Hello Fellow Rockhounds,

This month we will be having our semi-annual silent auction. Please bring items to donate for the auction. It can be anything at all, not just rock related items. Past auction items have included potted plants, baked goods, books, and many other things. Please bring quality items.

As most of you know, the annual festival is approaching fast. There are many areas where we need your help to make things go well. There will be a sign up list at the meeting. Please sign up to help in some way, whether it is Scholarship or Ticket Sales or Hospitality or the Kids Area, or somewhere else. The duties are not difficult, but we need lots of people to help. I have over 50 Dealers signed up to come. We will also have Flint knapping, the Scholarship booth, Demonstrators, the Fluorescent Mineral Display and many other activities. There is set up on Friday April 15th, and tear down on Sunday after the festival ends. We need your help in all of these areas and others. Without you, it will be tough to do. Please call June Harris at (831) 438-5150 and tell her how you can help.

It was a pleasure to meet our scholarship recipients at the February meeting. They will be helping with the Kid’s Area at the Festival. For those of you new to the club, we usually give out several scholarships each year to Earth Science majors at local universities. This year we are awarding five $1000 scholarships. The money for these scholarships is raised at the festival. The festival is also our major fundraiser for the club treasury. Without the festival income, we would need to raise membership dues significantly. The money raised at the festival pays for field trips, social events such as the Breccia printing, Founder’s Day Picnic, Installation Dinner, Cabana Club rental expenses for meetings, insurance and many other things. I look forward to working side by side with each of you to make this festival our best ever!

Also, thanks to Pat Schuesler for stepping up to fill the vacant director position on the board. I am still looking for someone who is willing to be the CFMS representative.

Happy rockhounding!

Randy Harris, President
Silent Auction at the March meeting - March 22, 2016

What's that?
Items will be offered for bid & are brought by members/guests & displayed on tables. Each item has a bid sheet. Bids are in 50 cent increments. The last name on the list wins the item, & pays the cashier.

What to bring?
Bring just about anything. Items do not have to be gem or mineral related. We have auctioned off homemade candies or cookies, plants, pottery, tools, and thingamajigs. Of course, there are always gems, minerals & samples of our member skills.

bring your item/s, find an empty spot on a table, fill out the sheet/s that will be with your item/s, and get ready to have fun.

Remember that your item is a donation to the club & that all money collected goes to help the club. We thank you in advance!

What Happens Then?
Your club president will announce each break for time to bid on the items. When the whistle blows, that bidding time period is closed. Bidders cannot even start to write their name!

There will be three bidding time periods. The president will announce the closing of each period, and the whistle will be blown.

At the end of each time period, one of the three tables will be closed, signifying that the last name on any bid sheet wins the item.

Example: The table with yellow cat sign is closed. This is the signal that you can go see if you won anything on that table. If so, pick it up & take it to the bankers table. Pay for your items and you get your winnings.

Payment: Cash or personal check. All proceeds go to the club treasury.

Suggestions:
- come early to add your item to the fun, & to see what other people have brought that you might like
- bring a tote bag for your goodies
- bring cash or check

Questions? Email MicheleSmith801@comcast.net
Sunshine

If you know of a society member who has been or is ill, had a death in the family, or has had a great event in their life, contact Margo Mosher with the news. Margo’s phone number is (408) 578-2841, or email her at margomosher@yahoo.com.

“Bragging Rights”
March’s theme and rules

For the month of March, the contest theme is something found in California. So your entry must be a rock, fossil, or mineral that is naturally occurring in California.

The “Bragging Rights” contest is for members and guests who would like to anonymously display a rock or mineral from the monthly themed category. Everyone in attendance at the meeting is given a ticket to vote for their favorite rock or mineral.

The winner is announced each month in the Breccia. The winner picks out a prize at the next general meeting and has their opportunity to “BRAG” about their winning specimen.

The winner for the month of February was Margo Mosher.
ATTENTION!

Do you realize that it is the early part of March and there have been NO individual item or case entered into our Festival this year? The deadline for entry is the 22nd of March. So, please get your entry form(s) in to Chuck Boblenz by snail-mail or e-mail as quickly as you can.

