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Tahoma Jasper

This jasper is called an “in-between” because it is sometimes more agate and sometimes more jasper. The material comes from the slopes of Mt. Rainier. It often has light colored “fingers” or tube like structures in a dark background.



Special Announcement

We need to find a new location for the shop. After many years of hosting our shop, Christy Price needs her garage back. Thank you to Christy for generously supporting our Club for all these years. The shop will permanently close November 23 so the equipment can be prepared for storage until another location can be found. If you have any suggestions for a new location, please contact one of the Executive Board members.

November 2022

Next Meeting: Nov 18, 7pm
Presbyterian Church
200 S. Kentucky East Wenatchee

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From Atop the Rock Pile

Happy Thanksgiving to All,

Our October auction meeting was great! We had 45 folks present and cleared \$1475. Those who helped make it such a success were Chris Clausen, Pam Lander, Jodi Rose, and our auctioneer Tony Marconi. We had lots of donations over the past year and recently from Richard and Charleen Previtt and Chuck and Betty Mosher. They donated so many great pieces that I held back a dozen for a mini live auction at each of our monthly meetings for the next year. This will be in addition to our usual door prizes and raffles. Thank you Previtts and Moshers for your generosity.



In regards to our lapidary shop. It will close November 23rd permanently at our current location. We are now working on having one Geni and one small trim saw available for use by appointment until another shop area can be found. (Contact information for appointments are listed below – Editor) If you want to use the shop equipment until the closure date, call David Earhart, Pam Lander, or me to set up a day and time. The Executive Board is asking **all members** to be on the “look out” for another location for our lapidary shop. Please let us know if you hear anything that might be feasible.

Don't forget for the November meeting to bring an item or items to sell to other members or guests for that special Christmas Gift!

Dan, our newsletter editor, isn't fond of my “Old Farmers' Advice” sooo ... “Most of the stuff people worry about ain't never gonna happen anyway.”

From the Scribe

The **Business Meeting** was called to order at 7:13 by President Carol Smith

Minutes

It was moved, seconded and passed to accept the October minutes as published.

Treasurer's Report

It was moved, seconded and approved to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented by David Earhart (see Newsletter for details).

Committee Leaders Reports

Nominations Committee: Dena Hanson and Brenda Jackson submitted names of candidates running for office. The election will take place at the November meeting with winners taking office January 2023.

Christmas Wrap: Pam Lander report that the dates for the Christmas Wrap at the Wenatchee Valley Mall will be December 18 – 21. This year the Club will have 3 tables. Volunteers are need for 4-hour shifts. (This is a significant fund raiser for the Club and an excellent outreach to show our service to the community – Editor.)

Door Prize

The Door Prize winner was Roy Porterfield.

Refreshment Break

Refreshments were provided by Dena Hanson and Carol Turner

The **Program** for the evening was the spirited auction.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm

Carol Turner, Scribe

From the Vault

CD	As of 11/9/2022	\$10,079.05
Savings Account	10/30/22 w/ \$.08 interest	\$1798.94
Checking Account	10/1/22 Beginning Balance	\$853.15
	3 Deposits Memberships (12) - \$300	
	Shop fees – \$45	
	Rock Auction - \$1,479	
		\$1,824.00
	5 Checks: Meeting place, newsletter, Potty, shop rent, office supplies Wire wrap class supplies	<u>(365.90)</u>
	10/30/22 Ending Balance	\$2,311.23

Rock Auction



11 items Live Auction	\$483.00
37 boxes Silent Auction	<u>\$1,023.00</u>
Sub total	\$1,506.00
Note: One I.O.U.	
One double payment	<u>(\$31.00)</u>
Corrected Total	\$1,475.00



Thank you to Tony Marconi and all the bidders and to Carol and helpers for getting everything set up.

David Earhart
Treasurer

Christmas Gift Wrapping and Other Events

It's Christmas time again and there are four important events planned.

The most important is the Gift Wrapping event at the Wenatchee Valley Mall. Pam Lander is the head elf for this event so please consider volunteering for a 4-hour shift December 18th to the 24th. It's from 1 to 5 pm each day and it is a wonderful chance to share our commitment to serving our community. This is a great fundraiser for our Club also. Folks from around the Valley appreciate having someone wrap their last minute gifts and it's fun to share the season with everyone. Pam has secured 3 table providing more room to spread out and help shoppers. And more volunteers mean more fun swapping Christmas tales with each other. Please call Pam to sign up for a shift: 509.884.5135



The second event comes up at our November meeting. If you have craft or rock items that would be great gifts for Christmas, bring them to the Club meeting. There will be room at the tables to display your wares and sell your wonderful gifts to other members. Who wouldn't want a nice polished rock pendant for Christmas? There might even be some painted rocks that will cheer someone's day.



