

C.O.R.C.

Central Oregon Rock Collectors

November 2015, Newsletter

“It’s in our name... it’s what do we do... we collect rocks!!!!”

The **CENTRAL OREGON ROCK COLLECTORS** is an informal group dedicated to sharing the rock hound hobby. We meet for field trips, collecting rock, and related activities. You do not have to be a member to attend. However if you are interested in joining, yearly memberships are only \$20 for individuals, or \$25 for families. At the end of this newsletter is a form for joining the C.O.R.C.

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Welcome: Rockhounding is best when it is shared. We welcome visitors to our meetings, anytime. If anyone has any interesting adventures or unusual materials that they would like to share, we would love to hear about them. Our next regular meeting will be during the potluck dinner at Powell Butte Community Center on Sunday, November 22, at 11:00 AM.

The Club meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month, March through October, the November meeting is a potluck holiday get-together on a Sunday. No winter meetings. Regular meetings are held at the Redmond Senior Center, 325 NE Dogwood Avenue, Redmond, starting at 6:00 pm until 8:30 or 9:00.

FINAL EVENT OF THE SEASON

Potluck Dinner

Sunday, November 22

Doors open at 11:00

Eat at Noon

Powell Butte Community Center
8404 SW Reif Road, Powell Butte

Turkey will be provided

Things to Bring:

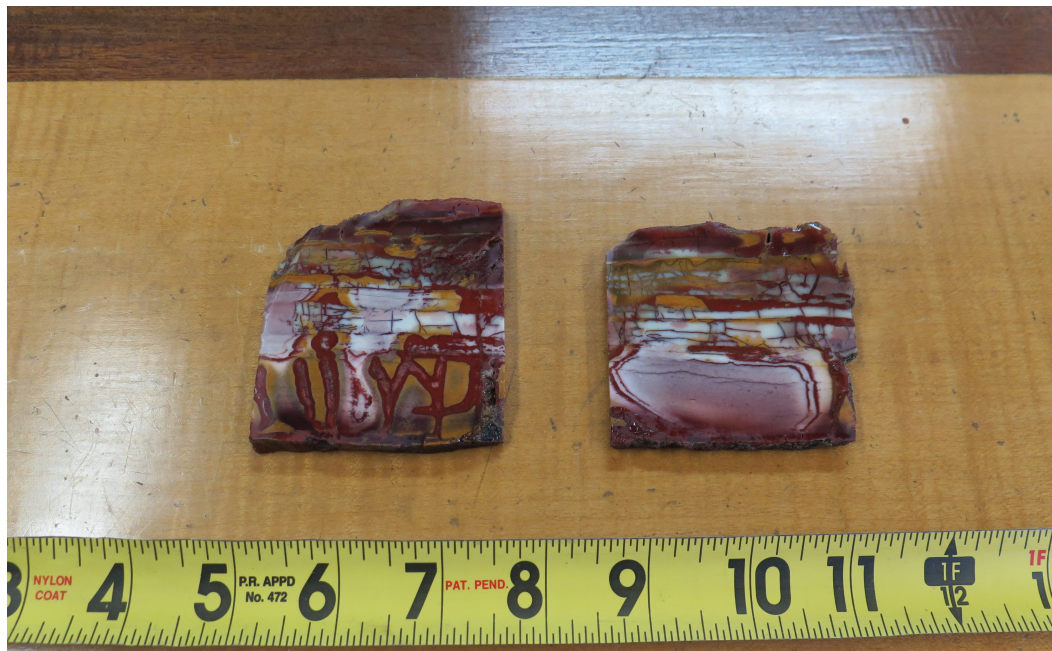
- 1) side dish
- 2) rock-related gift, unwrapped
- 3) items to sell, (optional)
- 4) something to show & tell, (optional)

Directions: From Redmond: East on Hwy 126 toward Prineville, right on Reif Road, thence South 1.6 miles to the Community Center on the left, just before the Fire Station.

