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Please join us November

12th, 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.

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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 25th of each month. Thanks!

See us online at: www.lapidaryclub.org

THE PREZ SEZ by Victoria Fila, President

October is almost over and November is just around the corner so is our annual silent auction. Auction date: 11/05/22 start time 9:00 Am to about 3pm. There will be a lot of great items to bid on as we have received several donations. We could use volunteers to help with tables. Even if you can only spare part of the day.

Next general meeting is on 11/12/22 and Helen Serras-Herman has a great speaker lined up. 8:00am - 8:55 am social hour, 9:00 am presentation to 9:45 am. General meeting 10:05 am.

For visitors and new members after the raffle (held after the meeting) I will be doing a tour of our labs.

Field trips: For November I do not have anything lined up. I am looking for volunteers to help lead trips from November through April as I am still not quite healed to go out and walk on rough terrain. If interested, please let me know.

Next board meeting will be on 11/01/22 5:30 pm and you are welcome to attend.

Once again the scammers are at it again. Bill Penrose received an email where the sender is portraying me and asking Bill to help out by picking up some gift cards for a donation to the Veterans at hospice care for preventive items for COVID.

OPLC President no matter who it is will never send out an email asking any member to buy gift cards or anything else. So if you happen to receive an email like this please disregard and do not click on any link.

See you all in November stay safe and well.

Victoria Fila

OPLC President



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Richard & Nathalie Bliss

Jonathan, Jesse, Nathanael

& Mattias Brodhagen

Spencer Cohen

Stephanie Mendibles

Sarah Nichols

Jim Porter

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:

Anonymous - Tile saw, 10 inch saw blades, grit, tumblers(2), slabs, rough, safety helmet, buffer, thunder eggs, rock chisel,

Eva Seid - Tumbler, grit

J.R. Ham - Indian Jewelry

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Minutes of OPLC Membership Meeting

October 8, 2022, 9:00 AM at OPLC

William Penrose, Secretary, wrp0143@comcast.net

The lavishly illustrated talk was given by Wolfgang Vaatz, "Turning Nature Into Art", displaying silver and gold creations based mainly on aspen groves of Arizona.

The business meeting was brought to order at 10:00. A quorum of the membership was present. The minutes of last month's meeting were accepted by the members present.

Wayne Klement brought the refreshments. Thank you, Wayne.

Membership – Janet Keisler – Currently 388 members in good standing.

Treasurer's Report - Mark Davidson – Financial position of the club is positive. Specific figures will be disclosed to members on request.

Silent Auction – Danny Harmsen – Proceeding on schedule, November 5, 9 am to 2 pm.

Library – Bill Cascio – The library now has a directory.

Field Trips – Victoria Fila – The recent trip to the Winslow and St. Joseph areas was led by Charlie Hirshy. There were 15 members visiting 3 sites, yielding some excellent petrified wood and agate.

A trip to the Spectrum Mine for amethyst fluorite will take place on October 29. Participants will meet at 9.00 am at exit 81 on I-10. The trip will be led by Ed Davis. Cost will be \$20 or \$30 depending on participation. Waivers will have to be signed by participants.

A field trip organized by the Gila County Gem and Mineral Society will be held on October 15. Meet just south of the intersection of hyw 77 and 177 in Winkelman. Call Jodi Brewster at 623-810-9780.

Hob Nob is planned for Feb. 3 during TGMS show. Faceters' Guild and Faceters' Symposium. Details posted on web site.

Monitors are needed in all four labs.

A donation of \$13,984 has been received from the Lundstrom Family Fund to purchase updated equipment for the casting lab.

Meeting adjourned to tailgate sale in the parking lot.

Income received from raffle over \$225.

