

The Petrified Digest

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What is petrified wood?

Although the material is called petrified "wood," it is actually not wood at all; rather, minerals have replaced and taken on the appearance of the wood that was once there. In most cases, the silica minerals are a similar color to the original wood. But in some cases the minerals can be very different colors.

These are two examples of petrified Ginkgo wood.



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January 2023

Next meeting:
January 20 at 7 pm
Presbyterian Church
200 S. Kentucky East
Wenatchee

Email ideas, trip notes, or photos to:

ginkgonews@yahoo.com
or to wonderstar@nwi.net

Web page: www.wenatcheerockclub.org

Face Book page: Ginkgo Mineral Society

From Atop the Rock Pile

Happy New Year everyone.

We had a good end to 2022 with the best fundraiser we've ever had. It was due to Pam Lander and her crew of volunteers wrapping Christmas presents in the East Wenatchee Mall. What a great group of people they were, lots of fun, smiles, and there was many a thank you to our people who labored with odd shaped articles, tape, all designs of paper and had to match with bows. See David's treasurer's report for the final tally.

The Christmas party had lots of wonderful side dishes to serve with the ham. The gift exchange was great and we had three extra door prizes thanks to Dan & Dena Hanson donating some great slabs.

At our January meeting we will have a one-item live auction of a donation "rock" given to us by Chuck Mosher, in addition to our regular raffle and door prizes. Don't forget it's pizza night. Please bring your own drink and any goodies you may want to share, I'll have the coffee pot on. (I put the "Old Farmer's Advice" on the back burner for now....) See you there.

Carol Smith
President



From the Scribe

There was no formal meeting so no minutes were taken. Retiring Secretary Carol Turner reported:

“There was a good turn out and members enjoyed a delicious ham dinner. Left over ham was given to members to take home, based on random numbers from the sign in book. A gift exchange then took place, with some stealing and laughter.”

Ed: It was also reported that a couple members tried to hide their gifts so they could not be stolen.



From the Vault

CD	As of 12/31/2022	Int \$11.30	\$10,090.35
Savings Account	12/31/22	w/ interest	\$1799.08
Checking Account	11/01/22	Beginning Balance	\$1,457.21
	8 Deposits: Memberships, shop fees,	meeting. grit	323.00
	5 gift wrapping deposits		<u>1,852.71</u>
	Total		\$3,632.92

5 Checks: Movers, newsletter, postage
 potty, website for 2023,
 Christmas dinner (1,026.42)

12/31/22 Ending Balance \$2,606.50

Note: \$700 in cash was taken out for miscellaneous moving expenses

Only \$50 was actually spent for ice melt

\$650 was returned to checking

Actual checking balance 12/31.22 \$3,256.50

David's Notes

Moving expenses

12 totes and labels	\$191.22
Ice melt for driveway	50.00
Moving company 2.5 hours	500.00
Discount coupon	<u>(25.00)</u>
Total	\$716.22

No shop rent for December

Apple Valley Pumping (Portapotty) \$129.65

Fundraising at Wenatchee valley Mall

December 18 to Christmas Eve from 1 to 5 pm.

Thank you to Pam Lander for all the leg work, and to all of the Santa Helpers.

Total donated \$1,852.71

Wrapping supplies 182.00 for next year

Net \$1,670.71

We have fundraisers for these annual expenses:

U.S. Post Office box	\$166.00
Liberty Mutual Liability Insurance	632.00
Ginkgo Webpage	141.97
Christmas wrapping supplies	182.00
Pizza, Christmas dinner	??.??

And we have these monthly expenses:

Meeting room at the church	\$50.00
Newsletter and postage	175.00
Meeting and office supplies	25.00

And now we have a potential higher shop rent ??.??

Speaking of pizza, the January meeting is our annual pizza party. The Club will provide the pizza so bring your own drinks and any goodies you can share.

It is time to renew your membership. Pay your dues in person at a meeting or mail a check to me.

