

OGMS/OGMS, Inc. Board(s) meeting - Jan. 28, 2025.

Place: Barbara Crompton's home

Time : 6:30 pm

Quorum was present.

Attendees: Norn Onnen, Barbara Crompton, Leslie Hartman, Larry Wells and Chet McLaughlin (Dan McDaniels was not present due to health issues)

Report on Dan's condition after his operation-He is seems to be good.

Treasurer's report

Bank/checking signatures have been added/updated and new accounts have been open as was discussed and passed by OGMS board at the January 2024 meeting and revisited at our Nov. 2024 Board meeting. Treasurer's report will need to be updated as a result of this change and will be sent out at a later date.

Up coming OGMS club meetings

Thur., Feb. 6, 2025: Program "Mineral exploration in the Tribal-State district: Legacies of the past and new opportunities in the future" by Blair Schneider; Associate Researcher and Outreach Manager, KGS. (Needs Table to display hand samples, projector, mic.)

Thur., March 6, 2025 NO MEETING

Thur., April 3, 2025 Program " The Western Stemmed Tradition and the Initial Peopling of the Americas: Recent Discoveries in the Far West" by Dr. Justin A. Holcomb, KGS

Thur., May 1, 2025 Program "Illustrated Timeline of the Earth" by Rebecca Francis.

Raffle involvement for youth - Youth will be given first shot at raffle items plus there are activity sheets available for handout to help keep our youth engaged.

Raffle items donations - club is in need of donations for the monthly club raffle. We also will need donations for the association booth at the show and will announce our need at the next meeting on Feb 6th.

Website and Rock Solid Bulletin

Articles and notices by others are needed for our bulletin. Hoping to receive items for the bulletin from the members.

Help/Back up - Dan (our Webmaster) is looking for someone to be his back up and assist with keeping web site current.

Meeting Minutes Approvals and Postings -Minutes need to be brought up to date.

Retained gemstones transfer - (L. Wells)

Sunstone (for Mary Blythe) - (L. Wells)

March 7-9, 2025 Gem and Mineral Show - -

Show booklet ad: After a discussion it was decided that we stay with the same size and ad we had last year (1/4 page) with no changes are needed .

Need live and silent auction items

Sandy Daum donation (OGMS and Association) status - auction items are in transit. Norm and Larry will get together once they arrive to label and price.

Show Schedule:

Wed., Jan. 5 Tables set up

Thursday, Jan. 6 Tables arrangements, display/vendors placement

Fri. - Sunday open show

Sat. Evening live auction

Sun. 5pm show closes/remove all displays, etc.

Volunteers currently signed up -

Alison Betts Thur. (Display cases cleaning)

Barbara Crompton Thur. (Display cases cleaning)

Scott Crompton (Auction, tickets), Fri. & Sat.

Nicole Garretson . (RAWR?) Fri. & Sat.

Debbie Moore ?

Norman Onnen Wed., Thur., Fri., Sun

Chet McLaughlin

Club Display Cases (Need 20-22 cases displayed)

Jason Benton 1 case (Needs to borrow)

Alison Betts 1 case

Barbara Crompton 1 case

Scott Crompton 1 case (#4 OGMS case borrowed)

Debby Moore 1 case

Norman Onnen 3 cases (Theme. Ruck's pit, fossils & calcite xls (1); agates(1): trilobites (1)

Larry Wells 3 cases (Theme. Tom Tivol birthstones (1); ???; ???)

Leslie Hartman ?# cases

We discussed contacting members who have displayed in past show to see if we can get more display cases at the show.

Sales tables

Barbara Crompton 1

Scott Crompton 1

Nicole Garretson 1

Larry Wells 1 ?

Alison Betts 1

Others ???????

New Business

Next Board meeting (Tues., Feb. 18, 2025???)

Adjourn at 7:53

Upcoming

Feb. 1, 2025 Private sale (Barbara and Alison)-all club members were invited as posted on web site.

Feb. 15-16, 2025. 2nd Annual Gold Prospecting and Mining Show; St. Joseph, MO

Bios (for upcoming OGMS programs).

Blair Benson Schneider is an Associate Researcher and Education Outreach Manager for the Kansas Geological Survey (KGS) at the University of Kansas. She earned her PhD and Master's degree in Geophysics from the University of Kansas, and her Bachelors of Science in Geology from James Madison University. She completed a postdoc at the University of Kansas Center for Teaching Excellence before beginning her position at the KGS, where she focused on STEM course transformation and multi-institutional collaboration. Dr. Schneider's research focuses on two separate fields: near-surface applied geophysics for archaeological and forensic exploration, and broadening participation in the STEM workforce. Schneider was recognized for her work in 2019 with the Society of Exploration Geophysicists (SEG) Special Commendation Award, and in 2013 with the Association for Women Geoscientists Presidents Award. She currently serves as the president of the Association for Women Geoscientists Foundation, an international organization devoted to recruiting and retaining women into the Earth Sciences. Dr. Schneider is co-Principal Investigator of the Department of Energy funded CORE-CM project, which is focused on addressing the upstream & midstream critical mineral (CM) supply chain and downstream manufacturing of high-value, nonfuel, carbon-based products, to accelerate the realization of full potential for carbon ores and critical minerals within the US

Dr. Justin A. Holcomb, Associate Research Professor, Kansas Geological Survey (KGS). Justin Holcomb is an Assistant Research Professor at the Kansas Geological Survey, housed within the University of Kansas. He earned his PhD in Anthropological Archaeology from the Department of Anthropology at Boston University, and is a former Predoctoral Fellow at the Malcolm H. Wiener Laboratory for Archaeological Science at the American School of Classical Studies in Athens. Justin studies geological approaches to the archaeology of human dispersals into new landscapes and environments.

OGMS member **Rebecca Francis** has been making jewelry for over 30 years, She fell in love with fossils because of dino bone beads and ammonites in jewelry! Her minimal [only her marginalizing term] knowledge of rocks and fossils is completely self-taught. (Postscript provided by Rebecca " Children (maybe age 10 and up) are welcome and will be able to understand it. Plus, there will be a small gift of sample fossils for kids in attendance.")