

# Hatrockhound Gazette 2021

PO Box 1122, Hermiston, Oregon 97838



Meetings at 6:30 on the 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Tuesday of each month  
First Christian Church of  
Hermiston:  
775 West Highland  
(Go to back of church)

Officers:  
President – Doug Gill  
V. Pres. – Mike Filarski  
Secretary – Trista Meek  
Treasurer – Mel Lambert  
Members at Large – Laura  
Tiffany, Bill Shipp

Newsletter/Website – Judi Allison, 1701 NW 11<sup>th</sup> St, Hermiston, OR 97838 541-720-4950



Hatrockhounds Gem and Mineral Society is Affiliated with:

The Northwest Federation of Mineralogical Societies  
And The American Federation of Mineralogical Societies



## **AFMS Rockhounds “Code of Ethics”**

- I will respect both private and public property and will do no collecting on privately owned land without permission from the owner.
- I will keep informed on all laws, regulations or rules governing collecting on public lands and will observe them.
- I will, to the best of my ability, ascertain the boundary lines of property on which I plan to collect.
- I will use no firearms or blasting material in collecting areas.
- I will cause no willful damage to property of any kind such as fences, signs, buildings, etc.
- I will leave all gates as found.
- I will build fires only in designated or safe places and will be certain they are completely extinguished before leaving the area.
- I will discard no burning material - matches, cigarettes, etc.
- I will fill all excavation holes which may be dangerous to livestock.
- I will not contaminate wells, creeks, or other water supplies.
- I will cause no willful damage to collecting material and will take home only what I can reasonably use.
- I will practice conservation and undertake to utilize fully and well the materials I have collected and will recycle my surplus for the pleasure and benefit of others.
- I will support the rockhound project H.E.L.P. (Help Eliminate Litter Please) and will leave all collecting areas devoid of litter, regardless of how found.
- I will cooperate with field-trip leaders and those in designated authority in all collecting areas.
- I will report to my club or federation officers, Bureau of Land Management or other authorities, any deposit of petrified wood or other materials on public lands which should be protected for the enjoyment of future generations for public educational and scientific purposes.
- I will appreciate and protect our heritage of natural resources.
- I will observe the "Golden Rule", will use Good Outdoor Manners and will at all times conduct myself in a manner which will add to the stature and Public Image of Rockhounds everywhere.

# Hatrockhound Gazette - MAY 2021 Issue

**FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS: MEETING: MAY 11<sup>TH</sup> 6:30**  
**BRING A SHOW AND TELL ITEM ENJOY GOOD COMPANY**

**SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS: SHOW: MAY 22<sup>nd</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>**  
**SET UP ON FRIDAY ALL HANDS ON DECK**

## Show Information Follows:

Mike will be gone Friday and Saturday. Please plan to have all hands on board. Any questions or problems you can't handle see Judi. If it deals with the Silent Auction, check with Doug. Questions relating to admissions, check with Mel.

**Friday:** Set up starting at 9:00 am.

- ✓ The area should be laid out with the tables and curtains placed according to the layout plans.
- ✓ Names of each dealer to be placed on each area. (Plastic cover roll available if the dealer requests)
- ✓ Display bases and cases to be assembled and placed. Includes skirting for bases, case liners, lights (Be sure cases are being assembled right side up (Names of displayers written on paper and laid in cases.)
- ✓ Plastic covering placed on silent auction and kids' corner (Will need to be taped with masking tape - underneath - so it doesn't show.
- ✓ Materials for silent auction placed in area. Will need to be arranged and ready for morning.
- ✓ Kids' corner items placed in area arranged and set up for morning.
- ✓ Oregon Rocks display placed and arranged for viewing.
- ✓ Display case and items for Admissions placed and arranged.
- ✓ Dinner at 5:30 pm. Pulled pork sandwiches, beans, dessert will be furnished. Please bring a drink if you want something besides water.

