of simple inlay pieces to complex works with him for show-and-tell. Even though some members may have already seen the presentation, David promises to add some new insights and suggestions.

David is a retired Chief Rocket Scientist who used to work for Hughes and then Raytheon. He's always been interested in jewelry but didn't have the time to pursue this passion until he retired. He is thankful to our club that has given him the opportunity to learn many different lapidary skills as well as sharing them through teaching with his fellow club members.

Our Old Pueblo Lapidary Club is very fortunate to have so many members excelling in their artwork! We look forward to this exciting presentation.

Hope to see you all there,

Helen Serras-Herman, OPLC Program Chair

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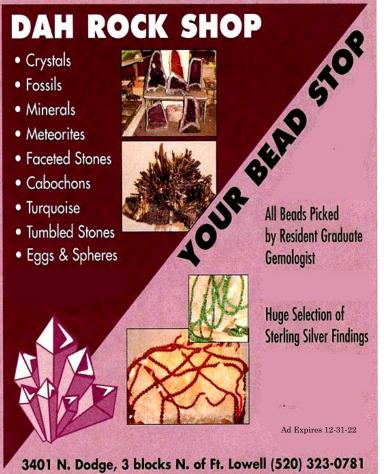




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### Minutes of March 29, 2022, OPLC Board Meeting 5.00 pm, W Penrose, wrp0143@comcast.net

Present: Dave Richardson (presiding), Mark Davidson, Bill Penrose, Mike Tucker, Donovan Wagner, John Poole, Brian Peterson, Pete Peterson, Wayne Klement, Jan Keisler and Twink Monrad.

A quorum was present.

Treasurer Report – (Mark Davidson) – reported that the Treasury is in good order.

Membership - (Janet Keisler) 316 members.

Silent Auction – (Dave Richardson) – no report

Labs status:

Cab Lab – (Donovan Wagner) – Routine repairs. Classes \$45, first 2 weeks of the month, Monday evening. Also, Peter Moma on Saturdays, and perhaps Malcolm will begin on Sundays.

Faceting – (Dave Richardson). Participation increasing. New or sharpened laps needed. Two pieces of equipment are under repair.

Casting: no report

Silver: John Poole – A new class will begin in 3 weeks, Tues 9-12.

Saw room (Mike Tucker) – All work is caught up at this point.

Field trips: no report

Web page – (Brian Peterson) – The site is up and running. Costs of transfer and operation have been kept very low.

Pima County Fair – (Dave Richardson) – Display items will be solicited at the next Membership meeting. The list of booth volunteers has been submitted.

Member financial obligations – (Dave Richardson) "You break it, you bought it" wording to be added to laboratory log sheets. Passed by the Board.

Meeting refreshments – Wayne continued to volunteer in absence of other volunteers.

Donation to Mineral Museum – A notice has been posted in both buildings.

The meeting adjourned at 6:15.

#### DONATIONS

Thanks to those that have made donations to help keep this club running! We welcome donations so if you have lapidary related items, please contact Dan Harmsen at (520) 721-8452 to arrange a pickup or drop-off.

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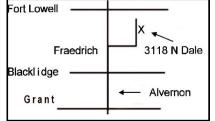
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