



Meetings are on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month @ Greenville Elementary 2450 North 400 East. North Logan

Visitors are welcome.

### Annual Club Membership

Individual \$15.00

Family \$20.00

### Calendar of Events

### February Club Meeting:

Thursday  
March 12, 2020  
@ Greenville Elementary School

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## From the Top of the Rock Pile

Bret Fannesbeck – Club President

This year is going by so fast. It is March already. If you haven't been out rockhounding yet, I suggest you do. It is a great way to relax and forget about the problems in the world for a day.

We have a lot going on in the next few months. The May Rock Show is getting closer and we still have positions that we need volunteers to help with. It is a great opportunity to get out and meet new people and make some new friends, as well as serve others in the community. Please contact us if you can help out.

Starting later this month watch for exploration

trips to be posted on the Facebook Group and Page as well as the website. The weather is warming up and scheduled club trips are going to be starting in April. As exciting as this is, please remember to be safe and follow the laws. Be careful of collecting on private land and mineral claims, you should always have permission first. This month's meeting is Thursday March 12<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM at the Greenville Elementary School. The address is 2450 N 400 E, North Logan. We would love to see you there. Come on out and visit with old friends and make some new ones. We have a great program scheduled so don't miss



## Presidents Message Continued:

it. Also, we still need donations for the door prizes and kids club bags for the show. We will be filling the bags next month so if you have rocks to donate please bring them along.

We have a great club with wonderful members, so come out and be a part of it. See you all at the meeting. Thanks for all you do,

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

## First Presidents Message

So what does Facebook have to do with rockhounding? Come to this month's meeting and find out!

In today's world of smart phones and digital tablets, the world truly is at your fingertips. This month's program will offer coaching on social media and show how Facebook can connect Cache Rock & Gem Club members to rock enthusiasts here in Utah and worldwide. Reminiscent of popular newspapers and magazines of the past, today's digital world

offers instant rockhounding news and events.

Join us for this month's program and see how you can benefit from what Facebook has to offer. See you there!

P.S. Remember to bring an item for the rock exchange table. Give One = Take One.

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

## Upcoming Trips

**April 4<sup>th</sup> Wendover Day Trip**

**April 11<sup>th</sup> Northwest Federation Show Fieldtrip @ Weber County Fairgrounds**

**April 24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> Topaz Trip**

**May 23<sup>rd</sup> Blue Forest (Wyoming) Day Trip**



## Chairman of the Board Message

We are starting into March, and getting closer to show time in May. The show will be at the new center at the fair grounds and we really need to have help manning this place.

For our meeting this month, we will start to fill bags for the kids table so if you have some small rocks or just something that the kids would be interested in, please bring them. This is a fun time to sit, visit, and fill bags, and it really needs to be done for the kids table. Most of the money that we make on the kids table goes back into the kids club for their activities during the year.

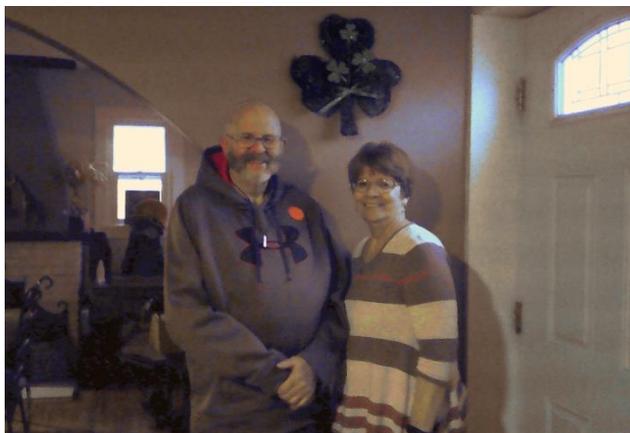
We are also in need of items to put out on the silent auction table and also start

to think about setting up a display case for the show.

