



# Beehive Buzzer

The official Newsletter of the Beehive Rock and Gem Club, Ogden UT



## Beehive Annual Auction

**Tuesday, Mar 28, 2017**  
Golden Hours Senior Center  
650 East 25th St., Ogden, UT

**Auction setup will begin at 5:30 pm**  
**Auction Preview 6:00 - 6:30 pm**  
**Auction begins promptly at 6:30 pm**

The auction is only possible because of donations from generous members, such as, you. So take a minute and go through your collection and see if there is anything you can donate. We are not picky and we have seen a lot of interesting items: rocks, tools, jewelry, and even an awning a couple of years ago. Slabs are appreciated, too.

Bring your donations before 6:00 pm, if possible, so they can be part of the viewing or you can donate them ahead of time to Jason Meyer (801-690-6479) or Debbie Larsen (385-319-2808).

Bring your checkbook or cash for any good opportunities. It is always great fun and there are always bargains to be had. It has also been a very successful way to raise funds for the club. So successful, that we have not had to raise club annual dues in over a decade.

### Club Calendar\*

#### March

**28 Tue Monthly Club Meeting, 6:30 pm**

#### April

**6 Thu Board Meeting, 6:30 pm**

16 Sun Easter

22 Sat Earth Day

**25 Tue Monthly Club Meeting, 7 pm**

#### May

**4 Thu Board Meeting, 6:30 pm**

14 Sun Mother's Day

17 Fro Armed Forces's Day

**23 Tue Monthly Club Meeting, 7 pm**

29 Monday Memorial Day

#### June

**2 Thu Board Meeting, 6:30 pm**

12 Sun Daylight Saving Time

17 Fro St. Patrick's Day

**28 Tue Monthly Club Meeting, 7 pm**

\* (Club activities in Bold)



## Rock Collection Boxes

The Club will be doing a project together of assembling a "Rock Collection Box" for each family so that they have a "Reference Library" of the rocks we go out rock hounding for on our field trips. Even if "You" are already an expert this is also a great tool to put together to give to your kids or grandkids to help them learn about the different types of rocks.

### Collection Box Example



Actual box may vary.

The Cost of each box including the rocks and labels will be \$6 payable at the May meeting.

Anyone who would be interested in donating rock samples for the boxes please call Debbie Larsen at 385-319-2808 for more information and details.

We would like all of the members to participate in this project. If you don't want a Rock Collection Box you may donate it to the club after you have put it together to give to future new members. Just think how nice that would be for a new person/family!

Look forward to doing this project together,  
Debbie and Tom Larsen

### Name Tags

For future monthly meetings, we will try to have name tags available so we can learn everyone's name better.

Please do not hesitate to introduce yourself to anyone you do not know. We are all friends we haven't met yet.

## Buckets Still Available

Last month, we announced that Tom Larsen has a source for 4-gallon square buckets with lids for \$1 each. The initial demand quickly depleted Tom's stock on hand. Tom is sure he can get more from his source. If you are interested in purchasing buckets, contact Tom Larsen at [tomlarsen36@gmail.com](mailto:tomlarsen36@gmail.com) or 801-390-8270.



### Why did the Easter egg hide?



He was a little chicken!

In winter, I plot and plan. In spring, I move.  
*Henry Rollins*

Brainyquote.com

**Reminder: This monthly meeting time has changed due to the auction. Come between 6-6:30 pm to review all the great items! Auction starts promptly at 6:30.**

## Tour of Eccles Dinosaur Park

By Dave Harris

Jeff Bond, Science Education Coordinator at the George S. Eccles Dinosaur Park, gave us an incredible tour of the museum. You may remember Jeff gave us a wonderful presentation at a monthly meeting on dinosaurs and fossils in the recent past. Thanks to our Buck Frost and Dave Offret for helping with the lab demonstration. They are also volunteers at the museum. **See page 7 for events this Summer at the park** graciously provided by Jeff.











## Howdy, Beehive Rockhounds!

This summer the George S. Eccles Dinosaur Park will get even wilder: *Spinosaurus aegypticus* will join our menagerie of over 50 prehistoric animal sculptures. This huge new exhibit will open on July 1<sup>st</sup> during a special event featuring new activities and special guests.

