



# PICK & SHOVEL

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Editor: Sharon Marburger

## 2018 MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

### General Meetings:

Regular monthly meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. at the Bethany Park Shelter House. Youth activities begin at 6:00 p.m.

**Apr. 19 - Program: Peru—Mundo Nuevo**  
(See page 2 for more information)

### **May 10 (Special Date)**

No meetings in June, July, or August  
September 20  
October 18  
November 15  
December 2 (Christmas Party)

### Board Meetings:

Board Meetings, unless otherwise stated, begin at 6:30 p.m. on the first Wednesday of the month, at the home of Vera Lyman.

May 2  
September 5  
October 3  
October 31 (November meeting)  
December 5

### Activities:

Roadside Clean-up and Rock Party

April 28, 2018

Meet at Hickman Rest Area at 2:00 p.m. for assignments

Rock Party to follow at the Marburgers' residence

See page 2 for more information

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Jayne Beer

Greetings fellow rockhounds. As I write this, we are gearing up for the 60th Annual Show to which I'm looking forward to with great anticipation. I realize that by the time you read this, we will have that show in our rear view mirror. I thank every one in our club that has been so willing to help us with this show, whether it was as simple as getting the word out with postcards and social media or spending all the hours preparing and doing all the work that it takes to make a show like this happen. We are so lucky to have a club that works together so well.



Let's look forward to summer! It has been such a long cold winter this year and we just can't seem to warm up for spring trips to our favorite sand bars. Keep your eyes open for details about our camping and rock collecting field trips we are planning for the late spring and summer. I cannot urge you enough to get involved in these activities. In my opinion, the heart of the club is any time we can get together with our friends and enjoy each other's company while sharing this wonderful hobby. It is a great time! GET INVOLVED!!

We will soon be doing the roadside clean-up and that always involves a grinding party, usually at the Marburgers. It is planned for April 28, meeting at 2:00 p.m. at the Hickman Rest Area near Highway 77 and Hickman Road. Assignments will be made as you sign in and pick up your safety vest. Afterwards, we will meet at the Marburgers for rest, food, and hobby fun! Come to a rock party and see the fun for yourself, then think about hosting one of your own. This group is a joy to hang out with. We love to cook, and eat, and share our love of Rocks!

I have a reminder for you. Please attend an event or do something hobby related, take pictures and write an accompanying article to send to Sharon for the Pick & Shovel. I remind you that she graciously agreed to take over as editor again. PLEASE HELP SUPPORT HER!

Cheers and happy trails to you all!

P.S.: A quick note now that the 2018 Show is finished. This show went smooth as silk! Thank you everyone for attending the show, and all the great folks who showed up to

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - CONTINUED

set up and tear down, and the many who were there helping through the whole show. We don't know any numbers yet, but the show was very well attended and everyone had a great time. We were honored to have other clubs visit, asking questions and looking at our show to use as a model for their show. There were many compliments and questions of if it was okay for their clubs to borrow our ideas to make their shows better. I am always happy to share ideas and do anything I can to promote our rock hobby. I always mention that the single-most important thing our club does, which, in my opinion, makes us successful, is to work together. Not every club is so lucky to have that. I am just amazed at the camaraderie of this club!

While the show is fresh in our minds, I will ask for ideas for next year's show at the meeting on April 19th. See you there!

### PROGRAM FOR APRIL MEETING

**Mineral Explorers Video; Peru: Mundo Nuevo**  
Thomas Nagen embarks on what some may call a fool's errand, traveling from the busy mineral markets of Lima to 15,000 feet above sea level on a quest for pyrite—or fool's gold. The search for this shiny treasure brings with it the beauty of the Andes and the history of lost civilizations.

Minerals featured are pyrite and quartz.

Bring your best specimens of pyrite and quartz to share at the meeting.

Brainstorm about future club activities

**May Meeting Reminder**  
**Second Thursday**  
**May 10, 2018**

Share your knowledge with others

Hosts will provide pulled pork sandwiches.  
Participants are asked to bring complimentary side items, snacks, or dessert

Bring your lapidary equipment, wire wrapping projects, other projects

# Roadside Clean-up and April Rock Party

**Saturday, April 28**  
**2:00 p.m.**

**Meet at the old Hickman Rest Area at Highway 77 and Hickman Road**

**Rock Party will follow at the Marburger Residence in Hickman (Eat at 5:00)**

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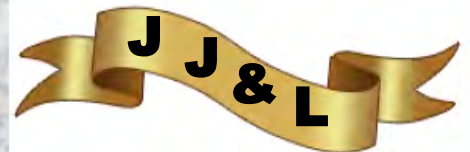
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## MARCH BOARD MEETING MINUTES

By James Marburger, Secretary

### **Board Meeting, February 28, 2018, Lyman residence.**

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Jayne Beer.

