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**MEMBER OF UTAH FEDERATION OF MINERALOGICAL SOCIETIES
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AMERICAN FEDERATION OF MINERALOGICAL SOCIETIES**

The Beehive Rock & Gem Club began in April of 1970.

The purpose of our club is: To collect, cut and polish rocks, to gather fossils, mineral specimens, to discuss and impart our knowledge of the different phases of collecting, polishing and displaying-

To promote, organize and hold meetings, outings, trips, and similar events. To enjoy and protect our natural resources.

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**USUAL DATE FOR MEETING - FOURTH THURSDAY - 7 PM OGDEN-HINKLEY
AIRPORT TERMINAL, 3900 S. & AIRPORT ROAD
November, December have changes. Maybe others.
Call any Board member for current information.**

BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BEEHIVE ROCK & GEM CLUB FOR 2010

Table listing Board of Directors roles and names: President & Board Chair (Joe Kent), Vice President (Mark Acker), Secretary (Bonnie Kent), Treasurer (David Law), Field Trip Coordinator (Ray Law), Program Chairman (Ray Rutledge), Door Prize Chair (Jim Alexander), Hospitality Chair (Veldora Law), Membership Chair & Club Directory (David Law), Mini-show Chair (Dean Bennett), Safety Chair (Lynn Hayes), Publicity (Mark Acker), Managing Editor of BUZZER Associate (Dave Harris, Leora Alexander).

(Deadline for BUZZER articles is the 2nd Thursday of the month)

Calling Committee ---- Need volunteers to call members before meetings. 6 people calling 6 others + 6 e-mailing 6 others!

FEDERATION REPRESENTATIVES

DUES

Rocky Mountain Federation Delegate -----President
Utah Federation Delegate -----TBA
Public Land Advisory Committee ----- Jim Alexander

Due: October 1
Single - \$11
Couple or
Family - \$16
Junior - \$5
Overdue: January 1

Reminder: Club dues are due October 1. David Law is now accepting dues. Take care of it now so you do not have to worry about it later.

August Club Meeting

August 26, 2010

Setup at 5:30 pm; Dinner starts at 6:30 pm

Annual potluck dinner and rock swap at the airport bowery

Bring veggies, desserts, or your specialty dish. There will be hot dogs and hamburgers and drinks available.



Remember to bring your plates and utensils.

Bring rocks to swap or to sell and donate proceeds to the club.

Beehive Presidents Message

Some thought on the joys of belonging.

Bonnie and I have made a few trips lately with the Magic Valley Gem Club from Twin Falls ID. It has been interesting to become acquainted with folks with a different perspective.

On our last trip with them we went to the Dugway Geode Beds and then over to Topaz Mt. One of their club members Mel showed me another way of looking at the geodes there. He was collecting the broken float. When I inquired about his reasoning I was enlightened.

He would look at the thickness, color and layers of the chalcedony. Then by cutting a slab tangent and just below the inside of the geode you get a slab with more fortification. Sometimes he cuts just inside exposing some druzy, which then becomes the center of the piece being made. Now I'm sure you old timers are having a good laugh at my lack of experience but it was enlightening to me.

Dave Hughes the Twin Falls Field Trip Marshal also directed us to another amphitheater on the north end of Topaz Mt that looks promising. Take the Topaz Mt entrance road for about 5 miles north off the Bush Wellman road. When you cross a dry wash then take the next trail to the left (west). The amphitheater faces south. Sorry no GPS.

I put a rock thru the face one of my new truck tires. Before I could find and get my jack in place, Becky one of the ladies from Twin Falls had her lug wrench out the hubcap off and the lug nuts loosened. I would have asked if she was available but I was afraid Bonnie would have kicked me.

Life is good
Joe

July 22, 2010 Beehive Club Meeting

The club gained two new members at the July meeting. Welcome Carol and Michael. The Trustlands Permit is paid for the next year. Several clubs purchased the permit together. Carroll Crittenden had a stroke and is doing well except for his ability to swallow. We hope he feels all the prayers and best wishes that are being sent in his behalf.

Mark Acker was not able to attend the meeting, so Joe Kent gave a talk and had samples of rock that we collected from the Bennett Hills in Idaho. Thanks to the Twin Falls Rock Club and their field trip leader Dave for a fun experience. Rocky Ray showed parts of a very interesting DVD about mines and the history of Mining in Utah.

The August meeting will be held at the same location, but it will be outside in the back. It is cook out time. The Club will provide the meat and drinks. Please bring a salad, dessert or anything that you love to eat. You can also bring rocks or produce to give away or rocks to just 'show and tell.' See you on Aug. 26th!

Bonnie Kent, Secretary

Upcoming Field Trip

Sept 16-20, 2010 – Grouse Creek (Northern Utah)

We will be collecting quartz crystals, geodes, and agates. Maps available. Contact Trip Chairman Ray Law at 801-825-5857.

SHOW DATES

If you are traveling this summer/fall check www.rockngem.com for shows in that area.

