



# Beehive Buzzer

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## Note from the President

Hi everyone,

It looks like spring is here! I bet you all are sooo looking forward to getting out in the beautiful weather! Our field trip to Santaquin, Utah should be a great one! Dessert flowers will also be in bloom.

We will be emailing out the Land Trust permit in a couple days. Make a copy for yourself.

April is the club's 55th birthday! We will have some delicious cake to celebrate!

Have a blessed Easter Day,  
Debbie

# Field Trips for 2025

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*Santaquin, Utah* - Birdseye marble

**26 April** - 1 3/4 hour drive

*Dugway, Utah* - Geode beds

**17 May** - 3 hour drive

*Rawlins, Wyoming* - Banded Iron

**14 June** - 5 1/2 hour drive (overnight for some)

*Brian Head, Utah (Cedar City)* - Agate

**19 July** - 4 hour drive

*Wamsutter, Wyoming* - Turritella

**16 August** - 4 hour drive

*Panguitch, Utah / Casto Canyon (near Bryce)*

Agate, Limb Casts

**20 September** - 4 1/2 hour drive (Overnight for some)

*Henry Mountains* - Agate, Wood, Coprolite, etc

**9 - 13 October** - 5 hour drive Year end trip.

**\*\*\*TRIPS CAN BE INFLUENCED BY THE WEATHER AND MIGHT BE CANCELLED FOR EVERYONES SAFETY. YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED IN THIS UNFORTUNATE EVENT.\*\***

## Santaquin, Utah Field Trip Birdseye Marble, April 26th

The Club will be conducting a field trip on **Saturday, April 26th**, to collect Birdseye Marble south of Santaquin, Utah. Driving time from Ogden to Santaquin on I-15 south is approximately one and a half (1 ½) hours. The group will meet at the Maverick gas station located at Exit 244 at 10:00 AM and we will depart for the collection site **NO LATER THAN (NLT) 10:30 AM**. The collection area is only a couple of miles south of the Maverick station with Birdseye marble and other fossilized remnants being readily found.

Darrell and Darlene McRoberts will be the lead for this trip, so please let them know if you will be attending. You can call or text them at 801-317-7001 or 7000. Hope to see you there!



# Dugway Geode Beds Field Trip

## May 17th

The Club will be conducting a field trip on Saturday, May 17th, to collect Geodes in the west Utah desert with driving time from Ogden to the collecting site being approximately 3 hours one way. Bring food, lots of water, hats, first aid kits and tools to dig with.

From Ogden, take I-15 south to I-80 west to Exit 99 for Tooele on Highway 36 south. Continue on Highway 36 south through Tooele for approximately 30 miles to the Pony Express Trail Road intersection (turn right) which is located just past the sign to Faust, Utah. The rally point for the group will be at a parking area at this intersection of Highway 36 and the Pony Express Trail Road at 9:00 AM and we will depart for the collection site NO LATER THAN (NLT) 9:30 AM. We will make a short stop at Simpson Springs for a bathroom break and a group photograph before heading to the collection site. PLEASE NOTE: Ensure that you stop for fuel in Tooele prior to meeting at the rally point parking area!

**GOOD NEWS!** On March 27th, the road to the geode beds was in very good condition as we made a day trip out there. A standard car will easily make the trip but please ensure your tires are in good condition as the group has experienced flat tires on this trip in the past.

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# This Month's Club Meeting

**When?** April 22, 2025

**Where?** Golden Hours Senior Center 650 25th St, Ogden UT 84401.

**What time?** 6:00pm we will have our meet and greet and silent auction (Bring some cash) & 6:30pm our meeting will start.

## -PROGRAM -

Lori Holstein will be giving a demonstration on soft soldering, which is similar to the process used in stain glass, only using it to create jewelry.

Lynne Campbell will be giving a demonstration for etching on copper/brass, using a liquid created for this purpose. It enables one to put patterns of the metal.

**Happy 55th Birthday**  
**Beehive Rock and Gem Club!**



# Last Months Club Meeting

**During Last months meeting, Donale Richen** demonstrated the uses, tools and pricing of metal clay. She showed us items in various stages of completion. You can make anything you can mold with clay. Leaves, flowers, textures, etc. After fired the clayed turns to 99% silver! Then you can add the piece to your project. It was fascinating to see her at work and learning about all the possibilities you can do with Metal clay. The only limitation is your imagination!



## Club Merch

T-shirts: S to 4x \$13, Hats \$13, Whistles \$6



**Put your old T-Shirts and Hats aside to freshen up for a New Year. These are great prices! Also, get a whistle for being safe on the fieldtrips! It has a compass, flashlight, 5x magnifier, storage container, thermometer, and more!**



# Interesting Facts about Rocks and Minerals

\***Quartz** is considered the most available mineral. Made up of silicon and oxygen. It can maintain a precise frequency standard. Silicon is classified as a semiconductor and can conduct electricity like copper wire under specific conditions. Quartz is used in all watches, Radios and Microprocessors, etc.

\***Jadeite** often called Imperial Jade, currently is the most expensive mineral. Finest quality is found in Burma. One carat can be as much as 3 million dollars.

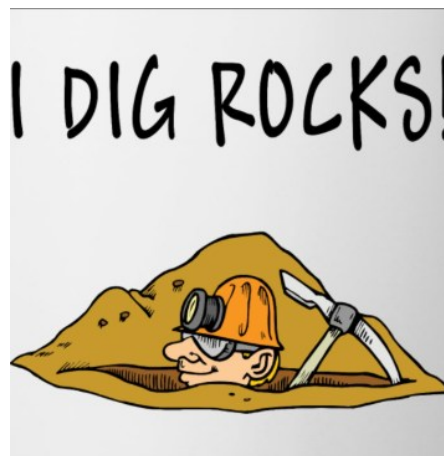
\***Red Beryl** is the most famous rock found in Utah. Very rare. Out of the 3 places it is found in the world 2 of them are in Utah near the Topaz mountains and the Wah-Wah mountains.

\***Pumice** is the lightest rock on earth. Due to its porous structure, it floats on water.

## Clubs Facebook Page-

### **OfficialBeehiveRockandGemClub**

Everyone please start posting on our page. We need to have a strong presence of our club on there. We would really like to have each of us share what we are doing with our rocks and also what we are finding that is interesting.





# Need to Contact Us?

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