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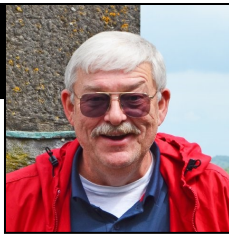
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Please join us July 13th at **9AM** for the **monthly meeting**. There is an **optional social hour** that begins at **8:00am** followed by an **educational program** at **9:00am**, followed by the **monthly meeting**. **Visitors are always welcome.**



Articles or news to be included in the *Cutting Remarks* should be emailed to your Editor, Mike DeMeritt (silverlininggemstones@gmail.com), or feel free to call him at 520-455-5378 or (520) 240-5133. Submission deadline is the 20th of each month. Thanks!

THE PREZ SEZ by David Schulte



6/29/19

The heat has arrived with a vengeance in the Old Pueblo again! Hopefully by July 4th we'll get some relief with the monsoons. Our next business board meeting will be held on Friday, July 5th in the main building at the club at 10 AM. Members are always invited to attend and encouraged to participate in the board meetings and discussions.

We are working on getting the mini split in the cab lab fixed or have the head replaced to get rid of the leak in the lab. We should have estimates this week and repairs to follow. All the labs are up and running and there are no issues to report. Come on down and make some stuff!!!!

Please remember that we will be holding a silent auction with 10 to 15 items at the next club member meeting, July 12th, in an attempt to raise money for the club. We are planning on putting out some of the nicer donations that we've received and the bid starting value will reflect this so bring your check books and wallets!

We will be holding a club clean-up day on Sunday July 13th getting ready for the big garbage pickup. We still have some branches and other stuff that needs to put outside the fence for pick up. We will be cleaning the main building and a doing a spring cleaning of all the labs. Work will start at 8 AM on Sunday to avoid the heat and donuts and coffee will be supplied. Please come if you're in town and help us spruce the place up.

Thanks once again to all our members that have donated items to help make the club run. A big thanks to Lionel for his donation of Namibian blue lace agate! Remember that we welcome any and all donations to the club AND we'll give you a tax receipt so you can claim them on your taxes. If you have anything dealing with lapidary that you would like to donate, we'll come and pick it up! Just let Dave Richardson or any of your board members know and we'll set up a time to come get it or drop it off at the club!

David

**I have no special talent.
I am only passionately curious.**

-Albert Einstein

Front Cover Pictures: July's birthstone is **Ruby**, the red variety of **Corundum** or **Sapphire**, appearing here as an incredible six-carat plus stone! **Carnelian** is a red variety of **Chalcedony**.

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PRIOR MONTH'S MEETING MINUTES... William Penrose, Secretary

**OLD PUEBLO LAPIDARY CLUB
MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING, June 8,
2019**

Secretary, William Penrose,
wrp0143@comcast.net, 520-780-1143

This month's presentation was given by Les Presmyk on "The U of A Gem and Mineral Museum" currently being installed in Tucson's historic court house.

Refreshments for today's meeting were supplied by Sandra Penrose. Volunteers to bring refreshments to future meetings should contact Leia Ballard at 520-780-8641, email: 5grandsons53@gmail.com Costs are reimbursed to \$40.

Last month's meeting minutes were approved by vote of the membership.

Treasurer Report (Pat Droll) – The Club treasury is in healthy shape and increasing, with no unbudgeted or unusual expenditures or issues.

Membership Report (Janet Keisler) – Members in good standing 394, with two incomplete liability forms outstanding.

Members were reminded that Donovan Wagner has set up a Facebook group 'Old Pueblo Lapidary Club Monitors' which members can check in case of sudden lab cancellations or changes. Particularly if you drive from a great distance, be sure to check this page before leaving home. People who despise Facebook or don't use it can still call the monitors for information, of course.

Library Status – open and operating.

The main hall of the club will be rented to Peggy Hays for the Gourd Club meeting in June. The hall is available for rent to other groups if certain conditions are met.

Field Trip Report (Victoria Fila) – No one was present to follow up on the trip to Alpine last week. At present, field trips are planned for September (Payson), October (Round Mountain, E of Duncan), and November (Duquesne, S of Patagonia).

