



Quarry Quips



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From the President

From the family of Pat Clough.

A Family Thank-you.

Pat considered it a privilege when elected WGMS President and had visions for the coming year. Sadly, that was not to happen. Cancer invaded her body, and she wasn't able to recover.

She had been a member of WGMS since 1993 and held positions of Publicity Chair, Jr. Leader, Hospitality, Director and served on numerous committees. She created the Mineral identification program that WGMS offers students each year at our annual show.

Your many cards, thoughts and prayers helped her through painful times and gave us and her family comfort. We thank you WGMS members, once again you have helped me and my family through difficult times.

Always,

Mary, (her mother) and daughters Micah, Mandy and Miranda.

From acting president David Marshall

Hello Everyone

Wow, Christmas just flew by and already we are one month into the year. This is our busy time of the year in preparation for our Gem & Mineral Show the last weekend in April. Lots to do and lots being accomplished. Gene had an impromptu stuffing of the rock sample bags for the kids just prior to our Anniversary meeting. Amazing, the goal was to fill 250 bags and the group filled 275. Well done.

And, we celebrated our WGMS 66th anniversary at our January meeting. "Bring your favorite Agate" was the theme, and we had some wonderful stories on how the various agates came into our members' possession. It was fun to see so many variations on a theme. It seems like Agate might be the most favorite of our membership. I wonder what might be in second or third place. We had a large turn out and everybody had fun. I had fun learning who all present had held various leadership positions over the years. We are standing on the shoulders of those who walked before us.

Our Board will meet at 6:30 Feb 18 at the church. Gene requested that he have 30 min for the Show Committee to run through some things and then we will carry on afterwards.

Our next meeting is Saturday the 23 (no, not Sunday). It's time for our Winter Auction. Bring items that you would like to donate to the club for sale: minerals, books, equipment, tools. Doors open at 11 am to begin sorting, organizing, and staging the items for auction. Potluck will be served at 12 noon. Please bring some fun and delicious food to share. Then at 1 pm the fun begins.

It is with sadness that I write of Pat's passing. Please keep Mary, Pat, and their family in your prayers.

Look forward to seeing everyone at our coming activities.

David Marshall Acting President 650 815-8134

Calendar of meetings:

General Club Meetings

Feb 23rd (Saturday. See below)
March 24, C of Christ Church

Board Meetings

February 18th, Community of Christ Church
March 18th, C of Christ Church

Other dates to keep in mind:

Feb 23rd, General meeting/auction will be on Saturday. Noon potluck followed by auction
March 16th, Field trip to Maggard's.

Programs

See President's message.

David Marshall 650 815-8134

Show for 2019

Feb. 2019 Show Report

We did a mini grab bag assembly at the January general meeting and quickly got 275 grab bags filled. This brings us to a total of 1,675 grab bags ready for the show. Great job and thanks to all those who helped.

Another major task to complete for the show is to get more rocks broken for the Junior Rock Pile. We currently have 25 buckets ready to go but need another 50. I have scheduled a rock breaking day at the DeGoods on Saturday, March 2. We will meet at 9am and break rocks until we are either done or tired. No pot luck lunch or bagging specimens, this time. Just try to get those rocks broken. The Cruz's shop is the cold/foul weather alternate location.

Discussions have been held in the show committee meetings about what kind of special exhibit we could do at the show. The show theme is "Rocks of the USA." I bet that there are plenty of nice sized, attractive specimens in members' personal collections to fill the special exhibit case. I would like for members to nominate specimens from their personal collections for the exhibit. Mineral/rock type, size and provenance are needed. All specimens must be from the USA. Email or phone me with your nominations.

We also need rocks for the Touch-Feel table. Members: Please let me know if you can bring a large rock/mineral specimen or two for the Touch-Feel table. The rock needs to be large enough that a kid would have a hard time picking it up, and it should not be fragile. A sign telling what it is and where it came from (if known) is also needed. Don't even think about the number of various germs that will be on the rocks at the end of the show.

Show Work Signup Sheets – We had a lot of people sign up to work at the show at our January general meeting and need to have a lot more sign up. The signup sheets will be at the February general meeting. If you missed the January meeting, you can still sign up at the February meeting. You can also call or email me to sign up at 742-3746 or gandpmaggard@gmail.com.

Member Exhibit cases – A major attraction at the show are members' exhibits. If you have a rock collection, please plan to exhibit some or all of it at the show. It does not have to be fancy or expensive. Rocks/minerals of any type along with labels saying what they are and provenance, if known, is all that is needed. Every exhibit case should also include a sign stating whose exhibit it is. A display case information/reservation form is attached. Whether you exhibit in your own case or a club case, the information form is required in order for us to plan how to set up the show. Reservation forms will also be at the upcoming general meetings.

Everybody get ready, showtime is just about upon us. With everyone's help we will have another great and successful show.

Gene Maggard
Show Chair

Subnote 1 to Show from Wheel chair person Kay Johnson. Now taking donations for the wheel. They will be used for this year's shows, April 26-28. A box will be provided by the door at each of our meetings January, February and March. Everything will be appreciated.

