

ROCK ROLLER MEETING

DECEMBER 28, 2010 TUES.  
9517 E. 4<sup>th</sup> AVE.  
SPOKANE, WA. 99206

**NOTE**

**CHRISTMAS DINNER  
GOLDEN 7117 CORRAL BUFFET  
N DIVISION**

BOARD MEETING

DEC. 28, 2010  
9517 E 4<sup>th</sup> AVE.  
SPOKANE, WA. 9926  
**JAN. 7. FRI.**

**NEWS TO EDITOR**

**Minutes of the November 20, 2011- Board of Directors' Meeting**

The meeting was called to order by acting President, David Rapp.

**Bulletin Correction:** Page 3, Liners – Becky Gillespie was omitted from the list of those that helped check the liners. Sorry for that Becky, we appreciated your help.

**Treasurer's report** was given.

**Correspondence:** Thank you card from the Barrrens of the Colville Club. A letter from the Colville club requesting use of some of our tables and cases for their show in April, one week before our show. Don Knack will work with them to get the tables and return them to the fair grounds when we set up for our show.

**Show Report:** Gerry Pfeiffer stated sign-up sheets are out and we need approximately 6 more dealers to fill vacant spaces. The Board of Directors reviewed the dealer files Gerry submitted and approved 6 of the dealers to contact. Don Knack and Mike Shaw will take inventory of show material after the show and then get with the Trustees to inventory the other equipment, etc.in the club house.

**Field Trips:** Mike stated they had a great trip to Pullman to see the Jacklyn petrified wood in the museum.

**Mineral Council:** We have a preliminary list of their field trips for next year

**Bylaws:** Bylaws have been mailed to each member.

A couple of changes were made and approved by the Board of Directors. A write-in change was made to ARTICLE VII, Section 5 – “The **president** shall appoint the editor(s).....” was changed to read “The **Board of Directors** shall appoint the editor(s).....”.

The Board of Directors approved the following change to ARTICLE IV, Section 3. Currently reads: “No two members of the same household shall serve on the Board of Directors during any term”. Changed to read: **Normally**, no two members of the same household shall serve on the Board of Directors during any term. **However, the Board of Directors has the authority to wave this requirement.**

**Operating Procedures:** Need to be finalized and submitted to Board of Directors for approval. Committee consists of Mary Jane Brown (Chair), Marian Knack, Leon Agee, Dave Rapp and Mike Shaw. Our Liability forms used for workshop and field trips have been examined and found to be adequate by the attorney.

Marian Knack - Secretary Pro Tem

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE** -- Marian Knack -- Don Knack -- Dana Piozet

**ARTICLE IV -- SECTION 6** -- Election of officers shall be at the Dec. meeting. The President shall read the slate of nominees and ask for nominations from the floor for each office. All voting shall be by secret ballot unless there is only one nominee for a office, in which case the secretary may be instructed to cast a unanimous elective ballot for that office. A simple majority vote of the members present and eligible to vote shall constitute a quorum to validate and election.

**2011 Nominations for office:**

President.....	David Rapp	2-year Trustee.....	Leon Agee
First Vice President.....	Eric Grim	3-year Trustee.....	Teri Pratt
Second Vice President.....	Sam Keiser		
Treasurer.....	Bev Bockman		
Secretary.....	Janet Ortiz		

Federation Delegate.....	Don Knack
Federation Alternate.....	Dean McGill
Mineral Council Alt. #2.....	Krisanne Gray
Mineral Council Alt #3.....	Becky Gillespie

**DUES ARE DUE!!!!0**

The **Bylaws** were approved as published with a couple of small changes. Revised copies will not be issued. **Please make the following changes in your copy mailed to you in November.**

#### **ARTICLE II. OBJECTIVES**

Section 2. - Second sentence reads “....except that he/she **shall** be reimbursed...” was changed to read “..except that he/she **may** be reimbursed...”

#### **ARTICLE IV. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

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#### **ARTICLE VII. STANDING COMMITTEES**

Section 5 - The first sentence currently reads: “The **president** shall appoint the editor(s).....” was changed to read “The **Board of Directors** shall appoint the editor(s).....”.

