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Please join us on
July 14th for the next
meeting. **Optional social
hour begins at 8:00 AM,
followed by the monthly
educational program at 9:00
AM, followed by the monthly
meeting at 10:00 AM.**

Another reminder —
Please note ... new
meeting format



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!

See us online at: www.lapidaryclub.org

THE PREZ SEZ by Ron Davidson, President



No comments this month due to Ron being in the hospital and others being out of town.

YOU SPOKE — WE LISTENED

It has been brought to the attention of the Board of Directors that there is a perceived need for getting rocks in and out of the saw room in a more timely fashion. It has been indicated that it takes a long time to have rocks cut and then it is difficult to find someone to accept or return them.

So, for starters, the Board is going to look for two apprentice sawers. It is tentatively planned to have the sawers, saw any day of the week or anytime during the day. The Board would like to see a system that will have more cutting going on and will have something like a locked repository box where designated other monitors (in addition to the sawers) can open the box to return sliced rocks to owners, collect money for the sawing, and can accept rocks to be cut.

The saw room equipment is expensive and easily damaged. It is imperative that safety has priority and it is necessary to keep the general membership out of the saw room.

By Bill Carmody

REMINDER - - SUMMER LAB CLOSINGS

- Danny will be closing the Friday open cabbachon lab May 18th and it will re-open October 5, 2007.
- Lou Akerman will be leaving town for the summer so the Monday afternoon open Silver Smithing Lab is closed and will reopen on September 17.
- Additional changes to the lab workshop schedule on page 11 have been shown in **bold print**.

TUESDAY NIGHT LAB MONITOR CHANGE

Rob Driver will be replacing Billy Bob Riley as monitor for the cabbing room on Tuesday evenings. Rob's telephone number is 743-5152.

MONTHLY MEETING PRESENTORS

JULY

Shipherd Reed will talk about the Miner's Story Project. (Ed. Note: You may recall, if you went to the gem show at the TCC, there was a display depicting this topic).

AUGUST

Anna Domitrovic will give a talk about the copper minerals of the Sonoran Desert region.

SEPTEMBER

Debbie Colodner will speak about the Geology of the Gulf of California.

OCTOBER

Jenny Coniglio will speak about having fun with beads.

JUNE BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

By Diana Hara



The meeting came to order at 9:00 AM. A quorum was present. Our program presenter was having technical difficulties, so we had the business meeting first.

The club did not have any visitors at the meeting this month, but we did have one new member, Alberto Calixtro, to welcome. There were no June birthdays to celebrate, but we all enjoyed Sheila Powell's carrot cake anyway. Thank you, Sheila!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dave Witwer gave the membership an update on Ron Davidson. He is still in the hospital, but doing well. He plans to be presiding over the July meeting for sure, and possibly August. He should be out of the hospital in July, but going back in August to have his knee replacement put back in. You can contact Ron at the VA Hospital at 792-1450 x5296.

Donna Pugh will be gone for the next six weeks, and Bill Carmody will be carrying out the Treasurer duties during this time.

Diana Hara donated a videotape to the library. It is a training tape of Alan Revere making a pair of silver earrings using a jeweler's saw, files, and various other silversmithing tools. It is a good beginner lesson in silversmithing.

Dan Harmsen will be the cabling lab monitor on Tuesdays from 9-12 and

Saturdays from 9-12 through the end of June.

OLD BUSINESS

The club still needs a volunteer to take over as Treasurer!

Dave Witwer asked Bill Carmody for an update on the plumbing project. Bill has been out of town for the last three weeks and not much has happened. Artistic Plumbing is working on an estimate. Bill said the board should meet with whichever plumbing company is selected and get a clear picture of what is going to happen before they start working. Keith Alrick asked if a sediment trap had been found. Bill said that the trap would be included in the bid.

Dave asked Merv Peterson for an update on the electrical issues. Merv said that Earl Zoeller works for Sturgeon Electric. He and an electrician recently looked at the wiring in the shop, but he had not heard if anything was discovered amiss.