We will be having our food booth again this year and will need help working that. If you have a Food Handler's permit, that will help a lot. We will be passing around a list to ask you to sign up and volunteer to help us at the show. Please sign up for as many things as you have time for. I will be working with Bret to send out notes to everyone as we see the need to man a booth, security or the many items that come up. Hope to see all of you this Thursday March 12<sup>th</sup>.

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

## Club Spotlight of the Month Gary & Sally Warren



Gary and Sally first became interested in rockhounding when their close friends, Dave and Kathy Farnsworth, had talked to them about going to Topaz Mountain. They decided to check the place out. When they got there, they saw two ladies screening for topaz. The two ladies offered them to borrow their screens while they went down to camp. After they went to the suggested spots and sifted out some nice topaz, Gary and Sally were hooked. (continued page 4)

<http://cacherockgemclub.weebly.com>



# Club Spotlight of the Month Gary & Sally Warren Continued:

Gary and Sally Warren have been members of Cache Rock and Gem Club since 2003. When they first joined the club, there were only three to five other members. The president told Gary that he was quitting, and since no one else in the club wanted to be president, they were going to shut the club down. And Gary said, "Well, I think if it means that it's going to close, I will do it."

Gary and Sally started knowing nothing, just like anybody else. The club didn't have any idea how to run one or what was expected either. That's how committed to rockhounding these guys were-- willing to be the president of a club with no experience whatsoever just so they could continue to learn? That's pretty cool. But members like McKay Anderson helped them a lot, showing them places to find things, helping them identify rocks, and lots of other little, helpful things. Another helpful member was Jay Anderson, who came back after learning that the club was starting up again. Oh, and do you like to use the rock shed? You can thank Sally for that. That was her idea.

Gary and Sally helped with the creation of Rockhounding Utah, Rockhounding Colorado, and Rockhounding Nevada. They had travelled a total of 4,000 miles, visiting at total of 69 locations, in the making of Rockhounding Utah, and they had taken a couple of photographs along the way. Well, the co-writer told them that he had changed his mind and wanted pictures of *all* of the locations, and he wanted it done within three days. After driving like crazy and pitching tents in random locations, they somehow managed to get the job done. It was one of the most frantic experiences of their lives.

When you go to Gary and Sally's house, you can tell that they love rockhounding. Their front yard is covered in beautiful geodes and rocks, and inside they have a huge display case filled with specimens. One of Sally's favorite specimens are two pieces of Vernon wonderstone. Every time they'd go down to Vernon, she'd think "I wonder if I can find a heart," knowing that it was probably impossible. But she found one on two separate trips! And they weren't lopsided either.

A couple of Gary's favorite specimens is a slab of Tiger Jasper. It was originally called Tiger Jasper until people started calling it Chicken Scratch Jasper. Then one day Gary made a slab to find a perfectly formed tiger. He was like, "Ha! I knew it! It's officially Tiger Jasper." Another favorite specimen of his is what he calls his "crystal skull". He was down in Dugway when he found a massive triplet geode formation. As he tried to get it out, he heard two separate cracks, to his dismay, knowing that the two connected geodes had broken off. But when he found the geode, the two side geodes and left holes in it, making it look like a skull. If anything, it was fortunate that the other two had broken off! Another favorite of his is a piece of topaz which was featured on the cover of his book, Rockhounding Utah.

Outside of rockhounding, Gary and Sally love to travel, which is probably good, since Gary served in the US Navy. They've both lived in Japan and Morocco (where, surprisingly, they met Dave and Kathy Farnsworth), and Gary has been to Guam, the Philippines, England (where he served his mission), and all over Europe with his friend. Gary and Sally have been to too many states to count. When going on trips, it's hard for them to not pick up a few rocks here and there.

Sally is very creative. She likes to make cabochons and bezel them in beadwork. They're actually quite beautiful pieces and are unique to anything I've ever seen in rock and gem shows. She also is a talented piano player and loves music, especially songs from musicals.