#### **ARTICLE VIII. FINANCES**

Section 6. - First sentence currently reads:

“The Federation Director and the Mineral Council Delegate **will** be reimbursed.....” was changed to “The Federation Director and the Mineral Council Delegate **may** be reimbursed.....”

#### **PLEASE NOTE excerpts from the bylaws:**

**ARTICLE IV.** - Section 1. All Officers, Directors, Delegates, and Appointees shall be members in good standing.

**ARTICLE III.** - Section 6. Only members in good standing will be eligible to use lapidary shop equipment.

**ARTICLE VIII.** Section 3. Paragraph Two, Second Sentence: Members whose dues are not paid by the December meeting will be dropped from the membership rolls.

Those members that fall into the above categories must have their dues paid by December 31, 2011 to be “members in good standing”.

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#### **NOTES--**

A discussion was held regarding notifying members of meeting closures in the case of extraordinary circumstances, like bad weather. It was decided that members can call the following members if they have questions. Please keep this list for further reference if required.

David Rapp	891.6533
Marian Knack	926.6444
Leon Agee	998.9027
Mike Shaw	244.8542 Call MIKE for information on the shop.

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## ROCK ROLLERS ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

\*\*\* **DECEMBER 28, 2010** \*\*\*

**WHERE** -- THE GOLDEN CORRAL -- 7117 N. DIVISION

Begin at 5:30 pm \*\*\* EAT 6:00pm

**PRICES** --

**0-3 YEARS OLD - FREE ----6 years old \$4.99----7-9 years \$6.99---10-12 years \$7.99**

**Seniors + \$10.19----Adults \$11.19      PLUS TAX**

There will be a gift exchange for those interested in participating. Bring a rock-related gift for male, female or either. [mark item ] There is a \$5.00 limit on gift cost. Each person bringing a gift will receive ticket, and stubs will be drawn randomly. It will be "Luck of the Draw" on who gets the first present.

### **NOTE**

**Executive board Meeting**- David Rapp

I'm scheduling an executive board meeting for **Wed. Dec. 22 at 1PM** at the clubhouse.

Sat. when we normally have this board meeting is Christmas Day so that doesn't work for a meeting day. The main topic for the meeting will be a discussion and approval of operating procedures to go with the by-laws. Areas covered will be workshop policies including safety, field trips, and the annual show procedures and timeline.

**PROGRAM** FOR **JANUARY** -- David Rapp [This was scheduled for Nov. Had to cancel.]

**PRECIOUS OPAL** by Mike Furner. Mike, a new member and our chance to know him better

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**PROGRAM** FOR **FEBRUARY** -- Did you purchase an item at **the Auction in Nov.** ???

**SHOW AND TELL!!!** What did you CREATE with this item???

**HOSPITALITY** -- Cyndie Doppler --- If you know someone is ill etc. call Cyndie 216-5473

Information we received and published in the Nov. Bulletin about Jennie Barnhart was not the best.

Lifetime member Jennie Barnhart was ill for some time and passed away on November 10, 2010. Jennie was very active in our Rock Rollers Club. Jennie and husband Earl went on many a Rock Hound field trip. Gem Show time she was there to help. Jennie was very active in her church activities.

**MEMBERSHIP** -- Marian Knack, ph 926-6444      **WELCOME NEW MEMBER**

James Rundlett, 4202 S. Hatch St.. Spokane, Wa.

CORRECTION - June Albright should be Julie. [Sorry]

CHANGE OF ADDRESS: --Dana Whitney to P.O. Box 48156, Spokane, Wa. 99228

REMOVE -- Helen Dobson's name from your mailing list, was a life member, 1979 [No other info.]