Sylvia Czayo answered this month's Facetor's Corner question: Amber is organic. She also thanked Dave Witwer for his service to the club. Sylvia also mentioned that Marion Russel was in the newspaper and is now a centagenarian. Congratulations, Marion!

Bill Carmody took the floor and said that Hildreth Garb was recently written up in the 'Accent' section of the paper as a patron of the arts!

Bill also mentioned that we still need people to volunteer to

be shop monitors. Rob Driver has graciously stepped in to be our new cabling shop monitor on Tuesday evenings! Bill said that he spoke to Dave Arens and that his wife is ill. Since Dave can't be at the club as much as he used to, we need a volunteer with saw experience to step in and help Dave.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business this month.

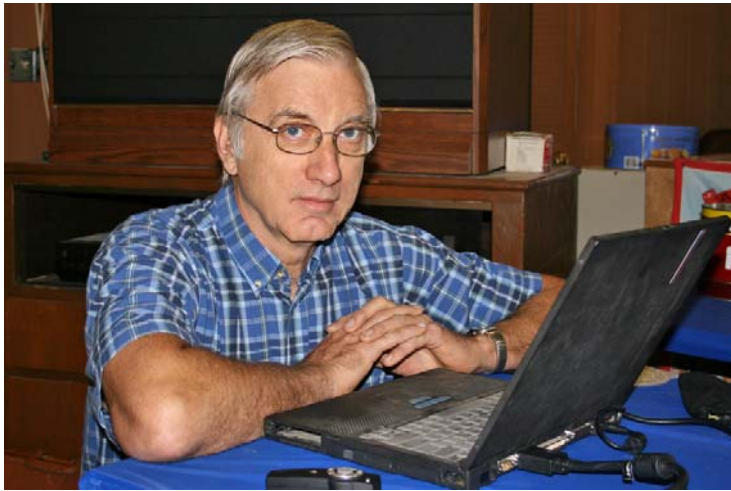
The meeting adjourned at 9:15 am.

May's program presenter was Dick Zimmerman from the Arizona Mining and Minerals Museum. He gave a wonderful presentation about the history of the museum along with many wonderful slides showing what the museum visit offers visitors. Thank you, Dick!

There was no door prize this month.

There were several entries in the jewelry contest this month. We had a mystery winner for a cabochon. The winner submitted the only heart-shaped cabochon in the contest. Come forward, mystery winner, and claim your prize of a free OPLC T-shirt or a lab card.

JUNE PRESENTER



Dick Zimmerman from the Arizona Mining and Mineral Museum gave an interesting 40 minute Power Point presentation about the museum. Included were photographs and discussion about the history of the museum, facility and displays, educational projects, and special events. Especially enticing were photos of mineral specimens from the museum's collection. After this presentation I know I will be planning a trip to the museum.

Dave Witwer

SPECIAL ITEMS OF INTEREST - - REMINDER

1. If anyone has a key to something at the Club and haven't done so already, please call Diana Hara at 572-0339 and tell her what key(s) you have.
2. Donations for Silent Auction - Due to the number of items or categories of specimens received, some of those items may be held over for the Silent Auction in the next year. And, some donated items do not go to Silent Auction if the item is better suited for use by the Club.



NOTE: Diana Hara will be filling in for Phil Babcock, (our temporary Librarian), while he takes the rest of the summer off. Diana can be reached at 572-0339 should you need to check out a book from the library.



WHO COULD THIS BE??



DIRT'S A FLYING!!

The scuttle going around the Club is that this mystery person has been know to state that he never digs in the dirt with tools of ignorance looking for specimens. "If it's not laying right on top, I don't dig for it".

Like they say a picture is worth a thousand words.

Submitted by A friend

DONATION

Robert H. Alexander has made another generous donation to the Club. His donation consisted of 5 trays of cut stones, collected specimens and other items suitable for lapidary and jewelry work. Many of the specimens, including galena and pyrite, will be given to Gretchen Arnaiz to be used in her work with local school children.

Thank you Robert!



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DON'T FORGET

Please don't forget to bring in **YOUR** aluminum cans to the Club for recycling. Your contribution would be greatly appreciated to help add \$'s to the Club's treasury.

