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Please join us July 8, 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.

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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!

It's almost the 4th of July and get those barbecues going. Hope everyone has a great 4th.

I am joining the cab lab classes and will be starting on August 5th and will be the first 2 Saturday of each month. The second Saturday classes will be after the meeting and tours.

Field trips, Paul Hardenberg will be assisting on field trips. My ankle is feeling a bit better so I will be coming up with some trips. Will be planning a trip in late September. We will get back to sign up sheets ready at general membership meetings. If anyone knows of a sweet spot and would like to lead a trip, please text me at 520-664-0302.

Until our next meeting everyone take care and keep cool.

Next general meeting 7/8/23.

Victoria Fila

OPLC President



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



Erika Mark

Christine Muller

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Linda Hampton

Lupe Manurquez

Ryan Napples

Kevin & Deborah Visbal

Michael Wheeler

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:

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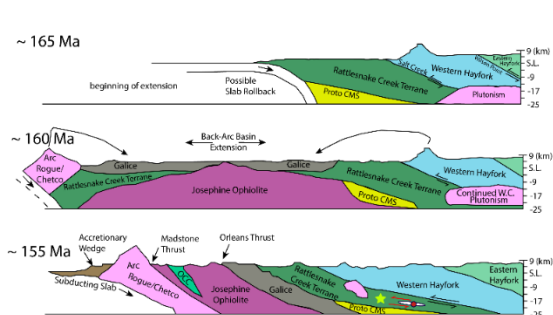
Anonymous - books and stones.

Wayne Klement - amethyst, Dugway Geodes.

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JULY 8, 2023 OPLC SPEAKER - DR. SUSAN LEIB

Passion for the geosciences and an update from the Collections Basement



We are in for a great treat for our July 8, 2023, OPLC monthly meeting, as the new curator of collections of the UArizona Alfie Norville Gem & Mineral Museum, Dr. Susan Leib, will share with us her **Passion for the geosciences and an update from the Collections Basement**.

Dr. Leib shared that, “The past several years have been a wild journey; to bring me from a graduate student in geology to working as a curator at an amazing gem and mineral museum. We’ll first discuss my passion for the geosciences and the project I’ve been working on for the past 7 years, entitled ‘Temporal Evolution of the Rattlesnake Creek terrane and Implication of Jurassic Construction of Crust in the Western United States’. I’ll cover the highlights of this research, with a focus on all the unique things to learn from high pressure-temperature minerals, like garnet, rutile, and zircon, and what we can learn about tectonic history and changes in the earth’s crust. Then we’ll transition into some research and education opportunities at the museum, a virtual tour of our galleries, as well as some ‘behind the scenes’ tales from the collection.”

Susan Leib, Ph.D. has joined the UArizona Alfie Norville Gem and Mineral Museum as the curator of collections, where she works on collections cataloging, inventory, donations, exhibits, and education, and is an adjunct with the UArizona Geoscience department. She comes directly from Texas Tech University where she recently graduated with a PhD in geoscience. Her research uses thermodynamic modeling and mineral histories (ages, compositions, isopleths) to determine the metamorphic and tectonic history for the Jurassic Rattlesnake Creek terrane in the central Klamath Mountain province. Leib also holds degrees in geology and museum studies from Olivet Nazarene University, University of Kentucky, and Western Illinois University.

We look forward to this wonderful presentation, Helen Serras-Herman, OPLC Program Chair

MINUTES OF OPLC MEMBERSHIP MEETING

June 10, 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.

The presentation was given by Sindi Schloss, professional gemologist, "Symbolism of Gemstones and Jewelry". Thank you, Ms. Schloss.

The minutes of the May 2023 meeting were approved by voice vote of the membership.

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

Membership report – Janet Keisler - Current count was 358 members. New members introduced themselves.

Financial Report – Mark Davidson - The club is in a positive financial position with 32% of the budget spent by May 31. Negative income for May was due to insurance premiums. Figures are not published in these public minutes but are available to members on request.

Field Trips – Paul Hardenberg will assist in the next field trip season. A trip is being organized for September, although nothing is specifically scheduled yet.

Library – Bill Cascio - The library is open.

Labs: Donovan Wagner is looking for a flat lap for the cabbing lab. Hoods have been ordered for the arbors. Some other wheels have been replaced, but more are needed and have been ordered.

A Facetron machine that requires a new bearing will be sold in the Silent Auction.

Members are asked to bring in paper grocery bags, which work as a filter element in the oil recycling apparatus being assembled.

The Tailgate Sale is scheduled for the third Saturday in September, so as to not conflict with the regular monthly meeting. Sellers will be asked for a donation of \$10.

Door prize winners were Warren Weimer and Stephanie Smith.

Raffle earnings were \$129. Thank you, Richard Bliss, for running the raffle in Kim's absence.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:35 am.

