

*Happy Valentines Day*



Meetings are on the  
2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the  
month 7pm @  
Cache County  
Fairgrounds Events  
Center; 490 S 500  
W, Logan UT 84321

Visitors are welcome.

**Annual Club  
Membership**

Individual \$15.00

Family \$20.00

**Calendar  
of Events**

Club Meeting February  
11<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm at the Cache  
County Events Center

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## From the Top of the Rock Pile

Bret Fannesbeck – Club President

Hey Everyone,

We have had a great start to the year. With the input from the members at the January meeting and the work of the Trip Committee we have the trips all planned out for the coming year. The Show Committee has started planning for the annual rock show, and we are going forward with monthly meetings.

We have decided that since we have been looking for new logos, and want to get the clubs input, that we would have a little contest. So, we are announcing a Logo Contest. Club members who would like to participate can submit a new logo design. Specifics will be given at the February meeting and then placed on the website and Facebook group. At the March meeting the submitted designs will be voted on and the winner will receive a prize. The prize is a Selenite crystal cluster from a mine in Mexico. It measures 6" X 4" X 4".

The Club Meeting for February is on Thursday the

<http://cacherockgemclub.weebly.com>



11th at 7:00 PM at the Cache County Fairgrounds Event Center. Come and join us for a good meeting and great people.

I would like to thank all of the members that volunteer to help with the committees and the show. It would be extremely difficult without these people to keep this club running. As always if you would like to volunteer to help out please let us know. Thanks for all you do.



**Bret Fonesbeck**  
**President**  
**Cache Rock and Gem Club**

## First Presidents Message:

Happy winter everyone! With snow falling today I stopped to think about what fun things I want to do. This year with it being so warm and dry my general thoughts have been on bonus field trips. Today all of that changed and now my thoughts are back to rock magazines and organizing my rock room. The never ending project.

Join us this month for a program on Aquamarine. The March birthstone and favorite of Roman and Greek sailors. The familiar greenish blue beryl family stone that some say is one of the cleanest available.

Hope you are staying busy and I look forward to seeing you soon.

**Patrick Carroll**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President**  
**Cache Rock and Gem Club**



## 2nd VP/Trip Manager Message

The rock committee got together last week and here is the schedule of trips for the year. The dates may change due to weather, but we will try and hold them as close to the listed dates as possible. We have scheduled two trips almost every month again, day trips and overnights, we may also change locations if better options are offered. We included as many of the suggestions given at last months meeting as possible. So here they are:

**March 27<sup>th</sup> Wendover and possibly Utah blue sky**

**April 10<sup>th</sup> Randolph shells/crystals**

**April 23-25<sup>th</sup> Salina wonderstone, alabaster, salt**

**May 7<sup>th</sup> Dubois**

**May 29<sup>th</sup> Grouse creek/ Devils playground**

**June 12<sup>th</sup> Eureka**

**June 25-26<sup>th</sup> Kerry, Idaho**

**July 16-18<sup>th</sup> Graveyard Point area**

**August 14<sup>th</sup> Bitch creek**

**August 27-28<sup>th</sup> Milford area**

**September 10-11<sup>th</sup> Yellowcat**

**September 24-26<sup>th</sup> McDermott**

**October 15-16 Topaz/Dugway**

We will also be doing exploratory trips again this year with a limited number of people/vehicles due to the fact of what we don't know what we will be getting into. They will be on a first come basis, so watch for e-mails/postings

Thanks for all you do from the Trip Committee.

**Dave Nielson**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President**  
**Trip Manager**  
**Cache Rock and Gem Club**



## Chairman of the Board Message

We have started the new year and as a club we hope to have a better year than this last one. We had a meeting the other night to start getting the Club show together. We will be having the show as of right now on May 20, 21 and 22nd, with set up on May 19th. We can still use some help in getting everything ready to go. There is now a committee assigned to different tasks for the show so if you can help. get with one of us and ask what you can help with.

The Show Committee chairman for this year will be Larry Christopherson. In this newsletter you will see the different people who will be over the different parts of the show. I know that this sounds like we are getting ready too early, but with a blink of an eye, May will be here. Club meetings have started again and we will be going over, in the meetings what we need help with, so if you can make it out to the meetings please come and help us. Check in the newsletter for times of the meetings. I hope to see all of you soon and get back into the swing of things.

