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**Rock and Arrowhead Club** Meetings are held at the Klamath County Museum Meeting Room – Main & Spring Streets, using the **West** entrance

**Meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month at 7:00 pm**

with the exception of December when we have our Christmas Luncheon and Party and after the March show, when the meeting is held on Tuesday.

**Visitors are cordially invited to all meetings. To join:**

Dues are \$13.50 per year per adult (\$25 for families plus \$1 per child), \$7.50 ages 16-18

**General Objectives of the Club:**

To promote popular interest, knowledge and understanding in the various earth sciences, as in Geology, Mineralogy, Paleontology and Lapidary and other related subjects. To sponsor and provide means of coordinating the work and efforts of all persons interested therein.

**Helping Others:**

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*Reference to use of arrowheads within our club is limited to flint napping activities during workshops, annual shows and personal creations. No gathering of arrowheads on field trips is authorized or suggested by any club members.*

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**From the President...**

Hello Fellow Rockhounds,

I will say that the last two months have been an experience in emotional highs and lows. The show was fantastic and very well attended. Then we had the passing of one of our long time members, Marvin Stump. This was very unexpected. It was very comforting to see the turnout of Rock & Arrowhead club members at Marv's memorial. It is easy to say that we filled the church to overflowing capacity. His passing will leave a huge hole in our hearts.

I have often said over the last few years, that the need for our knowledge needs to be shared with the next generation. We cannot take it with us when we pass. Share a with a friend or new club member your knowledge. History is an amazing teacher.

Your President,

Laura Limb

**NEXT MEETING:**

**Monday 5/14/18, 7 pm**

**Treats: Averil & Jerry Anderson**

**Happy Birthday**

Averil Anderson

LeRoy Biehler

Shandra Brown

Allen Hart

Lorraine Kochevar

Mary Peterson

Bill Sheridan

Linda Stroope



**Save the dates!**

**Lots of rock shows— see last page**

**First club field trip of 2018-Graveyard Point Week of 5/14/18**

**Memorial Weekend—still tbd**

**Sunstones field trip set for June 22-23-24 at the RAC claim near Plush Garwin Carlson leader**

**July 20-22 Davis Creek**



**Rock and Arrowhead Club  
Klamath Museum - General Meeting Minutes  
General Meeting Minutes of April 9, 2018, 7:00 pm**



Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm

Flag Salute led by President Limb.

Happy Birthday to April birthdays!

Three door prizes were awarded.

About 36 club members were in attendance + 1 guest

March meeting minutes: Moved by Leroy Bieler to approve the minutes with a correction of the Owyhee trip, the party will be stopping overnight in Burns on the way there. Art Dillard seconded the motion; carried.

Treasurer's Report: Robert Stroope reported on deposits made and expenses paid during the month of March.

Sunshine Report: The passing of Marvin Stump and update. Leroy Bieler moved to send \$25 to the Endowment Fund in Marvin's memory. Robert Stroope seconded the motion and it was carried.

Northwest Federation (NWF) Report: Kathi Milem reported the next meeting is in Yakima, Washington and she will be attending. She submitted her expenses for reimbursement. Leroy Bieler moved to reimburse Kathi for her expenses as submitted. Denise Sebastian seconded the motion and it was carried.

Webmaster: President Limb reported that Marvin had been working on a proposal for Basin Life to take over the management of our website. She will pick this up and have a proposal for the club at the May meeting.

Newsletter Editor: Chris Chance & Linda Stroope reported that they plan to continue to spotlight a member in each issue going forward.

2018 Field Trips: President Limb asked the club to think about someone stepping forward to chair this. The following trips are planned: May 15<sup>th</sup>-Graveyard Point/Owyhee trip (see Tom Endicott if interested in attending); June 22-24 Sunstone Claim; July 20-22 Davis Creek.

Club Member Field Trips: Members reported on trips made within the last month.

March Rock & Gem Show critique: Kristin Sayles will schedule a date (before May 14<sup>th</sup> regular club meeting) for a critique of the Show and start planning 2019's event.

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m. by President Limb.

Program: President Limb led a discussion about the grieving process

Refreshments provided by Garwin Carlson & Marshall Curran -thank you!

The next club meeting will be held on Monday, May 14, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the Klamath County Museum

Respectfully submitted by Kristin Sayles, Vice President

## Graveyard Point Field Trip Week of May 14, 2018

At the February meeting we talked about a field trip to Graveyard Point in May to collect some fantastic agate. Graveyard Point is approx. 380 miles from Klamath Falls, located in extreme Eastern Oregon about 7 miles west of Homedale, ID.

