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BOARD MEETINGS

5:00 P.M. Prior to

GENERAL MONTHLY
MEETING (Sept.-May)

At Mt. Olive Parish Center

2170 Havasupai Blvd.

FIELD TRIP COMMITTEE

The committee meets the
second Monday of each

month at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting will be held at
David Frybarger's house at

2510 Angler Dr.

928-9080

GENERAL MONTHLY MEETING

Friday, May 13, 2011

Mt. Olive Parish Center

2170 Havasupai Blvd.

Lake Havasu City

Meeting begins @ 7:00 p.m.

Visiting @ 6:30 p.m.



Have a wonderful summer!

And

We'll see you all in
September!

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YOUR HELP IS NEEDED TO HELP WITH OUR GEM SHOW!

PLEASE LET CHAIRMAN KAREN LOHR KNOW

AT (928)854-9449

(see pg 5 for Spring Update)

CLUB INFORMATION

The Lake Havasu Gem & Mineral Society is a member of The Rocky Mountain Federation of Mineralogical Societies (RMFMS) and associated with the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies (AFMS).

The purpose of the Lake Havasu Gem and Mineral Society is:

1. To increase our appreciation of the beauty and value of the land in which we live.
2. To foster good fellowship among the members while pursuing the Club's activities.
3. To foster knowledge of the earth sciences.
4. To provide educational scholarships in scientific fields.
5. To procure and improve club equipment.

The Lake Havasu Gem and Mineral Society meets the second Friday of each month from September through May at Mt. Olive Parish Center 2170 Havasupai Blvd., Lake Havasu City, AZ. The membership typically votes to eliminate the June, July, and August meetings.

Fiscal Year: January 1st– December 31st

Name badges are required for all members.
 One time or replacement badge cost - \$8.00
 Single membership cost - \$16.00
 Family sponsored Junior membership cost - \$8.00
 Family membership cost - \$16.00 for the first member and \$8.00 for each member thereafter with a maximum of \$25.00.

Annual Membership dues are payable on January 1 and shall be delinquent after the February meeting.

Please remit payment to :

Lake Havasu Gem & Mineral Society
Attn: Membership Chairperson
P.O. Box 990
Lake Havasu City, AZ 86405-0990

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editor@lakehavasugms.org

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Vacant	Secretary
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Don Wininger	Sgt. At Arms
Jack Hodges	First Year Director
Tom Henderson	Second Year Director
Rick Gilpin	Third Year Director

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President's Message ---

Where did the time go? Here we are already half way through the 2011 business year. Some members have started heading back to their summer home and we will be shutting down until September. This year if we vote to have unofficial meetings at the library, as we have in the past two years, I think we may try to have some short field trips, as well as a pot luck and ice cream social.

Last month, we did a field trip to the No Name Mine, at least that's what I call it and at the Bar in the Desert by twelve-thirty. We were done collecting by eleven in the morning and then on to the Bar in the Desert. The temperature that day hit the triple digits, but we were on our way home by that time. So if we are careful, and watch for creepy crawlers, I think we can have a few outings. Also, for those that stay here through the summer, I understand that the workshop at the college will still be available. Call Don Winniger for information.

When we resume in September and the annual show will be around the corner. I know I have said it before, but the more people we have volunteering the less any one person will have to do. It is really a lot of fun. Kevin Lohr will be happy to sign you up for either or both days.

See you at the May meeting
"C"

General Meeting Minutes April 8, 2011

**Mt. Olive Parish Center
2170 Havasupai Blvd.
Lake Havasu City, Az. 86403
Submitted by Acting Secretary
Carol Rhodaback**

Lake Havasu Gem and Mineral Society

President "C" Russell called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM.

Sergeant Don Winniger led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Russell welcomed two guests and the membership to the meeting.

Minutes of the March 11, 2011 were approved as printed.

Treasurer: Carol Rhodaback, Secretary, presented the report for Liz Porter.

The report is filed in the "Board Minutes and Financial Statements" orange binder.

Program: Rick Gilpin introduced Al Schultz. Al gave a talk and showed his collection of fulgurites that he and his wife have dug on their property. He used a 200 power visual microscope to show on a screen the many shapes and colors not seen by the naked eye. There was a display of items that were for sale also.

