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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

By Tom Burchard



There is no Presidents Message this month. Tom is at Camp Paradise and didn't get one sent to me. The application for Zyzxx is not yet available for publication in case you were looking for it.

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Oct 5..... deadline for Nov newsletter
Nov 13-15. . . . Fall Business Meeting, Visalia

Please send any information you want included in the Directors packets for the Fall Business Meeting by Oct 31. If unable to meet this deadline, please bring 100 copies to the meeting. Thank you

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NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

The deadline for the newsletter is the 5th day of the month prior to the month of publication. Articles should be sent to the editor at bplarue@earthlink.net. “snail mail”? Please send to the CFMS PO Box 1657, Rialto, CA 92377-1657.

DONATIONS

Donations to any of the funds administered by CFMS and/or AFMS are tax deductible under the rules governing tax exempt organizations which are 501(c)(3). Your cancelled check or receipt is considered to be proof of your donation for purposes of filing your federal tax return. If a personal donation is \$250 or more, a letter attesting to that amount is also required. Member clubs and individuals are encouraged to donate to any of the following:

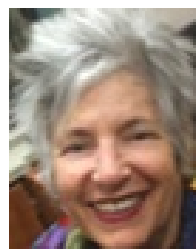
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Receipts and any supporting documents will be forwarded on to the committee member responsible for acknowledgements. **Please make all checks payable to CFMS or AFMS as appropriate and note the fund in the memo section.**

VISUAL LIBRARY

By Sharon Rogow, Chair



Just a short note this time to thank those who are using our program library and sending back the DVDs in a timely manner. (10 days after use) Also, a reminder, please call me at least 10 days before your program date if you have not received your program or heard from me. Occasionally, I have device issues! At the moment, many CFMS emails have disappeared so I do not have the information to send out one of the programs. (one case only and, no, I did not delete them!!) I am working feverishly to correct this! Contact me any time.
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CFMS FALL BUSINESS MEETING

By Pat LaRue

The annual Fall Business Meeting and election of 2016 Officers will be held November 13-15, 2015 at the Wyndham–Visalia (formerly Holiday Inn), off Hwy 198 in Visalia, CA. For

those who have not been to this location in the past, take Hwy 198 exit east from Hwy 99. You will see the hotel located just south of the first off ramp past the airport. This is the same hotel we've used in the past. As of September 1 it became part of the Wyndham hotel family. I am assured that they will honor the \$89 room rate. Since some of the people working the reservation desk may not be aware of the arrangement, it is suggested that you ask for Vanessa or Evelyn in the sales department Monday - Friday 9 am - 5 pm . Do not try to register online!

Room reservations can be made by phone at **(559) 651-5000**. To receive the special CFMS rate of \$89 per night, tell them you are with CFMS. Cut-off date for this price is **November 9, 2015**. The first night's deposit or guarantee by credit card must accompany your reservation. Do not make reservations through the website; call them directly.

An informal **Cracker Barrel** will be held **Friday** evening at **7:30 p.m.** As in the past, hotel policy forbids our bringing snack foods to any of the meetings. The **Business Meeting** will be called to order on Saturday, **November 14 at 9 a.m.** President-elect John Martin will have a brief meeting of his 2016 committee chairpersons on Sunday a.m., time to be announced.

Banquet Menu:

Beef & Chicken Duo

Caesar Salad

Marinated Charbroiled Bistro Filet Served with Cabernet Reduction

Grilled Chicken Breast in Mushroom and Sun Dried Tomato Cream Sauce

Seasonal Vegetables

Roasted Garlic Red Potatoes

Dinner Rolls and Butter

New York Style Cheesecake

\$37 tax and gratuity included.

Vegetarian and gluten free options available upon request.

Make banquet reservations by November 7, 2015.

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NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Nominees for 2016 Officers

By Ted Magee, Chair

The nominating committee hereby submits the following slate for CFMS Officers.

President	John Martin
1 st Vice President/Pres elect	Margaret Kolaczyk
2 nd Vice President	Kim Campbell Erb
Treasurer	Tony Fender
Secretary	Louisa Carey

At any time prior to forty-five (45) days before the November Business Meeting, member societies may send to the nomination committee the names and qualifications of any candidates they wish to nominate for any CFMS office.