Members will be traveling as early as the 14th to do some "scouting". Tom Endicott passed out maps at an earlier meeting and we will have a few more at the meeting on the 14th. He suggests we contact the Vale BLM office (their number is on pg 12) for info on active vs inactive claims. Tom's number is (541) 281-5817.

Most members will be stopping in Burns overnight on the way, then traveling on to Homedale. See the March & April Dusty Rocks for specifics on the two RV parks: Burns at (541) 573-7640 (burnsrvpark@yahoo.com), a very decent park a bit NE of "downtown" on Hwy 20/395. In Homedale, the park is Snake River RV park and website is snakeriverrv.com - click on "reservations" tab, upper left. They prefer on line reservations but their number is (208) 337-3744 and looks very nice from the on line photos.

As Laura stated in her president's message, it is important for the older members of the club to try and involve younger people when they can. The longevity of RAC depends upon it. If we're lucky, this might be a child, grandchild, niece or nephew of your own or that of a friend or neighbor.. She found this wonderful website with information purely directed to the younger generation.

I wonder if our local earth science teachers are aware of this site? Does anyone know how we might share it with them? Every teacher has at least one budding rock hound in their midst who might only need a bit of encouragement.. CHECK OUT:

**Mini Miners Monthly, the only monthly publication for young mineral collectors, is back!! The first issue will be distributed on January 1, 2018. For a FREE 6-month subscription, email Diamond Dan and you will receive Mini Miners Monthly by email each month.**

Go to **diamonddanpublications.net** If you're not computer savvy, you can bet that 10 year old is! Really cool looking games, books, fun stuff, mineral placemats!

Perhaps some fun stuff to add to Marshall's record breaking book & info sales table for next year's show?



Diamond Dan!

## REMEMBERING MARVIN STUMP

As all RAC members are aware, we've suffered a huge loss with the recent passing of Marv Stump.

Here are some remembrances by club members and a short bio.

How many families this wonderful man had—a real legacy. He will be missed beyond measure by wife Leah and his children, his RAC family, his Keno church family and even by the feral kitties for whom the Stumps have provided a safe haven. After a lifetime of living in Klamath Falls, it's simply not possible to try and enumerate the number of lives this funny, kind and generous man touched.



From Patti Bennett & Nicki Beihn

Knowing Marv for 25 years, he was a problem solver—always with a smile and a great sense of humor. After we got set up at the show, Nicki & I thought we had a problem with a narrow walkway. Calling Marv, I asked if he thought we could squeeze through the allotted space. Thinking a minute, he smiled and walked away. Because it was Marv, we knew he'd be back (and quickly) with a solution. Soon he reappeared with another man, armed with a 6' table to replace the problem 8' table. We will always admire and miss him and his good natured jabs.

From Sherry Lee

When I met Marv the first time about 3 years ago, I thought "Leprechaun"; because of the twinkle in his eyes, his mischievousness, his teasing, his instigating and his heart full of laughter. But, he was also caring and generous to everyone who knew him.

Now for a little story; During my first trip to Lassen Creek area to dig obsidian, I was delighted to find that we were camping among some old Ponderosa Pines. Well, Marv came out of his trailer one morning to see me with my nose up to the bark of one of the pines. He gave me a "look" and asked what I was doing. I explained that the bark has a butterscotch scent. I received another "look", but was able to persuade him to take a whiff. He was amazed and said in all his years in the forest he never knew that the pine bark had that scent. It is always good to learn something new and I was happy to share this little tidbit with him.



From Barb & Bob Massey

Bob has many rewards for Marv. He would come by and pick him up for Coffee many times, helped with Bob's rocks and took care of his treasures associated with rocks when we moved. Marv was a true friend and besides he had a great sense of humor. We will never forget the good times and fun with Marvin Stump. We both give our heartfelt love to the memories, and caring thoughts for his beloved wife, Leah. Marv is going to be missed very much

### A short bio about Marv

Both Marv and Leah were born in Klamath Falls. Marv's family lived at Modoc Point but moved the family and young Marvin into town when he was in the 2nd grade. Marv continued in Klamath schools all the way through, graduating then entering the Air Force for a 4 year enlistment in 1955. Most of his enlistment was at a base not far from Oakland, CA. After being discharged, Marv returned home to Klamath Falls and to hear him tell it, with two goals: continue his relationship with Leah and go to work for the US Forest Service.

While Leah was born here, she moved to the Glendale-Pasadena area and after graduation there, relocated to Reno, residing with an uncle. Leah's step-brother was a good friend of Marv's through Jr High and High School and as Leah did spend her summers here, they met while quite young and their special relationship began. When Leah moved to Reno, she was finally close enough geographically that Marv could visit on weekends a couple of times a month. The highlight of their courtship (again, Marv's own words) was hunting arrowheads in the desert with the uncle in tow!