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|----------------------------|---------|
| Jayne Beer, President      | Present |
| Charles Wooldridge, 1st VP | Present |
| Ed Ridge, 2nd VP           | Present |
| Vera Lyman, Treasurer      | Present |
| James Marburger, Secretary | Present |
| Ed Dvorak                  | Present |
| Corey Beer                 | Present |
| Carolyn Ashmore            | Present |
| Paul Ashmore               | Present |

Guests: Sharon Marburger, Pat Dvorak

Minutes of last meeting were given out. Motion to accept by Carolyn, second by Charles. Passed: 9 yes, 0 no.

Treasurer Report given out. Motion to accept by Charles, second by Paul. Passed: 9 yes, 0 no.

#### Old Business:

Lapidary supplies for the Lapidary Class have been delivered. Rowdy requested three 6-inch, 100 grit grinding wheels also be purchased. Motion to purchase the wheels after the Gem Show by James, second by Vera. Passed.

Our membership to the Friends of the Museum is due. \$50, plus \$10 for Ashfalls, \$10 for Trail Side Museum. Motion to pay the dues for the Friends of the Museum by Corey, second by Ed D. Passed: 9 yes, 0 no.

Show Plans are in place. A. T. Thomas Jewelers will provide a special Diamond Display. They will provide their own security and setup.

#### New Business:

Wild Adventures Day at Pioneer Park will be on March 30 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Carolyn and Jayne have planned to have the gem dig and show information at the event.

Motion to adjourn at 8 p.m. by Charles, second by Paul. Passed: 9 yes, 0 no. Meeting adjourned.



**REMINDER!**  
The MAY meeting is a week  
early this year.  
**MAY 10**

## GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

By James Marburger, Secretary

### **General Meeting March 15, 2018, Bethany Park Shelter**

Meeting Called to Order at 7:15 p.m. by President Jayne Beer.

Adults - 28, Juniors - 15, 1 Guest, and new member Lynnette Fast were present.

Minutes of last meeting were published in the Pick & Shovel. Motion to accept the minutes by Charles Wooldridge, second by Karen Messenger. Passed.

Treasurer Report was read. Motion by Ed Dvorak to accept the report, second by Gene Mulinex. Passed

#### Old Business:

Gem shows in the area that are coming up. Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Lincoln, Nebraska; and Wichita, Kansas are through the end of April and all are great shows to visit.

Wild Adventures Day at Pioneer Park will be held on March 30 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. We will have the gem dig there and advertising for the April Gem Show. If available, please feel free to attend.

The Rock Party this month is on the 17th and will be held at the Charles Wooldridge residence starting at 5 p.m. A fish fry will be provided along with many other wonderful items. Visit the newly remodeled basement and work areas. Share the hobby with each other.

Plans are still being made for the field trips this summer. Notifications will be in the Pick & Shovel, along with the Facebook page and website, once things are firmed up.

#### New Business:

Roadside Clean-up and the April Rock Party will be on April 28th, with clean-up starting at 2 p.m. Meet at the Old Hickman Rest Area, Hickman Road and Highway 77, to pick up vests, sign in, and get assignments along with trash bags. The Rock Party will follow at the Marburger residence in Hickman. The hosts will provide pulled pork sandwiches; attendees are asked to bring sides, snacks, and desserts.

The Club's website has been updated. Please check it out and if you want to see something on it or have suggestions, please get with Webmaster Sharon. It is your page to the world.

We need Nebraska Gem Dig material for the show in April. Please bring your extra material to the show site so it can be added to the pile.

Motion to adjourn at 8 p.m. by Charles Wooldridge, second by Corey Beer. Passed.

Meeting adjourned to refreshments and program by David Loope, *Iron Concretions in Utah and on Mars.*

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS: OFFER TO HOST

### Future Rock Parties

- ◆ Let the Board know if you would like to host:
  - ◇ May
  - ◇ June (may be preempted by camping trip, but there is no reason we can't do both!)
  - ◇ July (may be preempted by Rapid City field trip, but there is no reason we can't do both!)
  - ◇ August
  - ◇ September
  - ◇ October
- ◆ November is usually hosted by The Jewelry Connection
- ◆ December is usually hosted by the Marburgers
- ◆ The Fall Roadside Clean-up is associated with the September or October party, so the Marburgers will host one of those months.

