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Wire Wrapped Rings by Tony Clement



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is a member of the Oklahoma State Council of Mineralogical Societies (OSCMS) and the Rocky Mountain Federation of Mineralogical Societies (RMFMS); is an affiliate of the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies (AFMS).

The general PURPOSE of this organization shall be to promote interest in various Earth Sciences, and in particular, the subjects of Geology, Mineralogy, Paleontology, Lapidary and other related subjects; to encourage mineral and rock collecting and lapidary workmanship as hobbies; and to conduct meetings, educational programs, field trips and other related activities.

This society is established as a not-for-profit corporation in the state of Oklahoma for educational, social and scientific purposes related to the earth sciences, lapidary and jewelry hobbies.

March Birthdays



Van Rogge ~ March 8

John Worden ~ March 27

February 23, 2017

Greetings fellow rock hounds,

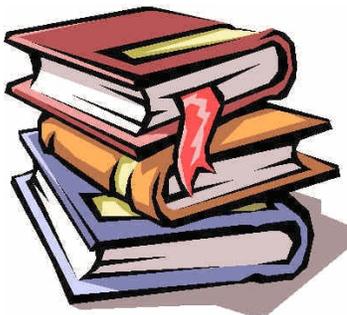
As we move forward during the new year, I would like to thank those members that have come forward to fill open jobs in the club. And to encourage other members to help fill those jobs that still need to be filled.

We are planning to again have a couple of raffles to raise funds for the club. We need items to include in the raffles, ie: jewelry, polished slabs, gemstones and other items that will appeal to all ages.

We need volunteers to run the Spin & Win for First Fridays. All help with these events will be greatly appreciated. We also need ideas from the members about additional ways to raise money for our club.

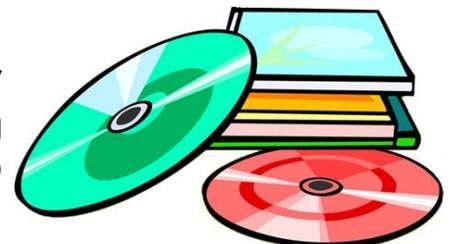


John Haacke, your EGMS President



Candy Kent has volunteered to be our new EGMS librarian. The library is located in the loft at Johnson's Jewelry and Rock Shop, 216 W. Randolph, downtown Enid. There are lots of really interesting books, some magazines, DVDs and even a few VHS tapes available for our club members to borrow/check out. There's lots of great reading

so come on down, take a look, check out a book! Be sure to thank Candy for volunteering for this important position!!!



Enid Gem and Mineral Society Executive Board Meeting Minutes

January 28, 2017



The Board Meeting for the Enid Gem and Mineral Society held on January 28, 2017, was brought to order by President John Haacke at 3:13 p.m. at Johnson's Rock and Jewelry Shop in downtown Enid, OK. There were eight members present.

Mary Walters had found three alternative places to hold the rock club's meetings. The first was the Senior Social Center. They would be available for Tuesday nights, large kitchen, tables and chairs already set up, and ask for non-perishable items to give to home-bound seniors as payment for usage. The second option was Oakwood Mall. The cost would be \$25 per meeting. They did not guarantee the same meeting room to be available for each meeting. The third option was the Gantz Center at a cost of \$10 per hour. If any dinners were held there, we would have to hire the Gantz Center's catering service. Tony Clement made a motion to bring before the club, at our next monthly meeting, that our meetings be moved to the Senior Social Center on the first Tuesday night of the month. The motion was seconded by John Haacke and approved by the rest of the board.

Discussion was made on raffles and silent auctions at our monthly meetings with a limit on how many items could be brought by individuals and from the club's storage shed. The limit was suggested at no more than five items. Tony Clement suggested that a committee be formed to clarify the Ryan Fund. Sue Ogden seconded the motion and all members present agreed. Sue Ogden brought up that we need more volunteers to bring refreshments to our meetings. We have volunteers through April but none for the rest of the year.

John Haacke is inviting the club members for a 'fun day' on February 18, 2017, at Johnson's Rock and Jewelry Shop from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. John also brought up a field trip to Billings, OK, to hunt for Oklahoma malachite. This is being planned for the month of March.

Tony Clement volunteered to be the club's Field Trip Chairman for 2017.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Submitted by Kathy Marney, Secretary



Enid Gem and Mineral Society Minutes

February 2, 2017

The February Meeting of the Enid Gem and Mineral Society was called to order by President John Haacke at 7:21 p.m. on February 2, 2017, in the east room of the Hoover Building on the Garfield County Fairgrounds in Enid, OK. There were fourteen members present and one guest. Prayer was led by Leon Walters. We had four new members attending: David, Janet, Zander and Logan Peck. Each member present then took turns introducing and telling a little bit about themselves.

