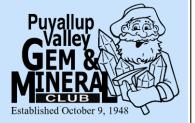
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President's Perspective

Tony Johnson

<u>Final Renewal Notice</u>. All members who have not renewed their memberships by December 31st will no longer have access to club communications or the club house. Please make sure you have submitted your application before December 25th and used the expedited shipping address to ensure timely processing by the membership chairman. You can find the renewal on pg. 4 or on the website under Forms.

I would like to Thank everyone who helped out at events, activities, the show, clubhouse, field trips, the fair, and everything. We have had a really great year and are looking forward to an even busier year next year.

Don't forget about the Man and Woman gift exchange. These gifts are supposed to be labels either man or woman, and will be exchanged between only those who bring the gift and will be done during the Christmas Party.

Speaking of the Christmas Party, we will be having our annual potluck. The Club will be providing a Turkey and a ham, plates, utensils, cups, etc. The doors at the Grange will open at 4:30pm for setup and dinner will start at 6:00pm.

I wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Field Trip Report

December 11 - Rice Museum

Meeting place - 26385 Northwest Groveland Dr., Hillsboro, OR 97124

Hunting for - Rock pile for children to prospect a specimen, Looking at museum displays

Tools you need - Camera if you would like to take pictures

Access - Wheel chair accessible

<u>Additional items</u> - lunch/snacks and water, water, water. Dress in layers. Well worth the trip with displays of all kinds of minerals from the northwest

January 22 - No Sights due to Weather

Please remember that even though we love to meet new people, fieldtrips are a member benefit and part of your membership dues covers you for injury liability.

Though injuries are rare, and we do everything we can to avoid them, we are going out into nature, and uncontrollable environment.

All individuals attending field trips will have to sign a release of liability, and if you are bringing guests, we will try to entice them into join the club by having Membership applications available.

DECEMBER 2021 CLUB HOUSE SCHEDULE

| DATE | DAY | TIME | ACTIVITY | LOCATION | INSTRUCTOR | |
|-------------------|---------------|------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|--|
| 1 | Wednesday | 10:00AM-2:00PM | Membership Workshop | Club House | Glen Ripper | |
| | vicunesuay | 4:00PM-8:00PM | Wire Wrapping | Club House | Tony Johnson | |
| 2 | Thursday | 4:00PM-8:00PM | Membership Workshop | Club House | Tony Johnson | |
| 3 | Friday | | | | | |
| 4 | Saturday | 10:00AM-2:00PM | Membership Workshop | Club House | Glen Ripper | |
| 5 | Sunday | | | | | |
| 6 | Monday | 10:00AM-2:00PM | Membership Workshop | Club House | Glen Ripper | |
| 7 | Tuesday | 4:00PM-8:00PM | Membership Workshop | Club House | Renera & Ed | |
| | Tuesday | 7:00PM | Club Board Meeting | Fruitland Grange | Tony Johnson | |
| 8 | Wednesday | 10:00AM-2:00PM | Membership Workshop | Club House | Dennis Batchelor | |
| 0 | weanesday | 4:00PM-8:00PM | Opal Cutting | Club House | Tony Johnson | |
| 9 | Thursday | 4:00PM-8:00PM | Membership Workshop | Club House | Tony Johnson | |
| | Friday | | | | | |
| 11 | Saturday | 6:00PM | Club Holiday Party | Fruitland Grange | Tony Johnson | |
| 12 | Sunday | | | | | |
| 13 | Monday | 10:00AM-2:00PM | Membership Workshop | Club House | Glen Ripper | |
| 15 | wonday | 7:00PM-8:00PM | Opal Club Business Meeting | Club House | Tony Johnson | |
| 14 | Tuesday | 4:00PM-8:00PM | Membership Workshop | Club House | Renera & Ed | |
| 15 | Wednesday | 10:00AM-2:00PM | Membership Workshop | Club House | Dennis Batchelor | |
| 15 | veunesuay | 4:00PM-8:00PM | Wire Wrapping | Club House | Tony Johnson | |
| 16 | Thursday | 4:00PM-8:00PM | Membership Workshop | Club House | Tony Johnson | |
| 17 | Friday | | | | | |
| 18 | Saturday | 10:00AM-2:00PM | Rice Museum | Field Trip | Dennis Batchelor | |
| 10 | Saturuay | 10:00AM-2:00PM | Membership Workshop | Club House | Glen Ripper | |
| 19 | Sunday | | | | | |
| 20 | Monday | | Holiday - Christmas | | | |
| 21 | Tuesday | | Holiday - Christmas | | | |
| 22 | Wednesday | | Holiday - Christmas | | | |
| 23 | Thursday | | Holiday - Christmas | | | |
| 24 | Friday | | Holiday - Christmas | | | |
| 25 | Saturday | | Holiday - Christmas | | | |
| 26 | Sunday | | | | | |
| 27 | Monday | | Holiday - New Years | | | |
| 28 | Tuesday | | Holiday - New Years | | | |
| 29 | Wednesday | | Holiday - New Years | | | |
| 30 | Thursday | | Holiday - New Years | | | |
| 31 | Friday | | | | | |
| | For c | uestions about a | specific class or event, cor | ntact the instruct | or | |
| Dennis | Batchelor (36 | - | Ed Knoll (253) 651-7453 | | n (253) 863-9238 | |
| $\langle \rangle$ | | | | r (253) 508-7545 | | |