I am looking forward to hearing from you.

Chuck Boblenz
Let’s visit a show
CFMS Club Show Calendar

March 19 - 20: LEMOORE, CA, Lemoore Gem & Mineral Society, Lemoore Trinity Hall, 470 Champion Street, Hours: Sat 10 - 6; Sun 10 - 4, Contact: Christopher Werthberger, (559) 309-3433, Email: kimmorell@hotmail.com

March 26 - 27: ANGELS CAMP, CA, Calaveras Gem & Mineral Society, Calaveras County Fairgrounds, 101 Frogtown Road, Hours: Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4, Contact: Robin Williams, (209) 728-8277, Email: robinski@yahoo.com Website: www.calaverasgemandmineral.org

March 26 - 27: ROSEVILLE, CA, Roseville Rock Rollers Gem & Mineral Society, Placer County Fairgrounds, 800 All American Blvd (off Washington), Hours: Sat 10 - 5 daily, Contact: Gloria Marie, (916) 216-1114, Email: gloriarosevillerock rollers@gmail.com, Website: www.rockrollers.com Show Page

April 2 - 3: TORRANCE, CA, South Bay Lapidary & Mineral Society, Palos Verdes, Ken Miller Recreation Center 3341 Torrance Blvd (entrance on Madrona Ave.). Hours: Sat. 10 - 5; Sun. 10 - 4, Contact: Larry Hoskinson / Leslie Neff, (310) 318-2170, Email: lesneff@aol.com

April 2 - 3: CHICO, CA, Paradise Gem & Mineral Society, Silver Dollar Fairgrounds, 2357 Fair Street, Hours: 10 - 5 daily, Contact: Kevin Wright, (530) 534-8364, Website: http://pgmclub.wix.com/paradise-gem-and-mineral-club

April 8 - 10: VISTA, CA, Vista Gem & Mineral Society, Antique Gas & Steam Engine Museum, 2040 North Santa Fe Avenue, Hours: 9 - 5 daily, Contact: Ray Pearce, (760) 726-7570, Email: rayrocks@cox.net

April 9 - 10: MARIPOSA, CA, Mariposa Gem & Mineral Society, Mariposa County Fairgrounds, 5005 Fairgrounds Road (south of Mariposa on Hwy49), Hours: Sat 10 - 6; Sun 10 - 4, Contact: Martin Fodin, (209) 742-4036, Email: martin@safarigold.com, Website: www.ccmuseum.com

April 16 - 17: SAN JOSE, CA, Santa Clara Valley Gem & Mineral Society, Santa Clara County Fairgrounds, 334 Tully Road, Hours: 10 - 5 daily, Contact: June Harris, (408) 265-1422, Email: info@scvgms.org Website: www.scvgms.org

April 16 - 17: THOUSAND OAKS, CA, Conejo Gem & Mineral Club, Borchard Park Community Center, 190 Reino Road at Borchard Road, Hours: 10 - 5 daily, Contact: Robert Sankovich, (805) 494-7734, Email: rmsorqa@roadrunner.com, Website: www.csgmcs.org

April 23 - 24: ESCONDIDO, CA, Palomar Gem & Mineral Club, California Center for the Arts, 340 N. Escondido Blvd., Hours: Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4, Contact: Gayle Hamilton, (760) 726-0131, Email: gemshow@palomargem.org, Website: www.palomargem.org

April 23 - 24: PASO ROBLES, CA Santa Lucia Rock Hounds, Paso Robles Event Center, 2198 Riverside Ave. Hours: Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4, Contact: Mike Judy, (805) 238-4469, Email: mraludy@gmail.com, Website: www.srlrockhounds.org

May 7 - 8: JACKSON, CA, Amador County Gem & Mineral Society, Kennedy Mine, 12594 Kennedy Mine Rd (off Hwy 49/88), Hours: 10 - 4 daily, Contact: Gaylene Lichy, (209) 245-5388, Email: mountaingir1@volcano.net, Website: www.amadorgemandmineral.org

