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PLEASE NOTE: THE MARCH
MEETING WILL BE HELD
MARCH 6TH INSTEAD OF
MARCH 13TH TO AVOID
CONFLICT WITH THE DEMING
ROCK & MINERAL SHOW.
SOCIAL HOUR BEGINS AT
8AM, THE MEETING AT 9AM.





NOTICE



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 Pete Peterson

Well, folks the big show is over and we can all relax a little bit. A big thanks to all of you who volunteered for the booth. We had more volunteers than we had badges or time slots allowed for our club. Even if you were not called this time, we still appreciate your volunteering. The new location of our booth did not seem to have an adverse affect on our exposure to the public. The kids loved getting polished rocks and so did the parents. Some of the most frequent requests for these rocks were from Grandparents. Some came back more than once. I guess they had more grandkids than they remembered. As long as the kids, parents and general public are thinking rocks, it is all good.

A special thank you to all behind the scenes volunteers. They prepared machines and materials for demonstrations in the booth, hauled the booth down to the show, set it up and made the connections and

cleaned up afterward. I trust everyone had a good time.

People asked a lot questions. How can I join? Where are you located? What equipment do you have? Can families join? Our volunteers answered all the questions and visited with the people and did a lot of good public relations for our club.

The U.S. Faceter's Guild Hob Nob gathering on the Saturday night before the show was a real success. I had never attended one before so it was amazing to see and visit with all the people from so many places. Art Kavan really does a great job as master of ceremonies.

The Pima County Fair, where we also have a booth, is coming up in April. Murray Hiller will be in charge of this event. He will have more information and will be looking for volunteers at the March meeting.

I have been thinking about

having a suggestion box. I imagine you all have something

you would like to share. Something you would like to see improved, changed, or added regarding the Club. We would review the suggestions at our monthly Board meetings and consider them all.

Something else to be thinking about is the Silent Auction in November. It is never too early to think about what valuable, one of a kind treasure you might donate to Danny Harmsen to add to the auction.

One more thought - The sign up sheet to bring treats for the social hour before the meeting is in the kitchen. Please pick a month and sign up now.

Remember there are no ugly rocks, just some that are prettier than others. See you all at the meeting on the FIRST Saturday, March 6th.

Pete

RECENT DONATIONS

- Bob O'Donnell donated 3 boxes of Magazines which included Rock and Gem, Lapidary Journals and various other rock magazines.
- Ursula Wilson donated a Star Diamond grinder/saw combination unit with motor.

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No meeting minutes as there was no meeting in February.

STUDENT BEATS THE TEACHER IN COMPETITION

The annual Hob Nob meeting was held at OPLC on February 6th and was attended by approximately 90 facetors from around the world. The highlight of the evening was a competition for



(LR) Tomohiro Karino, Art Kavan, and Sachico Karino.

cut stones in two categories; one for best cut natural stone and the other was for best cut synthetic stone. Art Kavan won the competition for the best cut synthetic stone and one of his former students, Tomohiro Karino won for the best cut natural stone. Both had stones in each category. Tomohiro's stone was faceted from Kunzite and had 93 facets and Art's stone was cut from CZ and had 385 facets. Art and Tomohiro had entries in both categories. There were 17 stones competing in the Natural category and 11 stones in the synthetic category.



A portion of the attendees that were in attendance.

2010 Tucson Gem & Mineral Show



OPLC once again had a booth at the February, 2010 Tucson Convention Center to demonstrate some of the activities that the Club has to offer and answer questions.

OTHER USES FOR A COFFEE FILTER (And this is just a start ... there's more)

Coffee filters Who knew! And you can buy 1,000 at the Dollar Tree for almost nothing even the large ones.

- 1. Cover bowls or dishes when cooking in the microwave. Coffee filters make excellent covers.
- Clean windows, mirrors, and chrome... Coffee filters are lint-free so they'll leave windows sparkling.
- 3. Use them to wrap Christmas ornaments for storage.
- 4. Use as a disposable "snack bowl" for popcorn, chips, etc.
- 5. Protect China by separating your good dishes with a coffee filter between each dish.
- 6. Filter broken cork from wine. If you break the cork when opening a wine bottle, filter the wine through a coffee filter.
- 7. Recycle frying oil. After frying, strain oil through a sieve lined with a coffee filter.
- 8. Weigh chopped foods. Place chopped ingredients in a coffee filter on a kitchen scale.
- 9. Hold tacos. Coffee filters make convenient wrappers for messy foods.
- 10. Stop the soil from leaking out of a plant pot. Line a plant pot with a coffee filter to prevent the soil from going through the drainage holes.
- 11. Prevent a Popsicle from dripping. Poke one or two holes as needed in a coffee filter.
- 12. Protect a cast-iron skillet. Place a coffee filter in the skillet to absorb moisture and prevent rust.
- 13. Apply shoe polish. Ball up a lint-free coffee filter.
- 14. Do you think we used expensive strips to wax eyebrows? Use strips of coffee filters.
- 15. Put a few in a plate and put your fried bacon, French fries, chicken fingers, etc on them. It soaks out all the grease.
- 16. Keep in the bathroom. They make great "razor nick fixers."
- 17. As a sewing backing. Use a filter as an easy-to-tear backing for embroidering or appliquéing soft fabrics.
- 18. Put baking soda into a coffee filter and insert into shoes or a closet to absorb or prevent odors.
- 19. Use them to strain soup stock and to tie fresh herbs in to put in soups and stews.
- 20. Use coffee filters as blotting paper for pressed flowers. Place the flowers between two coffee filters and put the coffee filters in phone book.

