



Lake City Rockhound News

Newsletter of the North Idaho Mineral Club, Inc.
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We meet on the 3rd Thursday of the month at the Lake City Center, 1916 Lakewood Drive, Coeur d'Alene in the Library, from 6:00PM to 8:00 PM. Visitors and Guests are Welcome.
Our web site: <http://www.northidahomineralclub.com>

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This Month's Meeting

Regular Meeting – July 20, 2017

The Meeting Program:

Potluck picnic at Dalton Gardens City Park

Refreshments: Drinks and chicken courtesy of NIMC
There will be a silent auction and scholarship raffle tickets will be sold.
Buy your tickets today.

Meeting Minutes for June 2017

Meeting called to order by President Marilyn Kohler. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. We had 18 members and 3 guests.

Minutes approved as written in Newsletter.

New Business: none

Old Business: No need for the Club to own a handcart or ladder. Handcart was provided by Marilyn Kohler's brother. Next year he will provide ladder and handcart. Carl Chapin meet with Fairgrounds: The table rental will go from \$5.00 per table to \$6 for 2018 Show. We used 25 chairs less than ordered and 18 fewer tables. We have 10 days before the event to change amounts of tables/chairs used in event. Fairgrounds claimed we used 1 1/2 dumpsters for garbage for a fee of \$37.50. The Reader Board has a 3 second cycle. One cycle/panel is free, others are for a fee. Electrical drops: We own cords and if we use our own ladder there will be NO fee.

So far net: \$3883 Fairgrounds charge \$1877.00

Kid's Corner	\$115.99 [15]	\$213.00 [16]	\$581.00 [17]
Silent Auction	\$326.00 [15]	\$398.50 [16]	\$626.00 [17]
Grand Prize	\$271.00 [15]	\$239.00 [16]	\$168.00 [17]
Admissions	\$1848.00 [15]	\$2657.00 [16]	\$2508.00 [17]

Treasurer's report was approved as delivered by Treasurer Carl Chapin.

Sunday a great turnout due to the rain. Our Grand Prize recipient is from Charter Academy and really appreciates the Grand Prize. They took information on Dino dig as well. He and his wife attended our meeting. Welcome!

Suggested try more free Ads. Bill Johnson said he put it on a FREE site: Next Door, a community web site, sent to all 29 Subdivisions. Scanned in brochure for people to see as well. Great Show with big Thanks extended to: Dean Hutchinson, Dale Rupert and Mike McConnell for their work. All of the members and friends of Members, also many thanks.

Possible Field Trip: Dino Dig in Bynum, Montana. Seem to be no interest. Maybe too much money/travel too far?

Board meeting: July 8th at Rose's garage, 10:00 a.m. Call for directions/RSVP. Diane: 208-659-6173

PICNIC NEXT MEETING: at Dalton City Park. Corner of 4th and Hanley on SOUTH EAST side of Round-about. Dinner at 6:00 p.m. Bring side dishes or desserts. Club will supply chicken.

Meeting adjourned. Respectfully submitted, Diane Rose,

Secretary.



Board Meeting Minutes 07/08/2017

Meeting called to order by President Marilyn Kohler.

#1] Change one word in NIMC by-laws Article VII, section 1 Paragraph B.

Currently reads: "To order, at least once a year, an audit of the books and accounts of the association by a competent individual." Change word to review to match the wording. Article X Section 4 reads: "The financial records of the club shall be reviewed each year by a competent individual." Motion to approve. Motion approved.

#2] Consider changing scholarship to \$1000.00 per year and creating a Grant program with up to \$1000.00 available per year. Must be rock/mineral related. Possibly Geology Department at NIC may need something? Maybe to include a club member to Rockhound Retreat sponsored by the Federation. Currently \$282.00 plus \$45.00 workshop fee.

#3] Jacklin building has more room by near twice what we have now, no cords in ceiling [floor plugs], lighting about same, rest rooms on site, snack area in building. Parking on grass outside building and in front of building.

Consider: room for Demonstrator's, more room between vendor spaces, Kid's corner, extra seating, etc.