May 8 - 9: ANAHEIM, CA, Searchers Gem & Mineral Society, Brookhurst Community Center, 2271 W. Crescent Avenue, Hours: Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4:30, Contact: Margaret Hogarth, (909) 597-7033, Email: hogarth.m@gmail.com Website: www.searchersrocks.org

May 7 - 8: RENO, NV, Reno Gem & Mineral Society, Reno Livestock Event Center, 1350 North Wells Avenue, Hours: Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4, Contact: Daniel Ellis, (775) 229-4420, Email: sailondan55@aol.com, Website: www.renorockhounds.com

May 13 - 15: YUCAIPA, CA, Yucaipa Valley Gem & Mineral Society, Yucaipa Music & Arts Festival, Adams St. & Yucaipa Blvd Hours: Fri 6 - 9; Sat 11 - 10, Sun. 12 - 6, Contact: Lee Peterson, (909) 749-0731, Email: res09ayd@verizon.net Website: www.yvgms.org

June 3 - 5: LA HABRA, CA, North Orange County Gem & Mineral Society, La Habra Community Center, 01 W. La Habra Blvd., Hours: Fri 5 - 8; Sat 10 - 6; Sun 10 - 5, Contact: Don Warthen, 626-330-8974 Email: odwarthen@verizon.net, Website: www.nocgms.com

June 4 - 5: GLENDORA, CA, Glendora Gems & Mineral Society, Goddard Middle School, 859 E. Sierra Madre Avenue, Hours: Sat. 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4, Contact: Bonnie Bidwell, (626) 963-4638, Email: Ybidwell2@aol.com

June 25 - 26: CULVER CITY, CA, Culver City Rock & Mineral Club, Veterans Memorial Auditorium, 4117 Overland Blvd (@Culver Blvd. Near the 405 & 10 Freeways), Hours: Sat 10 - 6; Sun 10 - 5 Contact: Janice Metz, (310) 850-4398 Email: janicemtz@yahoo.com, Website: www.culvercityrocks.org
2016 SCVGMS Annual Festival Update

Support the Festival, Support the club

Car Signs
Get them placed on your car. Call Frank Mullaney, 408-691-2656 to make an appoint-

Poster and business card distribution. Contact Bob Phelps, 408-926-2091, if you can help.

Next Festival meetings
Date: March 16th
Place: Mt Mike’s Pizza, 301 E. Hamilton Ave., Campbell $5. for dinner
Time: 7:00 PM.
Everyone is welcome!!

All Hands on Deck!!
Workers needed for the following dates:
April 15 Festival Set-up
April 16 & 17
Annual Festival
Mark your 2016 calendars to plan to help for a minimum of 8 hours.

2016 Festival
Chairpersons needed for:
Photographer & Trailer Loading coordinator

All of these jobs could be shared by two people or couples. They are easy to do and require little to no time besides the time actually at the festival.

Display case entry form for non-competitive cases is available on page 11 of this newsletter.

Competitive entry form for single item and display case is available on page 9 of this newsletter.

Rules for Single item competition is on page 10 of this newsletter.
SCVGMS Festival committee