The two of them have four children, 15 grandkids, and 11 great grandkids. They also have 5 chickens, two dogs, and two cats (one of which lovingly patted my keyboard during the interview). They have been married for 51 years and are such a fun, spur of the moment couple. It is refreshing to be around them and to feel their love for rocks and people, and they have been the backbone of our club.



Gary's Topaz



Sally's Cabochons



Gary's "Crystal Skull"



Tiger Jasper



# March Birthstone

# Junior Members

## Happy March

The month of Spring, Abundance and Joy!

### Birthstone - Aquamarine

associated with courage, loyalty, fealty + friendship



Aquamarine is Latin for aqua (water) & marina (the sea). The serene Caribbean sea color of aquamarine is thought to cool the temper and keep one peaceful, allowing the wearer to remain calm and levelheaded, despite provocation. The aquamarine was a talisman to protect sailors, worn to guarantee a safe voyage. Aquamarine's pale, crystalline blue color complements a soft and pastel spring wardrobe, but also contrasts nicely with richer hues.

Courtesy: madisonaubrey.com



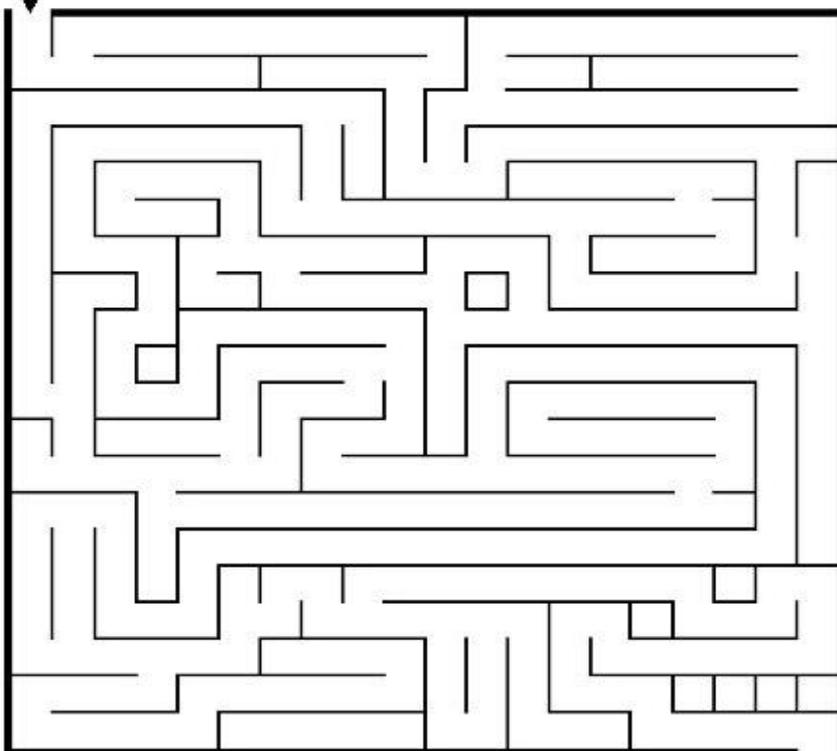
## Junior Members in Action



## Color The Princess of Rockland & Help Her Find Her Lost Aquamarine



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# Upcoming Shows in the Neighborhood

# CR&GC Members Rock Shed

**\*Closed for the Season\***

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I have Rocks  
in my Shed!



## Shed Crew:

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

Slab saw cost 0.10 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

**70th Annual Magic Valley Gem Club Show**  
Rocks, Gems, Minerals and Jewelry

Twin Falls County Fairgrounds  
Filer, Idaho

Saturday, March 14, 2020  
10:00 am to 5:00 pm

Sunday, March 15, 2020  
10:00am to 4:00 pm

Featuring  
-Collectible Mineral Specimens  
-Unique Custom Jewelry  
-Rough Material  
-Lapidary Art Demonstrations  
-Activities for the Kids

Admission \$1.00 for adults. Children are free.

