



“The Hard Rock News”

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A Message From Our President, Tony Schackmann:

Hello KMGS friends and members
HAPPY NEW YEAR! Already I can see a great new year ahead for our

club. We have new volunteers which is what keeps our club alive. I want to say “Thank You” to all the fresh new faces that have stepped up to volunteer and who help to make the club a fun and interesting place to be each month. We had a large number in attendance last month and unfortunately our microphones decided to stop working, but thanks to Stan Jorgenson, who found another microphone with a cord, we were able to continue the meeting. We have a club member volunteer currently working on our PA system in hopes to have it working again by the February meeting.

During the January meeting I mentioned a possible site for a workshop, with the board members’ approval. The January board meeting was held at the Sunnyslope Improvement Association which is the facility we are looking at for this purpose. Details on the decision will be announced at the February meeting.

We have one new officer, Don Lorimor, who was sworn in as KMGS Treasurer for 2009. We would like to thank our former treasurer Ruth Brooks-Butler for the fantastic job she did. Ruth mentioned that she will be right by Mr. Lorimor’s side for the turnover and continue until he felt fully confident of the responsibility.

“Thank You” to Dean Norman who presented the program he created about “Field Trip Twelve Essentials” last month. In case you were not able to join us at the meeting, we established a new

KMGS field trip list, went over some very important safety issues and talked about rock hounding techniques. The “Field Trip Twelve Essentials” and the 2009 field trip list will both be online at www.kmgs.org and in this month’s newsletter. There was something special about his presentation. “Field Trip Twelve Essentials” was presented on a large screen by the club’s new multi-media system which allowed him to show pictures of materials gathered during last year’s field trips. For this reason, we would like to encourage club members to share their field trip pictures and possibly pair them up with show-and-tell materials and stories.

In other news, I am happy to announce that the Bylaws have been amended and approved and they are now ready for issue upon request.

I know everyone will keep up with all the information on their calendars to be sure they didn’t miss out on anything the club has to offer. We’re always looking for good club representation in officers, volunteers and committee members, so if you feel you could be interested please view the list and sign-up.

Being a part of the club is to be involved and share your great ideas; change can be great if explained to the extent the chair persons can understand. We’re always looking for help in all the areas, so get the word out to any member that the club will mentor those with the passion to succeed in our hobby.

Let me also remind everyone to keep those tumblers going and keep making preparations for the County Fair and the November Show all year round. As President, I look forward to working with all of you.

Thanks for your confidence in me; I’ll do my best as sworn.- **Tony Schackmann**

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February Meeting Dates, Times and

Locations: The February General Meeting will be held on Friday, **February 13th at 7:00 PM** in the basement day care center (entrance in the back) of Chico Alliance Church 3670 Chico Way NW Bremerton, Washington.

The February Board Meeting will be on Thursday, **February 19th at 7:00 PM**. This meeting is also at the church, in the Junior's Activity Room. **All members are encouraged to attend Board Meetings. Please feel free to participate.**

Program: We will be having our annual "Rock, Cabs, Slabs Club Sale" (*Which includes just about everything lapidary-related.*) Selling is open to all paid up members. If you want to sign up as a seller you must check with the program chairperson. You may bring your own card table to set up, if you wish, but you will need to sign up. Visitors are welcome to shop. All proceeds are yours, the purpose is to share your extra with others. Please contact **Dean Norman** to sign-up or if you have any questions: **(360) 871-2054**.

Display Table: As you can see by reading this newsletter that the February meeting will not be a "normal meeting" with people coming up and discussing their items at the display table. However, we plan to set-up a table for you to bring items in that may be of interest to others. You can leave your item(s) on this table during the ongoing sales and you can be available to discuss whatever it is that you bring in. If you decide to bring something in for this table, be sure to put your name next to it so those with questions can find you. - **Garry Mahan**

Juniors: Plans include a craft appropriate for Valentine's Day gift-giving.