DONATIONS

You may contact one of the following individuals if you are interested in making a donation (rocks, equipment, etc.) to the Old Pueblo Lapidary Club. Please call: Bill Carmody at 760-8598 or Dan Harmsen at 721-8452.

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Photo of clubhouse

NOTE: Danny Harmsen's Friday lab that runs from 9:00am - Noon will be closed on March 12 and be open as usual the following Friday.



Always keep several get well cards on the mantle.. So if unexpected guests arrive, They will think you've been sick and unable to clean.

HELPFUL HINT

Cabochon RemovalA quick and safe way to remove a cabochon that gets stuck in the bezel of a finding when grinding for a perfect fit: Put the cab on a towel. Boil a cup of water. With needle nose pliers or tweezers, nab the offending cab and dip it in the hot water (a minute is usually enough). Remove the cab and tap it very gently with a pencil and it should drop out free and unharmed. The metal of the finding will expand more quickly than the stone and therefore the stone drops out.

Do NOT try this with opals!

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DON'T FORGET

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

January - Bolo Tie

March - Belt Buckle

May - Brooch
June - Cabochon

August - Faceted Stone

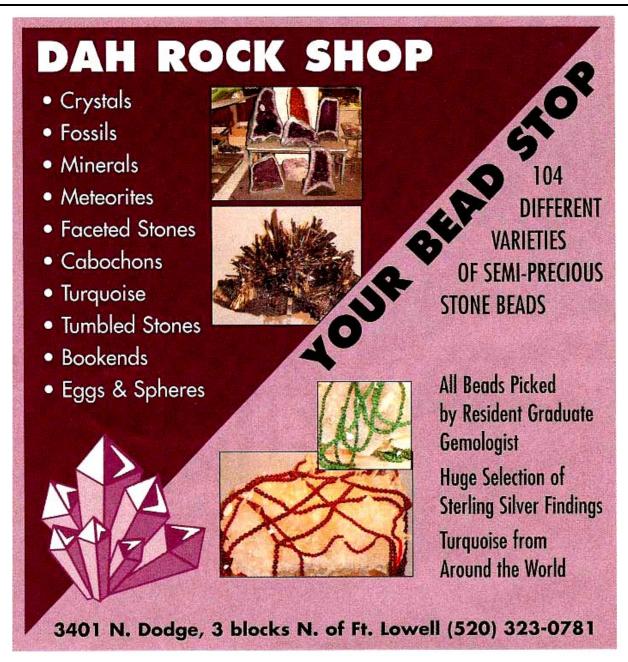
November - Bracelet

April - Necklace

July - Charm

September - Chain October - Pendent

December - Xmas Brunch



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Mondays 1 - 4 PM

Faceting Guild - Fee charged. Experienced facetors only.

Contact Paul Head 296-0331

Silversmith Lab - Fee charged.

Contact Lou Akerman 290-6968

Mondays 6 - 9 PM

Beginning Faceting - Class fee charged.
Contact Earl Zoeller 886-3518

Tuesdays 9 AM - Noon

Open Cabbing - Fee charged.
Contact , John Poole 777-5588

Silversmithing Lab - Fee charged. Contact John Poole 777-5588

Tuesdays Rock Sawing

10AM - 1PM Jim Baker 886-2126

Wednesdays 6 - 9PM

Beginning Casting - Class fee charged.

Wednesday Continued

Contact Chuck Lundstrom 577-6446

Open Cabbing - Fee charged.

Contact Keith Haubert 888-8719

Thursdays - Fees Charged

10AM - 1PM Rock Sawing

Monitor - Jim Baker 886-2126

1PM - 4PM Beginning Cabbing

Contact Frank Beaven 1-810-919-5545

6PM - 9PM Silversmithing

Monitor - Ray Brown - 390-5667

Fridays 9:00AM - Noon

Cabbing - Dan Harmsen 721-8452

Saturdays - Fees Charged

10AM - 3PM Silversmithing Ray Brown 390-5667

9AM - 2PM Cabbing & Rock Sawing Jim Griffin 578-3765



NOTE: Please call the respective shop Monitor for the lab you plan to attend to ensure that the lab will be open.



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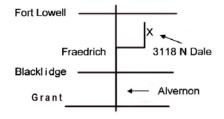
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Type of membership: Single Member Couple (same address) Junior	1st Quarter \$20.00 \$30.00 \$7.50	\$20.00	•	•	•

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.