**NOTE!!!!** -- **LAPIDARY CLASS** -- **The shop will be closed on MONDAY, JANUARY 3, 2011**

**Mike Shaw ph - 244-8542** Only day scheduled to be closed during the Holidays.

**NEED - TUMBLERS GOING-----SEWING GRAB BAGS---VOLUNTEERS ----SIGN-UP SHEETS**

Sign-up sheets at the Hospitality Table. --- Can't miss them. They are right at the entrance door.  
I left Becky Gillespie out of my thank you for help in checking the Liners. Thanks - Erma

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[from DELVINGS -- Dec. -2010]

**BENCH TIPS by Brad Smith**

**STIFFENING EARRING POSTS** -- Soldering an earring post will always soften the wire a bit. Easiest way to harden it is to grip the end of the post with your flat-jaw pliers and twist it a couple half turns. This work-hardens the wire and at the same time tests our soldered joint.

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**USE A SPRAY BOTTLE** -- Those spray bottles you can find at the drug store are great for fire-scale preventors and de-bubbling solutions. A quick fire-scale preventor is liquid flux, and a homemade de-bubbling solution is a little dawn liquid in rubbing alcohol.

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**BROKEN DRILLS** -- Have you ever broken a drill bit off in a hole? Sometimes you can grab it with pliers, but other times the steel piece is below the surface in the hole. If this happens, you can usually dissolve the steel in a solution of alum. Alum is typically available from a food store or a drug store. Use about a teaspoon per cup of warm water. Submerge your piece so that the partially drilled hole is facing up so that bubbles can float free.

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More Bench Tips by Brad Smith are at:

[groups.yahoo.com/group/Bench Tips/](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Bench_Tips/) or [facebook.com/Bench Tips](http://facebook.com/Bench_Tips)

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**HINT** -- A rock in a swift maintained stream may be rounded off, but the outer surface will be very rough due to a pounding together by movement. The same action occurs on a minute scale in all tumblers, either vibration or rotation. The only way to minimize pounding action is to have sufficient separating media to cushion the load in the barrel. Small to very small stones or broken glass, ceramic bits or garnets are all very good.

Add a couple pouches of Knox gelatin during each change when tumbling. This keeps grit in suspension and works better in the cutting process. In the final polish the gelatin acts as a cushion and prevents scratching on delicate stones,

[from Hellgate Breezes 4/04 -- Via Golden Spike News 5/04 -- Via The Tumbler 10/2010]

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**HOW PLUMES GET INTO AGATE** -- by Ruby Linglebach, 1995

Agates that are formed in cracks and crevices of the host rock many times have plumes, such as those found at Graveyard Point on the Idaho/Oregon border. There have been some rockhounds hunting there who found seams of "pre-agate" or cracks in rocks that had plumes grown on the sides of the crack extending toward the middle. These protrusions were built by chalcedony, but most had a coating of calcite or some other mineral. If the silica solution had been sufficient to fill the crack or had been undisturbed until the space was filled, these would have created the beautiful, sought-after Graveyard Plume agate, with the plumes colored by whatever mineral that had precipitated first.

[from Gem Cutters News April 2009 --Via Glacier Drifter 10/2010]

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**OF INTEREST** -- Contact metamorphism is when a large underground body of magma alters the surrounding rock. This process involves high heat but low pressure. The other kinds of metamorphism are regional, and dynamic. Regional metamorphism is the most common type, it involves high heat and pressure, and is associated with mountain building. Dynamic metamorphism has low heat but high pressure, and is a result of meteor impact craters.

[from Golden Spike News News, 11/08 -- via The Tumbler 12/08]

May 26, 2010

The Donors of the Rock Rollers Scholarship,

My name is Nerissa Pettett and I have been a student at Eastern Washington University for three years. I transferred from Whatcom Community College to attend the geology program here and it has been a pleasure.

I have been a TA in the 100 lab for two years and have gotten to share my love of geology with other students. As I walk around campus and Cheney it is surprising to me how many students I recognize from the lab.

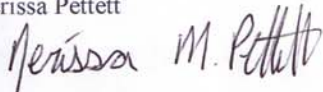
I have also had an opportunity to do research with Dr. Nezat and present at the Symposium. This has been a great opportunity to see, up close, what is involved in academic research and what a geochemist actually does outside of the classroom.

When I am done with field camp I am moving with my husband to the Tri-cities and hope to work there for a year. After which time I intend to go back for a Masters degree in geochemistry. That is how much I enjoyed working with Dr. Nezat.