Refreshments for the February General Meeting: will be provided by members with last name beginning with the letter "**B**" and "**T**". (*Please provide finger foods that can be placed on a napkin.*) **Remember that this involves refreshment set-up and clean-up after the meeting has been concluded.**

Beader's News:

The Hard Rock Beaders will meet on February 11th at 6:30 PM at the community center at the Steele Creek Mobile Home Park. **Call Linda Mathison at (360) 698-1562 for directions and project materials list.** A friend of Linda's will be teaching how to make a beaded spiral rope necklace. Everyone is welcome!

Club Announcements**Yearly DUES****\$10.00 for Adult Membership****\$20.00 for Family Membership****\$2.50 for Single Junior (Associate Member)****(Dues are due in June of each year.)**

For Sale: Belma Hampton is offering for sale some of her husband's beautiful cabs, belt buckles and bolas.

She also has a never-used White Metal Detector for sale for \$300, or best offer.

Please contact **Del and Bobbie Sack** for questions or to view the items **(360) 277- 0383**

In Memory of: Eileen Gettle*March 20, 1928 to December 5, 2008*

Eileen Gettle, wife of George Gettle, passed away December 5th in Fallon, NV. Eileen and George were long-time members of the Kitsap Mineral and Gem Society, they joined KMGS in December of 1982. They served the club in many capacities. George was President for two years and they were the newsletter editors for many years. George passed away about five years ago. It was such a pleasure to talk to George and Eileen about the club as it was in past years. George was very generous with his lapidary advice and George and Eileen were always very kind. They are missed!

In Memory of: Bill Nary*February 4, 1924 to December 14, 2008*

William Nary passed away at 3:00 AM on Sunday, December 14th. His death was ultimately due to the cancer he was battling for the past five years. His Memorial Service was held at Tahoma National Cemetery on December 30th. He was a World War II veteran who served in the South Pacific. Bill Nary joined the club in September of 1994. Bill is survived by his wife, Mary Lu and his son, Quay Nary, both are KMGS members.

Announcing Possible Workshop Dates:**3-21 or 3-28-09****Keep Your Calendars Clear!**

We are planning an all-day event with a possible potluck lunch.

Tony Schackmann will have more details at the February General Meeting.

Important KMGS Contacts

Committee	Chairperson	Phone Number	Email Address
Membership	Del and Bobbie Sack	(360) 277-0383	
Juniors	Evah Summers	(360) 394-2363	summer9@aol.com
Newsletter	Kathy Reimers	(360) 275-5986	dnkreimers@earthlink.net
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Refreshments	Kathy Reimers	(360) 275-5986	dnkreimers@erthlink.net
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Cheer	Kathy McClure	(253) 265-3011	pogy2@centurytel.net
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Field Trips	Dean Norman	(360) 871-2054	
Washington State Mineral Council	Tony Schackmann	(360) 372-2777	werockon@inlandnet.com
NW Federation Representative	Jim McClure	(253) 265-3011	pogy2@centurytel.net
November Show Chairperson	Gerry Alexander	(360) 876-4543	
Kitsap County Fair Co - Chairpersons	Mark Fawcett Doug Leider	(360) 308-9942 (360) 627-8142	msf1032@tscnet.com lorenejane@hotmail.com
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Refreshment F.Y.I.: We rely on our club members to provide snacks for our General Meetings! **Bobbie Sack**, our Membership Chairman, has crafted this schedule for 2009 by using the first letter of your last name, based on membership records.

February—"B" and "T"
March—"R" and "W"
April—"M" and "N"

May—"K" and "L"
June—"E" and "F"
July / August—Club Picnic
September—"A" and "H"
October—"G", "J", and "I"
November—"S" and "P"
December—Potluck

When it is your turn to bring snacks, please remember that we prefer that it be finger food that can be placed on a napkin to minimize messy clean-ups. Healthy snacks are also

encouraged! The club provides the coffee, tea and other beverages.

Please note on your calendar the meeting that you will be bringing refreshments to. You will need to plan on participating with the set-up prior to the meeting and clean-up in the kitchen following the meeting. Please take your leftovers home.

You may switch assigned meetings with another member, if necessary.

Wilma's Frozen Banana Split Salad

Cream Together:

8 oz. cream cheese, softened

1/2 C sugar

Add:

1—16 oz tub frozen strawberries (thawed)

3 bananas

1—20 oz can crushed pineapple (use juice)

1 C chopped walnuts

Fold in 12 oz Cool Whip

Blend together and freeze in 9"X13" pan.