Break: President Russell called a break at this time to let the membership speak with Mr. Schultz and have refreshments.

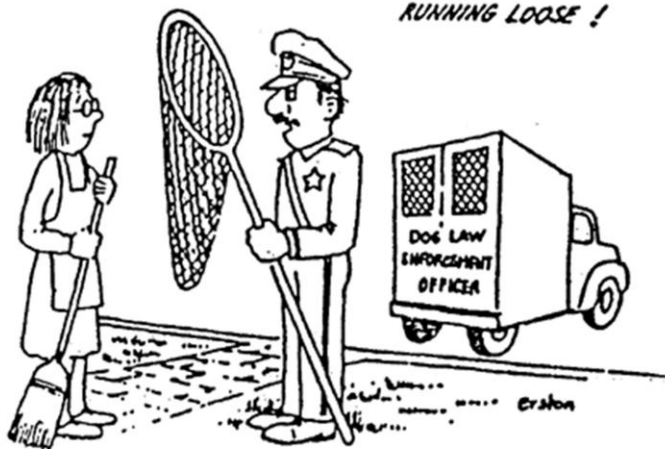
President Russell resumed the meeting.

Committee Reports:

Field Trips: Dave Frybarger offered "Proposed Field Trip and Rule Changes" at the Board Meeting. The Board approved these changes. President Russell read the "Field Trip Rule Changes" These rules are:

1. Field trips are for members and their guests only.
2. Guests must ride in member's vehicle.
3. Members must wear their badges.

H'ELL, SOMEONE CALLED AND SAID THERE WAS A ROCKHOUND RUNNING LOOSE !



(From Rock Buster News 5/88 via SHAWNEE)

General Meeting Minutes, con'd.--

4. Members must have a FRS radio and carry it with them when in or out of their vehicle.

5. Participation in some field trips may be limited. A sign-up sheet will be available at the meeting prior to the limited trip. Phone reservations will not be accepted.

Friendship: It was noted by Carol Rhodaback, Secretary, that the chairperson of this committee, Madge Klinger, was injured and a get well card was sent from LHGMS to Madge.

Government Compliance: Judy Cano stated that we are in compliance.

Membership: Gail Gilpin gave her written reports. We now have approximately 219 members. Other reports are filed with the General Meeting Minutes. She gave Carol Rhodaback, Secretary, the receipts from the meeting to give to Liz Porter, Treasurer. As of the typing of these minutes, Liz has been given the receipts and an accounting was written up for the Secretary and Treasurer files.

Program: Rick Gilpin said that no guest speaker has been located for the May meeting.

Swap Meet: Kathy McCauliff has submitted detailed financial reports for the Swap Meet booth and the Balloon Fest. These are filed in the Board Minutes and Financial Statement orange binder.

Workshop: Don Wininger noted that the Wednesday evening class at the college has been attended by 5-6 people. Afternoon classes can begin as early as 1:00 PM.

Old Business: There was no Old Business discussed.

New Business:

Stan Sutton made a motion to accept Al Schultz as a Honorary Member of the Lake Havasu Gem and Mineral Society for his support and service to our club. Bob Ediger seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. Al said he would donate a fulgurite to the Lake Havasu Museum of History. Thank you Al!

It was requested by Stan Sutton that Secretary, Carol Rhodaback send a letter of congratulation to Mike Riddle for his appointment as Curator to the Lake Havasu Museum of History. He has always been a friend to our organization.

General Meeting Minutes, con'd ---

Door Prizes/Fifty-Fifty: A number of door prizes were given out. \$90.00 was collected for the 50/50 drawing. The lucky winners were Roxanne Helgeson who received \$25.00 and Donald Creasey who took home \$20.00.

President Russell held an auction for two of the Mayan artifacts that Helen Milne has been holding for the club. Stan Sutton won the first bid at \$15.00. (We owe him \$5.00 in change). The second bid went to Karen Olsavsky at \$17.50. Congrat's to you both.

President Russell adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,
Carol Rhodaback, Secretary

Before the Mayan Dynasty Period artifacts were auctioned off, he read the following information we have concerning these items.