The fun continues throughout the summer with new exhibits and experiments at the Science Education Center, science demos throughout the park, and the Summer Lecture Series each Saturday at 1:00 and 3:00. This series of interactive presentations delves into a new topic each week. Two of the lectures address topics of interest to enthusiasts: this year we will tackle the science of classifying and identifying prehistoric organisms, as well as exploring how scientists calculate the age of fossils. Mark your calendars for these two special presentations and the rest of the series:

### June

3: How to Take a Road Trip through Time (Especially for Kids)

10: Creature Feature: Ammonites

17: The Ends of the World: Top Five Mass Extinctions

24: Treasures in Amber

### July

1: Creature Feature: Spinosaurus

8: The Dinosaurs That Weren't . . . or WERE They?

15: Older than Rocks: How Scientists Find the Stones' Age (For Enthusiasts)

22: The History of Studying Prehistory

29: What's New in Paleontology, 2016-2017 Edition

### August

5: Saturday Morning Cartoons: Dinosaurs Onscreen (Especially for Kids)

12: Creature Feature: Brontosaurus

19: Phylogenetics: the Genealogy of Species (For Enthusiasts)

26: Growing up in the Mesozoic

For more information on these and other activities at the park this year, visit [dinosaurpark.org](http://dinosaurpark.org), and while you're there, check out the News and Updates section for some of the latest info on paleontology. If you have questions, feel free to contact me via email at [jeff@dinosaurpark.org](mailto:jeff@dinosaurpark.org).

Jeff Bond, Education Director

# Gemstone Junction 2017

Golden Spike Gem & Mineral Society  
Presents.....The 66<sup>th</sup> annual

## Gem, Mineral, Rock, & Fossil Show

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



« PLENTY OF FREE PARKING »

Friday  
April 7, 2017  
9 AM – 6 PM

Saturday  
April 8, 2017  
10 AM – 6 PM

Sunday  
April 9, 2017  
10 AM – 4 PM

**ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:** Rock Identification ~ Touch and See Area ~ Gem Search ~ Grab Bags ~ Wheel of Fortune ~ Door Prizes ~ “Mr. Bones” Walking Dinosaurs ~ Lapidary Demonstrations ~ Gold Panning ~ Educational exhibits ~ Silent Auction ~ 25 Dealers selling all things rock related

**Spring Break Special  
Friday April 7, 2017 only  
Families with children  
Under 12 FREE**



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



**For More Information:** Phone (385) 205-9187  
[Goldenspikegem.org](http://Goldenspikegem.org)  
Or check our Facebook Page:  
**Golden Spike Gem & Mineral Society**

Boy Scouts, Webelos, Cub Scouts, and Girl Scouts in uniform (including their leader) FREE OF CHARGE.



**Officers & Club Information**

**2016 Board of Directors**

**Officers**

President	Jason Meyer	801-690-6479
Vice President	Debbie Larsen	385-319-2808
Secretary	Dave Offret	801-791-6081
Treasurer	David Law	801-644-4931

**Activity Committee and Chairpersons**

Field Trip Leader	Roger Bush	801-388-8605
Field Trip Coordinator	Dennis Anderson	801-425-7470
Program	Tom & Debbie Larsen	

Door Prize	Jim Alexander	385-319-2808
Hospitality	Linda Pilcher	801-392-7620
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**Federation Representatives**

Rocky Mountain Federation Delegate	Dan Siler
Utah Federation Delegate	Open
Public Land Advisory Committee	Jim Alexander

**Club Affiliations**

The Beehive Rock & Gem Club began in April of 1970 and is a member of the following:

- Utah Federation of Mineralogical Societies
- Rocky Mountain Federation of Mineralogical Societies
- American Federation of Mineralogical Societies
- Scribe

**Advertising Rates:**

For sale ads are permitted for members at no charge. Business advertisements will be charged at the rate of \$5.00 for ¼ page or 15 cents per word for less than ¼ page.

**Objectives of the Club**

The purpose of our club is to stimulate interest in the collection of rocks, minerals, gem materials, and legal fossils. To discuss and impart our knowledge of the different phases of collecting, cutting,

polishing and displaying them. Also to organize educational meetings, field trips and similar events while enjoying and protecting our natural resources.

**Membership Dues**

Annual membership dues for adult members are:

\$11	Adult Single
\$16	Couple or Family
\$5	Junior Single (Under 18 and not part of a family membership)

Dues are due October 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.

**Meetings**

General club meetings are held at 7 pm on the fourth Tuesday of each month at the Golden Hours Senior Center located at 650 E 25<sup>th</sup> St, Ogden, Utah.

All visitors are welcome!

Board Meetings are held at 7 pm on the first Thursday of each month at the Golden Hours Senior Center located at 650 E 25<sup>th</sup> St, Ogden, Utah.

**Mailing Address**

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**Newsletter**

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