(You can use strawberry Cool Whip. You can also leave out the cream cheese and sugar, it will still taste great.)

Wilma Eads made this for the potluck at the show. It didn't last long!



Marlene and Doran Kennedy on the occasion of Doran's 90th Birthday Party, January 17, 2009. Happy Birthday Doran!

Attention Wirewrappers: Vangie Mayton will have a wirewrap class on Tuesday, February 17th at 6:30 PM. This will be held at Vangie's home.

If interested, please call Vangie for details, directions and sign-up, (360) 373-3370.

February Birthstone:

Amethyst

Color:

Violet

Cabochon:

Onyx

Symbol Of:

Sincerity

Northwest Shows - February, 2009

February, 2009 14th 9am - 5pm 15th 9am - 4pm	Whidbey Island Gem Club & Pebble Pushers	44th Annual Sweetheart of Gems Show	Oak Harbor Senior Center 51 SE. Jerome Street Oak Harbor, WA	Keith Ludemann (360) 675-1837 E-mail: rock9@whidbey.net
February, 2009 13th 10am - 5pm 14th 10am - 5pm 15th 10am - 5pm	Oregon Agate & Mineral Society	Annual Show	Ore. Museum of Science & Industry Aud. 1945 SE. Water Ave. Portland, OR	Richard Hall (360) 263-2599 bernice-hall@mcleodusa.net
February, 2009 21st 10am - 6pm 22nd 10am - 5pm	Everett Rock & Gem Club	56th Annual Gem Mineral & JEWELRY Show	Washington National Guard Armory 2730 Oakes Ave. Everett, WA 98201	Fritz Mack P. O. Box 1615 Everett, WA 98206 (425) 232-0809
February, 2009 28th 10am - 7pm March 2009 1st 10am - 5pm	Idaho Gem Club	Annual Gem, Mineral, Jewelry, & Fossil Show	Expo Idaho Fairgrounds Glenwood & Chinden Boise, Idaho	Charlie Smith P. O. Box 1264 Riggins, ID 83711 (208) 628-4002

No Field Trips Scheduled in February

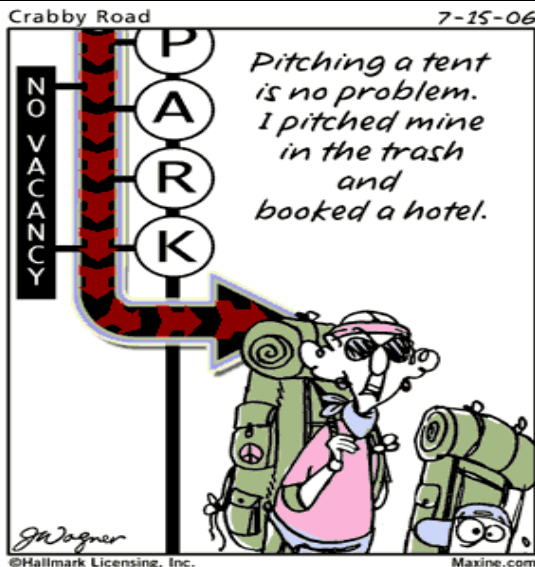
Did you know that the Port Townsend Club has some wonderful opportunities for us?

Their shop building is open the first Saturday of each month (10:00 AM to 4:00 PM) for rock cutting and polishing, and silversmithing. Assistance will be provided. There is a fee to defray their costs: \$4.00 per

person or \$5.00 per family, plus the cost of any materials used. Bring a sack lunch. For more information please contact these Port Townsend Rock Club members (they are also KMGS members) : Marie Anderson (360) 382-0420 (*Pt. Townsend*); Bobbie Sack (360) 277-0383 (*Belfair*) or (360) 509-4772 (*Cell # Silverdale*); OR Vangie Mayton (360) 373-3370

Field Trip Schedule for 2009—Kitsap Mineral and Gem Society
(No field trips are scheduled in January, February, October, November and December.)