Helen Milne, who has been storing the artifacts for the Society was interviewed by Carol Rhodaback, Secretary. Helen stated that the exact names and dates are so far in the past that she can only relate what information she remembers.

About twenty years ago a past member of the Society went to Mexico to look for Mayan artifacts at some ruins. Years later he became ill and passed away. His wife contacted Leonard Milne concerning what to do with the artifacts. He contacted a college and a museum in Mexico to inquire about the need to return the items or not. He was told they had so many items from that particular area that they need not be returned. So Leonard stored them. After his passing Helen found them in her garage and asked one of the Society members what they thought should be done with them. "C" Russell suggested they raffle them off to members of the Society.

After the meeting Carol Rhodaback did some checking on the internet to see what information was available concerning the Mayan Dynasty Period. It was found that there are hundreds and thousands of Mayan sites in Mexico. The few pictures of artifacts show little or no resemblance to the two auctioned off at the April 13, 2011 meeting.

Carol Rhodaback, Secretary

May



Arthur Barker
Larry Bulkholz
Manfred Frisch
Les Holtz
Ella Palmquist
John Schumacher
Ann Vandergrift
Lois Ediger
Mary Roberts
Echo Wilson
Carolyn Jones
Karen Olsavsky



Happy Anniversary!

John & Irene Bryske
Paul & Leonor Fee
Edward & Kathryn McCauliff
Randy & Joanne Perin
Candy Wikum

Another Shop Hint

Here is a suggestion to make the wet grinding procedure more comfortable. Place water pipe foam insulation over the edge of the water trough for an easy wrist rest while working the stone. Just cut to the length needed and slip it over the edge of the water pan.

*from the Rock Rattler via Amador Nugget 1/01
via RockCollector 3/01*

SPRING UPDATE!

42ND ANNUAL GEM SHOW!

Spring is a quiet time for most of the Chairpersons.

But they will really need your help in the Fall!

However, I can use your help now!!!

And in a very easy way! If you have any contacts for Venders please send me the information. We are trying to get as many venders as possible this year. So if you are visiting craft, art or Gem Shows and anyone there has anything to do with ROCKS AND/OR MINERALS or Stone Jewelry ask them if they would be interested in being a Vender at our Gem Show, Nov. 12 & 13. If so send me their information! I have picked up 3 venders this way.

Again, Have a GREAT Summer!

Much Love,

Karen Lohr

(928) 854-9449

e-mail: karenlohr@frontiernet.net

Following are your Chairpersons:

Kitchen: Jay Brown

Security: Rick Gilpin

Membership: Gayle Gilpin

Display Cases: Gary Mortimer

Publicity/Advertising: Harry Kilb

Door-Raffle Prizes: Kathy McCauliff

Demonstrations: Tom Henderson

Greeters: Judy Cano

Game Booth: Nan Russell & "C" as co-chair

Set-Up/Teardown: "C" Russell

DON'T FOREGET THE RAFFLE TICKETS!!!

We will ask for full cooperation starting in September!

A foot is a device for finding a rock when you are looking the other way! OUCH

via Golden Spike News 8/01

Rock & Gem Shows

May/June

May 7-8, 2011 Fountain Hills

Fountain Hill Gem & Mineral Show

Fountain Hills Community Center
13001 N. LaMontana Dr., Fountain Hills, Az
85268

Sponsored by O. B. Rock & Minerals, 602-826-2218

Admission and Parking: Free

Hours: Sat. 10-6, Sun 10-5

Raffles Drawings, Kids Activities

May 28-29, 2011 Pinetop-Lakeside

Memorial Day weekend

White Mountain Gem & Mineral Show

Blue Ridge J. H., 3050 N. Porter Mtn. Rd. Lakeside, Az.
85929

Sponsored by: White Mt. Gem & Mineral Club
P.O. Box 3504, Show Low, Az 85902

Admission: \$2.00, students under 16 free with paying
Adult

Parking: Free

Hours: Sat. 9-6, Sun. 9-4

Show and Dealer Chairperson: Larry Legge

larrylegge@yahoo.com &

Nanz Marshall, 928-537-2524

May 28-29, 2011 Bisbee

Bisbee Mineral Show

Sponsored by: City of Bisbee, Bisbee Mining Historical
Museum, and Bisbee Chamber of Commerce

Hours: Sat., Sun., 9 – 5

Website: www.queenminetour.com

Phone: 520-432-2071

Advice For Rockhound Watchers

Can you spot a rockhound? The species isn't rare.