**Gary Warren.**  
**Rock Show Director**  
**Chairman of the Board**  
**Cache Rock and Gem Club**

### Show Committee Corner

#### Want AD

**NEEDED: A few GOOD ROCKS, no leaverites or dog rocks. Rocks, slabs, cabs, specimens, you name it. They will be used for the silent auction sale to support our club. We currently have LOTS of rocks but need a few quality pieces. Dig deep into your buckets, boxes, hidden corners and shelves, and find those rocks you forgot you had, please just remember if you would not buy it, we probably cannot sell it. PLEASE clean and label (rock name and/or location) your donations. We can use an estimated value of the items also. Remember PRETTY sells, and supports our club**

**ALSO NEEDED: Raffle prizes, our members create some fantastic rock and gem related items. We can always use your creations for raffle prizes. Giving of your time to create, has much more value than the items.**

**For more info contact: Arno, 208-360-1067, if no answer, please leave a voice or text message.**



# It's time to show off!

## Rock Displays are where it's at!!!

Imagine 1000's of awe struck patrons praising your name. Imagine making your friends green with envy. Imagine your adversaries with soul reaching jealousy. Yes this is your chance to go down in the annals of the Rock Display Hall of Fame.

What is a display case? A box approximately 2 feet by 2 feet by 4 feet with a window. Box locked by a padlock.

Data:

First come First served - Limited number of cases available.

Last day to reserve a display case - April 8

Setup date - May 19 Take down date - May 22

We will show you how to set up your case Training April Meeting - April 8

Don't have enough rocks to fill a case - join your friends for a group effort.

More information coming in March.

Want, Need, just have to Have a display case, then reserve your case today contact Gary Allred by email. karagary84@gmail.com.



## HELP WANTED

In search of a few CRGC members to become dynamic sales persons, for our silent auction. No experience necessary just a willingness to sell LOTS of rocks at our ROCK SHOW on May 20, 21, and 22.

### **Benefits**

You get to see LOTS of rocks, SMILES on the faces of successful bidders, a warm feeling of helping our GREAT club provide information and education of rocks, minerals, and lapidary.

### **Contact**

To join this squad of select, super sellers contact Arno, 208-360-1067, if no answer, please leave a voice or text message.

### Some of Arno's Latest Creations





Hello, fellow club members.

Our show committee met on January 29<sup>th</sup> 2021, to continue preparations for the 2021 Cache Rock and Gem Show. As you can see from this message, I was voted in as this year's, show manager. After having to postpone the show last year, the preparations for this year's show have a feeling of revival and hope.

We are excited to have the committee chairs for the show and their messages will follow, outlining their areas of responsibility and the request for volunteers. The vendors are anxious to return and enjoy the comradery and the friendly atmosphere of **our club** show.

The show may seem a long way out there, but believe me, it will come up on us in a hurry. As you read about the different needs of the committees, take a minute and see where you feel you can help, or a skill you can share. A key thing to remember is that it is possible to help in multiple areas. For instance, if you help with setup and take down, you can still help during the show days, in another area and possibly rotate through several areas during the day.

**Help from club members is "KEY" to the success of the show!** Please take the time and share your skills and enthusiasm for our hobby.

I can tell you that my experiences from past shows, still brings me joy from those people I have had the opportunity to associate with, share stories and learn!

**Larry Christophersen**  
**Annual Show Manager**  
**Cache Rock and Gem Club**

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Amethyst is purple quartz. It is a beautiful blend of violet and red that can be found in every corner of the world. The name comes from the Ancient Greek, derived from the word methustos, which means "intoxicated." Ancient wearers believed the gemstone could protect them from drunkenness.

Amethyst, as previously mentioned, is composed of quartz, which is the second most abundant material found in Earth's crust. Amethyst gets its color from irradiation, iron impurities, and the presence of trace elements. Its hardness—a 7 on the Mohs scale—is the same as other quartz, which makes it a durable and lasting option for jewelry.

While amethyst is most commonly recognized to be a purple color, the gemstone can range from a light pinkish violet to a deep purple that can read more blue or red, depending on the light. Sometimes the same stone can have layers or color variants, so the way the gemstone is cut is important to the way the color shows in a finished piece.