Chairman: June Harris
Radio Advertising: Marc Mullaney
Metro Advertising: June Harris
Facebook: Carissa Harris
Poster & Business Card distribution: Bob Phelps
Publications: Purchased
Club Mailings: June Harris
Announcement Scripts: Sonia Dyer
Building Layout: Randy Harris
Festival Buyer: Evan Enriquez & Carissa Harris
Competition: Chuck Boblenz
Dealers: Randy Harris
Dealer Lunch Courier: Joan Schramm
Demonstrators: Bill Simpson
Door Prizes: Bonnie LeMat and Howard Young
Event Brochure Designer: Chuck Boblenz
Exhibits: Stephen and Alan May
Flags on the Midway: Evan Enriquez
Hospitality: Sonia Dyer
Kids Area: June Harris
Memento Designer: Frank Mullaney
Nametags: David Marshall
Photographer: OPEN
Scholarship Booth: Michael Paone
Sign design and construction: Frank Mullaney
Special Attractions:
   Richard Wade: Frank Mullaney
   Donna Kelley: Frank Mullaney
   Walt Wright: Randy Harris
   Mineral and Rock ID: June Harris
   Fluorescent Mineral Exhibits: Rick Kennedy
Ticket Sales: Michele Smith
Touch Table: Jim and Missy Fox
Trailer Logistics: Cal Hanson
Treasurer: Frank Mullaney
Volunteer Coordinator: Margo Mosher
Set up committee
   Chair: Frank Mullaney
   Kids Area: June Harris
   Scholarship booth: Michael Paone
   Table Leveling: Fred Fisher & Joe Lattuada
   Table Skirting: David Marshall
   Fluorescent mineral tent: Rick Kennedy
   Display Cases: Chuck Boblenz
   Signage Placement: John Bahr
   Hospitality, Door Prizes, Tickets: Sonia Dyer, Bonnie LeMat, Howard Young
   Demonstrators: Bill Simpson
   Layout: Randy Harris

Flags on the Midway: Evan Enriquez
Trailer Unloading: Dean Welder

Tear Down Committee
Chair: OPEN
Display cases: Stephen and Alan May
Kids Area: June Harris
Scholarship booth: Michael Paone
Hospitality: Sonia Dyer
Signage Removal: John Bahr
Skirting and shims: Paul Kinyon
Flags on the Midway: Evan Enriquez
Trailer Loading: OPEN

Update on upcoming festival
By June Harris

The Festival is coming together well. We have many new people overseeing areas of the festival and they appear to have their tasks well in hand. I thank everyone who has volunteered and appreciate their diligence and commitment to staying on top of their areas.

What can you do to help??? Volunteer to work at least a couple of shifts during the festival. We always need club members to help in a variety of areas during the festival. Also, we need help during set up and especially during tear down. Tear down is done in just a few hours and usually is completed by 7:30 PM. Your help is an important part of getting it done quickly. By the end of the festival, we are all tired and many hands make light work for everyone. Without enough help, we are there until the job is done.

I will have worker sign up sheets at the March general meeting. Please come prepared to find at least a couple of time slots to help. Margo Mosher will be our volunteer coordinator throughout the festival. She will be directing people to the areas that need the most help. Please cooperate with her. Also, if you are overseeing an area and you don’t have sufficient help, please let her know.

Thank you in advance for all your hard work to make this a spectacular event.
2016 SCVGMS annual show
Timeline

Friday April 15th
7AM—Set up begins (** must be completed by noon) Please sign in when you arrive.
**Table leveling Joe Lattuada and Fred Fisher-Chairman
**Table skirting David Marshall– Chairman
**Display case building Chuck Boblenz– Chairman
**Fluorescent mineral tent Rick Kennedy– Chairman
Scholarship booth Michael Paone– Chairman
Hospitality, ticket selling, door prize area Sonia Dyer, Michele Smith, -Chairman
Kids Area June Harris– Chairman
Signage John Bahr– Chairman
Demonstrator area Bill Simpson-Chairman
Trailer unloading Dean Welder-Chairman

Noon-8PM
Dealers arrival and set up
Display Case exhibitors

8 PM
Security to check building doors to make sure locked. Check club trailers to make sure they are locked. Give overnight room monitoring last minute instructions.

Saturday, April 12th
8AM - 9:30AM—Dealer set up continues
8:30 AM - Show flags to be placed along Tully Rd & down the esplanade.
9:45AM– Workers need to be in place in the booth and receiving instructions.
9:55 AM—Five minute warning by announcer that the doors will be opening.
10 AM– Doors open.
11 AM Richard Wade’s Volcano show
1 PM Richard Wade’s Dinosaur show
3 PM Richard Wade’s Volcano show
4:00 PM Bring in flags from front of fairgrounds (along Tully Rd.)
4:50 PM Announcer makes announcement about show closing.
5:00 PM Show closes, Security sweep/customers need to be escorted from building.