2009 Month and Day	Place	Material Collected	Tools Needed	Leader	Meeting Time and Place	Contact Information
March 14th	Green Mt.—Kalama	Carnelian Agates/Jasper	Shovel, Rake	John Hubbard	Gig Harbor Safeway@7AM	(360) 731-7899
April 18-19th	Saddle Mt.	Petrified Wood and Opals	Shovel, Rake Pry Bar, Hard Rock Tools	Gerry Alexander	Mattawa Shell Station @9 AM Saturday	(360) 876-4543 Maps to be provided upon request.
May 9-10th	Twin Rivers Area (Strait of Juan DeFuca)	Marine Fossils	Bucket, Light Rock Hammer	John Cornish Dean Norman	To Be Determined- Low Tide is @ 9 AM	Dean (360) 871-2054
June 20th	Greenwater	Jasper and Agates	Shovel, Rake, Pry Bar, Light Rock Tools	Gerry Alexander	Greenwater Forest Service Rd. 70 @9 AM Saturday	(360) 876-4543 Maps to be provided upon request.
July 11-12th	Frost Mt.—Manastash Ridge	Jasper and Seam Agates	Shovel, Rake, Pry Bar, Light Rock Tools	Dean Norman	Frost Meadows @9 AM Saturday	(360) 871-2054 Maps to be provided upon request.
August 8-9th	Red Top	Geodes, Nodules, Agates	Shovel, Rake, Pry Bar, Light Rock Tools	Dean Norman	Teaway 29 Pines Campground @9AM	(360) 871-2054 Maps to be provided upon request.
September 19-20th	Rimrock	Nodules, Agates, Thundereggs, & Jaspers	Shovel, Rake, Pry Bar, Light Rock Tools	Tony Schackmann	Rimrock Lake @9 AM	(360) 372-2777 Maps to be provided upon request.



Via—1-09 "Carney Hound"

KMGS Mentors:

Skill	Mentor	Contact Information:
WIRE WRAPPING	VANGIE MAYTON	(360) 373-3370
SLABBING, CABBING,	STAN AND RUTH JORGENSEN	(360) 697-2564 email: stanjorgensen@yahoo.com
MINERALS	MARK FAWCETT	(360) 308-9942 msf1032@tscnet.com
FACETING	KMGS FACETERS	Jim McClure (253) 265-3011 email: pogy2@worldnet.att.net
BEADING /LAPIDARY	HARD ROCK BEADERS	"Hard Rock Beaders" (See page two for current meeting schedule.)

MINUTES OF THE KITSAP MINERAL AND GEM SOCIETY GENERAL MEETING 9 JANUARY, 2009

The meeting was called to order by President Tony Schackmann. The Juniors led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Tony introduced the Officers for the 2009 meeting year: Vice President, Dean Norman; Secretary, Linda Mathison; Outgoing Treasurer, Ruth Brooks-Butler and In-coming Treasurer, Don Lorimor. Don will officially be installed later in the evening.

There will not be a Juniors group this evening.

Nancy Mahan introduced this evening's guests and new members. Welcome to all!

Correspondence: Linda read a touching card from Ruth Brooks-Butler's granddaughter, Linnea, who made a donation to the Scholarship Fund in honor of her grandmother's work with KMGS. Jack and Wilma Eads had written a lovely thank you letter to Linnea acknowledging the gift and reinforcing the contributions Ruth has made.

Northwest Federation: Jack Eads reported that there are over 160 combined land use bills that will be presented soon to Congress and the decisions would affect areas now visited by rock hounds. Information regarding these bills is available for on the NW Federation website under "Action Alerts". Jack also has papers available for members to read. He urges everyone to write their Congressman and let them know how this will affect us. Right now the actions don't look very favorable.

Board Meeting: the January meeting will be held on Thursday, 15 January at the Sunnyslope Improvement Association building. The board will be considering this as a possible location for workshops and special club events. Everyone is invited.

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS! We always need you! Every committee person and every officer needs a backup person or even someone to help out when things get hectic. Of course it's never too early to volunteer to help with the Kitsap Fair and the November show. Information about all of these positions is available on the KMGS website.

The Newsletter deadline for the February edition is 24 January. All submissions must be sent to Kathy Reimers.