Thanks! !

MEMBERSHIP NOTE

Due to the significant increase in the price of name badges, it has become necessary to charge \$3.00 for members that need a replacement badge.



ADVANCED FACETOR'S CORNER

The June question of the month was: Amber is an organic substance?

The answer TRUE

JULY QUESTION OF THE MONTH:

Diamond is the only gemstone composed of a single chemical element: True or false?

Come to the July meeting to hear the answer.



MONTHLY JEWELRY CONTESTS

In order for members to better plan for future monthly contests, here is the schedule for each category by month:

October - Pendant	January - Bolo Tie	April - Necklace	July - Charm
November - Bracelet	February - Earrings	May - Brooch	August - Faceted Stone
December - Ring	March - Belt Buckle	June - Cabbachon	September - Chain

Each issue of the newsletter will print a reminder for the next month's contest.

NOTE:: Winner of the cabbachon contest for June was Bill Carmody - congratulations!

ROCK & MINERAL SHOWS - JULY

6-8--DURANGO, COLORADO: 54th annual show; Four Corners Gem & Mineral Club; La Plata County Fairgrounds, 2500 Main Ave.; Fri. 11-6, Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-5; free admission; kids' day Fri., jewelry, jewelry-making tools and equipment, gems, minerals, fossils, beading, raffle, door prizes, educational and fluorescent mineral displays, silent auction; contact Joanna Baker, P.O. Box 955, Durango, CO 81302, (970) 884-7949; e-mail: 2007Show@DurangoRocks.org; Web site: www.DurangoRocks.org.

6-8--FLAGSTAFF, ARIZONA: 21st annual show; Flagstaff Gem & Mineral Society; Little America Hotel, Butler Ave. and I-40 (Exit 198); Fri. 11-6, Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-4; adults \$3, children under 12 free; contact Val Latham, 840 W. Charleston Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85023, (602) 466-3060; e-mail: dstuart@bmol.com.

7-8--LAKE OZARK, MISSOURI: 6th annual show; Osage Rock & Mineral Club; The Resort at Port Arrowhead, Room "D", 3080 Bagnell Dam Blvd. (Bus. Hwy. 54); Sat. 11-5, Sun. 11-5; free admission; gemstones, jewelry, meteorites, geodes, fossils, minerals, quartz crystals, custom jewelry, cabochons, gift items, kids' games; contact Roger Varvel, (417) 532-4367; e-mail: rvarvel@fidnet.com.

14--CEDAR PARK, TEXAS: Show; Sue Ellen Gem Stones LLC; Holiday Inn Express, 1605 E. Whitestone Blvd. (Hwy. 1431); Sat. 10-4; free admission; semiprecious odds and ends, rocks, minerals, stone jewelry, gold panning demonstrations; contact Susan Schiff, P.O. Box 92, Leander, TX 78646, (512) 680-2079; e-mail: Sales@MyGemShow.com; Web site: www.MyGemShow.com.

14-15--MOOSE LAKE, MINNESOTA: 38th annual show, "Agate Days"; Carlton County Gem & Mineral Club; high school gym and parking lot, 413 Birch Ave; Sat. 9-5, Sun 9-4; free admission; dealers with agates, cutting materials, specimens, crystal groups, fossils, gems, jewelry, equipment, rough-rock tailgaters, door prizes, field trip information, Agate Stampede Sat.; contact Allen Hyopponen, 4902 Jean Duluth Rd., Duluth, MN 55804, (218) 525-7766; e-mail: Finn-spec@charter.net.

20-21--MINOCQUA, WISCONSIN: Show, "Northwoods Wisconsin: A Rock, Gem, Fossil, & Jewelry Show"; Lakeland Gem Club; Lakeland Union High School, 8669 Old Highway 70; Fri. 9-5, Sat. 9-5; free admission; door prizes, dealers, jewelry, minerals, agates, gemstones, beads, cabochons, faceted gems, fossils, metal detectors, silent auctions, children's activities, demonstrations, displays; contact Michael Schramm, P.O. Box 1337, Rhinelander, WI 54501, (715) 499-6898; e-mail: simplyliving@frontiernet.net.

