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The Petrified Digest

September, 2025

Club Auction/Picnic 8-16-2025



Our Annual Club Picnic/Auction was held on August 16th at Walla Walla Point Park in Wenatchee. There was a lot of good food and a lot of good conversation.



Of course no club picnic would be complete if we didn't have a silent auction. Everyone was given ample opportunity to view tubs of items that they wished to bid on until the time elapsed and we got to find out who the eventual winners were.



In addition to the silent auction there was also the annual live auction led by Melisha Maxey who did a great job of encouraging members to keep bidding while also making it super entertaining for both bidders and non bidders.



Please join me in thanking everyone who worked so hard to make this year's picnic and auction a big success. Several members donated items for the auction. A big thanks to them for providing wonderful items. Between the silent and the live auction we raised \$900



Nominations for Club Officers

Elections for new club officers will be held at our November meeting. Therefore, we are seeking nominations. Please consider volunteering to be nominated or nominate someone else. We have several slots to fill!

Chelan County Fair

The fair was held from September 4th -7th this year. Once again, R John Montgomery served in the role of the Club's Fair Superintendent while, once again, Marcia Summers served as our Fair Clerk. Both R John and Marcia went above and beyond to make the fair a big success. Marcia has been the clerk for many years and we really need one of our members to volunteer to help her out next year, learn the ropes and then replace her.

Another big thanks goes out to the following people who volunteered to help and or contributed displays and lapidary entries: David Earhart, Pam Lander, Jodi Rose, Brenda Jackson, Carl Pederson, Annie Kutson, Carol and Darrel Smith, Cheri McMillan, Bob Spurrier, Susan Oglebay, Chris Classen, Ken and Liz Hemberry.

Below are photos of some of the displays put together from member's collections. Top row, left to right: Pam Lander, Carl Pederson. Second row, left to right: Pam Lander, Carl Pederson, Jodi Rose, Brenda Jackson, Ken Hemberry, David Earhart.



Below are photos of some of the lapidary arts entered by club members.



From the Scribe

There were no minutes or Show and Tell in August.

Several of our members have graciously provided homes for our shop equipment. They will make the equipment available to Club members by appointment so we can still cut and polish the stones we collect. Below is a list of equipment with phone numbers to call to arrange an agreeable time:
 Pam Lander: A Genie and trim saw 509-884-5135
 Jodi Rose: A Genie and trim saw 509-763-9402
 Carl Pederson: A Genie, an 18-inch slab saw (\$2.00 per cut), 10 inch slab saw, faceting machine 509-630-8239. If you need slabs or rocks cut contact Carl, he will cut them for you.
 Marcia Summers: A slant lap.509-860-7556

From the Vault

As of July 1, 2025

3 CDs.....	\$14,883.21
Savings Account	\$2,087.48
Checking Account as of 6-1-2025.....	\$4,646.36
1 Deposits	\$70.00
1 Check Written	(\$50.00)
Ending Balance.....	\$4,666.36

Marketplace



The Ginkgo Mineral Society was formed to promote the education of mineralogy and geology; to encourage the collecting of rocks and minerals; to provide field excursions to mineral collecting areas; and to promote interest in lapidary work.

We are a 501c7 organization and are not "charitable" in nature but are a membership organization formed to serve its own members. 501c7 organizations do not solicit charitable donations. As long as a social club is "organized for pleasure, recreation or other non-profit purposes" it can qualify as exempt from federal income tax.

Annual Dues: Individual-\$20.00, Senior-\$15.00, Family-\$40.00, Lifetime (20 plus years)-Free. Please mail your dues to Ginkgo P.O. Box 303, Wenatchee, WA 98807.

Learn more

Next Meeting:

September 19, 2025 at 7:00 pm
 Presbyterian Church
 200 S. Kentucky, East Wenatchee

Email ideas, trip notes or photos
 to: Lizhemberry@hotmail.com
 Website: www.wenatcheerockclub.org
 Facebook page: Ginkgo Mineral Society

Club Officers

President..... Melisha Maxey.....509-885-2996
 Vice President..... Brenda Jackson..... 509-884-5320
 Secretary..... Liz Hemberry..... 509-699-9450
 Treasurer..... David Earhart..... 509-860-0988

Coordinators

Marcia Summers..... Membership..... 509-860-7556
 Pam Lander.....Grit..... 509-884-5135
 Carl Pederson..... Shop and Equipment..... 509-630-8239
 Melisha Maxey..... Rock Auction.....509-885-2996
 Brenda Jackson..... Social Chairperson..... 509-884-5320
 Susan Oglebay..... Club Website..... 509-754-2665
 Museum.....Open
 R John Montgomery.....Chelan County Fair.....509-860-2762
 Ken Hemberry..... Newsletter..... 509-699-9450
 Carol Lechner.....Christmas Wrapping.....307-349-4360
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