

Hatrockhound Gazette 2018

PO Box 1122, Hermiston, Oregon 97838



Meetings at 6:30 on the 2nd
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 – Judi Allison
Treasurer – Laura Tiffany
Member at Large – Bill Shipp

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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.

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April Meeting: Tuesday, April 10, 2018, 6:30 pm

Emu Egg Carving - Lila Schlacht will share how she creates works of art using Emu Eggs and cabochons. Come learn about this art form by enjoying Lila's presentation.

Treats by April & Alex Lopez and Elaine Linn.

See you all the 10th!!!

At the March 13th meeting many members put on their “caps of creativity” and let the creative juices flow. Thanks to Laurie Ellis for being at the helm for this endeavor to add to the items for our kids’ corner. I am sure the little ones will be pleased when they receive one of these creations.



Hard at Work



Creative Results

Kelly L. Ham, 60, of Umatilla died Saturday, March 10, 2018, at his home. He was born Aug. 2, 1957, in La Grande. A celebration of life gathering will be held at the Christian Center on 17th and Highland Avenue on April 7th. Kelly was a former member of Hatrockhounds and shared his love of carving with the group on a number of occasions over the years. Our thoughts go out to his family.

A Few Fun Facts about Emus

Emus live up to 35 years in zoos, 10 to 20 years in the wild. The incubation period is about 8 weeks with 5 to 15 eggs per clutch. There can be up to 3 clutches per season. Maturity of an emu is 2 to 3 years old. They are from 4.9-6.2 feet high and weigh from 66 to 121 pounds.

These big, beautiful flightless birds are the second largest birds in the world (the ostrich is the largest). Emus are good swimmers and don't mind taking a dip in a pond or lake. The first occurrence of identical bird twins was discovered in the emu. More than 600 places in Australia are named after the emu. While running, the emu's stride can be almost 9 feet (2.7 meters) long. The Australian coat of arms has the image of an emu and a kangaroo, both animals that cannot back up. An emu's body contains 3 gallons (13.6 liters) of oil. Emu oil is used in lotions, soaps, shampoo, and health care products.

<http://animals.sandiegozoo.org/animals/emu>

Hatrockhounds Executive Minutes

Wednesday, March 28, 2018

Present: Doug Gill, Judi Allison, Laura Tiffany, Bill Shipp

- ✓ **Insurance** – Doug now has a hard copy and will do some research. We decided to suspend payment on a new year, at least for the moment. The policy needs to be examined to see it is even relevant to our club.
- ✓ **Show Information** – Mike had reported to Judi that all but two dealers have paid. He will get in touch with them to be certain they still plan to participate.
- ✓ Jim Bryant researched the possibility of finding signs locally, but found them to be almost double the cost of “Cheap Signs” online. Mike will order 50 of them for \$195.
- ✓ Bill stated that he and Rita will be going around to Walmart and Fiesta Foods this weekend to check about possible donations.
- ✓ Judi will double check with Rita about doing the Chamber Show at Nookies on May 8th.
- ✓ Doug had a sample of a more durable sleeve for name tags. Judi will create tags with the club's name and members first names for the show and other occasions. (There is still time if anyone else wants a vest made.) Judi has one that is probably about a medium and one short extra-large one.
- ✓ We will just get a trip permit to pull the trailer to the show site.
- ✓ **Field Trip Waiver** – Judi found a copy that could be converted for our club's use. We will utilize this when we have field trips.
- ✓ **Federation Director for NFMS Annual Meeting** – Mike can't go to the meeting, so Laurie Ellis has agreed to act as Director. We signed the credentials for her to present.

(Judi and Doug will both be gone for the April meeting.) Doug will be having a catheter procedure done on his heart, and Judi will be at the AFMS Show in North Carolina.

- ✓ Secretary, Judi Allison

Items to be voted on at Annual Meeting: *(Please let your club director know how you feel she should vote.)*

The Endowment Fund Committee has rewritten the entire operating procedure to reflect the changes that have been made by the Government in relationship to how funds are handled. There will be a motion to adopt the changes. (A copy of the proposal can be sent to members who request such.)

The second Operating procedure to be voted upon involves the distribution of trophies for display cases. The revised procedure helps to clarify how these trophies will be awarded. (Again, a copy can be obtained by requesting one from the Club Secretary.)

A 1970s copy of a Guidebook for hosting an NFMS Show has been resurrected and revised to have for future use. It is hoped the booklet will be accepted as such to be housed on the NFMS website for future reference.