Nominations may be made from the floor at the Fall Business Meeting with the consent of the person to be nominated. Otherwise, the person making the nomination must provide the Directors with the nominee's qualifications.





ATTENTION FIELD TRIP LEADERS

by Mark Nelson, EMT

Field trip leaders, you are a **key person** in your lapidary club! You are not only a person who is tasked to lead a pack of rockhounds for the day or weekend. You are a guide, nurse, medic and shepherd. Our members look to our field trip leaders for more than a person to show them where to find collectible minerals. They look to you for an interesting and safe experience. They want a person to tell them what to bring, where to go, what to find - and then get them home safely with their finds. Too often on a field trip the leader will arrive at an area, get out, show the members what to collect and let them know to be back at a certain time - that's it. No safety information. At other times the field trip leader will say "Be sure to watch out for rattlesnakes!" The members leave the meeting place in fear of imagined giant predator reptiles prone to attack unwary rockhounds – and clueless of any other threat to their health and well-being.

I regularly give talks and instruction on safety preparedness. I always ask what the members think is the #1 threat to rockhounds on field trips. Unfortunately, all too often the time the response is "Rattlesnakes!", despite the fact that most of us will never see one in the wild. Recently I gave a talk to the Monrovia Rockhounds and was gratified to receive the answer as "Dehydration" – and this from a club that is rebuilding their field trip activity after a hiatus! I was impressed.

As a field trip leader we have to stop using the boogeyman threat of a venomous snake to teach our members how to safely enjoy their outing. Our members will focus on this as the key danger and won't be aware of the real threats. Let's educate ourselves on the risks - general and site-specific - and share them with our members calmly and clearly. If we do that we can help increase the chances that they will have a safe, pleasant and memorable experience. Here are two that should be top on the list of every on-site talk about safety issues:

Dehydration. The **number one safety threat** to rockhounds on field trips is having their bodies run low on water! This slow, silent threat doesn't announce its presence with loud reptilian vibrating rattles, hissing or screeching. It drains our muscles of energy and our minds of clear thought. It causes our body to stumble and our mind to fail to recognize it. In no time the risk of falling, bone fractures and head injuries increases and leads to heat exhaustion and heat stroke - **serious medical injuries!** Field trip leaders, you are the key! In your bulletin tell

members to bring lots of water and to start drinking it early on the way to the site. When you get to the site advise them to drink continually through the day.

Trip and fall. The second most serious danger on nearly every field trip is that of tripping and falling. We get so fixated on looking for that special crystal or jasper one moment that the next moment we are wondering what that hard rock is doing on our back – and we realize that it is the ground! In a flash our life potentially changes. Again, no wildly vibrating reptile rattle and or a bite that may or may not be venomous, but the real potential for an extremely serious injury. Field trip leaders – again you are the key! At every field trip, before you let anyone wander out on their own, get everyone together for a safety orientation talk. Pick up a small rock from the ground and hold it up to the gathered members. Ask if they know what it is. After the guesses of jasper, granite, schist, leaverite and such – let them know that this is one of the **greatest dangers they will find on the field trip.** Let them know that they **MUST** watch where every step is placed so that they will always be on firm footing.

Should we ignore snakes? Of course not – but no more than we would ignore the danger of molesting any of the other wildlife that inhabit our western states – mammals, reptiles, insects, marsupials, gastropods and others. Simply prepare a statement that says to give all wildlife respect, don't molest them and avoid any contact with them. Suggest that they get a photo from a distance and submit it to their bulletin editor!

Retrieve discarded recyclables. Here's a tip: Want to start a trend of being a club that is known to be responsible for improving their collecting areas? Bring a collapsible trash can and liner. Ask that every member on the field trip retrieve discarded recyclables – plastic and glass bottles, tin and aluminum cans. Not huge amounts, but if you are a group of 10 on a field trip and everyone brings back 2 recyclables each time they return to their car, just think of the amount of such debris your club is removing from the collecting areas! With the redemption value of 5 to 10 cents each it will help your club's field trip first aid kit fund. If you encounter the land owner or government representative let them know what you are doing. It will raise the status of your group and you will be setting another example of the kind of things that an effective field trip leader does.



