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Please join us August 13, at **9AM** for the monthly meeting. There is an optional social hour that begins at 8:00am followed by the monthly meeting commencing at 9:00am. See meeting minutes for details. Visitors are always welcome.



Articles or news to be included in the *Cutting Remarks* should be emailed to your Editor, Wayne Klement (wayneklem@aol.com) or call him at 520-954-6298. Submission deadline is the 20th of each month. Thanks!

THE PREZ SEZ by Victoria Fila, President

Prez says:

Hello everyone, I hope that you are well and dealing with the heat.

Changes have been made to the water heater room, located on the non-lab side of the building, to make the room usable.

I am trying to remember the club member I was speaking to at the May meeting on field trips. Please call me 520-664-0302.



For field trips this year I am looking for volunteers to lead trips. I am not sure if my ankle will be up to walking on uneven ground. Healing but having troubles walking around in the backyard or other places that are not smooth surfaces.

August general meeting is on 8/13/22 social hour 8:00 Am - 9:00 Am. Our guest speaker is Mark Marikos. His presentation is: Photography - Overcoming those digital photos blues. Don't know about anyone else but I sure have digital photo blues.

Next board meeting is on 8/2/22 5:30 PM. All members are welcome to come.

Hope to see everyone at the next meeting. Till then stay safe, well and hydrated.

Victoria Fila,
OPLC President

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



Chloe Lalama

Mark Piccirello

Mark Miller

Maggie Roschyk

DONATIONS

Thanks to those that have made donations to help keep this club running! We welcome donations so if you have lapidary related items, please contact Dan Harmsen at (520) 721-8452 to arrange a pickup or drop-off. Recent donations:

Sue and Dick Hilared - Amethyst Cathedral, Calcite display, Petrified Wood log, bookends, sphere and stand, onyx pieces and crazy lace.

Anonymous- slabs, rough agates thunder eggs, fossils, geodes, books, dopping wax, tumbling balls and grit.

Alfie Norville Gem and Mineral Museum - Slabs and rough rock.

Ted Rupp - Jasper rough, agate rough, thunder eggs, opalized petrified wood and some slabs.

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OPLC SPEAKER AUGUST 13, 2022 – MARK MARIKOS

Overcoming Those Digital Photo Blues



We are in for another special great treat for our August 13, 2022, OPLC monthly meeting, with Mark Marikos, who will share with us a new presentation on photography titled Overcoming Those Digital Photo Blues.

Mark Marikos is a past President of the Tucson Gem & Mineral Society, and continues to be very involved with the club, the Board, and the Show Committee. He started collecting minerals at the age of five, and earned his Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Geology and Geophysics from the University of Missouri-Rolla (now Missouri University of Science and Technology).

Mark, will show how the sensors in digital cameras shift color, lending a blue "wash" that reduces vibrancy of colors and contrast and discuss how to use Photoshop or other digital image processing software to make that correction and bring your photos to life. He will show examples of his own photos as well as many professional photos. He will also touch on ways to salvage under or over-exposed images, and images taken in difficult lighting conditions.

Mark took up digital photography in 2005 and has used it in his career and hobby. He began experimenting with photo's color-correction from Mindat and other websites, until he arrived at his current technique that accurately corrects photos in minerals including diopside, copper, silver and gold, but also any digital image, including portraits, scenery, architecture and technology.

Please make sure you don't miss this great presentation. Looking forward to seeing you all,
Helen Serras-Herman, OPLC Program Chair

OPLC SPEAKERS 2022 – 2023

Here is the latest list for our upcoming speakers:

August 13 - Mark Marikos, Photography – **Overcoming those digital photo blues**

September 10 – David Nystrom, President Dewey-Humboldt Historical Society - **History & Mining of the Dewey-Humboldt area**

October 8 – Wolfgang Vaatz- **his jewelry art**

November 12 – Jan Rasmussen, geologist, **Mineralogy of Arizona** updated book edition

December – no speaker, holiday party

January 14, 2023- Helen Serras-Herman – **The Mitchell & Merrick Silver Mine and 9 Canyons on Navajo Land**

March 11, 2023, Chris Osterman –**His recent Mining trip to Portugal, Romania, and Bulgaria**

Old Pueblo Lapidary Club July General Meeting Minutes 07/09/2022

Presentation "Behind the scenes of appraisals" by Raymond Mason.

