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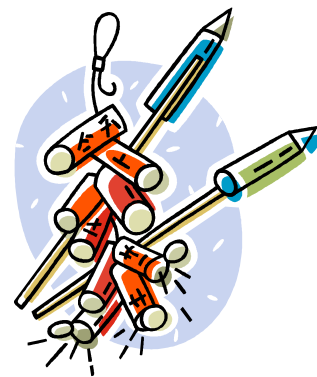
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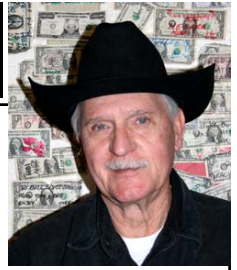
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Please join us on July 10th for the next monthly meeting. Optional social hour begins at 8:00am followed by the educational program at 9:00am followed by the monthly meeting. Visitors are always welcome.



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

THE PREZ SEZ by Pete Peterson



First of all I want to say thank you to Bill Carmody for handling the board meeting last month and also for the help with the agenda for the June General Meeting. Thank you to Diana Hara for standing in as secretary while Pat McMullen was ill. Also, a big thank you goes to Murray Hiller and Ted Rupp for the roof repair and the painting on the new construction. Way to go guys and gal.

Last month some of our members, myself included, attended the Rocky Mountain Federation of Mineralogical Societies field trip to the Blue Forest in Wyoming. We were looking for blue petrified wood in particular. The area was once a tropical forest so wood varieties included palm, cane, and bamboo as well as more common types. We were amazed by the number of rock hounds attending from all over

the Rocky Mountain region. If you have a chance to attend such an event, do consider going. Where else would you see two people digging a hole that is six foot deep by four foot wide and eight foot long, not to bury someone, but in hopes that there might be a larger piece of petrified wood beneath the small piece they found at a depth of three foot. We rock hounds are a determined bunch.

This experience brought to mind the need to know your surroundings. It was cold in the morning and hot in the afternoon, always dirty and there were creatures afoot, such as scorpions, spiders, sometimes snakes and larger animals. One person in our party was almost run over by a small herd of elk. The speaker for our June meeting, Steve Cox, reminded us of another danger, the sun. He provided some valuable information regarding exposure

to the sun and the possible consequences.

The graphic pictures of the afflictions brought home this serious message. As summer arrives and we start the hotter season in Arizona, please take precautions. Wear a good shade hat, long sleeves and sun screen, and take along plenty of water. Just remember, always be aware of your surroundings, pack in - pack out, fill in any holes made when collecting, leave nothing behind but footprints and keep an eye out for those critters.

When you find something spectacular be sure to bring it to the next meeting for show and tell. We might ask, but you don't have to tell where you found it. We look forward to seeing the latest jewelry projects from our members as well.

Pete

JUNE MEETING MINUTES By Diana Hara, acting Secretary

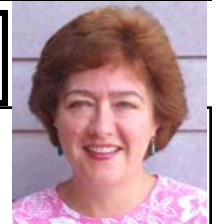
Our speaker this month was Stephen T. Cox P.A. with Specialists in Dermatology at 2732 N. Alvernon Way. Stephen spoke about skin diseases, including skin cancer, and the importance of routine self-examination and professional care when there

are sudden changes in our skin condition. It is especially important for rock hounds to watch their skin since we are out in the sun a lot! Thanks for a very informative presentation, Stephen!

Pete Peterson opened the meeting at 10:15 am. A quorum

was present for the June meeting. Minutes from May were approved. Pete Peterson and Bill Carmody co-led this month's meeting since Bill covered for

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Pete while he was rock hounding this month.

The Club welcomed new members Bill Cascio and Claudette Perrier. Bill is originally from Long Island, but moved to Tucson a year ago. He is interested in silver smithing, cabbing and field trips. Claudette is a beader and is interested in learning all aspects of the lapidary arts. Welcome!

Bill Carmody commented that Murray Hiller and Ted Rupp had done some more repair work over the last week. Murray put the sheet metal back on the porticos at the clubhouse and Ted primed and painted the new wood frame in the mechanical room. Thanks Murray and Ted.