Wire Wrappers: Vangie Mayton suffered an injury recently and has asked to postpone the get together until later in January or early February. Please see Kathy Reimers if you have a preference or need more information.

Hard Rock Beaders: The Beaders will meet on

Wednesday, 14 January at the Steele Creek Mobile Home Park Community Center. Call Linda Mathison if you need directions or need more information about the Beaders.

Library: Mark Fawcett has set up a check out system for our DVDs so we don't lose track of them. The DVDs on Rock Tumbling and the Introduction to Geology have been added to the collection.

Treasurer: Following Ruth's report, Don was installed as our new Treasurer. An audit will be conducted next week before Ruth officially turns loose of the books. From the bottom of our hearts we all thank Ruth for being such a wonderful and dedicated Treasurer. You'll be a tough act to follow.

Show and Tell: Stories ranged from trips to the deserts of California to museums in Illinois and all yielded some wonderful specimens. Right here at home the Woodside's once again brought material from the quarry at Beaver Valley along with their wonderful stories and samples from the Opal Hill Mine, a fee area in Southern California. Leslie Wing brought agate from Red Top and John Hubbard showed material he collected at Green Peter Lake and Thistle Creek in Oregon. Pat Fagan's wife created a 'gourd' character and Pat shared photos of its travels throughout his neighborhood. It's quite the little traveler. Bobbi and Del Sack had visited the Lizardo Museum in Elm Hurst, Ill and had a lovely photo of a rather large labradorite sphere displayed there. Shane Schackmann would love that one! Mike Heesacker shared photos taken at Wolfle Elementary School in Kingston, winner of the mineral case from our November show. As Mike pointed out, these are our future geologists and rock hounds and it was heart-warming to see the interest and fascination the students shared. Last but not least, Garry Mahan has been busy learning another new art and brought his Intarsia samples. Very impressive, Garry! Thank you to all who had something to Show and Tell.

Following the break the silent auction items were collected, raffle names were called and before settling down for the evening's program Tony mentioned that we always need items for the silent auction, raffle and even the grab bags and display cases. If anyone has material they would like to donate we'd be happy to take them!

Dean Norman gave a great program about the 12 Essentials to Take on a Field Trip. Using our new multimedia system and hand outs he led a very informative program that was a great review for the veteran rock hounds and set a good foundation for the newer rock hounds. Thank you Dean.