LEGENDS OF AMERICA

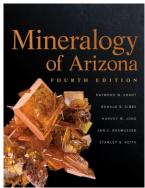
More Arizona Treasures Waiting To Be Found

Cochise Buried Gold – In 1899 a Southern Pacific express train was robbed of \$60,000 in gold coins and bullion by lawmen turned outlaws Burt Alvord and Billy Stiles near Cochise. Along the old trail between Wilcox and Cochise, the pair holed up in a cabin about 1/2 mile outside Cochise. Burying the gold near the cabin, they agreed they would recover it once the heat was off. However, before they had a chance, Alvord was jailed and Stiles was killed. Wells Fargo agents made a thorough search of the area, but never found the missing loot.

Source: Legends of America

OPLC Speaker November 12, 2022 – Dr. Jan Rasmussen Mineralogy of Arizona – the 4th edition





We are in for another treat for our November 12, 2022 OPLC monthly meeting. Dr. Jan Rasmussen will talk to us about the newest 4th Edition of the book **Mineralogy of Arizona**, which she co-authored with Ray Grant, Ron Gibbs, Harvey Jong, and Stan Keith.

The book covers 992 minerals found in Arizona, 233 species added to the 3rd edition by John Anthony, Sid Williams, Dick Bideaux, and Ray Grant in 1995. 323 color photographs illustrate the chapters on gemstones and lapidary materials, fluorescent minerals, and catalog of mineral species and localities. The chapter on geologic history explains terms used on the maps and the difference between mining districts and mineral districts and also contains a long table describing mountain building episodes, their geologic ages, mineral district examples, and typical minerals. The county mineral district maps, created by Stan Keith and Jan Rasmussen and illustrated by John Callahan, show the chemistry of the associated igneous rock, metals present, and geologic age. You can find new mineral localities by matching similar designations (colors) and ages. Visit www.uapress.arizona.edu (\$49.95 and \$75.00).

Dr. Jan C. Rasmussen, formerly Jan Carol Wilt, earned a Ph.D. in economic geology from the University of Arizona. Jan has co-authored 15 books or open-file reports and numerous articles on Arizona geology and most recently coauthored Mineralogy of Arizona, 4th edition. Jan was Curator of the Arizona Mining and Mineral Museum in Phoenix and had been Associate Curator of the University of Arizona Mineral Museum. Jan has taught Physical, Historical, and Environmental Geology part time at Pima Community College.

Jan has over 45 years of experience as an economic geologist. She worked for the Arizona Geological Survey on coal, oil and gas, molybdenum, and uranium. She later worked for SRK Consulting on permitting documents for San Manuel, Pinto Valley, and BHP's Miami-Globe area mines. Jan has also consulted on hydrothermal oil in the North Sea and has co-authored articles on the Kupferschiefer copper deposits in Europe.

Please do not miss this presentation. Looking forward to seeing you all,

Helen Serras-Herman, OPLC Program chair

OPLC SPEAKERS FORECAST 2022 – 2023

Here is the latest list for our upcoming speakers.

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**

May 13, 2023 – Dr. Art Friedman – Minerals & Gems with Unusual Physical & Chemical Properties - Part 2

SILENT AUCTION SPECIAL THANK YOU'S

A special thank you to Dave Richardson for looking up and correctly identifying all the faceted stones. Thanks to my helpers Ted Rupp and Tom McDeVitt who helped me sort and categorize all the rocks and machinery throughout the year.

Thanks to all the helpers that worked the Silent Auction show: David Schulte, Victoria Fila, Twink Monrad, Betty Mehlhoff, Alan Romey, Mike Tucker, Diana Hara, Jean Barkley, John Poole, Mark Gibson, Don Richardson, Mariza Richardson, Wayne Klement, Steve Lutes, Dave Ricardson's brother.

Dan Harmsen, S.A. Mgr.

LEGENDS OF AMERICA

More Arizona Treasures Waiting To Be Found

Mountain Springs – After attacking a wagon train a few miles northeast of the stage station at Mountain Springs, the Apache supposedly buried a cache of gold dust and silver coins in a Dutch oven. As the tale goes, the treasure is hidden behind two rocks at the point of the Winchester Mountains northeast of Wilcox.

