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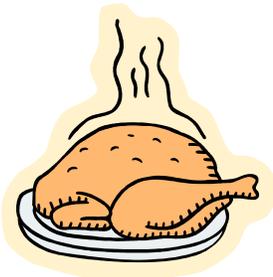
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Please join us on November 12th  
for the next meeting which begins  
at 9:00am, optional social hour  
begins at 8:00am. Remember - -  
the OPLC Silent Auction will be  
held this Saturday, November 5.



Articles or news to be included in the *Cutting Remarks* should be emailed to your editor, Wayne Klement ([wayneklem@aol.com](mailto:wayneklem@aol.com)), or feel free to call him at 520-546-9404. Submission deadline is the 25<sup>th</sup> of each month. Thanks!

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# THE PREZ SEZ.....by Bill Carmody



I love this time of year. It's the time of the pumpkin and pumpkin pies. I recall going to Costco's last year for a pumpkin pie. As I arrived, I got a little nervous when I saw the multitudes surrounding the pumpkin pie area. The pile was dwindling rapidly. Then, much to my relief, I saw a forklift with a full skid of replacement pies arrive. Shoppers started pulling pies from both piles. I got my pie and went over to the pork section. (They have good pork chops there as well.) This year I plan to go early and often. Why don't they sell pumpkin pies all year? (I guess I shouldn't write my comments when I am hungry.)

The weather with cooler climes, cloudless and beautiful blue skies make getting out into the desert in search of minerals a sheer joy. I hope many of you have been doing so. (It is always great to take a break midday while rock hounding for a few Fig Newtons.)

We had a meeting on the 25<sup>th</sup> of October to orient and coordinate the Club's participation in the upcoming February 2006 Gem and Mineral shows. The members with experience from the previous shows provided excellent insights and sage advice on what to expect and how to meet our objectives. Keep in mind that we will be using one of the Club's Genie and Facetron machines during the Beaudry Show (February 1-8) and then use the second Genie and Facetron machines during the set-up for the TGMS TCC show (February 9-12). So

be aware that during February 1-12 we will be short one Genie and one Facetron machine the whole period and short a second Genie and Facetron during the transition between shows (February 8-10). Please plan your shop work schedule accordingly. Any suggestions or questions should be directed to Garry Angle and Maribeth Terry for the TGMS show and to Art Kavan for the Beaudry show.

Remember, the OPLC Silent Auction happens on Saturday November 5<sup>th</sup>. I can feel the excitement building. There is still time for making donations. Things to consider for donation include: machinery you are not using; rock slabs you've accumulated and are probably never going to cut; work tables, desks, or other furniture; rough, cut-able rocks; and faceted gems, and gem roughs to name a few. Jim Griffin is the chairman of this activity and is the man to consult regarding all aspects of the auction. Beverly Griffin is heading up the kitchen activities.

The end of the year elections are drawing near. We have an excellent response to the call for the Club's board members. However, there are still openings for Club president and secretary. Please see or call Tom Miller, Election Committee Chairman, or Carl Bowlby to offer your candidacy or suggest someone else for the position. Also remember that there is a sheet on the bulletin board for members to sign up as candidates for these jobs.

Maribeth Terry's class on wire-wrap jewelry

fabrication is in full swing and has generated a lot of excitement. I saw Wayne Klement's first piece of jewelry recently. It was quite impressive.

We need to set a time and date for our Christmas Buffet.

Closing on a sad note, Melissa (Missy), Billy Bob Riley's daughter passed away during October. She was an extremely vivacious girl, full of energy who is sorely missed by all who knew her. It saddens me greatly as I extend to Billy Bob our condolences.



MARIBETH'S WIRE WRAP CLASS

Maribeth checking her class roster



Left to Right: Karen, Rosie, Maribeth, Hal, Carol, and Scott

# OCTOBER BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES .....

..... By Donna Pugh for Ursula Wilson



Upon the thud of a gavel on October 8, 2005 at 9:05 AM the meeting was called to order and opened by Bill Carmody, President, OPLC with an alert quorum present.

There were no corrections to the previous month's meeting minutes. Ron Davidson made a motion to approve the minutes which were laid to rest by 100% ayes.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Richey K-8 school sent a thank you note to the Club which was read and much appreciated. Another thank you note was received from a second school which was read also. Gretchen Arnaiz is very pleased with thank you notes received from teachers. These notes will be posted on bulletin board. She would like more rocks donated by OPLC members to distribute to the school children. She puts 30 rocks in each bag. Gretchen would prefer tumbled rocks as the school children seem to prefer this type but any kind of rocks help.