Being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, **Linda Mathison**

Field Trip Twelve Essentials

By Dean Norman

- **Matches & Lighter.** Use "**Strike-anywhere**" matches. Whatever you do, don't use "Strike-on-box" matches." It is impossible to light "Strike-on-box" matches on anything other than the special striker strip on the box. Once you have the "**Strike-anywhere**" matches, place the matches in a **waterproof case**--small plastic waterproof match containers sold at sporting goods stores work fine--and include a **striker**. A piece of emery board makes a good striker. In very wet conditions, you'll want to have a dry striker along with your matches. When you need a fire, you don't want to mess around trying to light matches on wet rocks. Matches, which weigh nothing and easily fit in your pocket, are one of your most important survival tools. Not only does fire allow you to survive a cold, miserable night, but it is an important moral booster as well. Also, bring a Bic Lighter, it can double as a fire starter to light the matches if the lighter flame gets low.
- **Fire Starter Tinder.** Always include fire starter with matches. Always. There are times when even the best woodsman or woodswoman will not be able to make a fire without it. Fire starter assures that you can get fire going quickly, no matter how bad the conditions. Place some fire starter in your pack, but also put a *small chunk of fire starter* along with your matches and a *striker* in a *waterproof case*. Toilet Paper (dry) can also be a good fire starter. Another good fire starter is cotton balls dipped in petroleum jelly, then placed in a zip lock bag, will light even when wet.
- **Map.** Many people who have been rescued could have easily gotten themselves out of trouble by simply having a good map along.
- **Compass.** Even if you carry a GPS device, you still need a compass. Although, GPS units provide a reasonably accurate fix of your location, they do not provide accurate bearings. If you know how to following a compass bearing, you can guide yourself out of thickly forested areas, featureless winter landscapes, foggy sagebrush areas, etc.
- **Flashlight, Extra Batteries and Bulb.** A flashlight--or better yet, a headlight--is another one of those tools, like a map, that is simple and cheap insurance. Should night overtake you, it gives you the ability to find your way back to the trailhead. The Glow-Stick is another good light source. It is not good for finding trails in the dark, but is a useful light for overnights.
- **Extra Food & Water.** Having extra food and water is critical in emergency situations. It helps ward off hypothermia in cold, wet weather, and it keeps you thinking clearly in a crisis. Bring along a granola bar, or energy bars, just a couple will help. A small water container can be refilled when crossing streams.
- **Extra Clothing.** Even if it's a sunny day and you're on a short day hike, you should carry at least a rain poncho. It keeps you dry and also serves as wind protection. A good hat (wool or pile) stocking hat is also high on the list of extra clothing since a large amount of body heat is lost through the head and neck area. When deciding what to take, stay away from cotton which is worthless when wet.
- **First Aid Kit.** Be prepared for emergencies. Carry basic first aid supplies such as sterile gauze and pads, band-aids, moleskin, etc.
- **Pocket Knife.** With a pocket knife--a multi purpose Swiss Army knife is ideal--you can make field repairs, shave branches to make kindling, punch holes to repair a tarp, cut nylon cord, etc.
- **Whistle.** Yelling doesn't go as far as a whistle. You can blow in a whistle all night long without getting tired, but if you yelled all night, you will most likely become horse and not able to answer anyone calling that's looking for you.
- **Hand Held Radio.** A Talk-About, Midland or similar hand held radio, where everyone in the party is on the same channel and frequency code. People back at camp not going on the field trip should also have one and know the channel and check in times. Cell phones usually do not work well in the woods and do not always receive a tower.
- **Shelter.** When all is considered, the best way of surviving wet or snowy nights is to have some type of roof over your head and a dry floor under you. One of the best shelter options is a combination of a **lightweight nylon poncho, nylon cord and a lightweight space blanket**. The poncho can be tied to trees or placed over a rudimentary snow shelter to keep out wind and weather--and in a pinch it doubles as a rain jacket. Use a *nylon* poncho or tarp. Avoid plastic ponchos and tarps. They rip easily and become brittle in cold weather. For a dry floor underneath you, a lightweight space blanket is a good choice. They are inexpensive, light, and aren't much larger than the size of a bar of soap. Since such lightweight space blankets, however, can tear easily, they are best used as a floor and not depended upon as a tarp over your head.

(See page eight for a checklist--also by Dean Norman.)

Rock Hound Check-off Supply List

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|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Matches & Lighter | <input type="checkbox"/> Garden Trowel |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fire Starter Tinder | <input type="checkbox"/> Rock Hammer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Maps and/or Directions (collecting site) | <input type="checkbox"/> Chisel |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Compass | <input type="checkbox"/> Pry Bar |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small Flashlight (if gets dark) | <input type="checkbox"/> Safety Glasses |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Extra Batteries (flashlight, camera, radio) | <input type="checkbox"/> Probe |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Snacks and/or Food | <input type="checkbox"/> Sled or similar Rock Slider |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drinking Water | <input type="checkbox"/> Small Rope/Twine |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Toilet Paper | <input type="checkbox"/> Hand Pruner (for roots) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hiking Boots | <input type="checkbox"/> Hand Pack Saw (for really large roots) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rubber Boots or Waders (stream exploring) | <input type="checkbox"/> Squirt Bottle with Water |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hat | <input type="checkbox"/> Bristle Brush |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Coat | <input type="checkbox"/> Suntan Lotion |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rain Gear | <input type="checkbox"/> Mosquito Spray |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gloves | <input type="checkbox"/> Sunglasses |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Poncho (emergency) | <input type="checkbox"/> Camera |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Blanket | <input type="checkbox"/> Magnifying Glass and/or Eye Piece |
| <input type="checkbox"/> First Aid Kit | <input type="checkbox"/> Knee Pads |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pocket Knife | <input type="checkbox"/> Back, Elbow and/or Knee Brace |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Whistle | <input type="checkbox"/> GPS |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hand Held Radio's (Talk-About) | <input type="checkbox"/> Binoculars |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Backpack | <input type="checkbox"/> Cell Phone |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rock Carrying Bag | <input type="checkbox"/> Spare Shoes (when wet and muddy) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2½ or 5-gallon Bucket | <input type="checkbox"/> Spare Socks (when wet and muddy) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Large Container for vehicle (rocks) | <input type="checkbox"/> Spare Clothes (when done rock hounding) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Large #2 Shovel | <input type="checkbox"/> Handkerchief |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small D-handle Shovel | <input type="checkbox"/> Spare car keys |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rake | <input type="checkbox"/> Mountain Bike |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pick-Hoe | <input type="checkbox"/> Camping Gear for Overnite Trips |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Spade-Hoe | |