This schedule is subject to change. Please check the club website for updated information.

| | NT LEGIBLY *** | Web Site: http://puyallupvalleygemandmineralclub.com |
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| | BERSHIP DUES: > Single - \$2 ber 1 st for the next calendar year and | 20.00 ► Family (2 or more) - \$26.00 half price beginning July 1 st for the current year] YEAR: 2022 |
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Puyallup Valley Gem & Mineral Club Membership Application

| *** PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY *** | Web Site: http://puyallupvalleygemandmineralclub.com | | | | |
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| ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES: Single - S [Dues are due October 1 st for the next calendar year and | | | | | |
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Clubhouse report

Tony Johnson

The clubhouse will be closed for half the month of December. Our instructors will get a nice break and we will be able to do some necessary repairs to the facility and the equipment, as well as the grounds. If you are available to help with the work, please let Tony Johnson know by email <u>ynotopals@outlook.com</u> or by phone (253) 863-9238.

A big **THANK YOU** to all the instructors who have helped teach classes this last year. The club would not be able to work as well as it does without you.

Holiday Party Lapidary Competition Announcement

Our holiday potluck and gift exchange / party is approaching !

Saturday, December 11th 2021

All things Lapidary made in the last year, by you! There are three categories that you can enter.

- Jewelry: Silversmithing, Wire Wrap, Beading (around cabs), etc.
- Lapidary: Intarsia, Polished Cabs, Polished Slabs, etc.
- Misc. Ornaments, Gem Tree's, Carved Stone, etc.

There will be a sign in sheet and designated area for you to place your anonymous work for judging by the Club Members present that night. Please remember: Only one entry per category. Do not put your name on the entry.

Prizes are Certificates that can be used dollar for dollar at the April 2022 Auction or to purchase Raffle tickets at the 2022 Club Show. Prize amounts are as follows for each category;

- 3-First place prizes @ \$10.00 each
- 3-Second place prizes @ \$5.00 each
- 3-Third place prizes @ \$1.00 each

If you win first prize in all three categories you would walk away with \$ 30.00 to spend at the April Auction or on Raffle Tickets at the Club Show next June.

Start working on your entries for the contest now or submit something you made in the last year. Please bring items to the Grange around 5:00pm so we can get the items marked and out for display.

Field Trip Recap

Dennis Batchelor

The Field Trip to Joyce was cancelled so there is no recap to report.

December's field trip to the Rice Museum is well worth the drive if you have not been there before. Very easy access to the building and the displays are the best you will see on the West Coast.

Diopside

A pyroxene mineral found in igneous and metamorphic rocks. A minor gemstone.

