

**March, 2018**

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

The **CENTRAL OREGON ROCK COLLECTORS** (CORC) is an informal group dedicated to sharing the rock hound hobby. We meet for field trips, collecting rocks, monthly programs, 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. A membership form is on our website.

Visit OUR WEBSITE at <http://www.corockcollectors.com>

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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.

**The Club meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 7:00 pm until 8:30 or 9:00.**

### **Field Trips:**

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Our 2018 Field Trip Co-chairs are Ken Lawson ( [krlawson@bendcable.com](mailto:krlawson@bendcable.com) ) and John Moreau ( [john.b.moreau@icloud.com](mailto:john.b.moreau@icloud.com) ).

The the following are club field trips and leaders:

Sun April 15	Pole Creek	John Moreau
Sat May 12	White Fir Area, Ochocos	Ken Lawson
Sun June 10	McDonald Ranch, Antelope	Roger Whiteman
Aug Club	Picnic	Ken and Roxanne Lawson, hosts
Sun Sept 9	Salt Creek area, Crook County	Patricia Moreland (tentative)
Sat Oct 13	Congleton Hollow	Elizabeth Prindle

\* Some members of the club are also joining with other clubs to collect in Succor Creek and the McDermitt area this spring. All are welcome to come along. The Succor Creek expedition will start April 20 and run for 10 days. Come for all 10 days or as little as you want.

\*The McDermitt trip dates are still pending.

### **Upcoming Programs:**

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Our first meeting of the year will be Wednesday evening, March 21, 2018 at the Redmond Senior Center, 325 NE Dogwood Avenue. It will feature a member show and tell time as well as a business meeting to set up the rest of the year. Please be thinking of what you would like to bring to share. We are interested in seeing your successes.

Program plans so far:

April 25	Mark Taylor,	Natures' Bling, Metaphysical Properties of Crystals
May 16	Jan Whiteman	Vibratory rock tumbling
June 20	Al Liebtrau	Fluorescents
July 18	Don Ross	Rock Painting
August	Club Picnic	Silent Auction, good food, social gathering
Sept 19	Members' experiences in Tucson,	how to "do" the Tucson show
Oct 17	TBA	

### **Upcoming Shows:**

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**March 10 – 11: Rock & Arrowhead Club Show, Klamath Co. Fairgrounds, 3531 So. 6<sup>th</sup> Street., Klamath Falls, OR. Saturday 9-5; Sunday 9:30-4. They have put on a good show in the past and makes a nice getaway for mid-March.**

**April 27 – 29: NFMS Show & Convention.** Central WA State Fair Park, Modern Living Building and Pioneer Hall, 1301 South Fair Avenue, Yakima, WA 98901. Fri & Sat 10-6; Sunday 10-4. [www.yakimarockclub.com](http://www.yakimarockclub.com)

## **Club News and Information**

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The Board held pre-season meeting Feb. 23, 2018 with several agenda items.

- The club received a letter from the Rice Museum delivered to the Redmond Senior Center and requesting we buy a club membership for the year (\$500). The Senior Center told us they didn't want club correspondence coming to the center.
  - \* The suggestion was made to get a Post Office box. Since officers email addresses are published in the newsletter and is on our website, we will not get a Post Office box.
  - \* Employees of the Rice Museum have presented programs to the club two years running and we haven't provided any compensation. The Board recommends that the club donate \$300 to the museum this year in appreciation of their efforts, but we don't have the income to provide the museum \$500 in annual dues. This will be presented for a vote in the March general meeting.
- The club received a request to join the Oregon Council of Rock and Mineral Clubs. -
  - \* The decision was to not do so.
- The Board previously had authorized research into publishing software for the newsletter. We will not be buying any at this time.
- The Board discussed speaker fees and mileage reimbursement for field trip scouting.
  - \* The consensus was both efforts are a labor of love and the subject was tabled.
- The club has had problems with speaker-supplied computers interfacing with our projector.
  - \* Elizabeth and Suzie will research computers and present a recommendation for a computer for the club to purchase. (Any geeks out there, we would appreciate your suggestions!). This will be presented for a vote of the membership before any purchase is made.
- Cigar Box Rocks has a 10% discount to local club members. They have offered to sign up customers who aren't members so that such customers can get their discount. They would forward the membership forms and the dues to Marty.
  - \* Offer accepted.
- General meeting format – the meeting needs to be a little more concise.
  - \* The Program will be first instead of last
  - \* There will be a maximum of 10 door prizes.

\* Minutes are already published and don't need to be approved.

\* Federation, upcoming field trip, and upcoming program reports are necessary; Treasurers, newsletter, website/facebook are not and will be eliminated unless there is a vote for a purchase being undertaken, then we need a Treasurer's report.

- Marty is keeping a roster of members who have – or haven't – signed the liability release form. Field Trip Leaders will have the roster and copies of the form. Those who haven't signed but wish to attend the field trip must sign the form. This will apply to any visitors also.
- Programs and field trips were reviewed. Please refer to the newsletter listings for field trips and programs.

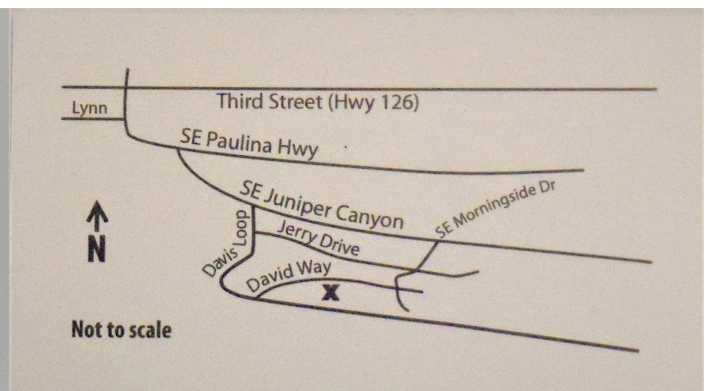
Elizabeth Prindle, Club President

### **Business Cards:**

[We are more than happy to include members rock-related business cards in this section.]



Canutts Gems is offering a 5% discount to members showing a CORC membership card





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## Central Oregon Rock Collectors Membership form

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Names of Additional family members (Please list age if under 18)

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Paid: \_\_\_\_\_

Note: Annual dues are \$20 for individuals and \$25 for families

If paying by check: Make your check out to Central Oregon Rock Collectors and Mail to:

Marty Betsch, 61561 Eastlake Dr. Bend, Or 97702

### **In order to participate in our field trips you need to sign a release of liability.**

The club member hereby acknowledges and agrees that the hobby of rock hounding has inherent risks for injury by its very nature. By signing this form, you hereby release and hold harmless Central Oregon Rock Collectors ("CORC"), its board members, management, guides, employees and all others associated with the management and operation of the club, from any personal injury, damage to personal property or any such harm as may come to you arising during the course of CORC activities or from participating in sponsored field trips.

If this is a family membership, all parties must sign. Parents are signing for children under the age of 18.

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