David Earhart
 Treasurer


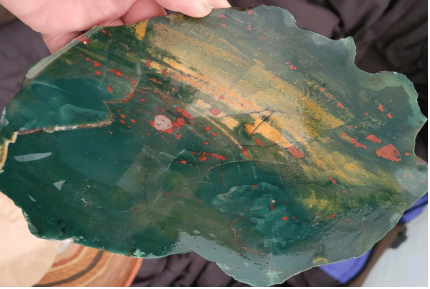

Christmas Gift Wrapping

This fundraiser was a tremendous success. Community shoppers were very appreciative of our Santa Helpers under the direction of the Head Santa Helper Pam Lander. I hope I have a complete list of all of our members who participated. Carol Lechner, Marcia Summers, Carl Pederson, Carol Smith, Jodi Rose, David Earhart, Brenda Jackson, David Lander, Cheri McMillan, Susan Olgebay, Chris Clausen, Pam Davis, Janiece Davis, and Pat Russell. Thank you Pam for your leadership!


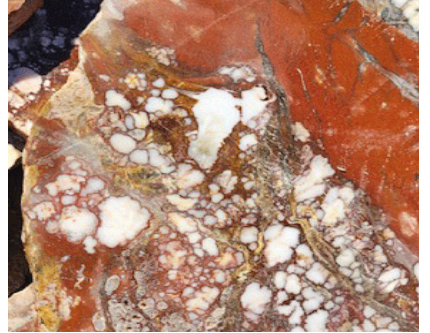
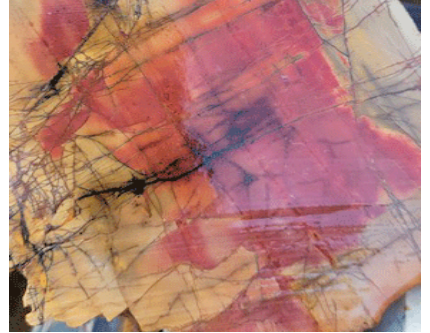


The Rockhound Challenge

Last month's rocks were:

A	B	C
		
<p>Autumn forest jasper - Indiana</p>	<p>Bloodstone jasper - worldwide</p>	<p>Peanut jasper – western Australia</p>

This month's Challenge

A	B	C
		

Christmas Party Pictures



What's that?



I'm hiding this one!



This is so cool!



The whole crowd except Michelle Giard



who took all the photos.
Thank you, Michelle.

Special Sale Announcement

One Day Only – Saturday, February 4 from 9 am to 3 pm
Indoors at the Carl Gibson Center
3025 Lombard Ave
Everett, WA
Ten sellers
Priced to sell – CASH ONLY
Might be a good field trip

Club Coordinators

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The **Ginkgo Mineral Society** was formed to promote the education of mineralogy and geology; to encourage the collecting of rocks and minerals; to provide field excursions to mineral collecting areas; and to promote interest in lapidary work.

Dues: Individual—\$20.00 Senior—\$15.00 Family—\$30.00 Lifetime (20+ years) - Free

Please mail your dues to Ginkgo P.O.Box 303, Wenatchee, WA 98807

Club information cards are available to handout to folks who show interest in our hobby. See David Earhart for cards to carry with you.

Washington State Mineral Council

February 2023 11th 9am—5pm 12th 9am—5pm	Whidbey Island Gem Club	57th Annual Sweetheart of Gems Show	The Center in Oak Harbor 51 Jerome St. Oak Harbor WA
March 2023 4th 10am - 6pm 5th 10am - 5pm	East King Co	Annual Rock & Gem Show	Pickering Barn 1730 10 th Ave NW Issaquah, WA
April 2023 29th 10am - 5pm 30th 10am - 4pm	Lakeside Gem & Mineral Club	26 th Annual Rock & Mineral Show \$5 adults, 12 & under free	Benton Franklin County Fairgrounds Building 2 1500 S. Oak Kennewick, WA
April 2023 29th 10am - 5pm 30th 10am - 5pm	West Seattle Rock Club	55 th Annual Rock Show	Alki Masonic Temple 4736 40 th Ave SW Seattle, WA