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Please join us

November 9, at 9:00am

for the next 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 25<sup>th</sup> of each month. Thanks!

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### THE PREZ SEZ ...... by David Schulte, President

Make sure and break out the thick blankets for our cold nights in the Old Pueblo as we went from 100 degree summer days straight into cold winter nights this year and skipped the fall this year! Our latest Board meeting was held on 10/29/24 at 5:00 PM at the Club's main building. Once again we welcome all Club members to attend our Board meetings.

The silent auction on November 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Club raised a significant amount of money for the Club this year and I hope everyone got some great deals on all the material and equipment we auctioned off. My thanks go out to all the volunteers that helped set up and run the event: Danny Harmsen, Dave Richardson, Jean Barkley; Diana Hara; Mike Tucker; Ted Rupp; Tom McDivitt; Chuck Lundstrom; Jack McCabe; Janet



Rupp; Twink Monrad; Bill Penrose; David Schulte; Jennene Wulff; and Wayne Klement. If I missed anyone, my apologies. This is the Club's main money making event for the year and all proceeds go back to the Club for running and operating the labs and equipment.

The US Facetor's Guild dates for 2025 are as follows: Faceting class 2/4-2/5 general presentations 2/6-2/8. The Hob Nob will be on 2/8. The TGMS show is 2/13-2/16. The Club membership meeting will therefore be moved to the first Saturday in February 2/1/25. Wendy Huber has agreed to be the lead for our display cabinet presentation at TGMS this years and we will be asking for folks to bring in their marvelous Jewelry and gem creations for display at the show. More details will follow as we get closer to the show. This is an opportunity to show everyone in Tucson what beautiful things can be made at our Club and get folks to join up and participate in our lapidary passion!

There will be a demonstration in the silver lab on Saturday, 11/23/24 on how to press silver using the Potter dies from 9 until noon for anyone interested in learning how to use this tool in our silver lab.

The Club annual Christmas pot luck dinner will be held in December with a short Club membership meeting to vote in the new Board members. We are looking for volunteers to organize and run the event, bring in dishes, help serve and clean up for the event. Please contact myself or any of the Board members if you're willing to lend a hand this year.

We're still looking for anyone who is willing to donate some of their time and knowledge to volunteer to teach a specialty class and/or monitor at any of the Club labs please talk to me or any of the Board members to get more information about this. We ask that new monitors in any of the labs sign up for a 3 hour slot in the lab that they monitor in once a week for at least a year. Monitors can use the lab they monitor in for free, as long as it's a scheduled time slot for that lab to be open. The Board and I would like to thank ALL the volunteers for their time in monitoring in the labs so we can all enjoy our lapidary hobby.

We will accept any and all donation to the Club to include equipment or material dealing with lapidary. As a 501C organization you will receive a tax receipt to write off your donations to the Club. We'll even come and pick it up if you need us to. Let Danny Harmsen or any of your Board members know and we'll set up a time to come get it or you can drop it off at the Club anytime any of the labs are open! I hope everyone has a fantastic Thanksgiving. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone in the labs or at the Club sometime soon!

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#### **Minutes of OPLC Membership Meeting**

October 12, 9:00 AM at OPLC William Penrose, Secretary, wrp0143@comcast.net

The presentation was given by Shelly Sergent, "Somewhere In The Rainbow", a description of her collection of gemstones, featuring some from each of the 13 states that export the most high quality gemstone materials.

The minutes of the September 2024 general meeting were approved by voice vote of the membership.

Thank you to Wayne Klement for providing refreshments.

New members and visitors were introduced.

Financial Report – Mark Davidson – Exact budget figures are not published here. They are available to members on request. Club finances are in healthy shape. To September 30, 44% of the 2024 budget has been spent.

Library – no report.

Membership – Jan Keisler reported a total of 458 members in good standing, plus 7 in process.

Field trips – no report – Check the newsletter for updates.

The work of the Nominating Committee has been concluded. The slate for voting at the December annual meeting is:

President - Jack McCabe

Vice President – Chuck Lundstrom

Treasurer - Mike McDowell

Secretary – Bill Penrose

Board (3 seats open) – Mark Marikos, Mark Dragodovich, Amanda Rodriguez

Silent Auction – report by David Schulte – everything is ready to go on Saturday, November 2.

Lab times are posted in the Training Building, in the newsletter, and on the website.

For new members, there will be a facility tour after the meeting and raffle.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15.

