



November 2018 Newsletter

**"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 meetings. However, you **MUST** be a member to participate in field trips. Yearly memberships are \$20 for individuals, or \$25 for households. A membership form is on our website, which includes a liability release for field trips.

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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 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 7:00 pm until 8:30 or 9:00.

CORC Meeting Minutes October 17, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. Elizabeth Prindle, President, welcomed members and guests. There were 42 members and guests who attended the meeting.

Presentation – Daniele McKay, geology instructor at the University of Oregon, gave a very informative and interesting talk about Oregon opals. Her passion for geology was evident, and her enthusiasm was contagious. She is a volcanologist and specializes in the study of the cinder cones in the Oregon Cascades. She discussed how opals are formed, where and why they occur, and the different types of opals. The Central Oregon Geosciences Society meets once a month at the downtown Deschutes Brewery Tap Room from September through May. Doors open at 5:30 p.m and the talk begins at 7 p.m. In addition to speakers, they also have field trips to learn more about the geology in our area. Please visit their website at <http://cogeosoc.org> for more information.

Field Trip Report - The final field trip of the year was to Congelton Hollow. Over 25 club members attended. Jules shared a large agate limb cast that he found that day. In addition, he showed samples of snakeskin agate. Paul Asman shared some of the limb casts that he has found in the Congelton Hollow area and a huge thunderegg that he found at White Fir Springs.

Announcements – Elections will be held at the final meeting of the year on November 18 at the Powell Butte Community Center. We will elect the President and Vice-President. Elizabeth Prindle announced she will run for President, and Deb Simon will run for Vice-President. We will also be electing a new Treasurer. In addition, the club needs a new newsletter editor. All club members are welcome to run for office. Please consider participating in a leadership role. Elizabeth reported that the club has doubled in size in the last two years.

Holiday party - Our final meeting will be on November 18 when we will celebrate with a potluck luncheon/dinner. We will meet at the Powell Butte Community Center located at 8404 SW Reif Rd in Powell Butte. Doors will open at 11 a.m., and we plan to eat around 12:30 p.m. The club provides turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes and gravy, as well as paper goods and drinks. Please bring either a dessert or a side dish to share. You are invited to sell rock-related items, and doors will be open at 10:30 a.m. for setting up. No sign-up is required.

We will be having a short business meeting and voting for 2019 – 2021 President, Vice-President, and Treasurer at the dinner. [Please see the following article].

The gift exchange is one of the highlights of the party. For the gift exchange, please bring a special (one you'd be happy to receive yourself!) rock or rock-related item unwrapped. The gift exchange is completely voluntary; if you bring a gift, you will receive one.

This is the last club meeting until we resume in March, 2019. Door prizes were distributed, and the meeting was adjourned at 9 p.m --submitted by Suzie Meeker, Secretary

NOVEMBER ELECTIONS FOR CLUB OFFICERS

We need your help! Our club has doubled in size and we need a new President, Vice-President, and Treasurer. Officers are elected for two year terms. The Executive Committee (Board) meets at 6 pm before regular club meetings. We will be voting at the November Dinner. You can have someone nominate you in absentia (with their permission, of course). Brief job descriptions are provided below. If you have any questions, please contact Elizabeth. Our big accomplishment for 2018 was obtaining liability insurance for the club and the board. Our goal for 2019 will be to finalize/formalize our by-laws.

President's Duties:

- The President presides at all regular meetings of the Club.
- In the absence of the Vice President, the President presides at meetings of the Executive Committee.
- The President, with the Secretary, cosigns all written contracts and obligations of the Club.
- The President is responsible for all matters which come before the Club that are not specifically assigned elsewhere.

Vice President Duties:

- In the absence of the President, the Vice President presides at meetings of the Executive Committee.
- In the absence of the President or in case he/she is unable to perform the duties of the office, the Vice President performs all the duties of the President.
- The Vice President carries out any special tasks that may be assigned by the President.

Treasurer's Duties:

- The Treasurer receives all monies paid to the Club, deposits them in the Club's bank account, and pays all bills in accordance with policies established by the Board.
- The Treasurer keeps accurate records of all financial transactions and presents monthly financial statements to the membership and the Board as requested by the Board. At a minimum, financial statements should include the period of time covered by the report, a beginning balance, a summary of receipts and disbursements, and an ending balance.
- The Treasurer prepare an annual budget as requested to assist the Board with financial planning to meet anticipated expenses.
- The Treasurer maintains a current list of active members. This list is distributed to the Board, the Editor of the newsletter, and other members of CORC as directed by the Board.
- The Treasurer acts as the representative of the Club in all financial matters not specifically identified here.

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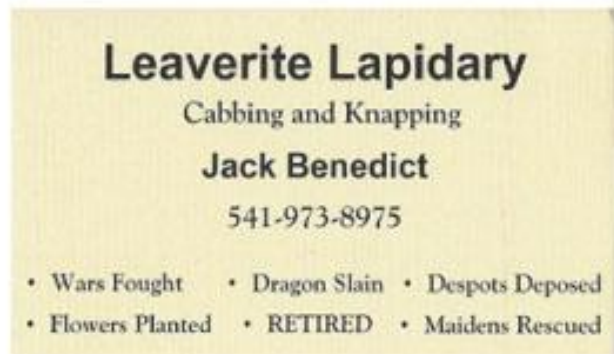
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