

# The Petrified Digest

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## *Poppy Jasper*



*Poppy Jasper is one of the most sought after sub classification of orbicular jasper. It is frequently found on Puget Sound and Pacific Ocean Beaches.*

**July 2022**

**Next Meeting:** July 15, 7pm  
Presbyterian Church  
200 S. Kentucky East Wenatchee

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Face Book page: Ginkgo Mineral Society

## From Atop the Rock Pile

Hello Rockhounds,

I'm running low on my "Old Farmer's Advice" but this one seems appropriate for this time of year. "Every path has a few puddles." Our field trip person, Helen Hall has put in a lot of effort to schedule trips but has been up against the weather on more than on excursion.

Our program this month will be by our geologist member Tom Prang. He will be presenting info about meteors and related fun facts! If you have a suspected moon rock, bring it to our meeting and we'll check it out.

I will be asking for input on our lapidary shop days and hours, and what will best serve the most members. Please be prepared to offer some definite ideas and we will vote on it.

If you can, don't forget to tumble some rocks for our Fair booth giveaway in September.

See ya at the July 15<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Carol Smith

President



## From the Scribe

### Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by President Carol Smith at 7:05 pm.

New members Robert and Penny Jackson were welcomed.

### Program

Susan Oglebay presented information about various types of wire wrapping stones, including several samples with a range of difficulty. She will be leading classes on wire wrapping for members who are interested. Classes will be 3-4 hours. An interest sign up sheet was passed around. Members will be able to see information about classes in the Newsletter. Carl Pederson also talked about wire wrapping and brought numerous cab examples.

### Show and Tell

Jodi Rose showed examples of thunder eggs from Crystal Creek up the Little Naches, and lily pad rhyolite from a nearby area.

### Miscellaneous

Brenda Jackson brought free books for those who want them.

Carol Smith said members can bring items to sell to monthly meetings.

Sheila Danielson said the Waterville Museum has a good rock display. Admission to the Museum is by donation.

Carol Smith said Tom Prang will present information on meteorites during the Program portion of the July meeting.

Refreshment break (Thank you Margie Porterfield!)

### Door Prize/Raffle Tickets

Door prize winner was Sheila Danielson.

Raffle Ticket winners were Diane Everhart, Roy Porterfield, Cheri McMillan, Wanda Shaw, and Rex Bodrero.

The Business Meeting was called to order by Carol Smith at 8:05.

**Minutes**

It was moved, seconded and passed to accept the April minutes as corrected. (No Minutes for May because the meeting had to be cancelled).

**Treasurer's Report**

It was moved, seconded and passed to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented (see Report in Newsletter for details). If you have not paid this year's dues, please do so ASAP.

**Committee Leader Reports**

Fair: Dan Hanson reported that the Fair will be the first weekend in September. Tumbled rocks are needed An Exhibit judge is needed More Exhibits are needed. The theme is A Fair to Remember. There are eight display cases.

Field Trips: Possible field trip to Biggs Junction Mine in August or September.

Auction: The Auction will be held in August. Exact date to be determined.

Adopt-a-Highway Program: To be discussed at next month's meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Carol Turner  
Scribe

**From the Vault**

CD	As of 6/30/2022	\$10,067.63
Savings Account	6/30/22 w/ interest	\$1798.63
Checking Account	6/01/22 Beginning Balance	\$2,052.14
	3 Deposits Memberships, shop fees, raffle, equipment sale	213.00
	5 Checks: Newsletter, office expenses Potty, museum membership	<u>(362.05)</u>
	6/30/22 Ending Balance	\$1,903.09

David Earhart  
Treasurer

**Off the Beaten Path**

Greetings All,

Lots of exciting trips are on the calendar for July. You can view the calendar on our Facebook page or in the WhatsApp. If you have not signed up for our Facebook page or the WhatsApp, please do so. This is how we communicate with each other. Feel free to reach out to me for assistance at 509-679-9755.

The month of July starts off with a trip to Hanson Creek July 7th. There is a free dig and a pay dig for \$25. The pay claim owner asked that we do not bring kids to his site. There will be other weekly trips. Please see the calendar.

We will be going to N Fir Rd again for agates, jasper, and chalcedony. There has been new exposure with the heavy rains this year.

Redtop was very infested with mosquitoes. The spray did not help. I have found new places to go to on First Creek and will be scheduling another trip there. No mosquitoes but there are ticks. Please share if you know of a great place for our group to go on a trip too.

In August we will have a trip to Biggs Junction. There are two pay claims there, however you will get to dig and chisel. Only keep what you want.

August is also when the club bbq/picnic happens. Date to be announced.

September is when the Club is at the Chelan County Fair. Now is the time to start getting your stuff ready.

I am also at our monthly meetings and would love to meet with you. Please do not be shy. Your involvement is important to me and the club. Next meeting is July 15th at 7pm. Also, if you are planning a rockhounding adventure on your own, please post it on our Facebook page and the WhatsApp so that other members can join you. Sharing is caring.

