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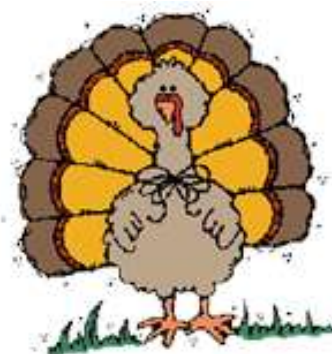
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Please join us on
November 14th for the next
monthly meeting. Optional
social hour begins at 8:00am
followed by the educational
program at 9:00am followed
by the meeting. Visitors are
always welcome.



Articles or news to be included in the *Cutting Remarks* should be emailed to your Editor, Wayne Klement (wayneklem@aol.com), or feel free to call him at 520-954-6298. Submission deadline is the 25th of each month. Thanks!



According to the current Obama administration, the two biggest events in November are Thanksgiving (a secular holiday) and the OPLC Silent Auction. The Silent Auction promises to be another bustling, exciting event. We have been getting great donations all year. Danny Harmsen has put in many hours and days getting prepared for it.

When the auction unfolds, it appears like a well choreographed ballet. (I have talked to many people who come to the event just to see the mechanics of the auction itself.) How does it work? The first table number is called at nine o'clock in the morning. The lucky bidders are awarded their treasures and that table is replenished. At nine-fifteen, one of the eight remaining tables is randomly called, and so on, every fifteen minutes through all nine tables. Each of the nine tables is replenished as the materials are auctioned off and are randomly called again. The cycle continues throughout the day. Just before two PM all the tables are finished and then the equipment is sold.

Okay, I made up that part about the Obama administration and talking to people about the mechanics; but, everything else is true. Thanks, Dan.

The OPLC Silent Auction is Saturday, the seventh of November, between nine AM and two PM. Mark it on your calendar and tell your friends and acquaintances to come – heck, tell at least two strangers as well. It is a chance for you to get equipment you need, materials you can use, and things you plain just can't live without -- at pretty nifty prices.

A little nostalgia: This is the one year anniversary of having un-smelly, hot water. We replaced the water heater then. The gas leak was finally resolved then as well. Thanks again, Murray.

Speaking of hot water, Ted Rupp installed a new faucet in the kitchen sink. The hot water is now easily selected in consonance with the rest of the United States: on the left side. Thanks, Ted.

Election: The OPLC Nominating Committee is Skip Barkley and Wayne Klement. Fulfilling their assignment, they have nominated a candidate for each vacant Officer and Board of Director position. This slate is included in this newsletter. The election will be held during the December business meeting.

Here is how it works. The candidate's slate for next year's

officers and directors is presented in the proxy form to the members of the club at least two weeks prior to the election. Any additional candidates for these positions must be entered in the proxy and mailed to arrive in time to be counted for the election. Other candidates can be nominated from the floor during the election. **(If you have a nomination, you must be sure that person will do the job.)** If other people are nominated, they will be placed on the ballots which will be handed out during the meeting.

Hopefully, no other candidates will emerge and we will just vote to approve the slate as presented by the Nomination Committee. Keep in mind, Skip and Wayne scouted hard all year, smooth-talked, guilt-tripped, and arm twisted to find people to take these positions. Having an election run-off won't bust our hump. However, voting the slate as presented will make life easier. Thank you, Skip and Wayne.

And remember; always practice discrete bidding and safe balloting.

Bill

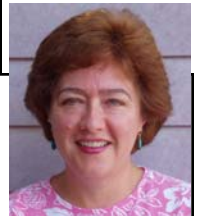
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- Dave Arens will be teaching a Beginning Chain Makers class starting Monday, November 15th. There will be 6 classes that run from 1PM to 4PM. **It'll be open to the first six people to call or email Dave.** His telephone number is 749-2413 and his email address is gemstonesetc@gainbroadband.com.

NOTICE: John Mediz of the Copper City Rock Shop reports "that after a year, the road from Tucson to Globe and the White Mountains (Hwy 77) is now open 7 days/week". Yippee!

LAB RE-OPENED: Snow Bird Frank Bevans is back in town and his weekly Thursday afternoon Cabachon lab will start up again on November 12th.

OCTOBER MEETING MINUTES By Diana Hara (for Jenny Coniglio)



The meeting opened at 9am and a quorum was met. The September general meeting minutes were approved. The Club had one visitor who came with Eulaine Turner from Picture Rocks. There were no new members present.

Murray Hiller is in charge of the building, grounds, and equipment for the club while Ron Davidson is still in the hospital. He needs a key to the saw room. If someone could oblige him, it would be appreciated.