Article by: Hobart M. King, PhD, RPG



Chromium Diopside: A gemmy green specimen of chromium diopside from the the Outokumpu copperzinc in Finland. This specimen measures 6.5 x 6.2 x 2.9 centimeters in size. Specimen and photo by Arkenstone / <u>www.iRocks.com</u>.

What is Diopside?

Diopside is a <u>rock-</u> <u>forming pyroxene mineral</u> with a chemical composition of MgCaSi₂O₆. It occurs in <u>igneous</u> and <u>metamorphic rocks</u> at many locations around the world.

Gem-quality crystals of diopside are faceted into

attractive <u>gemstones</u> that are occasionally seen in commercial jewelry. Granular diopside can be easily cut and polished. When it has an attractive color, it is sometimes used as an ornamental stone.

Perhaps the most important use of diopside is its value as an indicator mineral in the search for <u>diamonds</u>. Trail-to-lode prospecting using diopside and other indicator minerals has found <u>diamond deposits in Canada</u>, the <u>United States</u>, Africa, and other locations.

Diopside has potential uses in the glass and ceramics industries, but the mineral usually occurs in accumulations that are too small or impure for effective mining.

| Physical Properties of Diopside | | | |
|---------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Chemical Classification | Silicate. | | |
| Color | Grayish white, light blue to purple, light green to vivid green, brown, black. | | |
| Streak | White to light green. | | |
| Luster | Vitreous, sugary, earthy. | | |
| Diaphaneity | Opaque, translucent, transparent. | | |
| Cleavage | Two distinct directions, at 87 and 93 degrees; imperfect; prismatic. | | |
| Mohs Hardness | 5.5 to 6.5 | | |
| Specific Gravity | 3.2 to 3.5 | | |
| Diagnostic Properties | Cleavage, monoclinic crystal form. | | |
| Chemical Composition | $MgCaSi_2O_6$ | | |
| Crystal System | Monoclinic. | | |
| Uses | Gemstone, diamond indicator mineral, potential industrial use in ceramics. | | |

Geologic Occurrence of Diopside

The most common occurrence of diopside at Earth's surface is as a primary mineral in <u>olivine</u>rich <u>basalts</u> and <u>andesites</u>. In these rocks it can be present in quantities of a few weight percent.

Diopside also forms during contact metamorphism of <u>limestones</u> and <u>dolomites</u>. Most of the crystalline diopside used to cut faceted <u>gems</u> and the granular diopside used as ornamental stone occurs in these carbonate deposits.

Diopside is much more abundant in Earth's mantle than at the surface. Evidence for this is diopside as a common mineral in ophiolites, and diopside as a common mineral in kimberlites and <u>peridotites</u> that were formed during deep-source <u>volcanic eruptions</u>.

The best way to learn about minerals is to study with a collection of small specimens that you can handle, examine, and observe their properties. Inexpensive mineral collections are available in the <u>Geology.com</u> <u>Store</u>.

Diopside as a Diamond Indicator Mineral



Most diamonds found at or near Earth's surface

were delivered from the mantle during deep-source volcanic eruptions. These diamonds occur in vertical igneous structures known as pipes, which are often composed of kimberlite or peridotite.

These pipes are difficult to locate. Their surface exposure is usually covered with soil and vegetation, and it might be only a few acres in size. The pipes are often found by searching soils and sediments for mineral grains that are characteristic of the pipe but absent in local surface materials. Small particles of chromium-rich diopside are bright green in color, are often abundant in the pipes, and are easy to recognize in surface materials.

Geologists use these green diopside fragments to locate the pipes. They know that the fragments are liberated as the pipe weathers, then scattered by the actions of <u>mass wasting</u>, streams, and <u>glaciers</u>. When diopside fragments are discovered, the geologist knows that they originated up-slope, up-stream, or up-ice from the location in which they were found.

A trail of diopside fragments can lead the geologist to the pipe from which they were weathered. This activity, known as "trail-to-lode" prospecting, finds many diamond pipes and an even larger number of pipes without diamonds.