The program was given by Mary Walters on the composition of a necklace. Mary explained the tools needed, different wires used for stringing, types of beads and ways to finish the necklace with a variation of clasps. Thank you, Mary, for a good job explaining a necklace and bead work!

After a break with refreshments provided by Leon and Mary Walters, the meeting was called back to order by President John Haacke. Leon Walters made a motion to accept the minutes from the January meeting. It was seconded by Sue Ogden and passed by a vote of the members.

Old Business: President John Haacke brought to the club's attention about moving the

location of the club's meeting place. Treasurer Tony Clements brought up that the club had spent approximately \$730 last year on the rental of the Hoover Building. The club no longer has the finances to support that amount for rental for meetings. Tony Clements made a motion to move our club's meetings to the first Tuesday of each month held at the Senior Social Center. The motion was seconded by DeAnna Austin and passed by a vote of club members. John Haacke also brought up the 'fun day' scheduled for February 18 at Johnson's Rock Shop and a trip to the Museum of Osteology scheduled by the OKC club on the same date. The Ponca City club is planning a trip in March to Billings, OK, to hunt for malachite, azurite and petrified wood specimens. The Tulsa club is planning a swap in March.

New Business: President John Haacke asked for volunteers to form a committee to clarify the Ryan Fund. Tony Clements volunteered to head the committee with other volunteers being Leon and Mary Walters and John Worden.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Submitted by Kathy Marney, Secretary

Enid Gem and Mineral Society Executive Board Meeting Minutes February 25, 2017

President John Haacke called the meeting to order at 3:20 p.m. with eight members present.

The RMFMS had sent out a proposal for consideration by all member clubs concerning payment of travel and hotel expenses for Federation Board members to annual Federation meetings. A discussion was held concerning the proposal and a decision was made to notify our proxy, Richard Jaeger, to vote our approval of the proposal at the meeting.

Discussion was held concerning the Annual Rock Swap. John Haacke volunteered to put out the signs and Mary Walters and Sue Ogden will manage the Spin & Win and other offerings of the EGMS booth.

Vice President Tony Clement gave the committee report concerning the clarification of the Ryan Fund. There will be a presentation to club members at the next meeting.

A discussion was held about fund raising projects. Meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Mary Walters, Acting Secretary

www.LapidaryWhisperer.com

Lapidary lovers now have a blog just for us! It has just come online and I hope you check it out. It's an online community for lapidary lovers where I'll post a new blog entry every other Wednesday.

Yes, rocks and slabs whisper and tell me what they want to be, then I commit lapidary on them to bring out their stories.

You can receive the blog automatically every other Wednesday by Subscribing to it in the little space at the top of the right side column. I'd love to hear what you think about the blog. Let's enjoy this wonderful art and craft together!

Your Lapidary Whisperer, Donna Albrecht





Wire Wrapped Rings

Hello fellow rockhounds
and jewelry enthusiasts!



I will be giving this month's demonstration at our next meeting! We will be learning

how to make some free form and cabochon rings from wire. Free form rings can be made with any long oval-shaped stone, either free form cut or cabochon style. I normally use an 8x22 long oval or equivalent size but feel free to play around and experiment, that's half the fun! For a cabochon ring, a 16x22 oval works well for the average ring but I have also made them with far larger stones. Keep in mind the person or customer that it is going to be made for, larger hands tend to look better with larger stones. With that in mind, I have also made a cabochon setting with odd shaped stones. A good rule of thumb that I have come across is this, long slender stones are great for a free form setting where wider and shorter stones are better for a cabochon setting. I look forward to seeing all of you at the meeting and am excited to share what I have learned from my father and grandfather with you all.



Tony Clement



Saturday, March 18, Annual Rock Swap, Potluck Meal and Auction! Rockhounds unite! for a great day of fun, swapping, selling and buying wonderful, awesome, amazing, rocks and more rocks and more rocks!!! For several years, the Tulsa club has held a rock swap and potluck in March at the home of Bob and Nancy Hicks, long-time members of the club. Bob and Nancy have done programs everywhere (including for the EGMS) and are friends of nearly every rockhound in the state of Oklahoma (not to mention a LOT of other states). They are great folks and have been collecting for YEARS! The sale/swap starts at 10 AM, the potluck is about noon and the auction about 1 PM. You'll be able to view Bob and Nancy's collection and they will also have a lot of rough for sale. Members bring (and you may also) rocks, cabs, etc. to sell; just be sure to bring your own table or tailgate! This fab event is located on the Hicks' Rock Farm south of Collinsville, north of Tulsa. For more information and directions, please call 918*371*3162. It's really a great event!!!!

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TRIPS

Special Note from our Field Trip Chairman, Tony Clement:

On a side note, I am still trying to find some places for us to go rock-hounding so if anyone has ideas or recommendations, please don't hesitate to let me know.