Details at [www.magicvalleygemclub.org](http://www.magicvalleygemclub.org)

TIMPANOGOS GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY

**SPRING OF PARADE GEMS**  
March 20, 21, 22, 2020

SALT LAKE CITY, UT  
March 27, 28, 29  
Mountain America Civic Center

FREE parking!

South East Idaho  
**Gem and Mineral 2020 Show**

Bannock County  
Fairgrounds/Event Center  
Pocatello, ID

Gem & Fossil Dig  
Hourly Raffle Prizes  
Gem & Mineral Displays  
Food Available  
Dealers from Several States  
Silent Rock Auctions All Day  
Demonstrations by Professional Artists  
Unique Jewelry and One-of-a-Kind Items

Pocatello

Saturday, March 28, 2020: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm  
Sunday, March 29, 2020: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

\$2.00 Admission  
12 and under free (when accompanied by an adult)

## Gemstone Junction 2020

Golden Spike Gem & Mineral Society &  
The Northwest Federation of Mineralogical Societies

**Gem, Mineral, Rock, & Fossil Show**

Golden Spike Event Center - Weber County Fairgrounds  
1000 N. 1200 W. Ogden, Utah

Friday April 10, 2020 9 AM - 6 PM  
Saturday April 11, 2020 10 AM - 6 PM  
Sunday April 12, 2020 10 AM - 4 PM

Donations: Adults - \$3 Ages 12 to 18 - \$2 Under 12 - Free

**Easter Weekend Special**  
Friday April 10 - families with kids under 12 admitted free  
Saturday April 11 - free Easter egg for kids under 12\*  
\*while supplies last



## WASATCH GEM SOCIETY

Annual LARGEST CLUB SHOW IN UTAH...

**Gem Mineral Fossil Show!**

\$2.00 Adults  
Kids under 12 FREE!

**APRIL 2020**  
FRIDAY 17TH 10am - 6pm  
SATURDAY 18TH 10am - 6pm  
SUNDAY 19TH 10am - 4pm

DOOR PRIZES • WHEEL OF FORTUNE • ROCK BAGS  
SILENT AUCTION • KIDS TABLE • DEMONSTRATIONS  
SHOW CASE DISPLAYS • SHOW & TELL

DEALERS OF CRYSTALS, ROCK, MINERALS,  
FOSSILS, WOOD, GEMSTONES, JEWELRY, DINO BONE  
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## 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.

The Cache Rock and Gem Club presents:

**2020: A Rock Odyssey**  
Rock & Gem Show

May 14, 15, 16, 2020  
Free Admission

Thursday and Friday 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Cache County Events Center  
450 South 500 West, Logan, Utah

Rocks, Minerals, Fossils, Jewelry, Displays  
Educational Exhibits, Hands-on Demos  
Supplies, Vendors, Door Prizes

Activities for the kids:  
Wheel of Fortune, Mystery Bags,  
Treasure Hunt, and Rock Painting

For groups of 20 or more, please contact  
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or call 435-760-1921

[cacherockgemclub.weebly.com](http://cacherockgemclub.weebly.com)

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## Club Member Advertisements

**Bob & Maria Stewart**  
[mexicanroseagate.com](http://mexicanroseagate.com)

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.

## Craig's Wire Wrappings

Professional quality wire wrapping of cabochons. Tree of Life pendants and gemstone necklaces. Also wrap coins, crystals or unusual shape stones, sea glass or tumbled glass. I wrap with copper, sterling silver and gold wire. Club member discount. See examples on FB, Craig's Wire Wrappings. 435.730.5556.

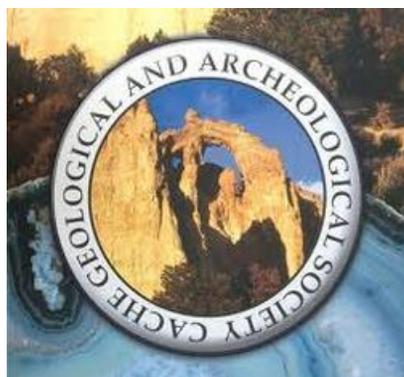


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