It is an honor to be recognized by the Rock Rollers. It is difficult having to pay for field camp at the end of my (long) undergraduate career. I cannot thank you enough for your generous contribution. I will be able to afford a nice rock hammer and boots. Every time I swing the hammer I will think of the Rock Rollers of Spokane and smile.

Thank you,

Nerissa Pettett



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MAY 26 2011

To the donors of the Rock Rollers Scholarship,

EWU

My name is Mike Gipson and I am a 26 year old student at Eastern Washington University. I am an undergraduate pursuing a double major in geology and environmental science. I have always enjoyed the aesthetics of nature and the wonders it has to offer. It is this intrigue which has driven my endeavors at school. I simply want to understand the earth's elegant complexity and delicate balance. Though I have focused on two disciplines, by far the most amazing to me is geology. I guess it is because the enormity and numerous applications of geology, I have been drawn to it. Ultimately it is geologic forces which shape the world around us whether it occur overnight or over millions of years.

I have a cumulative GPA of 3.4 at EWU, but I attribute my merits to my interest in my major and my professors who love what they do. As you know I am older than the average student and prior to enrolling in college I worked 50 hour work weeks in the construction industry. Though I lived comfortably, I was not happy with my career choice and felt that I would never be able to reach much success. During this period of time I matured and built a strong work ethic. The lesson I got from true independent life was to never take for granted the opportunities higher education affords me. Though I still have one more year at EWU I have aspiration to pursue a master's degree in either structural geology/geophysics or sedimentology/stratigraphy.

It has been a struggle being a full time student. Not only do I have my studies to focus on but the stresses of my financial situation as well. Though I do receive financial aid, most of it only helps from fall to spring because of the disbursement arrangement and the structure of the financial award system. I have saved enough money for this summer's field camp in Montana. The tuition and expenses for this trip are of concern but perhaps an even greater concern is my everyday expenses. These are things like living costs which must be paid. Your gracious donation has assuaged my concern, and for that I must thank you. Your scholarship will not go unappreciated, and I will remember the Rock Rollers organization in the future.

Sincerely,



Mike Gipson



52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Gem Jewelry & Mineral Show  
**April 8, 9, 10, 2011**

**Application to Display (Check one)**

**Competition case** \_\_\_ Yes : Junior \_\_\_ Novice \_\_\_ Advanced \_\_\_  
 Master \_\_\_

**Non-Competition case** \_\_\_ Yes **Special case** \_\_\_ Yes

I need a club case \_\_\_ \*I have my own case \_\_\_ I need a liner \_\_\_

**Please describe the exhibit:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please Check one:** Junior \_\_\_\_\_ Adult \_\_\_\_\_

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Mailing**  
**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City** \_\_\_\_\_ **State** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

**Club** \_\_\_\_\_ **e-mail** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return this form by March 9, 2011 - NO LATER**

Marian Knack, Case Chair  
 14107 E. Broadway  
 Spokane Valley, WA 99216  
 509.926.6444  
 manack@comcast.net

**Information on show hours, setup, security and camping:**

- This is a 3-day show beginning at 10:00 A.M. Friday and closing at 5:00 P.M. on Sunday.
- All cases must be ready by the start of the show and remain in place until closing Sunday evening.
- Set-up Time: Thursday Noon to 8:00 P.M. and Friday 7:00 A.M. to 9:00 A.M.
- \*If you bring your own case, it and the liner must be:  
 1 back 23 ½" x 45 7/8"      1 bottom 22" x 45 5/8"      2 sides 22"x 23 ½"
- Lighting will be limited to 150 watts per 4-foot case, 300 watts per 6-foot case.
- Note: Electrical wiring in all cases must be the 3-wire, grounded type.
- Limited camping space is available. Make arrangements at Fair Office

**(This form may be copied for additional exhibits)**

**Use one sheet for each display**

Qualified guards will be on duty 24 hours a day from noon on Thursday, March 11.  
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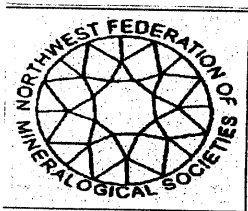
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