Beware of wild marsupials!

Be safe out there!



ROCKHOUNDS AND PHISHING

By Linda Nelson, CPA
Pasadena Lapidary Society

We use email to communicate with each other and to share our finds with others. We work hard and save our earnings to enable us to enjoy our hobby. However, there are those who would like to take our earnings away from us and from our friends. They do this by “Phishing” (fishing), a process by which a thief sends an innocent-looking email designed to make us think they are helping us. Here is an example I received:

Subject: Incoming Mails

Date: 7/7/2015 8:46:32 A.M. Pacific Daylight Time

From: taehun@hanmail.net

Dear AOL User, Your mailbox has exceeded the storage limit is 1 GB, which is defined by the administrator, are running at 99.8 gigabytes, you can not send or receive new messages until you re-validate your mailbox. To Update, Please Click : UPDATE» AOL Mail Privacy Policy | AOL Privacy Policy | Web Beacons in Email — Please do not reply to this message. This is a service email related to your use of aol Mail. AOL is located at 701 First Avenue, Sunnyvale, CA 94089

Other common phishing headings are: Incoming Mails On Hold; Mail Service Update; Incoming Email; Hello are you there; Business Proposal; Suspension Level; Your Mail Outgoing and Incoming is blocked. Reason :Daily Mail Bounce Count Exceeds Limit; Account Upgrade; Account User Quarantine; Account Validation; Payment Receipt; Your email account.

If you notice the person sending the sample email, the server is @hanmail.net. Hanmail is the most popular email service in South Korea. The email asks you to click on an UPDATE or other seemingly simple link to fix the problem. They may ask you to confirm your password or to log in to your account through their link. **When you do they capture your access password and can read all email you read or sent!** Some fishing emails contain a picture. If you open the email it plants malware on your computer that can take enable it to steal your contacts, friends, passwords and banking information. Then the thief can contact your friends and use your own email to invade their computers.

Did you enter any username or password without going to the website in the normal fashion? If you did, you need to immediately log into those accounts (and all other accounts which used the same password) and change your password. So if you entered your email login credentials (such as @Verizon.com), immediately go to the real Verizon website, log into your account, and change your master password to a completely different one which is secure (long and hard to guess). If your password is shorter than 10 characters, it's too short! To see a list of phishing scams targeted at Arizona State University, see this link: <https://getprotected.asu.edu/phishing>. If you suspect your computer has been infected, take it to a reputable servicer, such as Computer Village in San Dimas, CA or contact your local Best Buy Geek Squad which can come to your home to service your computer.



WHY DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS INSURANCE?

By Fred Ott, Insurance Chair

By virtue of being on the Board of Directors of our individual societies, each of us is legally obligated to perform our duties of due diligence, obedience and loyalty. Failure to perform any of our legal obligations through wrongful acts or negligence can be the basis for a lawsuit.

The Directors and Officers of our individual societies may be held personally liable, not only for our own acts and obligations, but for those of our society as well.....meaning that our society can also be sued....putting all of its assets at risk; this could easily destroy a society!

A very important point to remember is that it is not uncommon for lawsuits ‘alleging’ wrongful acts or negligence to be groundless and/or opportunistic. Without Directors and Officers Liability Insurance, we and our societies would incur all of the costs to defend a lawsuit, regardless of the outcome.

More next month.....



ROCKHOUND OF THE YEAR

By Nancy Bird, Chair

The **El Dorado County Mineral and Gem Society** is proud to recognize **Bob Cerrato** as our Society’s Rockhound of

the Year.

Bob joined our society in 1995, and his contributions have been numerous. For 12 years, Bob chaired our Society’s Grab Bag committee, which involved coordinating the gathering of needed rocks, “stuffing day” and delivering the bags to the annual County Fair hosting activities and our Rock and Gem Show.