Secret Pass – A wagon train of Spanish priests headed from Mexico to California was loaded with all the religious refinements need to establish a new mission. However, while in the area of Secret Pass, the wagon train was attacked by Indians who forced them to conceal the treasure, which included chalices, crosses, candlesticks, some of which were no doubt gold, in a cave. Then all but two nuns were massacred. The sisters were able to make their way back to Mexico where they returned to tell of the tragedy.

Brigham City – Outlaw Henry Seymour and his gang robbed a stagecoach in front of the Pine Spring Stage Station in 1879 of \$225,000 in newly-minted coins. The coins were enclosed in three boxes which the outlaws carried into Pine Spring Station, located between Beaverhead Station and Brigham City. However, before they could make their getaway, a 20-man posse arrived, and a gunfight ensued. After a day-long standoff, the lawmen set fire to the rear wall of the structure, and when the bandits ran from the building they were shot down. The posse made an immediate search for the coins, but they were never found.

Source: Legends Of America

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Friday No Labs scheduled currently.

Saturday 2nd and 3rd Saturdays Victoria Fila (520) 664-0302

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6PM-9PM Bill Penrose (520) 780-1143 - On Hiatus

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MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 1, 2022 OPLC BOARD MEETING

5.30 pm, W Penrose, wrp0143@comcast.net

Present: Victoria Fila presiding, Dave Richardson, Mark Davidson, Bill Penrose, David Schulte, John Poole, Wayne Klement, Twink Monrad, Mike Tucker, Pete Peterson, Danny Harmsen, Sandra Penrose.

Treasurer's Report - Mark Davidson – Financial status remains positive and healthy. (Exact figures available to members on request.)

Membership - Jan Keisler (by email) – 396 members in good standing.

Field Trips – Victoria Fila – the mid-October trip was canceled due to insufficient participants.

Labs status:

Cab lab – Status of the two saws is uncertain now. The trim saw blade has been installed.

Faceting - Dave Richardson – All sessions are full now, and the waiting list has been reduced to just six names.

Casting – Chuck Lundstrom (by email) – the lab is full, running smoothly.

Silver – John Poole – The latest class has just finished.

Saw room – Mike Tucker, Pete Peterson – The backlog is cleared. Two 24" blades will need replacing soon.

Refreshment status – Wayne will continue for now. Moved and passed that reimbursement limit for refreshments be increased from \$40 to \$60.

Silent Auction: Danny Harmsen – The silent auction is scheduled for November 5, 9 am to 2 pm. No labs will be open that day.

Liability insurance clarification regarding extent of coverage – Dave Richardson – A clarification of coverage has been obtained. Surprisingly, OPLC members are not covered if injured on our property, although nonmembers are. It is analogous to automobile liability insurance. However, the whole issue of liability is still murky.

New Business -

Our rental policy has been codified into a document.

The parking lot needs restriping. The south lot, is inefficiently used without striping.

Dave Richardson asked if an individual shop (specifically faceting) can hold a raffle to buy new equipment. Moved and passed, that individual lab owners can carry out such a raffle.

A/C unit in the meeting hall needed repairs. Pueblo came out and billed us \$495 to diagnose the problem, although they also cleaned the filters on all our units and proposed that we buy a new unit for \$3000. A friend of Dave Richardson carried out the same repair for \$200.

Elections must be announced at the next general meeting.

Moved and passed that we will hold a Christmas party this year.

The Hob Nob will have a food service. Molinito's will supply a table for 70 people, though we must do the serving ourselves.

The budget meeting will be the next Board meeting.

The next Board meeting will be on November 29 at 5:00. NOT 5:30.

Meeting adjourned at 6:10 pm.

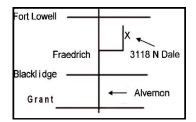
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The Business Meetings are held on the 2nd Saturday of each month except for December. A pre-meeting social hour is at 8:00 a.m., followed by an educational program, and ends with the monthly meeting. Visitors are most welcome.