Note: It would be almost impossible to locate pipes by looking for diamonds. Diamonds make up such a small fraction of the overall rock in the pipe, and weathering debris from the pipe is then mixed into local rock debris. An exceptional pipe might contain a couple carats of diamond per ton!



Chrome Diopside Gem: A faceted stone cut from chrome diopside mined in Russia. This gem is approximately 1.2 carats in weight and about 7 millimeters by 5 millimeters in size.

Chrome Diopside Beads: Rondelle-shaped beads cut from bright green chrome diopside mined in Russia. The beads range in size between 3 and 5 millimeters in diameter.

Chrome Diopside

Some crystals of diopside contain enough <u>chromium</u> to give them a rich green color. These can be cut into beautiful faceted stones, beads, and cabochons. The appearance of these stones is best when they are under two carats because the material is often dark or strongly saturated.

Chrome diopside is occasionally seen in commercial jewelry. It has a rich green color that enables it to serve as an alternative gem for <u>emerald</u> at a significantly lower price. Diopside is rarely treated, unlike emerald which is often treated with various materials to seal and hide fractures.



One problem with chrome diopside is its durability. It has two directions of perfect cleavage and a <u>Mohs</u> <u>hardness</u> of only 5.5 to 6.5. This gives it a risk of being scratched or broken. The gem is best used in earrings, necklaces, brooches, and other items that will not be subjected to abrasion or impact.



Even though chrome diopside is very attractive, there are barriers to it becoming a popular gem that is widely seen in jewelry. First are the durability concerns described above; second is that the jewelry-buying public is not familiar with diopside; and, third is the fact that a reliable supply of commercial stones in calibrated sizes has not been developed.

Star Diopside: A black star diopside cabochons exhibiting four-ray stars. They are slightly magnetic, indicating that the silk is probably magnetite crystals. These cabochons are approximately 8 millimeters across, and we paid less than \$30 for the pair.

Star Diopside

Some diopside crystals are filled with microscopic needle-shaped inclusions that occur in a parallel alignment through crystal structure of the mineral. This network of parallel inclusions is known as a "silk." When this diopside is cut en cabochon, the parallel needles of the silk can reflect light much like how light is reflected from a spool of silk thread.

A silk with one direction of needle alignment will produce <u>chatoyance</u>, also known as a cat's eye. Silk with two or three directions of needle alignment will produce asterism. Two directions produces a four-ray star, and three directions produces a six-ray star.

In star diopside there are two directions of needle alignment, producing a four-ray star. The star is often strong and straight in one direction and weaker and slightly wavy in the second. A thin white or silver star on a jet black cabochon is characteristic of star diopside.

For the star phenomena to appear, the rough must be oriented so both silk directions and the flat bottom of the cabochon are all aligned in the same plane. In addition, the top of the cabochon must be symmetrically cut. Without this precise cutting, the star will be off-center. If the directions of the star do not intersect at 90 degrees, it is not a result of poor orientation of the rough during cutting. The directions of the silk do not intersect at precisely 90 degrees.

The mineral needles that form the silk are known in some instances to be <u>magnetite</u>. They are sometimes abundant enough to make the cut gems slightly magnetic. If you approach them slowly with a magnet, the gems will move before the magnet touches them. The needles in some non-magnetic gems can be <u>rutile</u> or <u>ilmenite</u>. A silk made up of heavy mineral crystals gives gives star diopside a higher specific gravity than other specimens of diopside.

Star diopside is one of the least expensive gems with obvious asterism. Small cabochons (6 or 8 millimeters) with a clear star can often be purchased for under \$30. Larger stones or those with exceptional stars will sell for a lot more. They are a nice way to obtain a star gem without paying the high cost of star sapphire.

Star diopside has a hardness of just 5 1/2. This makes it easy to scratch if used in a ring, bracelet, or cufflinks. Small stones are best used as earrings. Rare large stones can make nice pendants.



