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Please join us
September 13 at
9:00am for the next
monthly meeting.

There is an optional
social hour that begins
at 8:00am followed by
the monthly business
meeting. 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 25th of each month. Thanks!

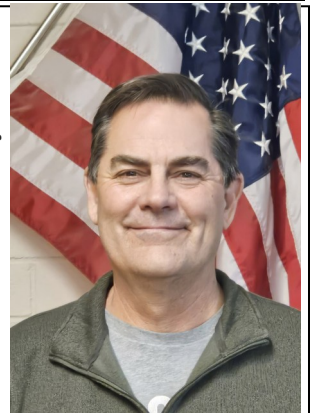
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THE PREZ SEZ by Jack McCabe, President

I started last month with good news but this month I have to say that it did not work out. We still do not have a Treasurer for the club. Part of the problem is the amount of work involved to complete that task. With that in mind we have decided to break up the job to make it more manageable. David Schulte has agreed to track and distribute shop cards. We are also looking into splitting the remaining tasks into Treasure and Bookkeeper. We would like to find someone to act as a bookkeeper to deal with tracking expenses and paperwork requirements. The Treasurer would be responsible for deposits, reimbursements, and meeting attendance. If anyone in the club has bookkeeping experience and could help with that aspect (for which you will be reimbursed) or if you feel like you could help as the Treasure please let us know. There will be an email coming soon with more specific information on the duties for both the positions.



The club tailgate sale will be Saturday - September 20th from 8am to Noon. There will be flyers with the details at the club and in the newsletter. If you would like to be a vendor we are asking for a \$10 donation payable the morning of the sale. Set up will take place in the back parking lot between 7:30 and 8am. If you would like to see what is for sale and support our vendors park in front and enjoy shopping.

Remember that the club does take donations of rocks and lapidary equipment to help keep the club operating. We are a 501 c and your donations are tax deductible. We will even come to you and pick-up the donations, all you have to do is let anyone on the board know.

We will have a Show and Tell section at the meeting. If you have any examples of projects you created in the labs or if you have been to a good rockhounding area and would like to tell the club about it we would love to hear from you.

Hope to see you at the Club.

SEPTEMBER 13, 2025, OPLC SPEAKER CHUCK GALLAWAY

History of Santa Cruz Mining 1540-1946



Photo courtesy Chuck Galloway



Miner at Salero Mine c. 1908, Photo courtesy UA

We are in for a special treat for our September 13, 2025, OPLC monthly meeting, with a new-for us speaker, Chuck Galloway. He will be sharing his research on the **History of Santa Cruz Mining 1540-1946** about all the gold and silver mines in the area.

Chuck Galloway was born and raised in Tucson and after a stint in the US ARMY he graduated from the University of Arizona with a degree in Geological Engineering. Chuck quickly discovered his interests were more aligned with Mining Engineering. During his forty-five years in the mining industry, his work was evenly split between underground and open pit projects covering engineering, operations, and management. Retired now, Chuck lives in Tubac.

Please make sure you don't miss this new speaker,

Helen Serras-Herman, OPLC Program chair

MINUTES OF OPLC MEMBERSHIP MEETING

August 9, 2025, at 9:00 am at OPLC

William Penrose, Secretary, wrp0143@comcast.net

The presentation was given by Ron Hyde, of the Southern Arizona Museum of Science and Technology, in Sierra Vista. Ron described the museum and some of the exhibits now available. The museum's URL is <https://www.southernarizonamuseum.org/>

Announcements – thanks to Wayne Klement for bringing the donuts today.

Wayne requested that members bring used printer cartridges to the club. They can be used to purchase more cartridges for the club.

Treasurer Report - The club is still in need of a treasurer. In the meantime, Jack McCabe is taking care of basic treasurer functions, like paying bills and depositing money.

Membership Report – Janet Keisler – the club now has 437 members in good standing.

Faceting Lab Report – All the machines are in need of calibration, but the necessary funds are not in the Faceting Lab budget. Membership approval is needed for the additional cost.