Bob has maintained the Society’s trailers, display supplies, and equipment, which he transports to our annual show and county fair. For many years, Bob has coordinated the purchase of geodes for our annual show from dealers in Tucson, personally transporting them back, storing them at his home and maintaining inventory. Bob is best known as “Rock Man Bob” in our Society. We are all so proud of the contributions that he has made to the success of our Society!

Submitted by Fred Ott

Sierra Pelona Rock Club nominated member **Shep Koss** for CFMS Rockhound of the Year. Shep was a Federation Field Trip leader and Director for many years, a scouting rockhounding mentor, and an advocate for the protection of our collecting sites. He co-authored the book “Rockhounding California,” searched out new collecting areas; he was always been available to anyone in need of help or advice, including his disabled brother.

Shep donated his fossil find of the sea lion “Allodesmus,” to the Natural History Museum of L.A. for research and education programs. Shep mentored many new enthusiasts to our hobby over the years. Those folks are now teaching the new ones about cutting, shaping, polishing stones, bench techniques, seeking out collecting sites and mineral identification, so the gift of his knowledge continues. Shep passed away September 1, 2015, but his legacy will surely live on. We are proud to name Shep Koss our Rockhound of the Year 2015.

Submitted by Janelle Williams, Ken Rogers & Nancy Bird

Loretta Ogden joined **North Orange County Gem & Mineral Society** approximately in 1992. Loretta has been a tremendous asset and active member to our Society holding many positions.

From the beginning, she was very interested in learning lapidary and followed as education teacher and instructor in monthly classes within the City of La Habra Community Center and participated in jewelry making in the many Gem Shows of which she was also Show and Dealer Chairman.

Loretta was elected and served as President in 1996 and 1997. She has been the Federation Director from NOC for many years and has held several positions in the CFMS. She has always been on the Board and is often the lead teacher for our classes.

Loretta always goes out of her way to please her students and everybody, always has a smile on her face. She also helps her husband Don Ogden, Editor of our monthly Newsletter. Our members could not function without Loretta being around. I, and all of our Directors feel Loretta Ogden deserves being recognized as 2015 Rockhound of the year award.

Submitted by Ofelia Warthen, President

ROCKHOUND OF THE YEAR REMINDER



Time is running out for your nominations for Adult and Junior Rockhound of the Year awards! You really only have 4 more months to get them to me. The cut off date is Dec. 31, but it would be best to send them in asap as I make up the parchments for our CFMS President to sign at the November Federation meeting.

There are many people I know deserving of this honor. I bet each one of you reading this knows of someone in your club who does, too. It's easy!! Write up 150 words, or less, on what these people do for our hobby and email it to me, nancyjbird@verizon.net

Thanks, Nancy



CFMS HISTORIAN

By John Martin, 1st Vice President

The year of 2016 is going to be a distressing year for the continuing Historical accounting of the California Federation of Mineralogical Societies.

Shirley Leeson is stepping down as the CFMS Historian after more than 20 years of serving as the committee chairperson. Over the years she has accumulated many stories, newsletters, pictures and records of most all CFMS activities. She is going to continue to support CFMS but will be unable to continue to store and maintain the CFMS Historical Records. All of CFMS thanks her for her many years of dedicated and generous service to CFMS. The Historical documentation is being removed from Shirley's residence and will put in a storage unit where it will be reviewed and to determine the best way to preserve the historical documentation of CFMS activities. As of now the CFMS is looking for a person to head the CFMS Historian Committee for 2016 and beyond.

From among all of the active members of CFMS Clubs and Societies it is time for a person to step up and meet the challenge and fill this very important committee chairmanship. Anyone interested in chairing this important CFMS committee please contact the CFMS President, Tom Burchard roxhund@aol.com or 1st Vice-President John Martin, smartin@antelecom.net.

Below are the duties and responsibilities of the Historian position for the California Federation of Mineralogical Societies from the current *CFMS Officers & Chairmen's Manual* as published on the CFMS Website.

HISTORIAN

Provide a chronological history of the activities of the CFMS.