Bev Griffin announced that she would like food donations such as hand held sweets for the Silent Auction.

Jaime De Zubeldia's next casting class starts October 12 with 4 or 5 members. Jaime is working his way down the sign-up list.

Gordon Harnack offered to donate a screen door to Club. Ron Davidson is working on getting it installed.

Ron Davidson has personal business to attend to so there

will be no open lab on Saturday, October 15.

A welcome back was given to all the 'snow birds'. A special welcome was extended to our newsletter editor, Wayne Klement.

Thanks were given to Wayne and Bob (Bobo) O'Donnell for doing a good job with the newsletter coordination over the summer months.

Thanks was given to Rosie for her efforts in obtaining the Starr Gem ad and to Wayne Klement and Donna Pugh for their formatting work. More work will be done on this ad for better clarity.

Tom Miller gave an update on Larry Gallagher. Larry is living in an assisted living home. A call or visit would be encouraging. You could even take Larry out for a few hours.

Per Tom Miller, positions for next year's Slate of Officers as President and Secretary need to be filled. Are there any volunteers to run for these offices?

Jim Griffin welcomed new members Linda and Kevin Leonard. Leslie Lawrence is 80 so a life time membership was bestowed upon him.

Bill Carmody introduced his daughter, Carrie, who was visiting Tucson from California.

## HIGHLIGHTS

If anyone would like to help set-up for the Silent Auction, talk with Jim Griffin. November 4<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM is the official set-up date.

Abe Lackow mentioned that

donations for the auction don't necessarily

have to be rocks or minerals. Items could be anything in good condition. To help with security issues during auction two table monitors are needed. John Pavon will be the Master of Ceremonies. Donna Pugh will collect money. If anyone has old lapidary magazines, the Club would appreciate the donation for the Silent Auction. Rosie Page stated there are OPLC T-shirts for sale at \$10 a piece. Paul Head mentioned that an old Graves machine that was donated sometime ago could be placed in Auction. Sylvia Czayo made a motion to sell this; motion was approved.

A minimum bid will be \$400. Jim Griffin announced that a beautiful Brazilian cathedral geode has been donated by Dave Vukmanovich from 'V Rock Shop' for the Silent Auction.

New Officers and Board Members will be needed for next year's OPLC Board. See Tom Miller or Carl Bowlby if you would like to run or recommend someone for a position making sure you have that person's approval before hand.

Gary Angle and Maribeth Terry are co-chair persons for the OPLC display at the Tucson Gem and Mineral Society Show that will be held February 9 – 12,

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**... Meeting Minutes Cont'd.**

2006 at the Tucson Convention Center. Our Club display needs to be well coordinated as it will follow the Beaudry Show being held February 1 – 8, 2006 co-chaired by Art Kavan and Paul Head. Art explained that Beaudry was going to do the show last year but this did not happen because there was not enough time for organization. Beaudry advertises worldwide so there is a possibility for our Club to pick up new memberships from different states. Art feels like this show will turn into something very large as there between 300 – 350 dealers and room for expansion. OPLC members will be able to attend this show for free by showing their membership badge. Abe

Lackow pointed out that silverwork / fabrication could be demonstrated at this show without the use of anything that would be a fire hazard. A sign up sheet is available for volunteers to help working half day sessions. There is a need for at least 20 individuals. Gretchen Arnaiz asked if it would be possible to give rocks away at this event. Billy Bob Riley is working on tumbling rocks for give-a-ways.

Art announced that Hob Nob will be held at the OPLC meeting room on Saturday the 4th of February from 6:00 - 9:00 PM. The Hob Nob is for Faceters from around the world. We will probably have over one hundred attend this year.

OPLC will have 3 badges

issued by Tucson Gem and Mineral Society for the February show. Hopefully we will be able to obtain a few more badges. There is an area set aside for volunteers. Abe Lackow may be able to help with the silver smithing demonstration.

Lou Akerman will have open lab for silver smithing on Mondays from 1 - 4 PM.

The Business Meeting was adjourned.

A raffle was held after the Business Meeting netting \$73.00.

Anna Domitrovic gave a wonderful slide presentation about old mines, ghost towns, history and minerals in and around Patagonia. A thank you gift donated by Sylvia Czayo was presented to Anna.