MOTION That \$3500 be transferred from the General Fund to the Faceting lab budget for calibration services. **PASSED**

Tailgate Sale – Will be held Saturday, September 20, from 8 am to noon. A \$10 donation is requested from vendors.

Door prizes were won by Kevin Mohr, Ilana Brin, Deb Hannum, and Matthew Carr.

The raffle grossed \$251.

The meeting adjourned at 10:25 am.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



Patti Bates
Alison Cardwell
Scott Cardwell
Reese Cardwell

Matthew Carr
Annette Copperstone
Kevin Morey
Eric Ruggles

Cathy Macklie
Steve Macklie

DONATIONS

Thanks to those that have made donations in the past to help keep this club running! We welcome donations so if you have lapidary related items, please call Wayne Klement, 520-954-6298 or Chuck Lundstrom, 520-241-9262, and leave a message to make arrangements to have the donation picked up if you need help, or to drop off at the Club.

OPLC SPEAKERS FORECAST 2025 -2026

I would like to thank all of our speakers who give us some terrific and diverse presentations that our members have truly enjoyed. They come near and far and we are definitely enriched by their shared knowledge and expertise. And huge thanks to all of our members who come and are great audiences for our speakers.

Here is the latest list for our upcoming speakers:

September 13, 2025, Chuck Galloway, **History of Mining in Santa Cruz County 1540-1946**

October 11, 2025, Gwendolyn Awen Jones, **The Callanish Stones in Scotland**

November 8, 2025, Mo Garrett, **Fossils of El Golfo Mexico**

December 13, 2025, **Holiday Party (no speaker)**

OPLC SPEAKERS FORECAST 2026

January 10, 2026, Sandy Lanter Raynor, **Jewelry Styles and Trends during the Revolutionary War (1775-1783)**

February 7, 2026, Dr. Bob Farrar, **The Pulsifer Quarry in Maine famous for its fluorapatite**

March 14, 2026, Robert Weldon, renowned photographer

April 11, 2026, Jim Turner, **Arizona's Famous Prospectors**

May 9, 2026, Claire Scragg, FGA gemologist



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The South parking lot will be open to members and shoppers.

Participants need to bring their own tables.

A suggested donation of \$10 per vendor is requested.

If any questions call JACK McCABE 529-297-3029

OPLC MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

An application form can be downloaded from the Club website at: [Old Pueblo Lapidary Club Join US](#)

MEMBERSHIP RATES FOR NEW MEMBERS

	<u>Jan - Jun</u>	<u>Jul - Dec</u>
Single	\$35.00	\$20.00
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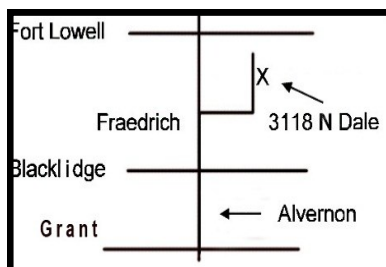
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apply for members
returning to rejoin
regardless of the time of
year.

Make check out to OPLC and mail to:

Old Pueblo Lapidary Club
Attn: Membership Chairperson
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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.

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Minutes of Tuesday, September 2, 2025 OPLC Board Meeting
5:00 pm, W Penrose, wrp0143@comcast.net

Present: Jack McCabe presiding, Bill Penrose, Wayne Klement, Dave Richardson, Janet Keisler, Mark Dragoslovich, Mark Marikos, Wendy Huber, Ken Briggs, David Schulte. A quorum was present.

Treasurer Position – After lengthy discussion, the Board consensus was to investigate bookkeepers with experience in working with nonprofits like OPLC. We do not have an actual job description for the Treasurer position, which has expanded over the years to include tasks that an elected volunteer should not be obliged to do. This requirement should be announced at the upcoming membership meeting. David Schulte has volunteered to take over the job of tracking the shop cards, one of our major sources of income.

Treasurer Report – Same as last month. We still do not have a permanent treasurer, and Jack is carrying out essential tasks for now. The Board is investigating alternatives.