General Responsibilities

1. Preserve and maintain a file of all copies of the Federation Newsletter.
2. Maintain a chronological file of the Minutes of all meetings of the CFMS Board of Directors and the Executive Committee.
3. Maintain a written and pictorial record of annual shows, including pictures, awards, and a copy of the Show Program.
4. Provide an exhibit at the CFMS Convention and Show when requested, or for special anniversary years.

5. Extract articles and pictures pertinent to CFMS from newsletters of other Federations, *Rock & Gem* magazine, *Jewelry Artist/Lapidary Journal*, and any other Earth Science magazines that publish such information.
6. Inform members of interesting events from the past by writing articles for the Federation Newsletter.
7. Encourage member societies to compile histories and send a copy to the CFMS Historian for inclusion in the Historian's files.
8. Make archival materials available to any Federation Officer or Chair requesting them. Provide photocopies when possible. A signed receipt should accompany all loaned materials.
9. Encourage local clubs and societies to help CFMS build and maintain a Historical Cab Collection from materials within the local region of each CFMS society.



I'd like to thank John Martin for the kind words in the September CFMS Newsletter.... My decision to step down as CFMS Historian was caused by the realization that I was finally getting old and tired...that said, a full hip replacement is coming in two weeks and I don't know the future but expect to be better than ever after surgery, so I may see you again soon.

I need to transfer all the files, filing cabinets, tote boxes and cardboard boxes that make up the CFMS Historian's files to somewhere safe and dry because I could, at a moments notice leave the state for another place of residence with my daughter...my only family left, if they decide California is no longer a hospitable place to live. I don't want to wait till the last minute and leave those who need to collect all this data hard pressed to find a location for all of the accumulation.

I'd like to leave you with a thought.....I have been Historian for the AFMS and CFMS and in both cases early records were lost. We have a history to be proud of and I'd like to see a person who is dedicated take the helm and get this information into the 'cloud' or some other electronic files that won't get lost or forgotten as in the past. However, there are still items from the shows to be taken care of .. so you will still have boxes to take care of. Example: The Past President's memorabilia and the CFMS cab collection and all the show 'favors'.

YOU are the CFMS and YOU make the history....please never forget that!

Shirley Leeson



ROCKHOUND SOAP BOX

CFMS Public Lands Advisory
Committee

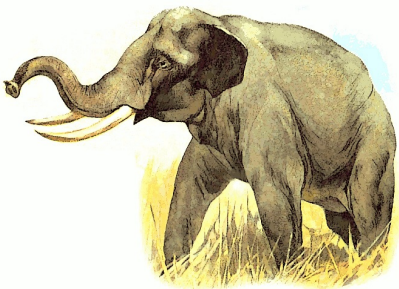
John Martin Committee Chair

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In light of the incident with the killing of Cecil the lion in Zimbabwe which even though it was unfortunate and should have never happened, it has no real affect on the collecting of Rocks, Minerals and Fossils. It does however tend to bring the hobby of collecting natural resources a bit more into the spotlight.

How does the taking of a lion in Zimbabwe affect me as a Rockhound collecting rocks, minerals and fossils in the United States? In reality it has no affect on you as a Rockhound. It does bring to light another issue that may have an affect on Rockhounds. That is the collecting, possession, use, selling, buying and trading in African Elephant Ivory.

The CFMS has had a ban on Ivory in its shows for many years now and the ban has been adopted by many of the Regional Federations also. However, for those who may have collected Ivory in the past or inherited Ivory, the rules are changing. There are several US Fish and Wildlife rules in the proposal stage and a senate bill introduced on July 15, 2015 that may have a significant effect on your possession of your Ivory. These rules, regulations and legislation activities can be found on the American Lands Access Association's website www.amlands.org on the Public Service page under **United States Ivory Ruling**. If you own Ivory, please take the time to read and understand how these new laws and rulings may have an affect you and your Ivory.