### Hosting a party is easy!

- ◆ Pick a date and time
- ◆ Determine what the theme or main dish will be; other participants will provide side dishes.
- ◆ Provide plates and serveware.
- ◆ If you need card tables or folding chairs, let the Dvoraks or the Marburgers know. They will bring some if they are able to attend that month's party.
- ◆ Notify a Board member or let Sharon Marburger know.
- ◆ Have room (inside or outside) to set up equipment.
- ◆ If there is some aspect of the hobby you would like to have demonstrated at your party, let it be known and someone will offer to do it. We have great members who are willing to share their knowledge.
- ◆ That is pretty much it! Now, get ready to have some fun fellowship with other rock, mineral, and fossil enthusiasts!

### Reserve your month now!!



It seems as if the show just magically appears. Here is proof that it takes a lot of work. Ed Dvorak, Jayne Beer, and Corey Beer spent Thursday morning setting the tables in place. First thing Friday morning, Jim Marburger delivered the club trailer that houses all of LGMC's belongings. **Photo by Beers.**

## Silversmithing classes

Tuesday Evenings  
7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

**The Jewelry Connection Ltd.**  
**Indian Village Shopping Ctr.**  
**13th & Arapahoe, Lincoln**

**Tuition: \$130 plus \$30 supply deposit**

### Schedule for 2018

**Session 2: Mar 6 - Apr 24, 2018**

**Session 3: May 1 - Jun 19, 2018**

**Session 4: Aug 14 - Oct 2, 2018**

**Session 5: Oct 9 - Nov 27, 2018**

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**FAIRBURY CITY MUSEUM**

**GRILLFEST**

**+ Rock Show**

**Saturday, June 2nd**  
**11 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

*Serving BBQ, refreshments and the Museum will be Open!*  
**Public Invited - Free Will Donation**

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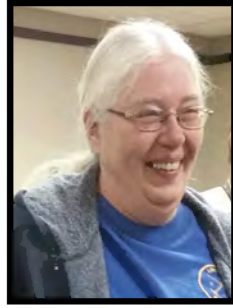
**Call (402) 300-1318 for more info**

**MINERAL MONKEYS**

By Carolyn Ashmore; Photos by Paul Ashmore

Greetings Juniors!

We're going to jump right ahead at this month's meeting and finish our gem trees. I've heard a few of you have already completed this project. If you have, please bring your tree to this meeting to share with everyone. I will bring a glue gun to attach your tree to the base, if needed. I am looking forward to seeing your finished projects and take pictures of them. Who knows? We might want to display them sometime in the near future.



With May 10 being our last meeting before summer break, and with all the field trips and shows coming in the next few months, I think it is important to again go over Safety in the Field, and the AFMS Code of Ethics. We will review what supplies are needed for a successful field trip, like protective clothing, hat, sunglasses, plenty of water, and so forth. I realize we do this every year at this time, but better to be safe than sorry. I would hate to hear that someone got hurt while out on a field trip collecting specimens. And it is good for everyone to have a reminder.

I will not be at the May meeting due to my daughter's wedding and my granddaughter's christening in England. Don't worry, you will be in very good hands with Cindy Ramey and Susy McMahan taking my place while I'm gone. Thank you, ladies!!!

A reminder that there will also be a Roadside Clean-Up on April 28. We will once again meet at the Hickman Rest Area at Highway 77 and Hickman Road, but this time we will gather at 2:00 p.m. After the clean-up, there will be a Rock Party at Jim and Sharon Marburger's house in Hickman. Bring your lapidary projects to work on, or other projects that maybe some other members can help you with.

See you at the meeting on April 19th!



Kids of all ages love the Gem Dig!



The Youth Group raffled off a Rock Polisher at the Show



These lucky young fellows were the winners of the raffle. They are all set to polish stones now!



The Youth Group ("Mineral Monkeys") had another busy time with their booth, providing a gem dig, rock race, and other games and activities. Our Gem Dig is a hit everywhere we take it!!

### WILD ADVENTURES DAY

By Jayne Beer; Photos by Beers

On Saturday, March 31, we went out to Pioneers Park and volunteered at the Wild Adventures Day, sponsored by Lincoln Parks and Recreation. It ran from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. Those involved were Brian, Jayne, and Corey Beer, along with Carolyn and Mia Eno. It was a typical spring day, which means that it was COLD! We had fun as always and our booth is popular no matter where we take it. From the very start, our chairs were full of kids and some adults enjoying the gem dig. There are so many families interested in our hobby. We handed out many postcards for the show and a few applications for membership. We had a young man who spent just about the entire time sitting at our table, picking out the gems and goodies from his plate and talking with Corey about each and every find. This year, there were fewer kids than in prior years, likely due to it being the Saturday before Easter and the many Easter egg hunts happening around town that day. OH! And did I mention it was cold? We do enjoy sharing our rocks and love of the hobby with the public.