Sunday, April 13th
8:30 AM - Show flags need to placed in front of Fairgrounds & down the esplanade.
9:45AM– Workers need to be in place in the booth and receiving instructions.
9:55 AM—Five minute warning by announcer that the doors will be opening.
10 AM– Doors open.
11 AM Richard Wade’s Dinosaur show
1 PM Richard Wade’s Volcano show
3 PM Richard Wade’s Dinosaur show
4:00 PM Begin bringing in flags from along Tully Rd and the esplanade
4:50 PM Announcer makes announcement about show closing.
5 PM Show closes, customers need to be escorted from building.
Security to announce all clear before teardown begins. Club members need to watch doors to keep undesirables out. Only people with wristbands will be allowed in the building. Paid security to monitor dealer loading and club trailers.
Exhibitors remove case contents & then display cases are dismantled and stored in trailers. Tear down of club booths begins. Blue Table skirting on club tables to be folded and stored in club trailer.
Please get your application in to the Chairman, Chuck Boblenz, as soon as possible, and you will need to have an application for each piece you are displaying. If you have questions, give Chuck a call at (408) 734-2473 and he will be glad to help. Items to be judged must be given to the Chairman on setup day. **No items will be accepted for competition on setup day without a completed application that was turned in by the deadline below.**

Application for Single Item Entry in SCVGMS Festival, April 16 & 17, 2016 **One entry per form, please.**

Name of competitor: _________________________________________________

Phone Number: ______________________  Email: ________________________________________

Category you wish to enter:  

- _____Mineraleers  
- _____Cutaways  
- _____Silversmiths  
- _____Fossileers  
- _____Facet Cutting  
- _____Carvers  
- _____Stringers  

Type of item:_____________________________________________________________

Please return application by March 22, 2016 to Chuck Boblenz, 655 Santa Coleta Court, Sunnyvale, 94085

SCVGMS Festival Display Case Competition Entry Form  
Annual Festival Date: April 16 & 17, 2016

Case setup on April 15th noon—7 PM, and case tear-down on April 17th at 5PM

Name: _________________________________________________________________________________________

Address: _______________________________________________________________________________________

Telephone: _________________________________ Email: _____________________________________________

I will furnish my own display case ___Yes, ___ No  Case Depth___________  Case Width___________

I will need to borrow a display case  ____Yes, ___No

Exhibit description: _____________________________________________________________________________

Competitive Case information  (cases to be judged by AFMS Uniform Rules)

Subdivision:____________________   Class: ________________________________

Entry Level: ___ Master,  ____Advanced,  ____Novice,  ____Junior,  ____Society

Please return the completed form to:  
Competition chairman, to Chuck Boblenz, 655 Santa Coleta Court, Sunnyvale, 94085 by March 22
Single item competition at the SCVGMS annual festival

We will be sponsoring single item competition again at our festival in April. We hope that more of our members will be able to participate this year. This gives us all a way to show our work and learn how our items compare to others.

The following are general rules for each category: All competitors shall be SCVGMS members. Each competitor shall be limited to one entry for each award offered. Each entry shall have been made within the last two (2) years. All workmanship must be done by the competitor. Each entry must be labeled with the name of the material and, where applicable, the technique(s) used. All items submitted need to have two labels, one with the competitor’s name and one without the competitor’s name, both with the material information.

All items will be judged by the Uniform Rules of the American Federation and each item will start with 100 points. We are listing below the points which will apply to each group’s entries. The points which are listed are the amount which the judges may deduct for problems with a particular part of your display.

**Categories**

**Mineraleers:** These are the points for Thumbnail Minerals as listed in the Rules:
- Labeling, 15; Showmanship, 15; Quality, 70.

**Cutaways:** These points are the most used in the Lapidary section:
- Labeling, 5; Showmanship, 15; Quality, 25; Variety, 10; Workmanship, 45.

**Silversmiths:** The points apply to the majority of the Jewelry category:
- Labeling, 15; Showmanship, 15; Quality, 10; Variety, 15; Workmanship, 35; Design, 10.

**Fossileers:** The points are the most commonly used in the Fossil section:
- Labeling, 30; Showmanship, 10; Quality, 30; Rarity, 5; Variety, 20; Reference list, 5.