JUNIORS ACTIVITIES

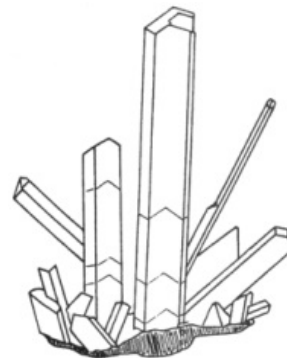
By Jim Brace-Thompson

Kids Kits

If you, too, are on the online mailing list for The Gem Shop (creators of the annual “Calendar of Fine Agates & Jaspers”), then in August you, too, received notice of their “Kids Kits.” For everyone else, here’s the deal. The Gem Shop (located in Cedarburg, Wisconsin) offers three great kits for kids with a budding interest in the earth sciences. These include:

- Fossil Excavation Kit. Using wooden chisels and brushes, kids dig fossils out of plaster blocks and match them to an identification chart. Possibilities include fossils like shark teeth and snails.
- Wack ‘n Crack Geode Kit. Kids learn how geodes form and then crack open ones of their own to discover crystal wonders within.
- Soapstone Putty Kits. Kids create their own putty from soapstone, water and other supplied ingredients, then dye them any colors they wish.

To get more details about these and other products designed for a child’s interest, go to the Kid’s Corner page of The Gem Show website at thegemshop.com/collections/tgs-kids-corner. The Gem Shop offers a variety of hands-on activity-based projects that assist us in our efforts at inspiring kids and keeping it fun!



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Shows and Events

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Please submit your

*Show or Event information as soon as
you have a date.*

Email or mail to:

SHOW DATES

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Quartz Hill, CA 93536

Email: slechaisson@yahoo.com

Or use the Online Show Form

at www.cfmsinc.org

(click on Shows)

You should receive a confirmation

within 5 days after submitting your

Show Date information !

2015

October 3 & 4: VISTA, CA

Vista Gem & Mineral Society
Antique Gas & Steam Engine Museum
2040 North Santa Fe Avenue
Hours: Sat.10-5; Sun 10-4
Ray Pearce (760) 535-5524
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October 3 & 4: BORON, CA

Mojave Mineralogical Society
Boron Park
12000 Boron Avenue
Hours: 9 am – 4 pm Daily
Steve Breckenridge (760) 559-0872
rock5b@starband.net

October 10: MARIPOSA, CA

Mariposa Gem & Mineral Club
Mariposa County Fairgrounds
Hours: 10am – 5pm
Nikki West (209) 742-4234
mcmc@sti.net

October 10 & 11: TRONA, CA

Searles Lake Gem & Mineral Society
SLG&MS Show Building
13337 Main Street
Hours: Sat. 7-5 & Sun 7-4
Jim & Bonnie Fairchild (760) 372-5356
slgms@iwvisp.com
www1.iwvisp.com/tronagemclub/

October 10 & 11: ANDERSON, CA

Shasta Gem & Mineral Society
Shasta District Fairgrounds
1890 Briggs Street
Hours: Sat. 9-5; Sun. 10-4
Kelly O'Leary (530) 722-7133
shastagemandmineral@gmail.com
shastagemandmineral.com

October 10 & 11: GRASS VALLEY, CA

Nevada County Gem & Mineral Society
Nevada County Fairgrounds
McCourtney Road
Hours: 10a.m. – 5p.m. Daily
Anita Wald-Tuttle (530) 277-6195
anitaw113@gmail.com

October 11: FALLBROOK, CA

Fallbrook Gem & Mineral Society
123 West Alvarado Street
Hours: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Fallbrook G&M Society (760) 728-1130
fgms@sbcglobal.net
www.fgms.org

October 17: WEST HILLS, CA

Woodland Hills Rock Chippers
First United Methodist Church
22700 Sherman Way
Hours 10am-5pm
Anita Niles (818) 349-2943
Info@rockchippers.org
www.rockchippers.org

October 17 & 18: WHITTIER, CA

Whittier Gem & Mineral Society
Whittier Community Center
7630 Washington Avenue
Hours: 10am – 5pm Daily
Marcia Goetz (626) 260-7239

October 17 & 18: PLACERVILLE, CA

El Dorado Mineral & Gem Society
El Dorado County Fairgrounds
100 Placerville Drive
Hours: 10a.m. – 5p.m. Daily
Karen Newlin (530) 676-2472
info@rockandgemshow.org
www.rockandgemshow.org