John Poole is now in charge of supplying the labs.

Ron Davidson is still in the hospital. The Board held their monthly meeting at the VA so Ron could be present. Bill Carmody said that Ron will be having surgery on November 2 to put his prosthesis back in. He likes phone calls and

visitors, so don't be shy.

Bill stressed to the membership that we need to be extra vigilant about making sure that the shop is locked up when we leave. Paul Head found the saw room door open last Monday. Every one is forgetful now and then, but let's try to be extra careful.

OLD BUSINESS

There is a new Titan in the lapidary lab now, and everyone seems to like it! By the way, the Club bought it from Bombay Bazar for a really good deal!

NEW BUSINESS

Bill said that the Club needs a new Treasurer. Melinda has developed a problem with her eye and needs to be relieved. We hope you are better soon, Mims! Sheila Powell and Pat McMullen have been very gracious in volunteering to take over. Sheila will do the

bookkeeping and Pat will write the checks – thanks you guys!

The lead engineer at Ray Mine called Wolfgang Mueller and said that one of the workers had been killed in a mining accident recently and all tours are canceled until further notice.

Wolfgang is going to have two rock hounding orientation classes in the near future. The first one will be on Thursday, October 22, at the clubhouse from 6-9pm. The second one will be on Thursday, November 19, at the clubhouse from 6-9pm. Both are free. The orientation will cover what to wear when you go rock hounding, what to bring as far as tools, food, etc. Wolfgang will also cover rock hounding etiquette and he may have

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some minerals to show the class too.

There is a field trip planned for Saturday, October 24, at 1pm. The fee is \$6 a carload. Meet at Oracle State Park at the Kanaly House. Collecting will NOT be allowed on this trip. It will be a tour of the area only. This will be a mineral orientation, and Bill thinks the tour will go through the park and up the mountain. If you have any questions, please call Wolfgang at 896-3197.

Bill said that folks from Kyrgyzstan will be visiting Tucson during the gem show in

January/February next year. They are coming through a program at the University of Arizona, and are looking for housing while they are here. They are also interested in instruction on jewelry making, making sales in the U.S., and learning about internet sales. Ray Brown and Jenny Coniglio are interested in helping with this program. If you would like to help, please contact Ray or Jenny.

Bill said the Board decided to put the original 'Blue' Club t-shirts on sale for ½ price. Get yours while they last. Patches are also on sale for \$.50.

Bob O'Donnell announced to the Club that it was Bill

Carmody's birthday and everyone wished him well. Happy Birthday, Bill!

Pat McMullen announced that he would like to have nine people helping with the kitchen chores during the Silent Auction so that everyone could take turns bidding and not be stuck in the kitchen the whole time. He said he needed 2-3 more people to help. He's also looking for volunteers to bake items to sell. If you are interested in helping, please contact Pat. Also, there is a sign-up sheet on the kitchen table.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40am.

MORE DONATIONS

- Shiela Powell - - Chalcedony, mica, and obsidian rhyolite geodes,
- Willa Kleymann - - Rhodocrosite, ocean jasper, and other slabs,
- Fran Veres (daughter of Earl Upham a deceased member) - - Findings, bola ties, belt buckles, rings, malachite and azurite balls, necklaces, display boxes, turquoise and sea shells.
- An anonymous donor donated three bracelets made from Swarovski beads.
- Paul Head - vise.
- DAH Rock Shop: Fluorite obelisk, Fossil books-2, Carborundum wheels-2, magnifier, Fluorescent light, metal detector-2, Easy ear wire makers-4, rock lamp, lighted display box, and a tumbler.

SHOP HINT: Beading Threads - Use strong non-abrasive resistant silk on non-abrasive beads, such as pearls, turquoise, mother-of-pearl and lapis. Use abrasive resistant nylon on beads such as onyx, metals and quartzes. Before using nylon, pre-stretch overnight with a weight.

From New & Views via T-Town Rockhound 07/98

DONATIONS

You may contact one of the following individuals if you are interested in making a donation (rocks, equipment, etc.) to the Old Pueblo Lapidary Club. Please call: Bill Carmody at 760-8598 or Dan Harmsen at 721-8452.