OLD BUSINESS

On the same note, Bill told the membership that the mechanical room repairs were complete. The board asked for a \$5000 budget just in case other problems were uncovered during the repair. Pete supervised the work over a full five days on schedule and under budget! The total cost was \$3108.64, and now we can breathe easy when the monsoon rains arrive. The membership thanked Pete for spearheading this project.

Bill announced that Diana Hara finished collecting course descriptions from the instructors and they are now posted on the

club's website. Diana has also updated the inventory database with purchases made over the last year.

Bill Carmody summarized the Club finances before re-opening the topic of membership fees that was discussed last month.

Bill said that he originally bristled at the idea of raising membership fees, but the board explored the topic again at their most recent meeting. Fees have not been raised in over fifteen years. The board doesn't want to raise fees just for the sake of raising them, so they talked about what is going on in the shop and what sort of maintenance and repair might be looming in the not-too-distant future. Bill said that new equipment has been added to the cabbing room and wheels are being changed out much more frequently than in the past. The Club has used up almost all of the Titan wheels that were donated to us, so we will have to be paying to replace them now.

Our clubhouse roof has also become an issue recently. There may be a roof replacement on the horizon. If not, then at least a major repair in the fall. Murray Hiller said that he looked at the roof when he was repairing the porticos last week, and the metal sheets looked pretty loose. A good gale wind could take them right off.

Bill told the membership that the by-laws require the board to

notify the Club membership ten days before taking a vote to increase membership fees. Pete stated that the proposed increases for 2011 are: a new 'Single' adult membership will become \$25, a new 'Couple' membership will become \$35, and a new junior membership will be \$12.50. A 'Single' adult renewal will be '\$20', a 'Couple' renewal will be \$25, and a junior membership renewal will be \$10.

NEW BUSINESS

Pete Peterson mentioned that he had written about starting a 'Sick Call' list and having it in the newsletter every month. He said that if you know a member that is ill or recovering, let him know so they can be included in the 'Cutting Remarks'. Make sure it is okay with that person before passing the information on as Pete will not be doing a verification before print time.

Bill Carmody said that he had been looking at the new advertising in the most recent newsletter, and came up with an idea. He proposed that we put a section into the newsletter announcing upcoming classes. He suggested that it might flow well after the 'Weekly Workshop Schedule' section. There was agreement from the floor that this is a good idea.

Pete Peterson asked Diana Hara for an update on Pat

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McMullen. Diana gave a summary for those that did not know that Pat is recovering from a bad ear infection and the shingles. Currently, he is well on the way to mending. He has recently visited the neurologist for his palsy, caused by the shingles outbreak. The doctor told him that all of his facial nerves have recovered except for #7. It may be a long road to recovery though, perhaps 6-12 months. He might be able to have physical therapy in three months. For now, he is taking it easy and gathering more energy each day. We are all thinking of you, Pat, and hope to see you soon!

Jenny Coniglio took the floor to tell the group about a great sale going on at Mani Om beads over on Speedway and Craycroft. They are a new advertiser in the newsletter, so let them know who you are if you go by!

She also let members know that the Club keeps a membership list with phone numbers and addresses on the bulletin board in the clubhouse if you need to contact someone. There are also membership lists in each shop.

Shiela Powell informed the membership that she has put together six donor boxes for

junior education. She asked if the membership would agree to a postal expense of \$64.60 to mail them out to various schools. Pete and Bill checked the Junior Education budget and then the members took a vote and approved the expense.

Pete gave a brief report for the following committees:

FIELD TRIPS – There is currently no news. There is not much activity since it is getting hot out, but if there is somewhere that you would like to go, please contact someone on the board or Wolfgang Mueller.

SILENT AUCTION – Progress is 'excellent' as usual.

Skip Barkley stood and thanked everyone who contacted him with concern to the IRS non-profit news release that came out in the paper recently. He said that he was contacted by several members, and one as far away as Scottsdale on the matter. But he put our worries to rest. The OPLC has filed this form for the last two years, and was most recently filed by Skip two months ago. To clear the confusion somewhat, Skip explained that this form is required to be filled out by non-profit organizations which make less than \$25,000 a year. The IRS has given non-profit organizations whose income is

less than \$25,000 a year the last three years to begin filing the form. This year was the end of the grace period – those who have not filed by now will lose their non-profit status. The news release was very confusing, and Skip appreciated every one who contacted him with their concerns. He also reported that he has just completed the paperwork for the Arizona Corporation Commission, and all tax actions items are complete for the remainder of the year.