October 24 & 25: LOS ALTOS, CA

Peninsula Gem & Mineral Society
Los Altos Youth Center
One No. San Antonio
Hours: 10 a.m. – 5p.m. Daily
Steve Jobe (480) 834-5384
Steve_jobe@sbcglobal.net
<http://piggs.org/>

November 7 & 8: ANAHEIM, CA

American Opal Society
The Phoenix Club
1340 South Sanderson Avenue
Hours: Sat. 10-6; Sun. 10-5
Veronica Purpura (714) 501-9959
info@opalsociety.org
<http://opalsociety.org>

November 7 & 8: RIDGECREST, CA

Indian Wells Gem & Mineral Society
Desert Empire Fairgrounds
520 South Richmond Road
Hours: 8am – 5pm Daily
John DeRosa (760) 375-7905
jfrocks@dslextre.me.com

November 7 & 8: OXNARD, CA

Oxnard Gem & Mineral Society
Oxnard Performing Arts Center
800 Hobson Way
Hours: Sat. 9-5; Sun. 10-4
Josephine Martinez (805) 701-1826
josephinecmartinez@gmail.com
oxnardgem.com
http://www.oxnardgem.com/html/gem_show.html

November 14 & 15: YUBA CITY, CA

Sutter Buttes Gem & Mineral Society
Yuba Sutter Fairgrounds-Franklin Hall
442 Franklin Avenue
Hours: Sat. 9-5; Sun. 9-4
Katie Slightam (530) 673-9649
mktalternatives@comcast.net

November 21 & 22: APPLE VALLEY, CA

Victor Valley Gem & Miner Club
Victor Valley Museum
11872 Apple Valley Rd.
Hours: Sat. 9-5; Sun. 9-4
Ed Skidmore (760) 243-2330
vp-shows@vvgmc.org
<http://www.vvgmc.org/gem-show>

November 21 & 22: SANTA CRUZ, CA

Santa Cruz Mineral & Gem Society
Live Oak Grange
1900 17th Avenue
Hours: 10am – 5pm Daily
Julia Cornblatt (831) 687-0509
Julia.cornblatt@gmail.com
www.scmgs.org

December 5 & 6: LAKESIDE, CA

El Cajon Valley Gem & Mineral Society
Lakeside Rodeo Grounds
12584 Mapleview Road
Hours: Sat. 9-5; Sun. 9-4
Mary Ness (619) 449-0759
ecvgsms@gmail.com
www.ecvgsms.org

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January 16 & 17: EXETER, CA

Tule Gem & Mineral Society
Exeter Veterans' Memorial Building
324 N. Kaweah Avenue
Hours: Sat. 10-5; Sun. 10-4
Margaret Buchmann (559) 799-6034
Margaretbu03@gmail.com
www.tulegem.com

March 4 – 6: NEWARK, CA
Mineral & Gem Society of Castro Valley
Newark Pavilion
6430 Thornton Avenue
Hours: Fri. & Sat. 10-6; Sun. 10-5
Cathy Miller (510) 887-9007
Cell: (510) 305-4196
showchair@mgscv.org
www.mgscv.org

March 5 & 6: VENTURA, CA
Ventura Gem & Mineral Society
Ventura County Fairgrounds
10 West Harbor Boulevard
Hours: Sat. 10-5; Sun. 10-4
Show Chair (805) 312-8467
info@VGMS.org
www.vgms.org

March 5 & 6: ARCADIA, CA
Monrovia Rockhounds
L.A. Arboretum-Ayres Hall 301 North Baldwin
Avenue
Hours: 9am - 4:30pm Daily
Jo Anna Ritchey (626) 359-1624
joannaritchey@gmail.com

March 12 & 13: SPRECKELS, CA
Salinas Valley Rock & Gem Club
Spreckels Vets Hall
5th & Llano Streets
Hours: 10-5 Daily
Karin Salomon (831) 375-5233
Kcbakes27@yahoo.com
Salinasrockandgem.com

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