The third event is also at our November meeting. The election of officers for next year will take place Friday evening. The nominating committee found these nominees; for President – Carol Smith; for Vice President – Pat Russell; for Treasurer – David Earhart; for Secretary – Michelle Giard & Pam Lander (shared duties). Nominations may also be made from the floor at the meeting but please if you are nominating someone beside yourself, verify they are willing to take on the responsibilities of the office. Feel free to nominate yourself if you are willing to serve the Club in some office.

The fourth event is the annual Ginkgo Club Christmas Party. December 16 at the Presbyterian Church on South Kentucky, East Wenatchee. Put it on your Christmas calendar now so you don't miss this fun event. It will be an early start time of 6 pm. Don't be late for dinner! The Club will provide the ham with members asked to bring their favorite side dish for variety. There will be a gift exchange of gifts under \$20.00. And for added spice there will be a "steal-a-gift" but only one steal per gift. Come early for the camaraderie. Santa hats are encouraged!



More Details on the Shop Closure

The Club needs to be out of the current shop by January 1. The Executive Board voted to hire a moving company to pack up all of our equipment and supplies. The move will take place about the first of December because of the typical chaos later in the month. To prepare for the closure, the shop will close permanently November 23rd. If you have any projects you want to complete for Christmas, please contact Pam Lander, David, Earhart, or Carol Smith to arrange shop time. Most of the equipment will go into storage until an appropriate new facility can be found. However, two Genies and one trim saw will be available during the interim. Jodi Rose (509.763.9402) and Pam Lander (509.884.5135) have volunteered to house the Genies at their homes so members can to arrange a day and time to use the machines.

If you are aware of any open buildings or garages that might work for our shop, please contact one of the Executive Board members. Any and all suggestions are very welcome at this time.


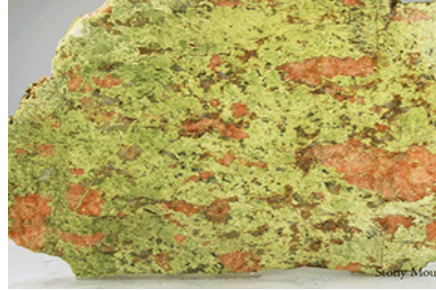

Market Place

Beautiful Ellensburg Blues by Carol Smith. Call to see these and more 509.884.3349
Ask about the Christmas Discount

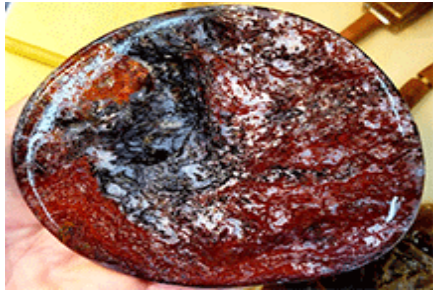
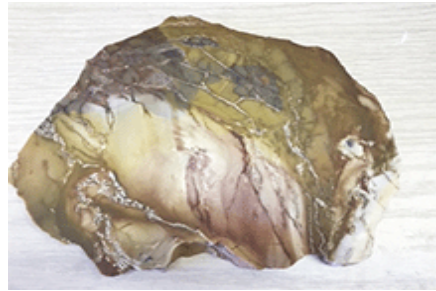



The Rockhound Challenge

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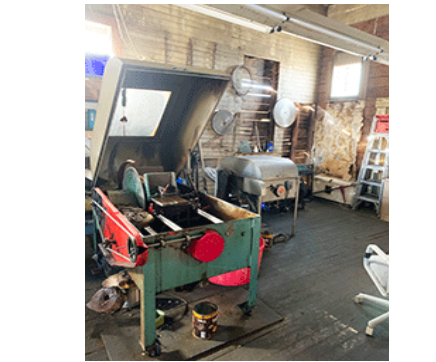

A	B	C
		
<p>Onyx from Russia and many places worldwide</p>	<p>Unakite from N.Caroline & Tennessee</p>	<p>Stromatolite found in Australia, Brazil, Mexico, the Bahamas</p>

This month's Challenges are:

A	B	C
		

Rock Shops Near and Far

On our trip south to Arizona for the winter, Dena and I stopped in Wasco, OR at the China Hollow Picture Rock Shop. Most of us call the stone Biggs Jasper. We spent about an hour visiting with Bobbie, the shop caretaker while the owner was out of town for the day. It is an extremely laid back shop with the only electricity provided by a large generator in the back. Bobbie gave us a brief history of the China Hollow claim and showed us several pieces of the jasper. There is more rock outside than inside so we browsed the parking strip and the backyard as well as wandered around the shop. All in all it was a pleasant stop and chat with a fellow rockhound. Wasco is a short drive from the Dallas OR.

		
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Officers

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Vice President	Pat Russell	509.679.9755
Secretary	Carol Turner	509.424.2161
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Rock Auction	Carol Smith	509.884.3349
Christmas Wrap	Pam Lander	509.884.5135
Nason Creek	David J. Earhart	509.860.0988

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



Local Area Shows for 2023

Date & Time	Club	Show	Location
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 KingCo	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