Leah relocated to Carson City in 1961, over Washington's birthday weekend. I asked Marv when & how he actually *proposed* and he said he really didn't...their relationship had been of long standing by then and he says they just assumed marriage would be the next step. We know, at least, that's what Marv assumed!

The couple was married in Virginia City at the Presbyterian church on June 1st, 1963, but evidently there was no electricity available to plug in a light bar, so no home movies, as was popular then, as now. The newlyweds took up residence in Klamath Falls and the rest is history.



Marv & Leah, about 2008

Marv was a leader, and a good leader that had many followers. When he asked for help, the volunteers that joined him knew he was there to work right along with them — not just to supervise. I don't think he took himself too seriously, but made the job easy going as he was himself. Marv will be missed by everyone who knew him.

Chris Chance one of Marv's followers



Marv & Sam Chance going for petrified wood at Hampton Butte



Little Marvin

From Laura Limb

There are times in one's life when you meet someone and they are automatically part of your chosen family. That was my experience with Marvin and Leah Stump. With the last names of Stump and Limb how could we not be family. I remember coming to my first rock club meeting after a rock show years ago. I was very intrigued by the club members and was hooked. It was my 4th meeting and the current treasurer was moving out of town. The floor was open for nominees and to my surprise, Marv nominated me and just like that I was the treasurer. It is safe to say that his example of true love for the people in our club was evident in the field trips, meetings, executive board meetings, behind the scene rock gathering, moving the trailer around, organizing the trailer, tumbling rocks for the wheel of fortune, Wednesday coffee club, taking the dinner table to various shows and making sure the bylaws were current and we followed the rules. He was not a man to be in the spot light but rather content in just being on the side lines. I am going to miss my friend immensely. I know that I will take on his example to be the best I can by caring for club members and friends the way Marv cared for me. Rest in Peace my friend.

From Marshall Curran

### Tree of Life



From a "Stump" grew a tree of life. It's branches covered the earth with love, protection, guidance and direction so its young branches could flourish and grow.

From what we get, we can make a living. From what we *give*, however, makes a life. (Proverbs 11:24)

Thank you Marvin Stump for being that tree and show us how to enjoy life and God's creation.



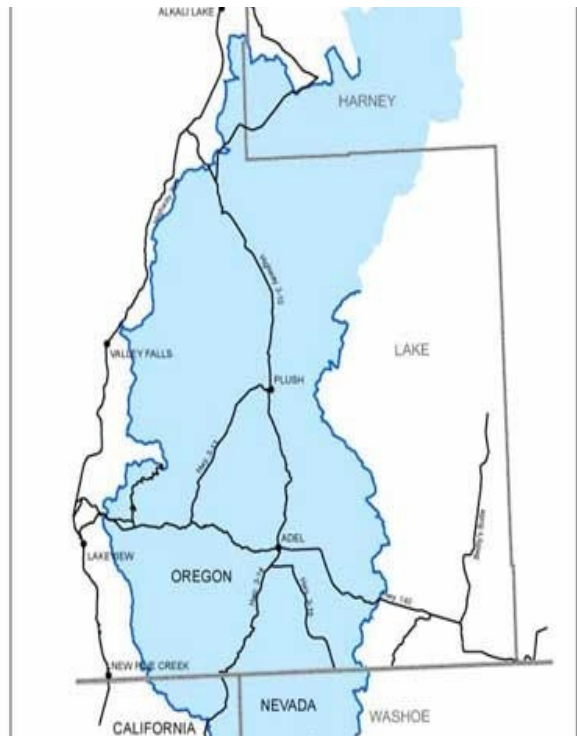
**Coming up soon: Annual trip to the RAC sunstone claim near Plush.**

**Dates are June 22-23-24**

Garwin Carlson will provide maps and details as the date approaches. The club website also has a map.

Have you visited the campground with hot springs near Plush? The Hart Mountain Hot Springs campground is NE of Plush and could be a scenic addition to your sunstone outing. There is a visitor center with water but no potable water at the camp ground. Roads reported to be kept in good condition. There are soaker areas, petroglyphs, lots of wildlife. It's 39 miles of good gravel road into the refuge and 45 out the other side. Its administered by the US Fish & Wildlife service and the hot spring has a new enclosure. There are 30 dry campsites & no fire rings according to the Hart Mtn refuge website.