LAST MONTH'S SPEAKER - SINDI SCHLOSS



Sindi displaying some of her stone jewelry



Old Pueblo Lapidary Club had a talk / slide presentation given by Sindi Schloss on Saturday, June 10, 2023. The topics covered were symbolism in global jewelry, identifying cultural jewelry pieces for trade and many more sub topics. She donated a copy of her latest book to our Club library. Thank you Sindi.

OPLC SPEAKER FORECAST 2023

Here is the latest list for our upcoming speakers.

July 8, 2023 Dr. Susan Leib (curator of Alfie Norville Gem & Mineral Museum)

August 12, 2023, Dr. Chris Osterman – **Mineral Exploration in Saudi Arabia.**

September 9, 2023, Claire Schragg

October 14, 2023, Brenda Rachel - The Crown Jewels of the Hawaiian Monarchy (tentative)

November 11, 2023 Dr. Larry Fellows – Our Ice Age

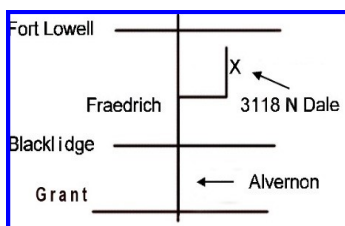
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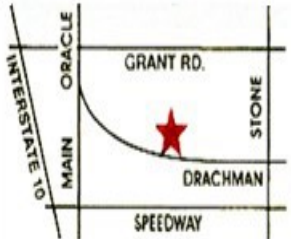
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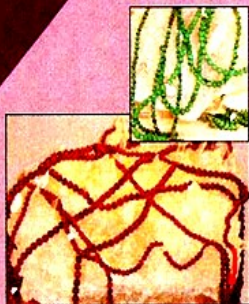
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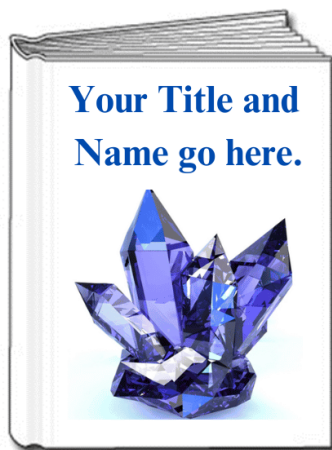
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~~3:30-6pm Margarett Harris (520) 561-2315~~ Closed till October.
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Friday **No Labs currently scheduled.**

Saturday **2nd and 3rd Saturdays** Victoria Fila (520) 664-0302
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Every Week 2pm-5pm Peter Moma (907) 947-6768

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Monday 9am-12pm Dave Richardson (520) 245 - 2172 Class & Open Lab

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Thursday 4pm-7pm Chuck Lundstrom (520) 241-9262 Class

Sunday 12:30pm-3:30pm Dave Richardson (520) 245-2172 Class & Open Lab

Casting

Wednesday 4pm to 7pm Chuck Lundstrom (520) 241-9262

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Minutes of June 27, 2023 OPLC Board Meeting
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Present: Victoria Fila presiding, Dave Richardson, Mark Davidson, Bill Penrose, John Poole, Janet Keisler, Twink Monrad, Mike Tucker, Donovan Wagner, Ted Rupp, Chuck Lundstrom.

Treasurer's Report – Mark Davidson – June report will be issued after June 30. Cash flow for June is negative due to the purchase of 36 new wheels for Genies in cab lab and other large purchases. The club is approximately even with the planned budget for 2023.

Membership – Janet Keisler - 378 members in good standing by meeting date. Monitors should confirm that people at lab sessions are members in good standing.

Field Trips –Victoria is planning an expedition to the Raleigh Mine near Gila Bend for gem silica on the last Saturday of September. There will be a fee of \$20 or \$30 depending on the number attending. Also, Paul Hardenberg will assist in some future field trips.

Lab Reports

Cab Lab – Mike, Ted, Donovan - New wheels for Genies have been received. Cabbing classes are being organized for both Monday and Tuesday. Two monitors will soon be leaving the state and new monitors will be needed.

Faceting Lab – Dave Richardson – The lab in general is very active. Dave R and Chuck L are both running classes. A new machine is ready for prime time.

Silver Lab – John Poole – John is assembling a class, but at present, there are few names on the list.

Casting Lab – Chuck Lundstrom – A class is beginning Wednesdays. There is a new monitor for a Thursday casting session.

Saw Room – The saw room waste is still unresolved. New oil has been ordered, and Mike and Mark G have built a filter system for recycling used oil.

Refreshments – Wayne will be supplying the refreshments for the July meeting.

Tailgate Sale - **Third Saturday in September**. An advertiser, Raining Rock, may want to send an associate to sell at the yard sale in place of a member. MOTION, PASSED by voice vote.

Board meeting adjourned at 6:10 pm.