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| <p>Sept 17 – 19 – Northwest Fed & Portland Region Gem & Min
Washington County Fairgrounds
873 NE 34th Hillsboro, Oregon
Josh Heater (917)570-5456
jfrankray@hotmail.com</p> | <p>Sept. 24-26--Tooele G & M Club, Dow James Bldg. , 400 N. 400 E.
Tooele, Utah
Tooelegem@netscape.net</p> |
| <p>Sept. 15-19 -- Commercial shows, Denver, Colorado.
Various venues. Check Rock & Gem Magazine or above web site.</p> | |
| <p>Sept, 17-19 -- Greater Denver Area G&M Council, Denver Merchandise Mart,
Mart Plaza Annex 451 E. 58th Ave.
(I-25 Exit 215) Denver, Colorado.
www.denvermineralshow.com
Emily Epstein – 303-233-2516</p> | <p>Sept. 24-26--Gem Faire Inc., with some local dealers/displays. South Towne Expo Center, Exhibit Hall 3.
Salt Lake City, Utah.
Yooy Nelson – 503-252-8300
www.gemfaire.com</p> |
| <p>Oct 8–10 -- Moab Points & Pebbles Club
Spanish Trail Arena
3641 S. Hwy 91
Moab, Utah
Jerry Hansen (435)259-3393
boondocker@frontier.net</p> | <p>Oct 29-31 – Min. Collectors of Utah
Trolley Square 600 S 700 E.
Salt Lake City, UT
Curt & Carol Forrester
fossilmin@dedi.net</p> |

CONGRATULATIONS TO SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHSTONES

Sapphire - for Truth, Purity, Clear Thinking. An Aluminum oxide or the gem corundum, 9 on the Moh's scale of hardness.

“Sapphire, the celestial gemstone, has been treasured for thousands of years. – Because sapphires represent divine favor they are the gemstone of choice for kings and high priests. The British Crown Jewels are full of large blue sapphires, the symbol of pure and wise rulers. – “ (excerpted from Wichita's QUARRY QUIPS. 9/02.)

ANNIVERSARIES – Faceted blue, 23rd. Blue star, 26th, Gray star, 65, Purple star, 67th.

Blue Spinel – magnesium aluminum oxide. “ Spinel is a rather rare mineral that in places is found in beautifully colored transparent crystals that are used in gems. -- the hardness is 8, or as great as topaz,” -- Edward Dana, “Dana's Minerals and how to study them.”

FLOWERS - Aster or Morning Glory, both beautiful in shades of blue.

LAND ISSUES

The following issues were brought to my attention via the Magic Valley Gem News - August 2010

Senate Bill 787: The Clean Water Restoration Act

Is a bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to clarify the jurisdiction of the United States over waters of the United States.

This bill was considered in committee which recommended consideration by the Senate as a whole.

S. 787 States: (8) this Act will treat, as 'waters of the United States' those features that were treated as such pursuant to the regulations of the Environmental Protection Agency and the Corps of Engineers in existence before the dates of the decisions referred to in paragraph (10), including –

- (A) all waters which are subject to the ebb and flow of the tide;
- (B) all interstate waters, including interstate wetlands;
- (C) all other waters, such as intrastate lakes, Rivers, streams (including intermittent streams), mudflats, sandflats, wetlands, sloughs, prairie potholes, wet meadows, playa lakes, or natural ponds;
- (D) all impoundments of waters of the United States;
- (E) tributaries of the aforementioned waters'
- (F) the territorial seas; and
- (G) wetlands adjacent to the aforementioned waters;

This will give the EPA the authority to close, restrict or regulate access roads which follow or cross wetlands, seasonal streams, dry river or stream beds even if they are on private property.

Please write and let your senators know how you feel about this bill which gives the EPA too much authority without the necessary checks and balances of due process.

(ALAA Newsletter, Apr-May-June 2010 via Magic Valley Gem News Aug 2010)

Additional Bills are **S. 799: America's Red Rock Wilderness Act of 2009**

And

H.R.1925: America's Red Rock Wilderness Act of 2009

These Bills designate specified lands in the following areas of Utah as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System: (1) Great Basin; (2) Zion and Mojave Desert; (3) Grand Straircase=Escalante; (4) Moab-LaSal Canyons; (5) Henry Mountains; (6) Glen Canyon; (7) San Juan=Anasazi; (8) Canyonlands Basin; (9) San Rafael Swell; and (10) Book Cliffs and Uinta Basin. These bills set forth administrative provisions regarding: (1) filing by the Secretary of the Interior of a map and legal description of each designated wilderness area with appropriate congressional committees; (2) the exchange of state-owned lands within such areas; (3) federal reservation of water rights; (4) measurement of setbacks for roads within wilderness; (5) authorized livestock grazing; and (6) withdrawal of such lands from disposition under certain public land laws.

These bills, if enacted, would designate 9.4 million acres of land managed by the BLM in Utah (11% of the state as Wilderness. This will restrict access or close access to numerous prime collecting areas in the state of Utah.

(ALAA newsletter Apr-May-June 2010 via Magic Valley Gem News Aug 2010)

Webpages for additional information

ALAA Webpage: <http://www.amlands.org/>

America Lands Rights Assoc.: <http://www.landrights.org/>

We received an invite from the Golden Spike Gem Club, announcement from their newsletter:



! FUN DAY !



GOLDEN SPIKE GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY
In partnership with the DePue Family and their company



ANNOUNCE

! FUN DAY !

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There is a green sign by the entrance that says

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DATE: SATURDAY & SUNDAY - AUGUST 21ST & 22ND

TIME: 9:00 AM UNTIL . . . 4 OR 5 . . .

OR WHENEVER WE GET TIRED OF PLAYING

IN ADDITION

**WE ARE ENCOURAGED TO BRING ROUGH & SLABS OF MATERIAL
SO THAT WE CAN TRADE AND/OR BARTER WITH EACH OTHER**

- OR -

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WHO WILL ALSO BRING A
VARIETY OF THEIR MATERIALS**

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