Skip also mentioned that his wife, Jean, has been in the hospital with a bad infection this week. She will be having tests done next week to see if they can find out what is causing her liver problems.

Sharlene Baker stood and passed on a big hello from Ursula Wilson up in Show Low, AZ.

There was only one item in the jewelry contest this month, so the format will change from a 'contest' to 'show and tell'. If you have made something lately, have a stone or a cabochon to show off, bring it in and share!

The meeting was closed at 10:50 am and the drawing began. Skip Barkley won the door prize.

HARRISON YOCUM UPDATE

By Donna Pugh

On June 12th, after the OPLC meeting, I paid a visit to Harrison in room 108 at the Pueblo Springs Rehab Center located south of Pima off of Craycroft and Lee. I asked him if he would like to go for a ride in his wheelchair to his house which is very close so off we went. Along side of us were his two dear friends Grace and Julie. All four of us took a tour of his house both inside and outside to check on all the plants and rocks. Then we went back to the Center just in time for Harrison to have dinner. Harrison hopes to be back home July 1. Right now he is using a wheel chair and will hopefully graduate to a walker soon. Julie gets Harrison from Pueblo Springs Rehab Center in the morning and wheels him down to his favorite place to eat, Alice's Restaurant, where she works. The game plan at present is when Harrison returns to his home Julie and Grace will be his care givers and he will be back in his 'own element' doing what he loves most.



Grace, Harrison and Julie in Harrison's yard

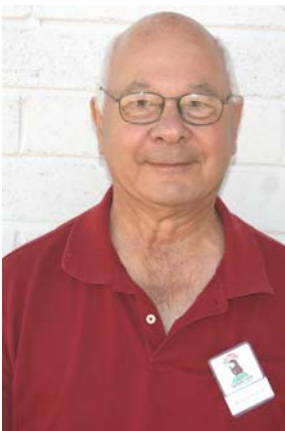
WELCOME NEW MEMBERS - - JUNE MEETING



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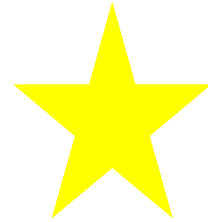
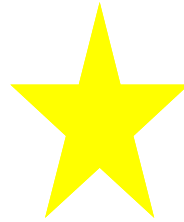
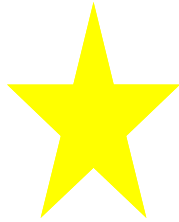
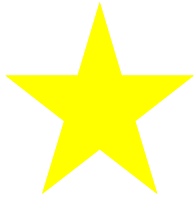
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The dues are being raised because of increasing operating costs. The shops are being equipped better than in the past. Wheels in the cabling room are being replaced more often, and new equipment is being brought in to handle more people working at the same time. The donation of new Titan wheels has been exhausted. We've had two major repairs on the roof and cooling system and anticipate additional repairs on the horizon. The increase in dues will help offset these expenses.

Our by laws require proposed dues increases to come before a general meeting for vote after members have had at least a ten-day prior notification. The membership will be asked to vote on this proposal at the July meeting.

Keep in mind that annual membership dues haven't been raised in over fifteen years. The cost of our 20-hour lab card still \$30. Five years ago Park and Rec 20-hour passes were \$93 - who knows what that is now?

JUNE SPEAKER



Bill, Stephen, and Pete

On June 12, 2010 OPLC had a speaker from 'Specialists in Dermatology', Stephen Cox. He had a very informative slide presentation with pictures detailing the various forms of skin conditions including 3 different types of skin cancer. He was most generous in providing OPLC members free samples of CeraVe, a daily skin care regimen for all. There were lots of questions from the audience. After the presentation Bill Carmody and Pete Peterson presented Stephen with an OPLC t-shirt as a 'thank-you' for taking his time to educate us on various skin conditions. For more information check out the Specialists in Dermatology web page: <http://www.specialistsindermatology.com>