Scheduled Field Trips for 2017

<u>Date</u>	<u>What we'll be doing or digging up</u>	<u>Destination</u>
March 3,4 & 5	travel on your own if interested to a great Open House at Red Dirt Rockhounds owned by our member Aaron Van Dorn	701 Main Street Woodward, OK
March 18	Tulsa Club's Annual Rock Swap see previous page	Collinsville, OK
March ??	Date TBA for malachite w/ Ponca City club we will send an email and/or call when a firm date is established	Billings, OK
April 1	OKC club trip to Salt Plains, we're invited!! more details later	Jet, OK
April ??	late April - fossil hunting - Black Cat Mountain in the planning stage	Clarita, OK

NOTE FROM THE BOARD: While discussing various fund raising opportunities, one suggestion that seemed to win favor was to re-start our monthly raffles but on only a quarterly or possibly every other month basis. John Haacke has a show case he is willing to set up at the Rock Shop for the raffle items. It's portable and can be taken to other activities we participate in. The suggestion was made that we try to put 5-10 nice items (jewelry, cabs, slabs, lapidary-related items) in the case and let the winner of the raffle pick one. There will be more discussion about this at the March meeting. Think about it and bring your ideas and/or donations please!



NOT YOUR TYPICAL CLUB OFFICER'S PHOTO!!!! But this is rock hound Jim McGarvey, RMFMS Webmaster & Newsletter Editor. Jim was treated by family and friends to a birthday bash at Sandro's Pizza following an OKC rock club trip to the Osteology Museum in Moore, OK on February 18th. That just happened to be Jim's 80th birthday - a milestone! You can see by the smile on his face that he was having a good time and loved his son's homemade Jam Cake. Jim, I'm so glad I got to share this event with you, EGMS Editor, Sue Ogden

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ALL EGMS MEMBERS

Ryan Fund

This writing is to clarify and distinguish the "Ryan Fund" from our annual Scholarship Auction and other fund-raisers held to support the Rocky Mountain Federation and Oklahoma State Mineralogical Societies' Scholarship Funds. Please see the description of the various Local, State and National scholarships in your club directory or feel free to reach out to one of our Board Members.

In 198, former members of the Enid Gem and Mineral Society, the Ryans, designated an amount of money from their estate to be used to establish a Scholarship Fund. Discussion has been held on the various applications of these funds and how to best distribute the scholarship over the years and has helped numerous members advance and continue their education and dreams in the field of Earth Science, Jewelry and Lapidary hobbies.

The Ryan Fund Scholarship is available to all current members in good standing of the Enid Gem and Mineral Society. A maximum of 4 scholarships may be given out within the year, no member may receive more than a total of \$200.00 within that year. A recipient of the scholarship must complete their course, attain a certificate of completion for the course and provide a demonstration at a club meeting in order to receive their scholarship. There is no limit on how many times a member can apply for the scholarship, so long as they do not surpass the maximum allowed allotment for that year.

The Ryan Fund is sustained through donations and fund-raising events expressly designated for that purpose. We encourage all members to take advantage of the wonderful opportunity and help that this scholarship can give. If there are any questions about receiving the benefits of the Ryan Fund, please speak with one of your board members so that they can get you on the right path.

Ryan Fund Revision Chairman, Tony Clement

2017 UPCOMING GEM & MINERAL SHOWS

- Mar. 16-20** **2017 RMFMS Conference** - Albuquerque, NM
detailed information and advance registration forms are available at www.agmc.info or at www.rmfmts.org
- Mar. 18-20** **48th Treasure of the Earth Gem, Jewelry & Mineral Expo** - Albuquerque Gem & Mineral Club and hosting the Annual Convention of the Rocky Mountain Federation of Mineralogical Societies.
- Location: Expo NM State Fairgrounds; 310 San Pedro NE, enter at Gate 3 (San Pedro & Copper St., Albuquerque, NM)
- Hours: Friday, Saturday and Sunday 10-6.
- Admission: \$3. Children under 13 are FREE.
- Door prizes, raffle, silent auctions, displays, junior table, gemstones, mineral specimens, slabs, jewelry, beads, cabochons, fossils, tools.

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Contact: Paul Hlava, PO Box 13718, Albuquerque, NM 87192-3118, 505*265*4178;
e-mail: paulhlava@q.com Web site: <http://agmc.info>

Mar. 24-25 Ada Gem, Mineral & Fossil Club Annual Show

Location: Agriplex, 1710 N. Broadway, Ada, OK

Hours: Friday 8-6, Saturday 9-5

Admission: FREE

Demos of earth science related hobbies including flint knapping, rock polishing and wire wrapping polished stones. For kids: Wheel of fortune & fossil dig with opportunity to find, identify & keep the fossils they discover. Small participation fee applies. Fluorescent display.