25-29--MANSFIELD, OHIO: 47th annual show, "Minerals of Canada"; Richland Lithic & Lapidary Society; Kingwood Center, 900 Park Ave. W; Wed. 10-5, Thu. 10-5, Fri. 10-5, Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-5; free admission; exhibits, crystals, lapidary work, fluorescent minerals, faceting and cabochon making demonstrations, club mineral and jewelry sales, no dealers, silent auction Sat.; contact Jay Medici, P.O. Box 28, Sparta, OH 43350, (419) 768-9128; e-mail: jmedici@bright.net.

28-29--FREDERIC, WISCONSIN: 40th annual show; Indianhead Rock & Mineral Society; Frederic High School; Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-5; free admission; contact Roy Wickman, (715) 357-3223, or Vernon Peterson, (715) 349-2241, or Dan Beal, (715) 472-8809.



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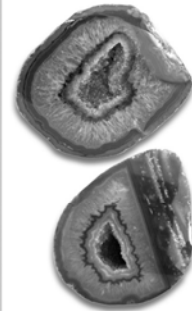
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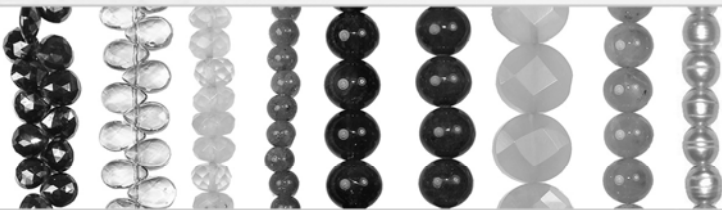


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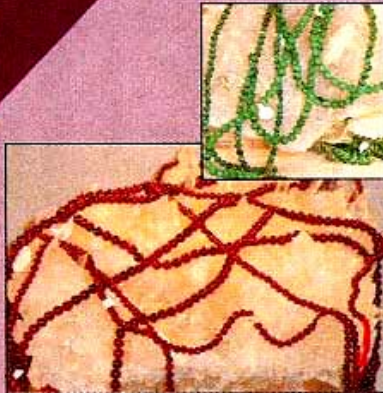
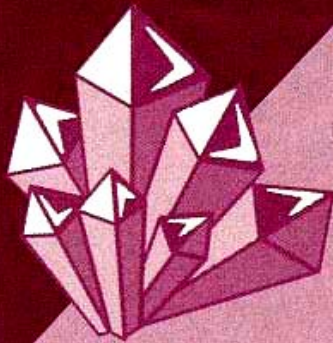
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Contact Lou Akerman 290-6968

(Lab will be closed June 4 and will reopen September 17)

Mondays 6 - 9 PM

Beginning Faceting - Class fee charged.

Contact Earl Zoeller 886-3518

Beginning Cabbng - Class fee charged.

Contact Billy Bob Riley 408-3074

Tuesdays 9 AM – Noon

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Monitor – Dan Harmsen 721-8452

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Tuesdays 6 - 9 PM

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Contact Rob Driver 743-5152

Open Silversmith Lab - Class fee charged.

Contact Billy Bob Riley 408-3074

Wednesdays 6 - 9PM

Beginning Casting - Class fee charged.

Contact Chuck Lundstrom 577-6446

Thursdays 1 PM – 4 PM

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Fridays 6 - 9 PM

Beginning Faceting & Open Lab -Class fee charged.

Contact (To Be Determined)

Saturdays 9 - 12 Noon

Open Shop - Cabbng & Silversmithing - Fee charged.

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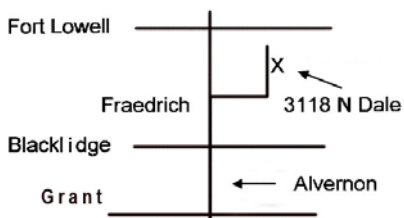
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The Business Meetings are held on the 2nd Saturday of each month. A pre-meeting social hour is at 8:00 a.m., followed by an educational program, followed by the monthly meeting. Visitors are welcome.