### MARCH ROCK PARTY

By Sharon Marburger, photos by Marburgers

The March Rock Party was hosted by Wooly and Jackie at their home on the 17th. Happy St. Patrick's Day and Happy Birthday Jim Marburger! Jayne Beer and Wooly provided a variety of fish to fry up and serve. It was yummy!



Guests were invited to provide St. Patty's Day fare. There was an assortment of foods and, as always, it was all very tasty. Sharon thought it would be fun to provide green side dishes, anticipating that others would bring traditional Irish food. There was green cole slaw, pistachio fluff (as Wooly affectionately calls, "Lutheran Funeral Salad,") and green deviled eggs. And, of course, birthday cake for Jim!

We Marburgers left before the fun hobby stuff started, so I cannot report on that. However, if Wooly's Rock Party holds true to form, everyone had a fabulous time.



## THE GOLDEN JUBILEE DIAMOND

The Golden Jubilee Diamond, discovered in 1985, was originally known as “Unnamed Brown Diamond” because of its ugliness in its natural state. The stone was transformed by its fire rose cushion cut, and renamed as the Golden Jubilee Diamond by King Bhumibol Adulyadej of Thailand.



The Golden Jubilee Diamond is the biggest cut and faceted diamond in the world. At 545.67 carats, it outweighs the Cullinan I diamond by a whopping 15.37 carats. While various images of the diamond show it as a golden to orange color, it has been graded as a fancy yellow-brown diamond.

The Golden Jubilee came from the Premier Mine, which has yielded some other famous diamonds including the Cullinan Diamond and the Taylor-Burton Diamond.

The DeBeers Company gave this gemstone to Gabriel Tolkowsky for the purpose of testing out special cutting tools and gem cutting methods that were initially developed for use on the colorless Centenary diamond. Because the uncut stone had several inclusions and deep cracks, it was cut in a specially designed underground chamber that was free of vibrations that could cause the cutting process to go awry. With time and patience, and over the course of two long years, this yellow-brown diamond was transformed to its current state.

In 1995, ten years after its discovery, the stone was purchased from the DeBeers Company by a group led by Henry Ho of Thailand. It received a Papal Blessing from Pope John Paul II, was blessed by the Supreme Imam, and also blessed by the Supreme Buddhist Patriarch in Thailand.

The diamond was presented to King Bhumibol Adulyadej of Thailand in honor of his 50th coronation anniversary, at which time he changed the name of the stone. Initially, plans were made to mount the massive diamond in the King's royal scepter. Later, a plan was made to have it mounted in the royal seal of Thailand. Today, the Golden Jubilee Diamond remains in the Royal Thai Palace, where it is part of the Crown Jewels. The Thai government originally reported the newly acquired stone as a large golden topaz, in order to prevent Thai citizens from becoming upset over the expense.

How much is the Golden Jubilee Diamond worth? If sold at auction, it is likely this stone would fetch a significantly higher price than the estimated worth of \$4 to \$12 million U.S. dollars. After all, it is one of a kind, and it remains the largest cut and polished diamond on the planet.

Excerpted from <https://www.worthy.com/famous-diamonds/the-golden-jubilee-diamond>

## 2018 GEM & MINERAL SHOW

By Sharon Marburger

Well folks, our 60th Annual Show sounds to have been a huge success! Many who attended expressed that it was the best show LGMC has ever put on. There were raves about the special diamond display by A.T. Thomas Jewelers. There were many compliments on our dealers and their merchandise, and the dealers themselves were just tickled with the results of the Show. The demonstrators were a hit, as usual. The Youth Booth attracted kids of all ages; there was laughter galore and lots of smiles. They ran out of Gem Dig material and had to rustle up another load. Now that sounds like success! Gene Mulinex did a super job of selling tickets for the hourly gift certificate drawings; the certificates were worth \$20 of merchandise at a show vendor. Sharon sold 317 silent auction bid sheets worth of donated Silent Auction material. There were other volunteers who manned the Club Booth and offered assistance around the Show. And let's not forget about our faithful gatekeepers, Vera Lyman and Jim Atkins. They spend most of the show hours selling tickets at the door, missing out on a lot of the entertaining parts of the show.

Then we have our faithful leaders, President/Show Chairman/Co-Floor Chairman Jayne Beer and Fluorescent Display/Co-Floor Chairman/Go-To Guy Ed Dvorak. Along with Corey Beer, they accomplished the pre-setup on Thursday morning, making sure the Event Center space was portioned out for dealers, demonstrators, display area, and each attraction in the Show. They appeared again on Friday to assist with getting the fine tuning of setup done. A huge thanks also goes out to all the volunteers who showed up to help cover tables, set up display cases, and just help out in general. And once the Show was said and done, another huge thank you to those who appeared to help dismantle everything and be out of the Event Center within a mere four hours after closing.