**Volunteer Schedules:** If your name is not on here and there is a blank, please let Judi know you will work at that time. (She is still calling and asking and will be asking at the meeting)

### Admissions:

Saturday:

9:45-11:45 Chris Lundquist & \_\_\_\_\_

11:45-1:45 Jackie Bithell & \_\_\_\_\_

1:45-3:30 Mel Lambert & Louise Lambert

3:30-5:00 Mel Lambert & Louise Lambert

Sunday:

9:45-12:00 Jackie Bithell & \_\_\_\_\_

12:00-2:00 Mel Lambert & Louise Lambert

2:00-4:00 Mel Lambert & Louise Lambert

### Silent Auction:

Saturday:

9:45-11:45 Doug Gill & \_\_\_\_\_

11:45-1:45 Doug Gill & \_\_\_\_\_

1:45-3:30 Doug Gill & \_\_\_\_\_

3:30-5:00 Doug Gill & \_\_\_\_\_

Sunday:

9:45-12:00 Doug Gill & \_\_\_\_\_

12:00-2:00 Doug Gill & Chris Lundquist

2:00-4:00 Doug Gill & \_\_\_\_\_

**Display Cases:**

Jackie Bithell, Laura Tiffany, Judi Allison, Chris Lundquist, Karli Cook, Plus ???

**Kids' Corner:**

**Saturday**

9:45-11:45 Trista Meek & Laura Tiffany & \_\_\_\_\_

11:45-1:45 Trista Meek & Laura Tiffany & Chris Lundquist

1:45-3:30 Karli Cook & \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_

3:30-5:00 Karli Cook & \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_

**Sunday**

9:45-12:00 Trista Meek & Judi Allison & \_\_\_\_\_

12:00-2:00 Laura Tiffany & Judi Allison & \_\_\_\_\_

2:00-4:00 Chris Lundquist & Karli Cook & \_\_\_\_\_

**HATROCKHOUNDS Gem & Mineral Society General Meeting –**

**April 13, 2021 Members Attended - 11**

Our annual Rock & Gem Show will be held on May 22-23, 2021. The treasurer has paid EOTEC \$2,460.00 to rent the building for our event. We need to purchase liability insurance. Through EOTEC the cost of liability insurance would be \$144.00 and through another company on the internet the cost would be \$124.00. The rent of the EOTEC building is paid for and secured to hold our annual show.

An advertisement of the 2021 Rock & Gem Show, hosted by the HATROCKHOUNDS Gem & Mineral Society, was submitted to NFMS and placed in the Biggest “Hook”. That edition will be out May 12, 2021.

Mike will check into advertising in the Hermiston Herald. Banners and signs will also be used to advertise.

Those may be placed along a fence, on building, in planters, and placed in town. Members can post flyers with businesses who allow it and place under car windshield wipers in Hermiston and surrounding towns (Pendleton, Echo, Stanfield, Umatilla, Irrigon, Boardman, Arlington, Tri Cities area, Etc.). Mike is trying to contact Sandra and Jim to place signs in the Tri Cities. Karli has agreed to contact businesses requesting monetary donations to purchase items such as food, paper plates, utensils, etc. for our show. Judi will provide a nonprofit letter containing our nonprofit number.

Mike has been contacting dealers for our show. Seven dealers have agreed to participate and have paid the fee to be in the show. Two more have said “yes” they will participate but have not paid yet. We will be asking the vendors, who are in the local food pod in Hermiston, if they would like to set up at our show. Trista contacted a food vender located in Heppner. That vender will not be available. Friday May 21, 2021 is when we will set everything up for the show. We discussed the set up, floor plan, and diagram of the floor plan. EOTEC will set up according to the floor plan and Mike will make adjustments if needed. Set up will begin at 8:00am. A hot meal (potluck) will be provided for members and dealers. We will have access to half of the kitchen for this service. The potluck meal break will be at 5:30 pm. Members, please come to assist with set up if you are available to do so. Participation is encouraged and greatly appreciated!

ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS!!! Judi will be calling members to request volunteers to work during the show. There are many time slots to fill for various tasks. Whether you are able to volunteer for a short time or all day, please sign up to help out. Every member of our group is valued and appreciated for their unique qualities and attributions. Please show your committed support and enthusiasm by volunteering! Can’t wait to see everyone at our show working together!!