Another scenic opportunity in the area is the Warner Valley, which includes a chain of shallow lakes & marshes that were once a great lake filling the valley floor up to a level of 200 feet. There are wetlands for bird viewing, petroglyphs and 42 mammal species including everything from ground squirrels to cougars. It is BLM land.



## Clay Babies? What? Where?

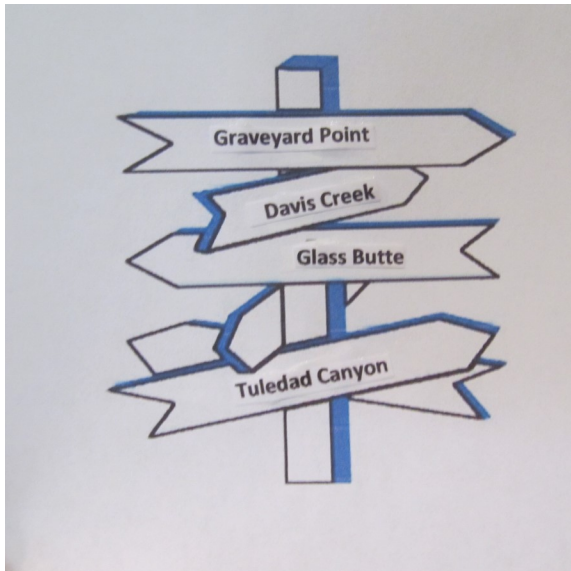


A few from Chris Chance's collection



Clay babies are concretions (rounded masses of mineral matter) which are thought to be unique to Fox Island due to the presence high quality (ie fine grained) clay deposits on the SW side of the island extending from the banks well out into the beach area. Locals refer to the general area as “the brickyard”, where a brick manufacturing company was located from 1884 to perhaps the 1950’s when bricks were phased out as commercial construction material. A combination of tidal wave action and the polishing by other beach rocks leave the clay babies perfectly smooth on both sides. Each Fox Island Clay Baby is unique. While it would require at least a long weekend to make this trip, a collection of these would be a fun show & tell item and a wonderful beach outing for kids of all ages. **How to get to Fox Island?**

From Tacoma, cross the Narrows Bridge, follow SR-16 to the Wollochet Drive exit. Turn left at the light, and follow the signs to Fox Island. Follow Wollochet Drive to 40th St. NW, turn left at 70th Ave. NW, turn right at 32nd St NW, and follow to the Fox Island Bridge approach.



## *Some Rules, Regs & Where to Look on that smart phone, tablet or computer....*

These days it's becoming increasingly difficult to find the info we need without having access to information on line. Since cell coverage is often limited in the very rural areas "our" rocks are located, some pre-planning is really advisable.

### *ORS 477.710*

*It is unlawful for any person to start a campfire or other open fire without first clearing the area immediately around and above it of material that will carry fire, or leave a campfire or other open fire unattended, or permit a campfire or other open fire to spread. [That said, no actual campfire permit is required ed.]*

Luckily for us, there is an interagency website developed by federal and state agencies to provide timely and accurate information for wildland fires, fire restrictions, prevention and education across the state. Their aim is to provide one website where the best available information and links related to fire can be accessed.

**Idaho?** Go to [www.idahofireinfo.com](http://www.idahofireinfo.com) It has a hotline at 844-433-4737 and numerous maps and links to anything related to anything fire or outdoors related. I could find no *permit requirement* for campfires in Idaho, only other outdoor burning, subject to the area, itself, being open.

**Nevada?** Go to [www.nevadafireinfo.com](http://www.nevadafireinfo.com) It lists weather, advisories, restrictions & closures, maps and links to related topics. No campfire *permits* appear to be required as long as the area is open.

For **California**, go to [www.fire.ca.gov](http://www.fire.ca.gov), aka "Cal Fire". Campfire permits are required for USFS, BLM and Nat'l Park Service lands for both camp fires AND portable outdoor gas stoves. They are available on line! go to [www.preventwildfireca.org/caompfire-permit](http://www.preventwildfireca.org/caompfire-permit). Watch the 2 min video, take the quiz and viola! A permit good through 12/31 of the current year. For other fire related info, click the *contact us* link in Cal Fire for names, addresses & phone numbers of each region. Example: the Lassen-Modoc Unit is in Susanville, at (530)257-4171. The Shasta Trinity Unit is headquartered in Redding, at (530) 225-2418. In Oregon, see [Oregon.gov](http://Oregon.gov) There you can go to the Oregon Dept of Forestry / Fire / Restrictions & Closures. There's a map where you can click on any county where any current fire restrictions will be listed. Also a link to specific contacts with their phone numbers all over the state.