#### 2024 SILENT AUCTION SUMMARY

The OPLC auction held on 11/2/2024 was a success but not quite as profitable as last year. The whole process ran very smooth with the excellent help we had. Following is a list of the people: Jean Barkley; Diana Hara; Mike Tucker; Ted Rupp; Tom McDivitt; Chuck Lundstrom; Jack McCabe; Janet Rupp; Twink Monrad; Bill Penrose: Jennene Wulff; Wayne Klement; and David Schulte. I apologize if I missed recognizing anyone. The auction is the main fundraiser for the club and, with the generous donations of the members and non-members, continues to keep our expenses paid. Thank you again for the donations of both time and materials.

#### **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:

Alan Romey - slabs, geodes, Thundereggs, Brazilian agates, amethyst, azurite balls, Jade, Polished marble, Victoria stone, dendrites, limb casts, fossilized coral, Tiffany stone, tabasco geodes.

#### **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**



Paula Banfield Mark Kuhn Dan Snyder Kit Doolin Ryan Olson Orasa Weldon Mike Haynes Nancy Riccio Robert Weldon

#### OPLC SPEAKERS FORECAST 2024- 2025

Here is the latest list for our upcoming speakers.

November 9, 2024, Tikka Opals, **Opals** 

December 14, 2024 – No speaker – Holiday Party

January 11, 2025.....

February 8, 2025.....

March 8, 2025, Claire Scragg, Being a Gem Detective

April 12, 2025.....

May 10, 2025, Jim Turner, The Mine with the Iron Door

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( ) Mark Dragodovich	(2025-2026)			
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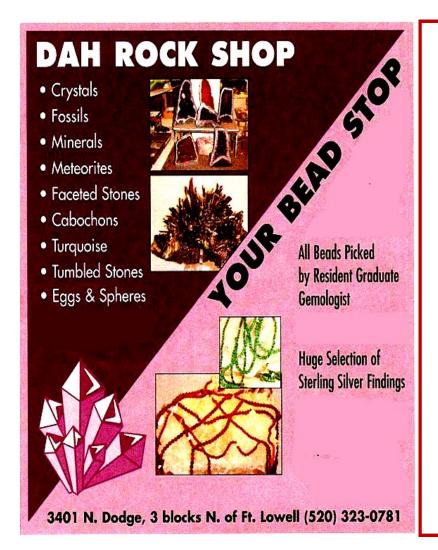
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# This is the lab schedule which is current as of 10-1-24. Please CALL the Monitor that is running the lab to make sure that they have space for you.

Cabbing

**Monday** 7am-11am Ken Briggs (520) 780-0640

6pm-9pm Donovan Wagner (520) 869-2050

**Tuesday** 9am-12pm 1st and 3rd Tuesday Dan Lilly (801) 995-9692

3:30-6pm Margarette Harris (520) 561-2315 6pm-9pm Brian Peterson (520) 449-2660

Wednesday 5pm-8pm Keith Haubert (520) 784- 8283
Thursday 7am-11am Betty Mehloff (253) 208-7460

1pm-4pm Wendy Huber (206) 669-6002

Friday No Labs currently scheduled.

**Saturday 4th Saturday** 9:00am-2pm Ron Bryan (619) 495-7967

7am-12pm Dennis Stock (602) 421-2707 2pm-5pm Wendy Huber (206) 669-6002 12pm-2PM Paul Fickle (520) 883-6061

Silversmithing

Sundays

**Monday** 10am-1pm Jane Morris (727) 743-0883

**Tuesday** 9am-12pm John Poole (520) 777-5588 No open shop Aug 13th, 20th, 27th.

Wednesday 9am-12pm Bill Cascio (520) 343-9927

5:30pm-8:30pm Stephanie Mendibles (520) 460-2101

**Thursday** 10am-4pm Sloane Padilla (520) 808-8699 (Text Only)

 Friday
 10am-2pm Giac D'Acquisto (520) 444-4143

 Saturday
 9am-12pm David Schulte (520) 954-8554

 Sunday
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**Faceting** 

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

Wednesday 5:30pm-8:30pm David Schulte (520) 954-8554 Open Lab Thursday 4pm-7pm Chuck Lundstrom (520) 241-9262 Class

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

Casting

Monday Noon-3pm 1st & 2nd Mondays Liz Williams (818) 300-5262

**Tuesday** 8am - 11 am Steve Weeks (978)-807-0075

**Wednesday** 4pm-7pm Chuck Lundstrom (520) 241-9262 Classes every other month,

beginning every January, open labs between classes; look for sign-up sheets in the meeting hall. Open lab available when NO class is running.