Karli shared information about the Pendleton Round Up Wagon Train Kids Camp she is participating in. The camp will be held on Tuesday June 22, 2021, Wednesday June 23, 2021, and Thursday June 24, 2021 from 3:00pm to 5:00pm at Divide Wells between Heppner and Ukiah. Monday June 21, 2021 there will be a half day demonstration and on Friday June 25, 2021 all royalty comes in. There will also be a live band on Friday. The children’s ages to attend are 5 years to 18 years old. If anyone is interested in volunteering please let Karli know. Maps to the location can be provided. Activities for the children will include painting rocks, gem trees,

etc. Karli is also asking for other children activity ideas. Judi suggested viewing the Diamond Dan Production for ideas. Judi brought in several items and showed everyone different ways to set up a display case for the show. - Some helpful hints and ideas are listed below....

- When setting up a display remember “Less is More”
- Pick a theme
- Display some items on a stable object so it will sit higher (shaped cardboard, small container, etc)
- Use things to prop items for better viewing (large paper clips, pvc pipe, etc)
- Set smaller items in front
- Use something different to accentuate your display
- Use a cloth or fabric to cover props and display items on
- If using signs or labels - type them
- Use dimension with items
- Display cases are about the size of a bath towel

There was discussion about starting our monthly meeting at 7:00pm instead of 6:30pm to accommodate schedules. It was decided our meeting time will be kept at 6:30pm. Door Prize Winners - Hope, Jayson, Warren, and Mel



Show & Tell - Chris brought in 5 gem trees on countertop pieces. If anyone would like to use the countertop pieces for their displays at the show, please contact Chris. Please be respectful of borrowed items and return them. Jayson and Tara shared



their beautiful wedding bands they had made. The rings were made with meteorite, moonstone, diamond dust, gold flakes, and titanium spinners for the bands.

**THANK YOU ALL WHO PARTICIPATED AND ATTENDED!**

Secretary, Trista Meek

(I want to thank Trista for her beautifully written minutes. I apologize for “losing the formatting” but PDF files don’t cut and paste so well. Judi)

## **HATROCKHOUNDS Gem & Mineral Society**

### **(Executive Meeting - April 28, 2021) Executive Members Attended - 4**

Banner Bank will begin charging \$3.00 a month on May 03, 2021 to reconcile accounts electronically. To avoid this charge we will do it online.

Mike completed the liability insurance paperwork and paid \$122.00 and will give a copy to EOTEC when he drops the trailer off. Mike placed an advertisement for our annual show in the EO newspaper. He will try to get the information in other larger papers as well and their online calendar events. Mike has been contacting dealers for the show. There are 11 dealers so far who will be participating. All dealers who have agreed to participate have paid fees in full. Mike has an updated list of dealers and will be contacting others.

Trista will seek out and speak to food and coffee shop vendors to see if anyone would like to participate. We went over the diagram of the floor plan and the placement of the dealers. Mike believes we are in line with everything for the show. Judi will continue to make calls requesting volunteers.

Trista Meek, Secretary

### **May’s Birthstone: Emerald**

**Emerald, the birthstone for May, has been beloved for millennia, evoking rebirth and renewal. Widely regarded as the definition of green, emerald is the perfect color for spring. From the poetic description of Ireland as “the Emerald Isle” to the vibrant green of the famed gemstone itself—the May birthstone emerald has captured hearts and minds through the ages.**



**Variations of this rich green color suggest soothing, lush gardens. Legend has it that emerald has the power to make its wearer more intelligent and quick-witted, and it was once believed to cure diseases like cholera and malaria. Today, it's the gemstone given for the 20th and 35th wedding anniversaries. Courtesy of [gia.edu](http://gia.edu) (Del-Air Monthly Rockhounder Review • Volume 62 • May 2021 • Number 05)**

### **ADMISSIONS COORDINATOR:**

- Be certain all time slots for working the admissions table are filled.
- Gather and have ready all material needed for the admissions table: Stamps and ink pad, door prize tickets, door prizes, door prize container, cash box.
- Ask each dealer to donate an item for a door prize. Mark each item with the time it will be offered as a prize
- Place the donated items in the lighted display case.
- Have available information about the club and membership forms for those who ask.
- **Be certain first ticket and last ticket of each day are torn off and stored in the cash box. (This is a simple way to keep track of the number of paying attendees.)**