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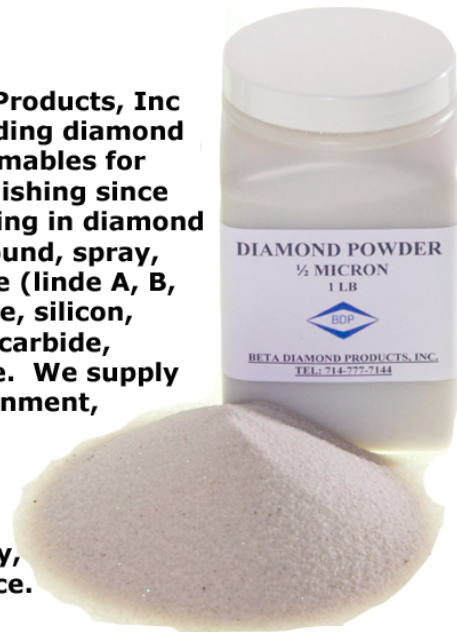
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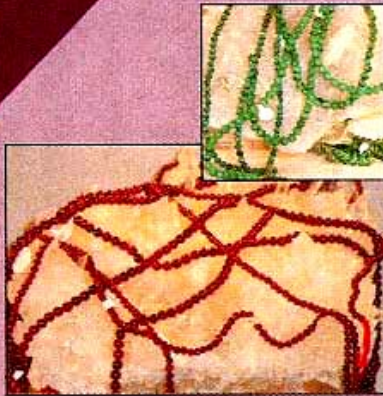
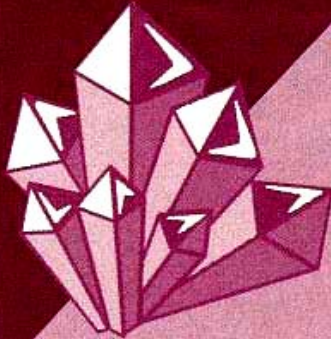
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THE JEWELRY CONTEST IS NO MORE

It was decided at the June meeting to replace the Jewelry Contest with a "Show and Tell". This will be a feature at each meeting to allow members to bring in items they have made, show them to the group, and have an open discussion to tell what the item is, how it was made, what difficulties were encountered in making the item, and take questions from the audience.

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1PM - 4PM **Silversmith Lab**

Monitor - Terry Cox 296-4949

(Lou will return September 7th)

6PM - 9PM **Beginning Faceting**

Monitor - Earl Zoeller 886-3518

Tuesdays

9AM - Noon **Cabbing**

Monitor - John Poole 777-5588

9AM - Noon **Silversmithing Lab**

Contact John Poole 777-5588

10AM - 1PM **Rock Sawing**

Monitor - Jim Baker 886-2126

6PM - 9PM **Silversmithing**

Contact Ray Brown 390-5667

Wednesdays

6PM - 9PM **Beginning Casting**

Monitor - Chuck Lundstrom 577-6446

6PM - 9PM **Cabbing**

Monitor - Keith Haubert 888-8719

Thursdays

10AM - 1PM **Rock Sawing**

~~Monitor - Jim Baker 886-2126~~

~~1PM - 4PM **Beginning Cabbing**~~

Monitor - Frank Beaven 1-810-919-5545

(Will reopen in the Fall)

6PM - 9PM **Silversmithing**

Monitor - Ron Davidson 749-3157

Fridays

~~9AM - Noon **Cabbing**~~

Monitor - Dan Harmsen 721-8452

(Will reopen October 1, 2010)

Saturdays

9AM - 2PM **Rock Sawing**

Monitor - Jim Griffin 578-3765

10AM - 3PM **Silversmithing**

Monitor - Ray Brown 390-5667

10AM - 3PM **Cabbing**

Monitor - Ron Davidson 749-3157

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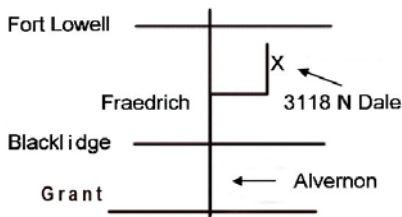
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Mail to: Membership Chairperson, Old Pueblo Lapidary Club, 3118 N. Dale, Tucson, AZ 85712



The Business Meetings are held on the 2nd Saturday of each month. A pre-meeting social hour (except for the December meeting) is at 8:00 a.m., followed by an educational program, and ends with the monthly meeting. Visitors are most welcome.