Faceting Lab (Dave Richardson) – There are four session times per week now that the lab is in full running order. Signup sheets have been posted.

Saw Room (Pete Peterson) – Some slabs will be cut for display and auction during club meetings beginning July 13 to raise funds in advance of the silent auction. Reserve prices will be set higher than will be set for the Silent Auction itself.

Cab Lab (David Schulte) – The 6" water saw has been returned and is in regular use. All other lab functions are in order.

Silver Lab – All in order.

Silent Auction – We are soliciting items for the Silent Auction to be held in November. Please contact David Richardson 245-2172 if you need help with transport or have questions. Special mention is made of a significant amount of a Namibian blue lace agate that was donated by Lionel Swanson, along with over 200 pounds of rough.

The door prizes were won by Abe Lackow (azurite display specimen) and Al Romey (blue lace agate specimen). Raffle income was \$157.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45.

July 2019 OPLC Speaker: Jerry Kastner

“Repairing Used Lapidary Equipment”



With a small change in our scheduled dates, Jerry Kastner will be our speaker for our July 13, 2019 OPLC meeting. Jerry was previously scheduled for August, but now he is coming this month, and I will be presenting “Passion for Opals” at the August 10 meeting.

We are truly happy to have Jerry Kastner come back to talk to us about repairing used lapidary equipment, something that he does on a regular basis, serving the lapidary community.

Jerry learned how to cut cabochons when he was 12 years old in Globe. When he and his family first moved to Arizona, his father was self-employed and opened a rock shop in Globe in 1959. He also taught Jerry how to do silverwork with original designs. Jerry earned an associate degree in college in automotive engineering technology, and served as a helicopter structural mechanic for four years. He has repaired everything from chain saw engines to 150-ton haulage trucks, an experience that has given him a great background for what he is doing today.

Jerry and his company, KGS Lapidary & Jewelers Supply for the past 27 years has been selling lapidary equipment and jewelry supplies here in Tucson, as well as at several gem and mineral shows in five southwestern states. For more information about Jerry’s company, KGS, please visit his website at www.kastgem.com.

Jerry will be showing some photos and discussing the challenges of repairing used lapidary equipment. He will also bring in some equipment for show-and-tell.

We look forward to seeing all of you at our July meeting,

Helen Serras-Herman, OPLC Program Chair

OPLC Speakers Forecast 2019-2020– Updated

Here is the latest list for our upcoming speakers.

Jerry Kastner, “Repairing Used Lapidary Equipment” (July 13, 2019)

Helen Serras-Herman, “Passion for Opals” (August 10, 2019)

Stan Hart, “Origin, Age & Evolution of Earth” (September 14, 2019)

Larry Fellows, “Pompeii & Vesuvius” (October 12, 2019)

Jim Turner, “Zuni Fetishes & Carvings” (November 9, 2019)

Kent Solberg, Kent’s Tools (January 11, 2020)

Please do come to the meetings and enjoy these great speakers and their presentations.

Looking forward to seeing you all soon,

Helen Serras-Herman, OPLC Program chair



DONATIONS

Lionel Swanson - A very large quantity of Blue Lace Agate rough and specimens from Namibia

George Luerus - Rock flatlap

Mike Rose - Misc. rough, turquoise, and a container of Oregon Sunstone

To donate to OPLC, just contact Dave Richardson at (520) 245-2172.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



Terry Forrest
Debbie Forrest
Roxanne Cruz
Juan Cruz
Angelina Cruz
Joan Fischer
Charles White

Clare German
Larry Laye
Mark Febbo
Lenore Coleman
Stephen Fedigan
Sally Fedigan

MESSAGE FOR OPLC MONITORS

Dear fellow monitors,

There is apparently some confusion about the liability statement that folks sign and how folks are authorized to use a lab. So here it is again:

Once a person has taken a class in a lab OR the lab OWNER has cleared that person to work in their lab without taking a class as they are already proficient in the use of the equipment, the member signs the authorization sheet located in the notebook of each of the labs. By signing this sheet the class instructor or lab owner must disclose to the member that they are signing a liability agreement that if through negligence or misuse of equipment in the that lab they damage equipment they are agreeing to repair or replace that equipment in that lab. ONLY members who's name is on the approved listing to work in the that lab may sign into a lab and use the equipment. It is the responsibility of EACH and EVERY monitor to look up a members name in the lab authorization listing to verify that the member is cleared to work in that lab. If a members name is not of the authorized listing, the member CANNOT work in the lab. Monitors cannot clear a member to work in a lab unless they have prior approval to do so from the lab owner in that lab. ONLY lab owners or instructors can clear a person for a given lab use.