You can tell him by his honest face, and his willingness to share.

You can tell him as he saunters by, his eyes glued to the ground.

No matter where he goes, he's sure there's gemstones to be found.

You can tell him by his friendly smile, he's an all-round pleasant guy;

But the sure-fire way to spot him, is the flashy bola tie!!

From EUREKA NEWS 1/86 via QUARRY QUIPS 4/01

Via Beehive Buzzer 11/01

The Rocky Mountain Federation of Mineralogical Societies 2011 Convention

The 48th Annual Pikes Peak Gem & Mineral
Show

The 3rd Annual Rock Fair at WMMI
Exhibiting at the Rocky Mountain Federation
Show of 2011 in Colorado Springs

The 2011 Show will be staged at two venues.

The non-competitive exhibits will be at:

[The Western Museum of Mining & Industry](http://www.wmmi.org)
225 North Gate Boulevard
Colorado Springs, CO 80921

Located just off I-25 exit 156A. Just east of the
USA Air Force Academy Northgate.

(800) 752-6558

(719)-488-0880

<http://www.wmmi.org>

The competitive exhibits will be located at the :

[Best Western \(The Academy Hotel\)](http://www.bestwestern.com)

8110 N. Academy Boulevard

Colorado Springs, CO 80920

Located just off I-25 exit 150. Just south of the
USA Air Force Academy.

(800) 766-8524

(719)-598-5770

Metamorphosis Of A Female Rockhound (A Magic Witch)

On meeting night she's a woman of fashion,
Her make-up's right; she is real dashin'
Each curl is set, each hair in place.
All dressed up in silk and lace.

She greets me with a familiar air—
I know I've met her, but when or where?
I look at her and I rack my brain
Till my mind's a-whirl with added strain.

My mind's a blank and my memory demolished
Until she says, "Did your rock get polished?"
Aha! I have it! The last field trip!
This must be the dame who looked like a drip!

Her hair was wind blown, her face was dirty.
Nothing about her would make you feel flirty.
Metamorphosis for sure! "Oh can this be
The gal who dug along side of me?"

via Sooner Rockologist 1/97 & Shawinish Raktawk 4/97

QUARRY QUIPS 10/98

Via Beehive Buzzer 10/01

Rawhide Field Trip Report

By David Frybarger

On Saturday, March 26, twenty eight members and seven guests followed me out Alamo Road to the vicinity of the Maggie Mine where we turned off on a rough road that lead into upper Rawhide Wash to visit a Quartz outcrop streaked with Chrysocolla and Shattuckite. The material from here is a pretty blue and white mix and I am eager to see if anyone polishes some of it. There is also some Marble further up the hill from the Quartz. After an hour or so of collecting we moved on to the Rawhide Mine which is further down the wash. Those who were willing to climb the hill to the tailings found some more Chrysocolla in Quartz.

Those rockhounds that hadn't left for home then followed me to an unnamed mine between the Rawhide and Cactus Queen Mines where we collected some sparkly Hematite streaked with Malachite. This material is pretty but very heavy and we were all glad it was downhill to load it in our vehicles.



Jewelry Making Class Offered at MCC

By David Frybarger

Famed jewelry maker Mark Payne will be making his first debut as a College instructor this May 17 at Mohave Community College. Classes are open to the public and cost \$106 for each class. Silversmithing will be taught on Tuesdays 1-5 PM. Lapidary will be taught Tuesdays or Wednesdays 8 AM to 12 PM and Glass Fusing for Jewelry will be taught on Thursdays 1-5 PM. Each class provides 24 instructional hours and lasts six weeks.

You can register between 9 AM and 6 PM Monday through Friday at the Lake Havasu City campus at 1977 W. Acoma Blvd, and you can view Mark Payne's work by visiting www.indigooflameworks.com. For more information call MCC at 928 505-3356

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Please send exchange bulletins to

The address below

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