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Please join us February 11th, at **9:00am** for the monthly meeting. There is an optional social hour that begins at 8:00am followed by the monthly business meeting. Visitors are always welcome.



Articles or news to be included in the *Cutting Remarks* should be emailed to your Editor, Wayne Klement (wayneklem@aol.com) or call him at 520-954-6298. Submission deadline is the 25th of each month. Thanks!

THE PREZ SEZ by Victoria Fila, President

Hello everyone!

Gem shows are here! Hope everyone is able to get out and find some great things.

For our booth which Wendy Hubber is overseeing we have to reuse badges. Please send Wendy a text to give her your email address so she can email you all instructions. Her number is 206-669-6002.



Paul Hardenberg is reporting that he had around 34 members going on the Corral Nuevo geode trip on January 20th. I hope everyone had fun and found some nice geodes.

Next field trip is on February 18th to Ash Peak Geodes. Meeting time is at 9:00 AM at the Circle K, east end of Safford. If interested please call or text Paul at 320-279-0864. He will give all the information needed for the trip. Please remember you have to sign a trip waiver for each trip. These forms will be available at the club at the next membership meeting. Paul will have some with him on the day of the trip. These geodes will be different from the ones collected at Corral Nuevo.

Working on a field trip for March and April.

Next general meeting is on 2/11/23 social hour 8-9. At this meeting we will not have a speaker, what we do is go around and see if anyone wants to talk about their experience with the gem shows, then go into the meeting.

Happy gem hunting,

Victoria Fila

OPLC President

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. Recent donations:

- Anonymous - manufactured rough, misc. tools
- Tony and Gloria Floridan - Jewelers table, drill press and bits, Freedom and bits, silver tools (files, pliers, punches, hammers.....etc), large bracelet mandrell, tool boxes(2), copper sheets and wire, brass wire, faceted stones, cabs, beads, heat gun, tumbler and barrels, paper cutter, stainless steel shot, lamps (3), stands, chairs, cabinets, display pieces, enameling compounds and colors, enameling tools, C-clamps, rocks, casting wax, portable table, optivisors(2), acetylene tank and torch, gift boxes, templates, protective eyewear, drafting table, and a laser printer.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



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Minutes of OPLC Membership Meeting
January 14, 2023, 9:00 AM at OPLC
William Penrose, Secretary, wrp0143@comcast.net

The meeting was brought to order at 9 am. A quorum was present. Helen Serras-Herman gave the richly-illustrated presentation “The Mitchell & Merrick Silver Mine and 10 Canyons on or near Navajo Land”, exploring many areas of geological interest in Northern Arizona.

Wayne Klement was thanked for once more providing the refreshments for the meeting.

Minutes of the December 10, 2022 meeting were approved by the membership.

Membership report – 218 members had enrolled by the meeting. Seven new members were introduced.

Treasurer’s Report – Mark Davidson – The club ended 2022 financially healthy. Exact figures are available to members only on request.

Field Trips – Paul Hardenberg reported. 33 members made the January trip to Arivaca. Another trip has been arranged for February 18. Members attending should call Paul at 320-279-0864 and meet at the Circle K in Safford at 9 am, 140 miles from Tucson.

Schedule of Activities for Coming Months

- US Faceters’ Guild meets February 2-4 at OPLC. Volunteers are needed.
- TGMS Booth – Volunteers needed for February 9 to 12, two shifts per day, plus setup and teardown.

Pima County Fair – April 4 to 20. Signup sheets will be available.

The door prize was a piece of petrified wood, won by Paul Hardenberg. The raffle brought in \$180.

The meeting was adjourned by 11 am.

MINUTES OF JANUARY 31, 2023 OPLC BOARD MEETING
5.30 pm, W Penrose, wrp0143@comcast.net

Present: Victoria Fila presiding, Dave Richardson, Bill Penrose, David Schulte, John Poole, Wayne Klement, Twink Monrad, Pete Peterson, Ted Rupp, Donovan Wagner, Wendy Huber, Chuck Lundstrom, Janet Keisler, Brian Peterson, Sandra Penrose.