February, 2009



Schedule of Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 Beaders Meet @ 6:30 PM	12	13 KMGS General Meeting @ 7:00 PM; Show	14 Valentine's Day, Shows
15 Shows	16	17 Wire-wrappers Meet @ 6:30 PM	18	19 KMGS Board Meeting @ 7:00 PM	20	21 Newsletter Deadline
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 Show (To March 1st)

2/11—Beaders meet at 6:30 PM @ Steele Creek Mobile Home Park

2/13—KMGS General Meeting @ 7:00 PM

2/13-15 Show : Oregon Mineral and Agate Club, Annual Show

2/14-15 Show : Whidbey Island Gem Club & Pebble Pushers, 44th Annual Show

2/14— Valentine's Day (Remember Your Valentine!)

2/17 Wirewrappers Meet at 6:30 PM @ Vangie's

2/19 KMGS Board Meeting @ 7:00 AM

2/21-22—Show: Everett Rock & Gem Club, Annual Show

2/21—Newsletter Deadline

2-/28 -3/1 Show: Idaho Gem Club, Annual Show

February Anniversaries:

Pat and Dorothy Armstrong (2-8)
 Harlan and Donna Bauman
 Thomas and Beatrice Burch
 Mark and Gay Fawcett
 Mike and Diane Heesacker
 Bill and Mary Lu Nary (*in Memory of Bill*) (2-15)

Please let me know if there are any additions or corrections.—Editor

February Birthdays:

Chris Amundsen Dorothy Armstrong (2-7)
 Elsie Burgett (2-15)
 J. Gary Garibaldi (*In Memory of*) (2-12)
 Randy Huckaba (2-11) Susan Hurst (2-6)
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Refreshments
 for the
 February
 Meeting
 will be brought
 to us by
 "B" and "T".
 (See pages
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 for details.)

Happy Valentine's Day!

Anyone can catch your eye but it takes someone special to catch your heart. - Author Unknown

Interested In Carpooling? Please contact me (contact info below) if you are interested in carpooling to meetings with members from your area. I will match members up if I get a sign-up from your general area. This might encourage members to attend meetings regularly. - Editor

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Feel free to contact me if you want to put an announcement in the newsletter. Keep in mind the monthly deadline and that the newsletter usually arrives around the beginning of each month, so plan your announcement accordingly. Contact information is at right. - Editor

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Save Those Stamps

TO:

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The object of the Society is to provide a general dissemination of knowledge pertaining to the earth sciences; to sponsor regular meetings and field trips for the benefit of the membership and to be helpful along these general lines to one and another. The Society is social and educational in character.

Our club is a member of the Washington State Mineral Council, the Northwest Federation of Mineralogical Societies, and the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies.

Looking Forward to March and Beyond... Mark These Dates On Your Home Calendars!

- KMGS is going to be offering a Workshop (**lapidary**) for members in the latter part of March. Time, place and details to be announced.
- Our annual auction will be held at the April, 2009 meeting. Start thinking about what you will donate to the auction, possibly something you crafted.
- Field trip season starts in the spring. Be prepared to join in on the fun!



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Combined NW Federation Show and the American Federation Show for 2009

<p>July 2009 July 30-31st 10am - 5pm Aug.1-2nd</p>	<p>Hosted by Billings Gem & Mineral Club</p>	<p>FMS / AFMS Combined Show</p>	<p>Holiday Inn Grand Montana 5500 Midland Rd. Billings MT</p>	<p>Doug True 406-670-0506 dtruefos-sils@yahoo.com</p>
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