8TH ANNUAL SILENT AUCTION OLD PUEBLO LAPIDARY CLUB



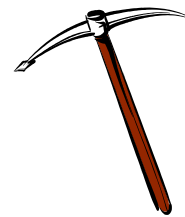
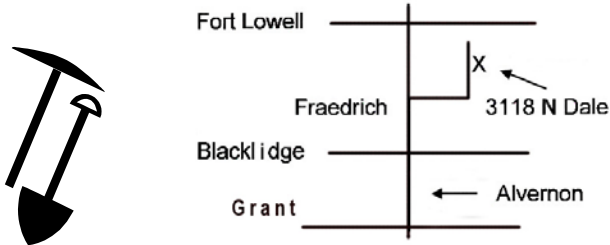
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Free parking - Free admission

DATE: Saturday, November 7, 2009 HOURS: 9:00am—2:00pm

Don't Miss it! This is once-a-year chance to select all your mineral and lapidary needs from a myriad of crystal specimens, petrified wood, turquoise cabs, opals, rhodochrosite, faceted stones, quartz crystals, agates, fire agates, cut slabs, polished stones, shells, findings, jewelry, equipment – including: rock saws, acetylene tank with regulator, grinders, tumblers, and much, much, more. There will also be a “kid’s only table”.

Choose from lots and lots of items. One of nine tables will be randomly called and replenished every 15 minutes. Place your bids and try to find time for tasty snacks on sale in the Club’s kitchen as you wait to see if you are the lucky owner of some great new lapidary finds.



NEW TITAN FOR THE CLUB

For those of you who don't get a chance to stop by the lab that often, here's Murray Hiller (l) and Danny Harmson proudly showing the new Titan that was installed in the cabbing lab last month.

NOTICE - - - - LAB HOURS CHANGED

Dan Harmsen's Friday Lab on November 6 will be canceled due to the setting up for the Silent Auction being held on Saturday.

HELP !!! STILL LOOKING FOR CONTRIBUTORS TO THE NEWSLETTER

The Editor, that's me, is looking for people that would like to contribute to the newsletter. What would you like to see?? Have you been anywhere special lately? Read any good books on rocks or related subject matter? Taken any fantastic pictures that would be of interest to the group? Write me an article or send a photograph with a story.....

Thanks, Wayne Klement - 954-6298 or wayneklem@aol.com

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DON'T FORGET

Please don't forget to bring in **YOUR** aluminum cans to the Club for recycling. Your contribution would be greatly appreciated to help add \$'s to the Club's treasury. **Thanks!**

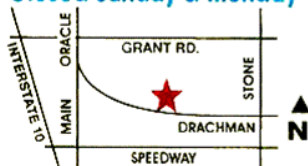
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Terry Lane Cox
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Carmen Gonzalez
Scott Homan
John McDonald, Jr.
Les Parsons
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items desired.

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MONTHLY JEWELRY CONTESTS

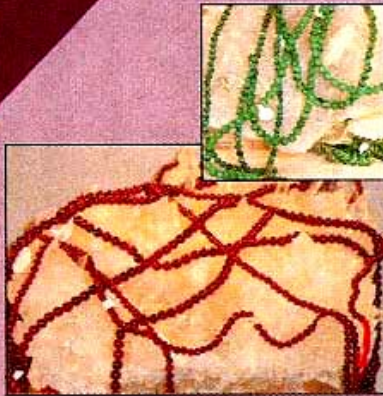
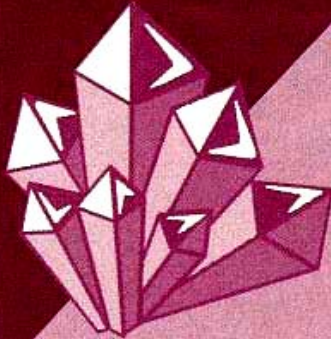
In order for members to better plan for future monthly contests, here is the schedule for each category by month:

January - Bolo Tie	May - Brooch	August - Faceted Stone	November - Bracelet
March - Belt Buckle	June - Cabochon	September - Chain	
April - Necklace	July - Charm	October - Pendent	

There were no announced winners of the October Pendent contest.

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• **NOTE:** Please call the respective shop Monitor for the lab you plan to attend to ensure that the lab will be open. During the summer months, some of the labs close early due to lack of attendance. Thanks for your cooperation.



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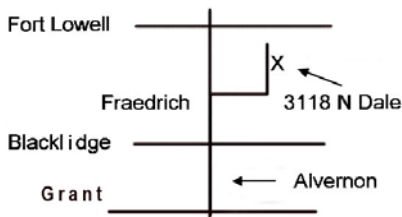
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Couple (same address)	\$30.00	\$20.00	\$15.00	\$10.00	\$20.00
Junior	\$7.50	\$7.50	\$7.50	\$7.50	\$7.50

Mail to: Membership Chairperson, Old Pueblo Lapidary Club, 3118 N. Dale, Tucson, AZ 85712



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