Thanks!



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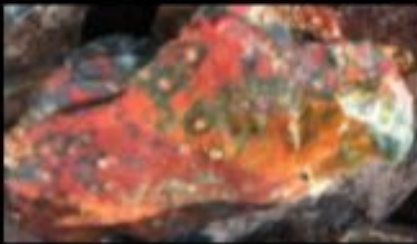
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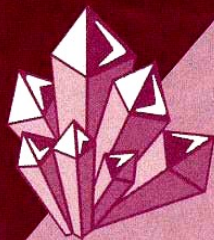
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Mondays

9AM - Noon **Faceting Lab**
Monitor - Dave Richardson 245-2172

1PM - 4PM **Silversmith Lab**
Monitor - Pat Droll 345-2792

3:30PM - 6PM **Cabbing**
Monitor - Margarette Harris 561-2315

6PM - 9PM **Faceting Class**
Monitor - Earl Zoeller 886-3518

6PM - 9PM **Cabbing****
Monitor - Donovan Wagner 869-2050

6PM - 9PM **Silversmithing Lab**
Monitor - Bill Penrose 780-1143

Tuesdays

9AM - Noon **Cabbing***
Monitor - Mike DeMeritt 520-455-5378

9AM- Noon **Casting**
Monitor - Liz Williams (818)300-5262

9AM - Noon **Silversmithing Lab**
Monitor - John Poole 777-5588

1PM - 4PM **Faceting Class/Open Lab**
Monitor - Dave Richardson 245-2172

Wednesdays

9AM - 1PM **Silversmithing**
Monitor - Dennis Murphy 490-9188

6PM - 9PM **Cabbing**
Monitor - Keith Haubert 784-8283

Thursdays

9AM - Noon **Rock Sawing**
Monitor - Pete Petersen 886-9021

9AM - Noon **Cabbing**
Monitor - Bob Powell 403-8980

1PM - 4PM **Silversmithing**
Monitor - Giac D'Aquisto 207-6219

6PM - 9PM **Silversmithing**
Monitor - Bill Cascio 638-8144

6PM - 9PM **Cabbing**
Monitor - Tom Tuten 803-260-5423

Fridays

9AM - Noon **Cabbing****
Monitor - David Schulte 954-8554

9AM—Noon **Silversmithing**
Monitor - Pat Droll 345-2792

1PM - 4PM **Silversmithing**
Monitor - Lou Ackerman 290-6968

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1PM - 4PM **Cabbing**
Monitor - Pete Valentine, 208-409-7910

6PM - 9PM **Cabbing**
Monitor - Victoria Fila 664-0302

Saturdays

9AM - 2PM **Silversmithing**
Monitor - James Germaine, 288-0135

9AM - 2PM **Cabbing**
Monitor - Ron Bryan 619-495-7967

Casting Class
Monitor - Chuck Lundstrom 241-9262

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casting pore third Saturday of every month 3PM until done.
This will not start until March 2019.*

Sundays

9AM - Noon **Rock Sawing**
Monitor - Mark Gibson 297-4412

10AM - 3PM **Silversmithing Lab**
Monitor - Giac D'Aquisto 207-6219

10AM - 2PM **Cabbing**
Monitor - Gloria Jean Shevanaquet 369-7225

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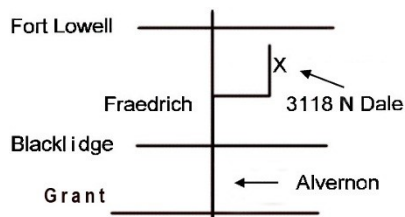
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