### **Admissions Volunteers**

- Greet and welcome public as they enter the show.
- Collect admission fees. \$3.00 per person, unless they are a senior-\$2.00 or are 12 and under.
- Hand out door prize tickets. (Only paying attendees receive tickets – Children 12 and under are free, so they don't receive a ticket.)
- Give the attendee one side of the ticket, place the other side in the container.
- Have ready the item to be offered as the door prize. [They will be pre-marked with the time] (In order not to interfere with the Silent Auction's time frame, prizes will be offered on the three-quarter hour. The first prize drawing will be at 10:45 and every ½ hour after.)
- Draw a number from the prize canister and give it to the silent auction announcer to call out the number to the public.

### **KIDS CORNER COORDINATOR:**

- Supervise equipment set up and take down for storage.
- Receive donated materials for the Junior Booth assuring there is sufficient for both days of the show.
- Make available bags for the rocks for grab bags, if they are going to be offered.
- Be responsible for the wheel of fortune spinner, grab bags box, black light box, bean bag toss and any other materials being used.
- Determine the items to be used for the individual games and label as such.
- Make certain the volunteers understand the guidelines for each activity. Tickets are purchased at a cost of 4 for a \$1.00. Different activities require different number of tickets
- Periodically check the money box, keep appropriate records and turn money in to the Show Coordinator, Secretary or Treasurer.

### **Volunteer Guidelines – Kids' Corner**

- At least one adult must be present at all times.
- Kids are encouraged to volunteer at the kids' corner.
- Kids may take money and make change **UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF AN ADULT.**
- Follow the guidelines for each activity.
- Assist the attendees with each game or activity.
- Give out prizes as marked for each activity or game.
- (In the event, supplies have run low, check with the Coordinator for a possible solution.)

## **SILENT AUCTION COORDINATOR**

- The Silent Auction runs both days of the show. The Silent Auction Coordinator should have all the time slots for manning the booth filled.
- Organize the rocks that are donated by the members, and be responsible for accepting and storing the rocks, near the booth, that are brought to the show. All rocks must be clean and should be labeled if possible.
- At the end of each day Silent Auction Coordinator will turn in the day's receipts to the Show Coordinator with appropriate records.

## **Silent Auction Volunteer Guidelines**

- The adults' first silent auction shall start and stop at the top or bottom of the hour and continue every half hour throughout the day. The last auction ends 30 minutes before the show closes.
- Don't rush the auctions, use the 30 minutes. We don't have to sell all the material.
- Be prepared for the next auction. Pre-set all auction items on the back tables.
- Each auction item should have a minimum starting bid amount and bid increment.
- Each auction will be identified to the best of the auctioneer's ability. (When in doubt, ask someone.)
- Number of auction items per auction shall be determined by the people attending the silent auction. (DON'T overload the table!)
- If an item doesn't sell, set it back and replace it with new material.
- The auctioneer will announce the beginning of each auction.
- The auctioneer will announce the ending of each auction: 5 minute, and 2 minute warnings also.
- All money earned from donated materials shall be 100% for the club. (White Slips)
- All money earned from consignment materials shall be divided between the club and the member, 30/70 Club/Member. (Colored Slips)
- **NO MEMBERS MAY BID ON ITEMS WHILE WORKING THEIR SHIFT AT THE SILENT AUCTION**
- **KEEP ALL AUCTION SLIPS**
- **IF YOU'RE UNCERTAIN ABOUT AN ITEM OR WHAT YOU SHOULD BE CHARGING, DEFER TO THE CHAIRPERSON**

## **Long Term Silent Auction Table (Green Slips)**

- Members may submit items auctioned on a half day basis on a separate table. Mark on the top of your auction slip the name of the item and at which auction you wish to place it. (If you have a preference.) You also need to include a minimum bid.
- (Place a minimum bid you will accept for your item. Any amount the item sells for over the minimum bid is divided between the club and the member 30/70)
- Saturday 10-1, 1-4, Sunday 10-1, 1-3:45. Items will be placed out at that time with a minimum bid. All items sold must be removed from the auction area at close of auction period.