Call for open lab availability.

**Thursday** 9am-1pm Mark Dragodovich (520)-906-4657

Friday 2pm-5pm 2nd & 4th Fridays Travis Austin (540) 420-3844 Sunday 1pm-4pm 1st & 3rd Sundays Travis Austin (540) 420-3844

Saw Room

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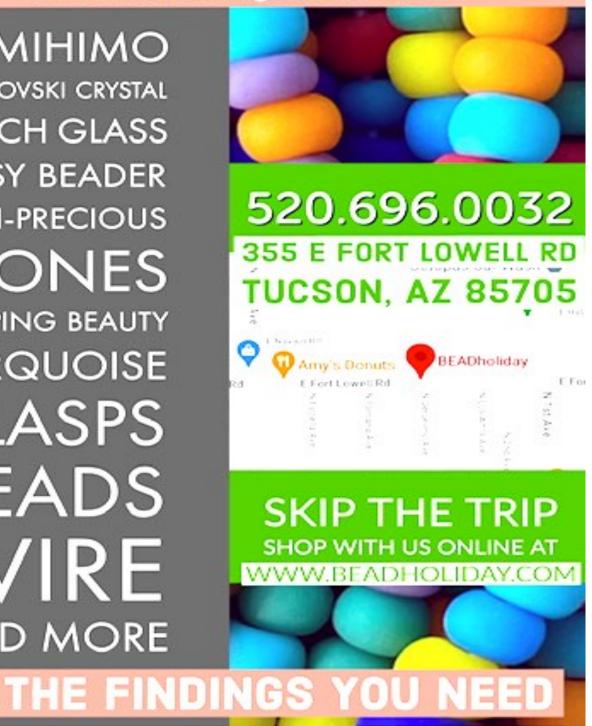
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# Minutes of Tuesday, October 29, 2024 OPLC Board Meeting 5:00 pm, W Penrose, <a href="wrp0143@comcast.net">wrp0143@comcast.net</a>

Present: David Schulte presiding, Wendy Huber, Mark Davidson, Bill Penrose, Dave Richardson, John Poole, Chuck Lundstrom, Jack McCabe, Twink Monrad, Ted Rupp, Amanda Rodriguez, Donovan Wagner, Brian Peterson. A quorum was present.

Treasurer's Report – Mark Davidson – The cash position is positive. Exact numbers are not given here, but are available to members on request. Remaining large expenses for the year are RMFMS dues and insurance and pest control costs, plus fire and Board liability insurance. It was recommended that the cab lab purchase a replacement Titan machine from this year's budget, since cash is available.

Membership – Janet Keisler via Twink Monrad – 464 members in good standing.

#### Lab Reports

Silver Lab – John Poole – All okay. A class has two sessions to go to finish. A question was raised and discussed about specialist classes like David Schulte's bolo tie class. Remaining budget \$1400. Saw Room – No report. They were advised to buy blades from this year's budget.

Cab Lab – Donovan Wagner – A new Titan will be ordered, although delivery may be slow. Remaining budget \$5400.

Faceting Lab – Dave Richardson – Everything is okay. Remaining budget \$1500. Casting Lab – Chuck Lundstrom – "No fires this month." A new class will be starting soon. No remaining budget.

Library – no report

Field trips – No report.

Silent auction – Proceeding this weekend Nov 2.

Christmas Party – MOTION – That we buy 15 new folding tables to replace the old ones which are falling apart. A budget allocation up to \$2200 was proposed. PASSED. Bill Penrose will be ordering new table covering material. Danny Harmsen will be supplying table decorations. We do not have a Christmas party coordinator; we will ask at the membership meeting.

Meeting Schedules – The February 2025 membership meeting coincides with the Faceter's Guild and TGMS show. MOTION – That the February meeting be moved to February 1 for just that meeting. PASSED

TGMS Chairperson – MOTION - Wendy Huber be chairperson for the TGMS display case. PASSED. Signup sheets for shifts at the TGMS show were posted in the kitchen.

County Fair – April 17 to 27 – Volunteer signup sheets will be posted. Dave Richardson will head up the organizing.

Pneumatic Press – David Schulte will be demonstrating the use of the pneumatic press on an upcoming Saturday morning.

Budget for 2025 – Appropriate changes were made to reflect new conditions. The projected budget will be a total of \$62,300 versus the 2024 amount of \$61,255.

Meeting adjourned at 6.05 pm.

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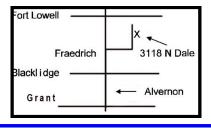
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