From Bend: North on the Powell Butte Highway, thence right on Riggs Road 1 mile, right on Reif Road, south 0.6 miles to the Community Center.

From Prineville: West on Hwy 126 past Powell Butte to Reif Road, left on Reif Road thence South to the Community Center.

Nuggets of Knowledge / Collecting Sites



Haystack Butte Jasper

Located West of Owyhee Reservoir, Malheur County, Oregon on BLM roads; visited during the Western Federation Sept. field trip. Butte is in the center of Section 29, T21S, R45E, WM,

GPS coordinates are:

43.714227 N, 117.246453 W Decimal Degrees, NAD 83

Rough, good weather road not suitable for sedans. Lots of material spread up and down the Butte. Photographed wet. There is a claim on the top, do not collect on the claim.

FIELD TRIPS:

The October field trip was to an Opalite location east of Madras, about 13 people attended, most finding some good material. Many of us then drove up to the Polka Dot agate mine, which is located on the Pony Creek road about 9 miles east of US 97. We found quite a nice selection of agate, and other rocks brought in from out of the area were available. The attendant at the mine said they would be closing for the season Halloween weekend, but would be open next spring.



Digging for opalite on the last field trip. Al “Badger” Liebetrau digging, others gazing on in awe.

There are no more club field trips planned this season.

Elizabeth Prindle is assuming the Field Trip Committee chair. She would welcome anyone interested in suggesting field trip sites and/or working on the committee.

PROGRAMS: Last get together is the November potluck. Our program Committee will be assembling an awesome agenda for the coming season. If you would be willing to be a part of the committee, please contact Sue Liebetrau at liebetrauam@msn.com. We need your help.

CENTRAL OREGON ROCK COLLECTORS

Meeting Minutes, October 21, 2015

Sue Liebetrau, Secretary

President Debby Simon called the meeting to order at 7:00. about 25 people were present. One guest was welcomed: Suzie Meeker.

The first agenda item was the CORC **program**. Guest speaker Bill Quant, of Quant's Rock Shop in Prineville, spoke of the history of many collecting spots in the area and of his father's pioneering role in claiming and working many of them. For example, he told us that Eagle Rock once contained a large cave full of plume! It has long since been cleaned out, unfortunately. He also warned that the Ochoco area is being considered as a wilderness, to be closed to collectors like Mill Creek and White Rock. He talked about the famous fir cone, collected about 60 years ago in Congleton Hollow, now (unfortunately for us?) in his sister's safe. He mentioned several places in Congleton Hollow where limb casts can be found—with digging: Sulfur Butte, Rattlesnake Butte, and White Butte. Bill is willing to lead field trips, and he also joined CORC.

The program was followed by **Show and Tell**. Jerry and Stephanie Brown, who are moving to Belize, donated a number of rock-related DVDs to the club library.

The regular meeting resumed at 8:10. Following the **Secretary's and Treasurer's** reports (the minutes were approved as printed in the newsletter), **Federation Delegate** Clara Walker spoke about the Federation's move to donate money to museums. Del Walker reminded CORC of the American/Northwest Federation show to be held in Albany, Oregon, next July. For **Programs**, Sue Liebetrau announced that the Director and Curator of the Rice Museum have both offered to present programs to CORC next year. Finally, the CORC **Newsletter** will change editorial hands, from Jerry to Jules Wetzel.

The next business item was **elections**. Debby Klug has agreed to be **Secretary**, and a motion to nominate her was made and seconded. She was elected unanimously. Marty Betsch was nominated for a second term as **Treasurer** and was also elected unanimously. For unelected positions, Elizabeth Prindle has agreed to be **Field Trip Chairman**. Both Debby Simon and Al Liebetrau emphasized the need for other CORC members to participate on the Field Trip committee and help scout, plan, and lead trips. Jerry noted that he doesn't get field trip reports for the newsletter, so part of the trip leader's responsibilities is to write up a short review following the trip. Sue Liebetrau has agreed to be **Program Committee Chairman**. Sign-up sheets were put out for both committees. The **Website Committee** also needs members; volunteers should contact Karen Cameron.