**Washington** also does not appear to require campfire permits, per se. But each individual Washington State Park can be checked at [parks.state.wa.us](http://parks.state.wa.us).

**BLM** offices are a resource both for fire information and to determine if permits are required for collecting. You have to know what BLM district you're in to be able to find a specific BLM office location. See the next page for some reference info on BLM office locations for the glove box.

## BLM info

Do you know to which BLM district the site(s) you intend to visit belong? If not, start with the State Office and they can help you. The BLM is a treasure trove of advice on fire & forest info, rockhound info and any number of other topics that they're generally happy to share with us. The specific BLM office involved is going to have the most accurate info.

Here are some office numbers that may be of use:

Idaho State Office, Boise	front desk phone (208) 373-4000
Boise District Office	(208) 384-3300
Bruneau Field Office	same location & phone as Boise District
Four Rivers Field Office	same location & phone as Boise District
Owyhee Field Office	Marsing, ID (208) 896-5912

Oregon-Washington State Office	Portland (503) 808-6001
Burns District	(541) 573-4400
Coos Bay District	(541) 756-0100
Lakeview District	(541) 947-2177
K Falls Resource Area	(541) 883-6916
Medford District	(541) 618-2200
NW Oregon District, Salem	(503) 375-5646
Tillamook Resource Area	(503) 815-1100
Prineville District	(541) 416-6700
Roseburg District	(541) 440-4930
Vale District	(541) 473-3144
Baker Field Office	(541) 523-1256

Spokane District	(509) 536-1200
Wenatchee Field Office	(509) 665-2100

California State Office	(916) 978-4400
Northern CA District	(530) 224-2100
Applegate Field Office	(530) 233-5696 Alturas
Eagle Lake Field Office	(530) 257-0456 Susanville
Calif Desert District	(951) 697-5299 Moreno Valley
El Centro Field Office	(760) 337-4400

Nevada State Office	(775) 861-6500 Reno
Battle Mtn District	(775) 635-4000
Tonopah Field Office	(775) 482-7800
Carson City District	(775) 885-6000
Elko District	(775) 753-0200
Ely District	(775) 289-1800
Southern Nevada District	(702) 515-5000 Las Vegas
Winnemucca District	(775) 623-1592
Humboldt Field Office	(775) 623-1500 Winnemucca

National BLM Office, Washington DC (202) 208-3801

## Editor's Corner

Howdy all our members; I think I've contracted Spring Fever. I had my grandson clean up the front steps and I planted up a corner container and put some pansy and ground cover out, but because of the deer that see buffet!, I stuck up some thin netting to discourage them from snacking at night even though I also put in a few solar lights...wouldn't want them to have trouble finding the food.

I know we will have snow again, but that is life in Klamath Falls. We will all put in for good rock hunting weather for our May trip to Homedale, Id, for the Graveyard Pt outing.

I found some old photos of a Tuledad field trip that showed members bundled up with their plates for pot luck in the snow storm. That is the test of a true rock hound— we can't all be crazy, but it helps.

*Chris Chance, co-editor Dusty Rocks*

Fellow members, we all need to step up & suggest places for club outings, especially those close enough for weekend trips for those unfortunate enough not to be retired yet ☺ Denise mentioned a fun trip to one of the bars on the Chetco at Brookings that sounded ideal for family outings, due to ease of access & pickings. Let's talk about future trips at our May meeting and if we can't yet come up with a new field trip officer, perhaps this year we can just have volunteer individuals facilitate our 2018 trips until we fill the position. Everyone has their "favorite" place.

*Linda Stroope, co-editor Dusty Rocks*

## Upcoming shows:

- Tallman Rock Chippers
- Lake Co Fairgrounds, Lakeview May19-20
- 8am field trips both days; Sunstones & Tracenicte
- More info: LeRoy Johnson 541-947-4267  
Mark Deidrich 541-880-8787
- Oregon Coast Agate Club annual show May 26-27
- National Guard Armory 541 S Coast Hwy 101 Newport
- Puyallup Valley Gem & Mineral Club
- Swiss Park, 9205 198th Av E, Bonney Lake, WA
- June 1,2,3 Camping available
- Lower Umpqua Gem & Lapidary Society 6/15-17
- Reedsport Community Bldg 451 Winchester Ave
- Oregon Geo Fest Broadway Center, Eugene
- 7/21-22 Website: <http://oregongeofest.com>

*Members, if you attend another club's show, be sure to take note of things that club might be doing that we could consider adopting, ourselves. Report back at a meeting or email Chris or Linda and we can bring it up at the next meeting. Our show is fabulous but there's always room for improvement.*

That's all folks!