Finance:

No report submitted

Meeting Minutes

Board meeting Minutes: (January)

6:30 Meeting called to order Jan 21. In attendance David Marshall, Karen Carney, Ardis Cruz, Joe Cruz, Peggy Maggard, Gene Maggard, Tony Giardina, Karen Van Embden, Sandy Whiting.

Karen Carney appointed and thanked for volunteering for Secretary position on board.

Minutes approved as printed in Quarry Quips.

Karen Van Embden, treasurer, reported the club's CD was renewed and additional funds from Checking moved into the CD. Discussion was held concerning the signers on the club's account.

Questions arose concerning the club's records from last year. The accountant the club hired does not have the records. All other information is available.

\$650 to Accountant.

\$ 92.21 for postage to mail club rosters.

\$ 96.32 to Awards Factory black name tags

Vouchers Approved and PAID

Tax recording discussion. 501c3, sales tax .etc ..

Future contract with accountant will be reconsidered

Other business. Various club keys have been located and distributed to the appropriate people.

Three people, Jim Huenergarde, Delbert Ebersole, Alan DeGood have been 'promoted' to Life members. All approved.

Rays Rental info went to Gene Maggard.

Various club information and records were given to Ardis.

Questions arose concerning club property. The job of verifying where the property is will be undertaken by the Property Chair. This includes all the paper the club owns to print flyers and such.

Field Trips:

Jan 26 - salt mines

Feb - museum of world treasures tbd.

March 16 we are going to Gene and Peggy Maggard's for a WGMS field trip day.

Publicity: Coupons flyers and posters are available. Will send to OK and KS clubs and the Rock Mountain Federation newsletter. Concerns that the website is not up. Will ask Katie Schamle for assistance with facebook.

Show: Volunteers coordinator will be Gene. January work day saw 1,400! grab bags assembled. Our goal is 1,600. Will look into putting 200 more together prior to the show.

For next year, polished rocks are needed for the grab bags. Gene is looking into a purchase of polished rocks from Jayhawk Rock in Hill City.

Ardis MOVED that Gene MAGGARD be authorized to purchase up to \$3,000 of polished rock from Jayhawk Rock.

SECONDED by Joe Cruz.

All approved.

Show dealer reported that 98% of contracts are complete.

Possible rock breaking day at Cruz's March 2nd.

Due to the club records Sept 1, 2017 thru Aug 2018 currently being non-locatable, Karen Van Emden, David Marshall and Gene And Peggy Maggard will meet to set a budget based on previous budgets.

Expenditures must go to the board for approval prior to purchase for any kind of reimbursement

WEBSITE: Is not currently available. Web designer has been ill. Reasonable fees were discussed. Additional discussion was held on having someone else create the site. Our current relationship with Curtis Gaylord as a web designer will be cancelled. All approved. (Gene/Ardis)

8:25 VP David Marshall : Meeting adjourned

January 27, 2019 Mini Board Meeting. The proposal made by Elizabeth Hixon to create/maintain the WGMS website has been accepted.

General meeting Minutes: (December)

Meeting was called to order by David Marshall. Current Secretary Emily Baldrige had to resign, and David asked for someone to take the Secretary position.

Field Trip – Planning a tour of the Strataca Salt Museum in Hutchinson on Sat. Jan. 19th at 10:45.

The sign-up sheet is on the table. (Note change in date since these minutes were written.)

Publicity – Peggy Maggard has show fliers and posters ready to take and put up.

Peggy spoke about another Gem & Mineral club that used Facebook significantly and raised attendance.

Show Chair – Gene Maggard reminded everyone about the grab bag work day on January 5. The church will be open at 9:00 to set up with a pot luck lunch at 12:00 and a Show Committee Meeting after lunch.

There are a couple of show committee positions still open. Call Gene if you would like to help. The show dates are April 25 (set up day), 26, 27 & 28. Volunteer sign-up sheets will be at the Jan. meeting. More members are greatly needed to fill volunteer spots. Our show is a great money maker for the club and that money helps fund scholarships and other programs. March 16th is the date for classes at the Maggard's. If you have specimens bagged, they are needed at the work day.

David M. mentioned that our show is as good as those he was involved in when he lived in California.

Membership reported there were 29 members and 9 guests.

Dennis Crossland was scheduled for the program but was unable to come due to illness.

Tony Giardina brought an item that he carved. It took 10 hours to complete. You need diamond burrs and blades for harder materials to use with a Dremel or Fordom tool.

The program was a video about agates from South Dakota and other areas.

David announced the program for next month (January) will be for members to bring their favorite agates and tell about them.

Hospitality – the Snack Sisters announced that for January they will have cake and ice cream to celebrate our 66th year as a club. Other snacks are always welcome.

Nothing further.

Meeting adjourned.

Minutes typed and submitted by Ardis Cruz for Emily Baldrige

General meeting minutes: (January)

2:00 meeting called to order by David Marshall, Acting President.