Thanks to Wayne Klement for supplying the goodies for breakfast this morning. Volunteers to assist in this task are welcomed. Costs are covered by the club to a \$40 limit.

Motion to approve last month's club meeting minutes/newsletter. Seconded? All in favor.

Treasurer Mark Davidson reported that the Treasury is in good standing.

Membership status - (Janet Keisler) There were 366 members in good standing as of this meeting. Jan is looking for a volunteer to take over as Membership Chairman. If you are interested please contact Janet or a Board member.

Field Trips - Victoria is working on starting field trips again in September or October.

Library status - Please return overdue books. Books can be checked out for two week periods.

Volunteers are still needed as lab monitors. If willing to help the club please volunteer.

A request was made by Dave Richardson for fire agate cabs and jewelry for the Alfie Norville Gem and Mineral Museum.

Door prize was won by Karen Blood.

Raffle proceeds were \$170.

Members voted to adjourn the meeting.

Minutes recorded by Dave Richardson.

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Casting

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Minutes of August 2, 2022 OPLC Board Meeting

5.30 pm, W Penrose, wrp0143@comcast.net

Present: Dave Richardson presiding, Mark Davidson, Bill Penrose, David Schulte, Ted Rupp, John Poole, Wayne Klement, Janet Keisler, Twink Monrad, Donovan Wagner, Mike Tucker, and Brian Peterson.

A quorum was present.

Treasurer's Report - Mark Davidson – Financial status remains positive and healthy. Major expenses in July were new wheels for Titans in the cab lab, and a new saw motor for the saw room. 30% of this year's budget has been spent. (Actual numbers available on request.)

Membership - Jan Keisler – 369 members in good standing

Silent Auction: Danny Harmsen, Dave Richardson reporting – High quality faceting material has been obtained and may be sold to faceters.

LABS STATUS:

Cab lab – Donovan Wagner – New wheels installed on Genies. One of the slab saws needs new bearings or a new motor. Feed motor speed is too high, damaging blades. Our next saw should be 10 inch; the current 12 inch encourages slabbing of rocks that are too large.

Faceting - Dave Richardson – More participants are needed in the faceting lab. All equipment is go. Higher quality laps are speeding up the grinding process about 6-fold.

Casting - no report

Silver – John Poole – Another class is starting next week. Both John and Bill Cascio are running classes.

Saw room – Mike Tucker – Some finished work is not being picked up. A policy is needed to deal with abandoned material.

Field trips: – Victoria Fila – no report (absent)

Refreshment status – In absence of volunteers, Wayne will continue for now.

New Business –

The Board confirmed that honoraria for speakers is \$130 for in town, \$250 for out of town; the meaning of 'out of town' is left to Helen's discretion.

Nominating committee selected: Donovan Wagner (chair), Twink Monrad, and Ted Rupp.

A book of current policies and Board decisions must be assembled. David Schulte will head the effort.

Facility rental policy was discussed and some changes suggested. Dave Richardson will present a clean copy for Board approval at the next Board meeting.

Meeting adjourned 6:30.

Next Board meeting August 30, 2022, at 5:30

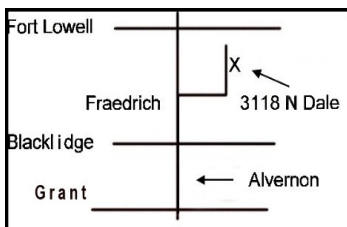
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The Business Meetings are held on the 2nd Saturday of each month except for December. A pre-meeting social hour is at 8:00 a.m., followed by an educational program, and ends with the monthly meeting. Visitors are most welcome.