Membership – currently 449 members in good standing

Lab Reports –

Silver lab – No report. (Secretary note: no issues in the lab)

Saw room – No report.

Cabbing lab – Ken Briggs and David Schulte – Some repairs and upgrades are needed in the cab lab. There are corroded trays and hoods on about ten of the machines, and they should be replaced. Consensus is that they can be replaced from the current budget. Backsplashes should be installed behind the machines. The cab lab also needs painting, which will require volunteers from the membership.

Casting lab – Mark Draslodovich – the lab is operating smoothly

Faceting lab – Four machines have been repaired by the manufacturer and two more are being sent today for an eventual total of ten.

Field Trips – In the absence of a coordinator, Jack will contact Rod Trevino about piggybacking on some of the Sierra Club's trips. (Secretary note: Mo Garrett is planning a field trip to the Wickenburg area in October or November.)

Nominating Committee – Janet Keisler has volunteered to chair the Nominating Committee for this year.

Tailgate Sale – Dave Richardson will open up at 7 am.

Outreach Projects – Mark Draslodovich brought the rest of the board up to date on the project with 100 Men.

Lab Cleanup – David Schulte suggested scheduling a club cleanup day before the Christmas Party.

Adjourned 6:15 pm.

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6pm-9pm Donovan Wagner (520) 869-2050

Tuesday 9am-12pm 1st and 3rd Tuesday Dan Lilly (801) 995-9692
4pm-9pm Brian Peterson (520) 449-2660

Wednesday 5pm-8pm Keith Haubert (520) 784- 8283

Thursday 7am-11am Ken Briggs (520) 780-0640
1pm-4pm Wendy Huber (206) 669-6002

Friday No Labs currently scheduled.

Saturday 4th Saturday 9:00am-2pm Ron Bryan (619) 495-7967
7am-12pm Dennis Stock (602) 421-2707
2pm-5pm Wendy Huber (206) 669-6002

Sundays ~~9am-12pm Gloria Shenanaquet (520) 739-5804~~ **(Temporary Hold)**
12pm-2PM Paul Fickle (520) 883-6061
2pm-5pm Mark Davidson (520- 975-6075

Silversmithing

Monday 10am-1pm Jane Morris (727) 743-0883

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Wednesday 10am-2pm Sloane Padilla (520) 808-8699 (Text Only)
5:30pm-8:30pm Stephanie Mendibles (520) 460-2101

Thursday 10am-4pm Sloane Padilla (520) 808-8699 (Text Only)

Friday 10am-2pm Giac D'Acquisto (520) 444-4143

Saturday 9am-12pm David Schulte (520) 954-8554

Sunday 10am-2pm Giac D'Acquisto (520) 444-4143

Faceting

Monday 9am-12pm Dave Richardson (520) 245-2172 Class & Open Lab

Wednesday 5:30pm-8:30pm David Schulte (520) 954-8554 Open Lab

Thursday 4pm-7pm Chuck Lundstrom (520) 241-9262 Class

Sunday 12:30pm-3:30pm Dave Richardson (520) 245-2172 Class & Open Lab

Casting

Monday Noon-3pm 1st Monday of the Month Investing Liz Williams (818) 300-5262
Noon-3pm 2nd Monday of the month Burn Out Liz Williams (818) 300-5262

Wednesday 4pm-7pm Chuck Lundstrom (520) 241-9262 Classes every other month, beginning every January, open labs between classes; look for sign-up sheets in the meeting hall. Open lab available when NO class is running.
Call for open lab availability.

Thursday 9am-12pm Mark Dragoslovich (520) 906-4657
6pm-9pm Mike Copeland (520) 279-1798

Friday 1pm-4pm 1st, 2nd & 3rd Fridays Travis Austin (540) 420-3866
10am-2pm David Weaver (520) 548-4414

Sunday 1pm-4pm 3rd Sundays Travis Austin (540) 420-3866

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Wednesday 7am-11am Ray Darragh (480) 652-0648

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