Consider Jacklin Building pros and cons: \$475.00 for set-up day [\$250 more], total \$970.00 more, would need 9 more dealers. Will it cut profit for current dealers sharing with extra 9 dealers? Need diverse dealers to not compete. Maybe new equipment dealer?

Also consider, we will need more help from Club members that we did not have this year or in any recent years.

#4] President Marilyn requested: #A] a new Robert's Rules of Order #B] an accordion style file holder. Motion to purchase items made by Carl Chapin, seconded by Dale Ruper, approved.

#5] How long is the club required to keep records that are in storage currently.

Advised: Minutes required to be kept, forever. Have 16 years' worth currently on computer and Beverly has them as well. Financial records: 3 years. Shred rest of the "stuff" that is out in storage. President Marilyn will handle this project.

#6] President Marilyn to contact the Senior Center that we will NOT use the room this month as well as put sign on doors that we are at the Dalton City Park 4th and Hanley at round-about, south east corner. 6:00 p.m. President Marilyn wishes to thank everyone for a Great Job.

With Federation by-laws in hand proceeded to line out committees; President Marilyn named the following chair positions:

Show Chairman: Mike Rose

Dealer Chairman: Mike McConnell

Advertising Chairman: Mike Burton

Silent Auction Chairman: Diane Rose

Kid's Corner Chairman: Steve Handrahan

Showcase Chairman: Beverly Bockman

Set-up/teardown Chairman: open

Club Committees

Scholarship Chairman: Beverly Bockman

Newsletter/website Chairman: Mike Burton

Membership Chairman: open

Program Chairmen: Beverly Bockman with Steve Handrahan, and Mike Burton

Silent Auction @ meetings: Bill Johnson

Create a Questionnaire for all members and new members as well. Possible questions:

A] program requests

B]field trip requests with specifics, EX: Field trip to college campus to see Geology Department, field trip to dig dinosaurs in Montana, local Geology Department at NIC? Whatever.

C] Interests: EX: tumbling rocks, collecting minerals for display, faceting, etc. D] What your specialty? EX: meteorites

Add questionnaire into Membership applications. Print more with CURRENT information for contacts with email addresses as well.

Need roll of vinyl for 2018 Show.

Mike McConnell suggested a Magazine type program for additional income to supplement income of the Club. With ads sold for the Show program guide with information on area attractions, ads from area businesses, vendors, attractions, etc. To be considered down the road.

Meeting adjourned. Respectfully submitted, Diane Rose, Secretary

Gem Show Notice

No sales of any kind are allowed at the North Idaho Mineral Club's annual Gem, Mineral, Rock and Jewelry Show by individual club members or the general public who are not paid vendors or doing so at the club's behalf.

Brad's Bench Tips for July

Brad Smith <brad@greenheart.com>

FANCY RIVET HEADS

For a nice looking rivet head, use brass escutcheon pins. You'll have perfectly rounded heads that are all the same size and shape. The pins are a little hard to find, so try the best hardware stores first. Be sure to get solid brass pins, not brass plated steel. If unsure, test them with a magnet.



The pins are readily available on-line. Lee Valley Tools has them in 14 - 18 gauge and lengths from 1/4 inch to 1 inch. Go to <http://www.LeeValley.com> and do an item search on "brass escutcheon pin" For best results, select a drill that gives you a hole with a close fit to the rivet. Trim the rivet to a leave a little less than one diameter sticking out the back side. Place the head on a scrap of hard plastic on the anvil so as to not flatten the head. I prefer a ball peen hammer (with a small 3/8 inch ball) for setting the rivet.

EASIER PRONG SETTING

When setting stones in a prong mount, the tool is less likely to slip off the prong if you grind a groove into its face or rough up the face a bit with sandpaper. Some folks prefer a prong pusher for doing this, and others like a set of pliers.

The easiest way to create a slot on the pusher is with a file, and the easiest way to create a slot on one jaw of your pliers is with a cutoff wheel. Then rough polish the slot with a medium grit, knife-edge silicone wheel.