As Jayne stated in her President's Message, the reason we have such a fabulous show is that our members get along and work well together. We have a wonderful group of people in LGMC. We actually enjoy spending time with each other. Isn't that the way a club is supposed to work?



### REMINDER

**The May meeting  
is MAY 10!**



Photos by  
Paul Ashmore



Thanks  
to  
everyone  
who  
brought  
food  
items  
for  
the  
Food  
Bank!



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Paul Ashmore



# let's have some fun!

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## PRELIMINARY INFORMATION ON JUNE SOUTHEAST NEBRASKA FIELD TRIP

By Sharon Marburger

Jim Marburger and Charles Wooldridge are working on the details of a camping field trip to occur in June. Depending on where members indicate what they would like to collect or places they would like to visit, the campground will be Alexandria State Recreation Area, Rock Creek Station, or Steele City Campground. The camp base will be determined by the proximity to most of the collection/visitation sites.

Camping at Alexandria requires a State Park Permit. The annual permit costs \$31; daily permit costs \$6. I believe there is also a camping fee, but I haven't located it on the state website yet. If you choose to fish, you will need to purchase a fishing license, too.

Camping at Rock Creek Station requires a State Park Permit. The annual permit costs \$31; daily permit costs \$6. I believe there is also a camping fee, but I haven't located it on the state website yet. Showers are available mid-April through late October. Tent sites and RV sites are available by reservation, visit [www.OutdoorNebraska.gov/RockCreekStation](http://www.OutdoorNebraska.gov/RockCreekStation) All pads have hook-ups, camp grill or fire ring, and picnic table. All pads are paved. Tent sites have picnic table and grill or fire ring.

Steele City is located 12 miles southeast of Fairbury or 12 miles north of Washington, Kansas. Camping at the Steele City Campground costs \$14 per day for RV, \$5 per day for tents. Electricity, water & sewer are available. For more information contact (402) 442-2360 or (402) 613-1299.

Should you prefer to stay at a motel, I understand from various club members that the Capri Motel in Fairbury is the economical place to stay.

Please let one or both of these field trip coordinators where you would like to go, or what materials you would like to collect, or places you would like to visit.

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## PRELIMINARY INFORMATION ON JULY FIELD TRIP TO RAPID CITY, SOUTH DAKOTA

By Sharon Marburger

The Western Dakota Gem and Mineral Society will be hosting its 38th Annual Gem and Mineral Show in conjunction with the Rocky Mountain Federation of Mineralogical Societies' Annual Convention on July 20 through July 22, 2018. All show events will be held inside the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center Barnett Arena in Rapid City, South Dakota. Admission to the show is \$4 per day, children 12 and under are free with adult. The club is advertising presentations (speakers), special events, and children's activities, in addition to the usual show fare of dealers and demonstrators.

Wednesday and Thursday prior to the show (July 18 & 19), and Monday and Tuesday following the show (July 23 & 24) have been allocated for guided tours of local geological sites and national landmarks. The exact schedule and locations will be announced closer to the event dates.

LGMC field trips in southwest South Dakota and northwest Nebraska are in the works. If you know of a fun place to explore for rocks/minerals/fossils in those areas, or have GPS coordinates of locations, let Jim Marburger know. Remember, this event is in the middle of July, so plan on very hot temperatures. Make your plans accordingly.

The hosts of the convention have provided the following links for more information:

To view the Arena and downtown Rapid City events:

<https://www.gotmine.com/plan-your-visit/directions-parking>

Printable Badlands, Black Hills and Devil's Tower maps:

<http://blackhillsbadlands.com/maps>

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Membership dues for the Lincoln Gem & Mineral Club are as follows:

- Adults (age 16 and over) - \$20 per year or \$30 per couple (within the same household)
- Juniors - \$3 per year (with a responsible adult)

All new memberships must be accompanied by a written application. Prospective members must gain Board approval and attend one regular meeting before being approved for membership. Applications are available on the website: <https://www.lincolngemmineralclub.org/about/membership>.

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## UPCOMING AREA SHOWS

**April 20-22: Wichita, Kansas**  
Wichita Gem & Mineral Society's Annual Show  
Cessna Activity Center,  
2744 George Washington Blvd.

**May 5, 2018: Kalamazoo, Michigan**  
Midwest Federation Spring Meeting  
Kalamazoo Expo Center,  
2900 Lake St.

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