Show chair Gene Maggard reported 275 grab bags were put together today. Please sign up to volunteer at the show. Show setup to begin at 08:00 am. Need more polished rocks. Wheel donations are needed. See Kay Johnson.

Welcome to 2 new members. Those members who have passed on in the last 2 years were remembered. Three new life members, Delbert Ebersole, Alan DeGood and Jim Huenergard were recognized.

The Outstanding service award was given- Kay Johnson. (See photo)

Field trip chair, Joe Cruz reviewed the field trip to the salt mines and informed members of the Feb 9 - Museum Of world Treasures trip. (meet at the museum at 10:00 am)

March 2nd at Cruz's -rock breaking. 9:00-noon

March 16 classes 10:00 to ? at Maggards

March 23 or 30 for fossil hunt

Publicity. Coupons are being distributed to KS and OK clubs. Facebook being developed- by Katie Show and Tell Agates. Agates were shown by Gene Maggard and Lyle and June Koerper and Marcie Fleeker. DEBBIE Re Jr Member.

Who we are and where we've been: GAMES

Oldest member 1926, youngest member 1962. Longest member 47 years. Newest member.

Number of years holding a board position

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\$25 Gift certificate to be used at the show was won by Gene Maggard.

Everyone enjoyed cake and ice cream. Meeting adjourned

Membership

At the Anniversary Party/Meeting on January 27th there were 39 members and 6 guests in attendance. Choices for door prizes were polished slabs of various agates, a belt buckle with a Montana Agate cab, a necklace of various stones some of which are agates, a 25.00 gift certificate to be spent with a dealer at the show in April and a surprise prize.

Winners were - new member Manjunatha Doddamane agate slab

Shara Sherman, for having on her name badge, chose the necklace, David Fleeker won the gift certificate and Ardis Cruz won the surprise prize of a polished Brazilian agate half. Guest Shoshana Slutske chose an agate slab.

Changes and Additions

Leo Heidebrecht's email change to heidebrechtleo@gmail.com and phone 316-708-6869.

Katie Schamle address change to the following – 5921 E. Central, Wichita, KS 67208

Please welcome the following two new members to our club and add them to your club directory.

Benefiel, Ken

BD: May 30 Join: 1/2019

622 S. McPherson Ave

Burtton, KS 67020

620-200-5657 cell

kbenefiel@hughes.net

Manjunatha Panchaksharappa Doddamane

BD: Oct 08 Join: 1/2019

11587 E. Agate Ln. Apt. 22

Wichita, KS 67226

904-480-0371

dpmanjunatha@gmail.com

On January the 28th 2019 Pat Clough-McCombs lost her fight with cancer. She was a member for 27 years and had held the offices and positions of Publicity Chair, President, Junior Leader, Hospitality Chair and helped organize Education Day at the annual show in April for many years. She will be missed.

Please notify me with any changes in phone, address or email.

See you at the next meeting. Sincerely. Ardis Cruz

Field Trip:

On February 9th we will be visiting the Museum of World Treasurers in Wichita. It is still too cold to try to plan something for outside, so we are exploring things inside. If you would like to tour the museum, meet at the museum at 10:00. The cost will be \$8.00 per person.

Looking ahead we need to schedule a fossil hunting trip to collect material for the Fossil Hunt at the show in April and some for ourselves as well. I hope to have details at the February meeting/auction for something on March 30th.

You can always call me at home at (316)733-8727 or my cell # is (316)650-6696

Again, thank you, Joe See you on February 23rd

Additional "Field Trip March 16th"

It is not too late to sign up for the class day/Field trip at the Maggards. The classes are scheduled for Saturday, March 16. These classes are intended for beginners wanting to learn the basics of a lapidary art. Classes are offered in silversmithing, cabochon making, bead stringing, gem tree making, wire wrapping, flint knapping, and mineral/fossil identification. The classes start at 10am with a noon pot luck lunch break, then resume in the afternoon until everyone either finishes their project or gets tired and is ready to quit. Everyone always finishes. There are modest charges for materials provided. If you are interested, be ready to sign up at the February meeting.

Hospitality

Please wish these members a happy belated January birthday: Carl Gaul, Arnita Holuska, Ted Jochems, Lyle Koerper, Gerry Krausse, Marilyn Mason, Teresa Medlock, Paul Radiel, Ralph Seery, Joan Warren, Alfred White, Sandy Whiting and Jim Yanda.

Join us in wishing these members a Happy February Birthday at our next meeting:

Larry Burd, Deborah Gaul, Karen Van Embden, Scott Norton, Angela Oetken, Katie Schamle, and Aileen Wilson and Patrick Wilson.

Yours in Hospitality,
The Snack Sisters
Shannon and Shara

Director Report:

No report this month

OTHER:

Tony McClafin is having an auction on Saturday, March 9th beginning at 10:00 am to whenever everything is sold. His address is 1174 Xeric Rd Se, Westphalia, KS 66093.

Publicity

No report.

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