Treasurer's Report – no report

Membership - Janet Keisler– 242 members in good standing and 10 unprocessed applications. Donovan Wagner will stand in as membership chairperson while Janet is unavailable.

Lab Reports

Cab Lab – grooves in sawn samples, perhaps because material was too soft, or it might be blades

MK Diamond, who has supplied our saw blades, may be out of business

Faceting – The symposium begins Feb 1 until Feb 4, followed by the Hob Nob.

Silver – everything is okay

Saw Room – two 24" saws are down

Tee Shirts and Hats – The hat printer cost is \$15.50 ea for 1 to 99 units, \$15.00 for 100 and up. MOTION – To have just 50 hats made at the \$15.50 price. PASSED – However, the budget for promotional items is \$0. The membership will have to vote on the money to buy the hats, at the next meeting if there is a quorum.

TGMS Show – Wendy Huber gave a status on preparations for the show Feb 9-12. An email will be sent to participants immediately.

Education – Wendy Huber - 25 boxes have been prepared for distribution to schools.

Silent Auction – Dave Richardson – He wants to sell the Graves faceting machine at the Hob Nob. He would expect to get \$800-900 for it.

MOTION – To sell the faceting machine at the Hob Nob rather than the silent auction.
PASSED

Casting Lab – Chuck Lundstrom presented his plans to refit the casting lab based on the recent donation – five workstations will be installed along the west wall, equipped with Foredoms and lamps. Powered, vented hood will be installed over the oven. The list of planned equipment and services was within the donated budget.

Field Trips – another trip to the Nuevo Mine is planned for February 18. Call Paul Hardenberg for details. Victoria emphasized that only members in good standing can go on field trips, Hard copies of the membership list can be distributed to field trip leaders, but not electronic copies.

The leak in the roof of the meeting building is being addressed.

Twink suggested that interesting specimens found by members should be displayed in one of the cases in the clubhouse.

Meeting adjourned 6:45 pm

OPLC SPEAKERS FORECAST

Here is the latest list for our upcoming speakers.

March 11, 2023, Chris Osterman – **His recent Mining trip to Portugal, Romania, and Bulgaria**

May 13, 2023 – Dr. Art Friedman – **Minerals & Gems with Unusual Physical & Chemical Properties - Part 2**

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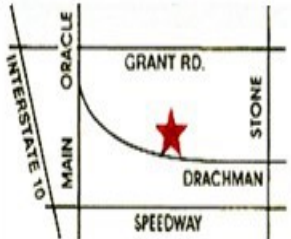
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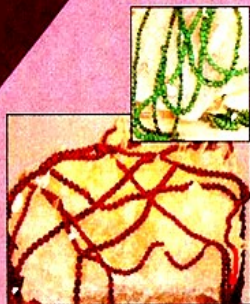
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Friday **No Labs currently scheduled.**

Saturday **2nd and 3rd Saturdays** Victoria Fila (520) 664-0302
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Monday 9am-12pm Dave Richardson (520) 245 - 2172

Wednesday 5:30 - 8:30 Dave Richardson (520) 245 - 2172

Sunday 12:30pm-3:30pm Dave Richardson (520) 245-2172

Casting

**New Classes start in September on the first Wednesdays 4 to 7 and will run 4 weeks and start every other month from there. The off months will be open labs.
Call Chuck Lundstrom (520) 241 - 9262**

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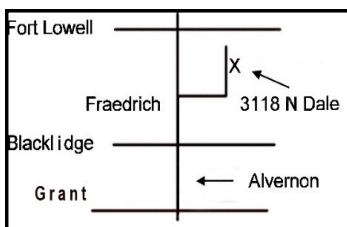
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