**Reminder About Larry Gallagher**



He is in assisted living and would like to hear from folks. He lives at 5601 E 10th Street near Park Mall. Larry can be reached at 571-7158

*In Memorium*

*Melissa, Billy Bob's daughter, passed away October 16, after a short illness. We mourn her passing but she will be fondly remembered. OPLC extends its heartfelt condolences to Billy Bob and his family.*



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I \_\_\_\_\_, a member of the Old Pueblo Lapidary Club of Tucson, Arizona, cast my vote for the those candidates, and/or those specific items listed below and in my absence, do hereby tender by proxy to the Board of Directors or, (indicate a specific member, if so desired) \_\_\_\_\_ to represent me and to vote as they deem in the best of the club and on any other business which may be considered at the meeting to be held on December 10, 2005. In the event I do not vote my preference for those candidates and/or those specific items listed below, I also tender my proxy to the entity indicated above to vote those items as they deem in the best interest of the club.

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Donna Pugh

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Board of Director – Two year term: **(Vote for two)**

Don Feyrer

Tom Miller

Don Rittenberry

MariBeth Terry

Board of Director – One year term: **(Vote for only one)**

Paul Head

Bob O'Donnell

Jaime De Zubeldia

Signed \_\_\_\_\_, Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: This is a snapshot of the proxy as it stands at the time of printing this issue.**

**The final proxy will be printed in the December newsletter.**

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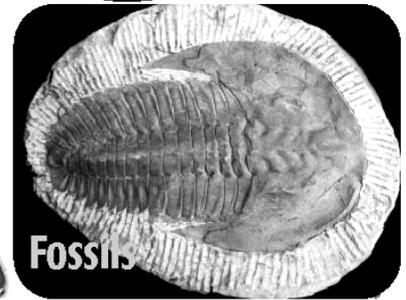
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## THAR'S GOLD IN THEM THAR HILLS !!



Come to the November 12, OPLC monthly meeting and **hear all about it.** Gordon Harnack is going to be our guest speaker and tell us the where (sort of ), how, and what to use for going out and look for the yellow stuff. He will enthrall us with his wisdom and experiences with an informative talk on gold prospecting. His presentation will delve into local resources (contacts), where (broad terms), what to look for, optional equipment, and much, much, more. Don't miss this exciting opportunity to hear what you need to strike it rich!



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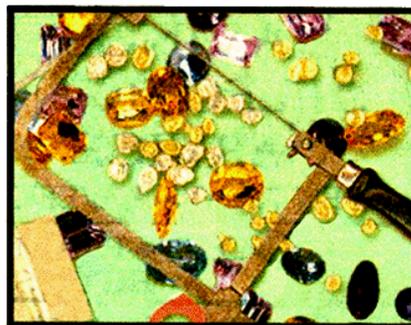
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using; rock slabs you've accumulated and are probably never going to cut; work tables, desks, or other furniture; rough, cut-able rocks; and faceted gems and gem roughs; etc. We need to make this auction at least as successful as the last one and this is going to take a lot of work and generosity on each members' part.

## WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

### 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

Beginning Cabbing - Fee charged.  
Contact Billy Bob Riley 408-3074

### Mondays 6 - 9 PM

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

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### Tuesdays 9 AM – Noon

Open Shop. Fee charged. Beginners welcome. Tools  
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Contact Don Rittenberry 572-8674

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### Wednesday 6 - 9PM

Beginning Casting - Class fee charged.  
Contact Jaime De Zubeldia 616-9344

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Contact Dan Harmsen 721-8452

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Contact **(Pending new monitor)**

### Saturdays 10 - 3 PM

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Jaime De Zubeldia's casting class.

From left to right .... Murray, Jaime, Merv, and Maribeth

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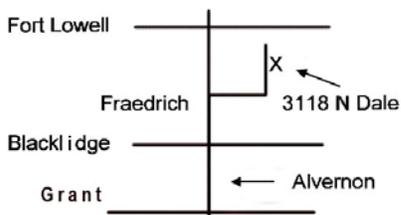
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**Mail to: Membership Chairperson, Old Pueblo Lapidary Club, 3118 N. Dale, Tucson, AZ 85712**



The Business Meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month which starts at 9:00 a.m. A pre-meeting social hour is at 8:00 a.m. for those that are interested. Visitors are welcome.