Violane: A rarely-seen variety of diopside is violane. It is usually a blue to purple material that is cut into beads and cabochons. The photo shows a cabochon and a piece of rough from the Khakassia area of Russia. This cabochon is approximately 38 x 28 millimeters in size.

Violane

Some diopside formed during the contact metamorphism of dolomite or limestone has a granular texture similar to **marble**. This material is known as "violane." It is often white, gray, light blue, lilac, or purple in color. Violane accepts a bright polish and is sometimes used to make

cabochons, beads, and ornamental items. Violane is a rare material in nature and almost never seen in commerce.

Diopside as an Industrial Mineral

Diopside has potential uses in ceramics, glass-making, biomaterials, nuclear waste immobilization, and fuel cell technology. Unfortunately, natural diopside is rarely found in deposits that simultaneously have a size, purity, and location that allows economic mining. This makes synthetic diopside cost-competitive with diopside produced by mining.

Geographic Distribution of Diopside

Gem-quality chrome diopside and violane are mined in limited amounts in Siberia, Russia. Most of the chrome diopside used in jewelry today comes from a few locations in Siberia. Small occurrences of chrome diopside are also known in Austria, Brazil, Burma, Canada (Ontario and Quebec), Finland, India, Italy, Madagascar, Pakistan, South Africa, Sri Lanka, and the United States (New York), but none of them produce regularly or in significant quantities.

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| MINERALS | 26385 NW Groveland Dr., Hillsboro, OR 97124 503-647-2418 Info@ricenorthwestmuseum.org www.ricenorthwestmuseum.org | | |
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2021 SHOW & TELL THEMES and PROGRAM NIGHT EVENTS

| MEETING | DATE | SHOW & TELL THEME | PROGRAM NIGHT EVENT |
|--|-------------------------------|--|---|
| January - 1st Meeting | January 8, 2021 | Tiger's Eye or any field trip finds | |
| January - 2nd Meeting | January 22, 2021 | Lace or any field trip finds | To Be Announced |
| February - 1st Meeting | February 12, 2021 | Red, Pink, & Purple or any field | |
| February - 2nd Meeting | February 26, 2021 | trip finds | To Be Announced |
| March - 1st Meeting March - 2nd Meeting | March 12, 2021 | "Sham" rocks or any field trip finds Green or any field trip finds | To Be Announced |
| | Warch 20, 2021 | | |
| April - 1st Meeting | April 9, 2021 | | Accesticus (Destructu |
| April - 2nd Meeting | April 23, 2021 | No Show & Tell | Auction/Potluck |
| May - 1st Meeting | | Flower rocks or any field trip finds | |
| May - 2nd Meeting | May 28, 2021 | No Show & Tell | To Be Announced |
| June - 1st Meeting | June 11, 2021 | Fancy Slabs & Fossils + any field trip finds | |
| June - 2nd Meeting | June 25, 2021 | No Show & Tell | Tailgate Party @ Grange Parking Lot |
| July - 1st Meeting | July 9, 2021 | | |
| July - 2nd Meeting | July 23, 2021 | No Show & Tell | To Be Announced |
| August - 1st Meeting | August 13, 2021 Saturday | Carnelians + any field trip finds | Picnic & Tailgate Party at club |
| August - 2nd Meeting | August 28, 2021 | No Show & Tell | house on Saturday |
| September - 1st Meeting | September 10, 2021 | Crystals + any field trip finds | |
| September - 2nd Meeting | September 24, 2021 | No Show & Tell | Mini Lapidary Demonstrations |
| October - 1st Meeting | | Wood + any field trip finds | |
| October - 2nd Meeting | October 22, 2021 | No Show & Tell | Auction/Potluck |
| November - 1st Meeting | November 12, 2021 | | |
| November - 2nd Meeting | November 26, 2021 | No Show & Tell | BINGO Night |
| December - 1st Meeting | Saturday December 11, 2021 | No Show & Tell | Holiday Banquet/Officer Installation on Saturday |
| December - 2nd Meeting | No Meeting | No Show & Tell | |

2021 Elected Officers - Carry Over Until Election

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