Al announced that a **long-range planning meeting** has been scheduled for November 4, at 2:00 pm, at Abby's Pizza in Redmond. All members are encouraged to attend or send ideas by email to Debby Simon.

The **holiday potluck dinner** will be held at the Powell Butte Community Center on Sunday November 22 (see directions in this newsletter). Doors will open early, but we will eat at noon. Dale Simon will cook the turkey. Marty Betsch will coordinate the potluck dishes. There will be a short meeting and a gift

exchange (bring something rock related that you would love to receive!) There will also be a Show and Tell session, and members may bring items to sell.

There being no further business, door prizes were distributed, and the meeting adjourned at 8:35.

CENTRAL OREGON ROCK COLLECTORS Board Meeting, October 21, 2015

Vice President Al Liebetrau called the meeting to order at 6:00. To save time, we moved immediately to agenda item 5, the **Holiday party**. Doors will open officially at 11:00, and dinner will begin at noon. Dale Simon will cook turkey. Simons will notify Sue Liebetrau if coffee purchase is needed. There will be a gift exchange and Show and Tell. Selling items will be permitted.

Next item was the **planning retreat** scheduled for Wednesday, November 4, at 2:00 pm, at Abby's Pizza in Redmond (Highway 97). Debby Simon agreed to ask Elizabeth Prindle whether she can attend, also Webmaster Karen Cameron and the new Field Trip and Program committee chairpersons when they are selected.

In other business: the **Newsletter** committee needs input. Field trip leaders should write up a short report of trips they lead. Al noted that we must develop a good job description for this position.

The final item of business was the **CORC logo**, which has been drafted by Roger Whiteman. Al will work on the draft to see whether we can add color and whether it will work at various sizes; e.g., for patch and letterhead.

The meeting adjourned at 6:45.

From the Editors:

A new season brings new people into our club positions. Jerry and Stephanie have moved on as they are selling their property here and concentrating more on life in Belize. They promise to visit when they are in the area during the summers. We wish them all the best.

While many of the club officers are the same, Debbie Klug has graciously agreed to take over the secretary office and Elizabeth Prindle has agreed to Chair the Field Trip Committee. A big Thank You to both. Their contact information is above at the beginning of this newsletter.

This month marks Jan and my first attempt at editing our club newsletter. Notice I wrote editing, not writing. We would appreciate member submissions, input, constructive criticism, whatever you, the membership want to see in a newsletter. Our contact information is also above.

As Del Walker has often said, clubs thrive with volunteers and die from the lack of same. Please consider what you can contribute.

Rock & Mineral Show Calendar

November 7 & 8

Sat – 9 – 5

Sun – 10 – 5

Maplewood Rock and
Gem Club

Maplewood R&G
Clubhouse, 8802 196th
ST SW, Edmonds WA

Don Wilcox 206 226
1868
tundrafox@earthlink.net

December 5 & 6

Sat – 9 – 6

Sun – 10 - 5

Winter Bazaar

Maplewood Rock and
Gem Club

Maplewood R&G
Clubhouse, 8802 196th
ST SW, Edmonds WA

Mike Collins 206 714
6861

July 29-31, 2016

Fri – 10 – 6

Sat – 10 – 6

Sun – 10 – 4

Willamette Agate and
Mineral Society

**AFMS and NFMS
MEETINGS**

Linn County Expo
Center, Albany Oregon

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CENTRAL OREGON ROCK COLLECTORS (CORC)
2016 MEMBERSHIP FORM

DATE: _____

NAME: _____

NAMES OF ADD'L FAMILY MEMBERS (+AGES IF UNDER 18):

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Amount Paid: _____

How did you hear about CORC? (*new members only*)

NOTE: Annual dues are \$20/individuals and \$25/families. If you are paying by check:
Make your check out to **Central Oregon Rock Collectors** and mail it to:
Attn: Marty Betsch, 61561 Eastlake Drive, Bend, OR 97702.