Happy Hounding.  
Helen

PS Sunday July 17th we could go to Greenwater on a field trip with another club. Everything is easy and the stops are by the road. More info will be shared at the meeting next week.

## Chelan County Fair

Several members have already given me tumbled rocks for our give-away to kids. If you have some already done, you can give them to me at the next two meetings. I'm also ready to take names for folks who are willing to put in displays in our cases. There are 8 display cases to fill with your special collections. We've been asked to bring a Genie to demonstrate the cabbing process so if you are comfortable with the machine you can work on a project. I will be asking for folks to be hosts in our booth for a 4-hour shift. Actually, it is quite enjoyable to share our hobby with visitors and to watch the kids open their bags of rocks and jewelry.

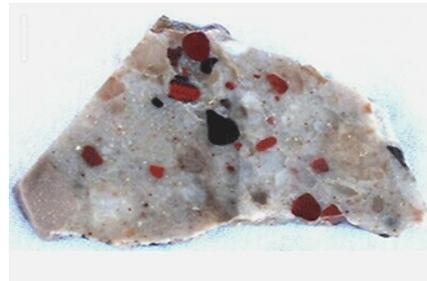


## The Rockhound Challenge

The first person to email me the correct identification of all three rocks below will win a prize. The prize will be awarded at the next month's meeting. Answers will be published in the next month's newsletter along with the winner's name. Send answers to: [wonderstar@nwi.net](mailto:wonderstar@nwi.net)

Last month's winner was Cheri McMillen who identified the Chinese Writing stone, blue apatite, and Montana Moss agate. Her prize was a slab of banded calcite predrilled for a clock.



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	 <p data-bbox="683 1913 938 1948">Not petrified wood!</p>	

## Member News

The Wild Turkey Mine continues to draw our members. June 26 Jodi R, Pam L, Brenda, J, and Chris C made the trek to north of Spokane to collect more of the yellow, green, blue, and white Noble Serpentine. Photos taken from Facebook



Ed and Helen H. made the trip to Prineville for the Pow Wow and explored several digs around central Oregon last month. Looking at the pictures they posted to Facebook, they will be working on rocks for a long time! Photos taken from Facebook



Tube agate



Obsidian



Jasper egg



Obsidian

Jodi R, Carol T, Ed and Helen H took a day trip excursion west of Yakima to the Little Naches area to look for thunder eggs, serpentine and lily pad rhyolite. Photos taken by Carol T.



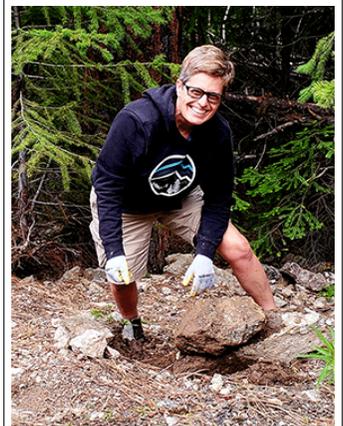
Some serious work!



Happy Hounds



Great treasures



A big one!

## Shop News

**There is a \$2.00 fee to use the shop – that includes the Genies, trim saws, and the blue slab saw. There is an additional \$2.00 per cut for using the large slab saw.**

Check the Ginkgo Facebook page for any updates on openings.

The Ginkgo Club workshop is located at Christy Price's home: 4325 Squilchuck Rd., Wenatchee. The shop is closed on holidays.

## Officers

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**Grit for club members**



Graded 30	\$4.00 lb
Ungraded 60/90	\$4.00 lb
Graded 220	\$4.00 lb
Graded 600	\$4.00 lb
Polish	\$7.00 lb



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 For more information:

[mineralcouncil@zoho.com](mailto:mineralcouncil@zoho.com) or <https://mineralcouncil.wordpress.com>

July 2022 22 <sup>nd</sup> & 23 <sup>rd</sup> 9-6 24 <sup>th</sup> 9-5	Washington Agate & Mineral Society	2022 Rock & Gem Rendezvous	Tenino City Park Park Avenue Tenino, WA
August 2022 13 <sup>th</sup> 9-5 14 <sup>th</sup> 10-5	Maplewood Rock & Gem Club	Rock & Mineral Sale	Maplewood Clubhouse 8802 196 <sup>th</sup> St S. W. Edmonds, WA
August 2022 20 <sup>th</sup> 10-6 21 <sup>st</sup> 10-4	Cascade Mineralogical Society	Annual Show	Green River College 12401 S.E. 320 <sup>th</sup> St Auburn, WA
August 2022 19 <sup>th</sup> & 20 <sup>th</sup> 10-6 21 <sup>st</sup> 10-4	Puyallup Valley Gem & Mineral Club	2022 Gem Show In the Trees	Tacoma Sportsmen's Club 16049 Canyon Rd East Puyallup, WA