Contact: Bobby Freeman, 1111 E. Central Blvd, Ada, OK 74820, 580*235*5946

E-mail: bobby.freeman@chickasaw.net

Mar. 24-25 Tulsa Bead Market

Location: Tulsa Fairgrounds, 4145 E. 21st Street, Tulsa, OK 74114

Hours: Friday 10-5, Saturday 10-4

Admission: FREE - public welcome!

Antique & estate beads, gemstones, glass, crystal, Bali beads, metal beads, tools, jewelry, buttons, lampwork, seed beads, pearls & more. Web site: www.thebeadmarket.net

Apr. 8-9 Northwest Arkansas Gem & Mineral Society Annual Show

Location: Community Building, 115 S. Mt. Olive Road, downtown Siloam Springs, AR.

Hours: Saturday 9-5, Sunday 10-4. Admission: \$3. Free for children.

Dealers, displays, demonstrations and silent auctions.

Contact: Dave Leininger, 14029 White Oak Ln., Bentonville, AR 72712, 479*721*1579

Email: hulagrub@aol.com Website: www.nwarockhounds.org

Apr. 15 OSCMS Spring Swap More information as it becomes available.

April 21-23 Wichita Gem & Mineral Society's 64th Annual Show

"Rock and Gem Artistry"

Location: Cessna Activity Center, 2744 George Washington Blvd., Wichita, KS

Hours: Friday, 9-6, Saturday 10-6, Sunday 10-5.

Admission: Adults-\$5, Ages 12-17-\$1, Under 12 FREE w/ pd. adult. \$1 off coupon online.

Featuring dazzling crystals, minerals, fossils and meteorites. Dealers, Demonstrations and Exhibits: Sphere making, cabbing, beading, arrowhead knapping, faceting, wire wrapping, silversmithing and more. Fluorescent Room - marvels of nature under a black light! Kids' grab bags, spinning wheel and junior rock pile. Silent auction table and "Gem Hunt".

Contact: Gene Maggard, 8318 SE Highway 77, Leon, KS 67074; 316*742*3746;

Email: gandpmaggard@gmail.com Website: www.wgmsks.org

May 5-7 McPherson Gem & Mineral Club's 25th Annual Show and Sale

Location: 4-H Building & Grounds, 710 W. Woodside, McPherson, KS

Hours: Friday & Saturday 9-6; Sunday 10:30-3 pm. Admission: FREE

Fossils, gems, minerals, lapidary and handmade jewelry from vendors across the US. Highlights are hourly door prizes, displays, free specimen identification & kids' spin'n'win.

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Contact: (McPherson) Kim Vasper, 1489 Janasu Road, McPherson, KS 67460,
e-mail: kimvasper@yahoo.com

May 13

Enid Gem & Mineral Society's Annual Rock Swap

Location: Meadowlake Park, south entrance, covered pavilion. South side of Enid, west side of Highway 81.

Hours: 9 - 4 PM

Admission: FREE

Buy, sell or trade gemstones, rocks, minerals and fossils. Gemstone jewelry, tools, cabs, slabs, beads, rough and petrified wood. For kids: Spin & Win and Grab Bags.

This listing will be updated monthly. For more details or for rock shows in states further away, please check this site:

<http://www.rockngem.com/show-dates-display/?ShowState=ALL>



Skyelar Coffey and Black Cat Mountain (new EGMS member)

I have been enamored with prehistory ever since I picked up a small rock containing the faint traces of a fossilized shell's imprint. I was seven years old then, and my passion has since grown. I now have a formidable collection of fossils that span the ages, from the Ediacaran to the Pleistocene. Many specimens are scientifically interesting and valuable; others are sentimentally significant. My favorite specimens, of course, are those I have personally found.

Black Cat Mountain, or, "BCM," as I like to fondly call it, is home to a unique assemblage of world-class trilobites from the Devonian. Now a quarry of hard limestone surrounded by cacti and plain grasses, it is nestled away on the outskirts of a small Amish community. In paleontology slang, this is the site I would call my "honey spot", as it is one of the most productive of all the fossil-bearing sites I have ever had the pleasure to visit. It was here that I found my first notable specimens; the first few 'trophies' of my self-collected collection. These include numerous Phacopid trilobites, a couple of Machaeridian armored worms, crinoids, straight orthocones, and brachiopods.

My absolute favorite specimen, of course, is a single *Kettneraspis* [trilobite] I found in the middle of the path on a very cold and blistery day. That same day, my father and I had accidentally been locked inside the quarry. We had to walk two miles in freezing rain and torrential winds uphill to call the quarry owner! Thankfully, finding the "Ketty" made the trip worthwhile.

Note: Skyelar is trying to set up a trip for the EGMS in April to her "honey spot" to hunt for trilobite fossils. She will also be presenting our April program about fossils!!!



Skyelar's Phacopid Trilobite