Amethyst often occurs in geodes or in the cavities of granitic rocks. It can be found all over the world, including the United States, Canada, Brazil, and Zambia.

The amethyst is not only the February birthstone, it is also used to celebrate the sixth and 17th years of marriage.

## Junior Members

### Sedimentary Rocks

Sedimentary rocks are types of rock that are formed by the accumulation or deposition of mineral or organic particles at the Earth's surface, followed by cementation.

Sedimentation is the collective name for processes that cause these particles to settle in place.



#### Creating a Sedimentary Rock Themed Cookie Bar

You will use the recipe below to create a sedimentary rock cook bar and then describe its layers.

##### Supplies:

- 1 ½ cup graham cracker crumbs
- ½ melted margarine
- 1 can sweetened condensed milk
- 1 cup chocolate chips
- 1 1/3 cup coconut
- 1 cup chopped nuts

##### Directions:

- Preheat oven to 350 degrees.
- Place melted margarine in a 13" by 9" pan.
- Sprinkle graham cracker crumbs on top of it.
- Pour the condensed milk on the crumbs.
- Top with the chips, coconut, and nuts.
- Press down firmly.
- Bake for 25-30 minutes.
- Cut into bars.

##### What is sedimentary rock?

It is made of sand, mud and pebbles laid down in layers. Over a long period of time the layers are squished or compressed.

##### Color and Label the Layers of the Cookie Bar

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**Shed Crew:**

Larry Christopherson 435-723-6476  
Bret Fannesbeck 435-757-4927  
Gary Warren 435-720-1775

Slab saw cost 0.20 per inch of rough

Only trained shed crew are authorized to set up and run the saws.

Cost is ;	Adults	Jr. members
Wheels	\$2.00	\$1.00

400 West 60 South  
Hyrum, UT



**Rock Buckets**

The club has 3 gallon buckets of rough rock for sale. The rough is a varied collection from club trips and includes petrified wood, palm, agate, etc. The cost is \$10.00 to club members. If interested contact one of the club officers.



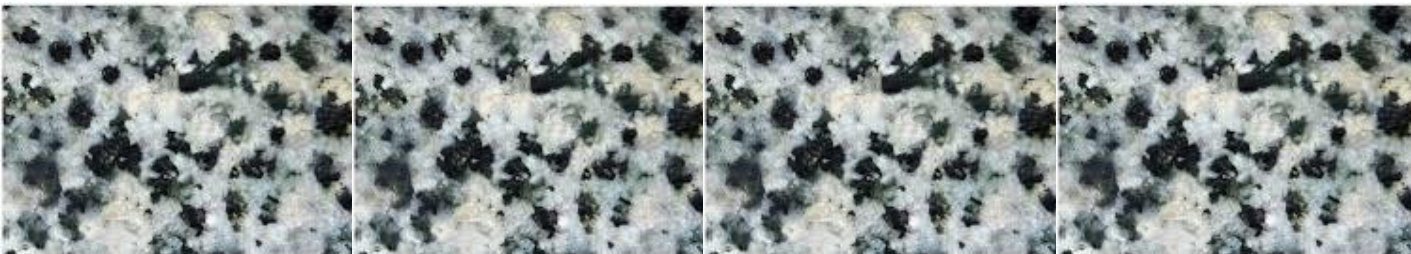
**Shed Rules**

\*Three people in the shed to maintain space & social distancing.

\*The shed is open on Wednesday Evenings 5-8pm  
Saturday Mornings 9am-1pm

\*By appointment only!

\*Please contact Larry Christophersen @ (435)723-6476. You may text, but start the text out with CRGC. If Larry does not answer please leave a voicemail and he will get back with you. You can also email Larry at larry-0021@comcast.net



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We have been assembling a large collection of silicates, mainly agate, jasper and quartz from Mexico for over 10 years. We are now offering our collection for sale online and at various rock and gem shows. Our mission is to find, collect and sell the finest agate, jasper, geodes and other forms of chalcedony, mainly from family-owned property in Mexico, to offer to you at affordable prices.

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**When you have an addiction**



**to collecting Tiger Eye**

When you have an addiction to collecting Tigers Eye crystals.  
#crystals #crystalhealing  
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