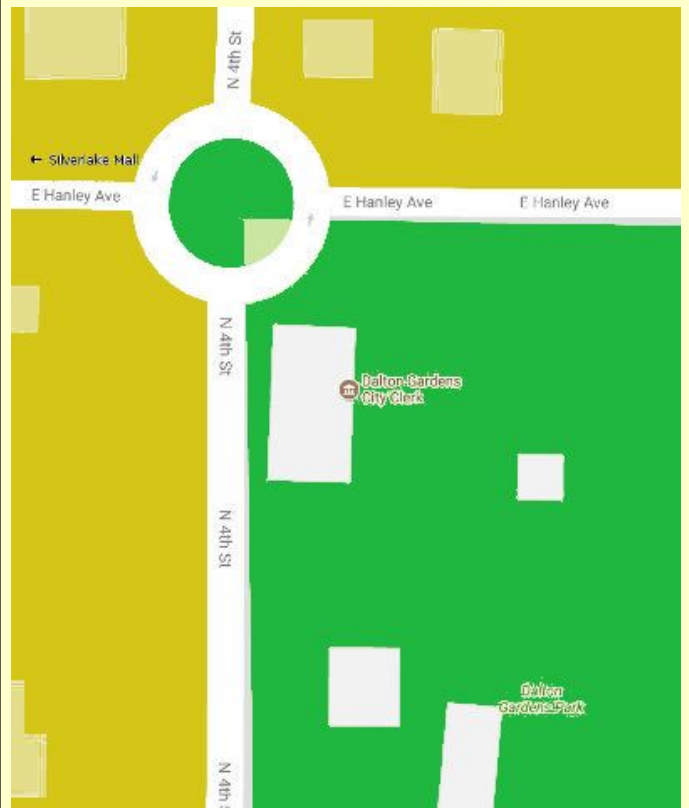
See all Brad's jewelry books at <http://Amazon.com/author/bradfordsmith>

Annual Mineral Club Picnic

In place of our regular meeting, we will hold a potluck picnic on July 20, 2016. The picnic will start at 6 pm and will be held at Dalton Gardens City Park, on the corner of 4th St and Hanley Ave in Dalton Gardens.

The club will provide fried chicken and drinks. Our members should bring a side dish.

At the picnic we will also hold a silent auction. This was a big success the last time we did it, so be prepared for this auction.



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Vice-President: Mike McConnell (406-360-4944)			
Treasurer: Carl Chapin (208-772-9049)			
Secretary: Diane Rose (208-659-6173)			
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Show Chair 2017: Dale Ruperd/Dean Hutchinson			
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Federation Director: Dale Ruperd			
Federation Delegate: Bill Johnson (208-765-3099)			
Webmaster: Michael Burton			
Programs/Membership: Bev Bockman (208-773-5384)			
Affiliations			
AFMS – American Federation of Mineralogical Societies			
NFMS – Northwest Federation of Mineralogical Societies			
S.C.R.I.B.E.			
ALAA – American Lands Access Association			
Gem Show Schedules			
Jul 21-23	9:00-6:00 9:00-6:00 9:00-5:00	Wash. Agate & Mineral Society	Parkside Elem. School, 301 Central Ave E, Tenino, WA
Aug 12-13	9:00-5:00 10:00-5:00	Maplewood Rock & Gem Club	Maplewood Clubhouse, 8802 196 th St SW, Edmonds, WA
Sep 9-10	9:00-5:00 10:00-4:00	Clallum Cty Gem & Mineral Assoc.	Vern Burton Comm. Ctr, 308 E. 4 th St, Port Angeles, WA
Sep 9-10	10:00-5:00 10:00-5:00	Marcus Whitman Gem & Mineral Soc.	Walla Walla Cty Frgrnds, 363 Orchard St, Walla Walla, WA
Oct 7-8	10:00-5:00 10:00-5:00	Marysville Rock & Gem Club	Totem Middle School Gym, Marysville, WA
Oct 13-15	10:00-6:00 10:00-6:00 10:00-5:00	Portland Regional Gem & Mineral Show	Washington Cty Fair Complex, 873 NE 4 th Ave, Canby, OR