**Facet Cutting:** These points apply to Faceted Stones:
- Labeling, 5; Showmanship, 10; Quality, 10; Workmanship, 65; Variety, 10.

**Carvers:**
- Labeling, 5; Showmanship, 10; Quality, 10; Workmanship, 65; Design, 10.

**Stringers:**
- Labeling, 10; Showmanship, 10; Quality, 10; Workmanship, 55; Design, 15.

The Showmanship category covers the way your piece is set up for display. All of the items will be placed in a case with similar items and you may bring a stand or similar display piece in order to show your piece to its best advantage.

**SCVGMS Competition Display Case Rules**

Display cases will be judged using the latest AFMS Uniform Rules. You can review the categories and division in addition to the rules by visit the below website.

http://www.amfed.org/rules/rules.htm

Any further questions should be posed to Chuck Boblenz, (408) 734-2473.
SCVGMS Member and Guest Display Case Entry Form
Annual Festival Date: April 16 & 17, 2016
Case setup on April 15th after noon, and case tear-down on April 17th at 5PM

Name: _______________________________________________________________________________________

Address: _____________________________________________________________________________________

Telephone: ____________________________________________

Email: ________________________________________________

I will furnish my own display case ___Yes, ___ No  Case Depth___________  Case Width________________

I will need to borrow a display case  ____Yes, ___No

Exhibit description: __________________________________________________________________________

________________________________________________________________________________________________

Please return the completed form to:
Show Chairman: Stephen May 1092 Candlewood Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94089 by March 22, 2016

SCVGMS Display Case Dimensions
All dimensions are inside dimensions

--- 22 1/2 inches  ---

--- 20 1/2 inches ---

--- 21 7/8 inches ---

--- 46 5/8 inches ---

End of Case

Back of Case

Bottom of Case

Please note—these are inside dimensions of our club display cases. You must cut your liner material (whether it be plywood, cardboard, hardboard, or whatever) a little smaller to allow for the liner cloth which folds over the edges. The front of the case slopes inward at the bottom.
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North Bay Field Trips

NBFT Spring Meeting
Saturday, April 9, 2016

Location: Antioch Lapidary Club clubhouse
425 Fulton Shipyard Rd.
Antioch, CA

Hosted by the Antioch Lapidary Club

Schedule: 8:30 – 9:30 Registration / Social with donuts and coffee
9:30 – 12:00 Business Meeting
12:00 – 1:00 Potluck Lunch
1:00 – 3:00 Conclude Business MTG

Tour of Museum and shops following the meeting.

The Antioch Lapidary Club’s Club House, Museum and Workshop are located at 425 Fulton Shipyard Rd., in Antioch, CA. This is a centrally located meeting site that is convenient for all NBFT clubs. Please bring material for the silent auction: rocks and specimens from past field trips, rock related “white elephants” (old books, findings, etc.), lapidary/jewelry items, and the like. Bring food to share (hot dish, cold dish, salad or dessert) for the potluck. Also, bring your own plate and eating utensils. This meeting is not just for field trip chairmen and leaders, so be sure to invite all of your club members who are interested in field trips, collecting and getting great buys on rocks and specimens.

It is important for the future of NBFT that each and every NBFT society attends and is represented at this meeting. This is our planning and scheduling meeting for 2016 NBFT field trips.

Each NBFT club is expected to host a shared field trip or related activity each year. Start your planning now so that your club will have a field trip or event to share this year.

Directions: Take Highway 4 to Antioch, get off on A Street and go north, towards the water. Turn right on E. 18th St., go approximately 3/4 mile, then turn left on Cavallo. Take Cavallo past Wilbur Ave.; you now are on Fulton Shipyard Rd. Follow the signs to the Rock Swap. Or, exit Hwy. 160 (near Antioch Bridge) to Wilbur Ave., West. Go west on Wilbur Ave. to Fulton Shipyard Rd. and turn right. Follow the signs.

Upcoming Regional Federation Shows in 2016

California Federation
in Placerville, CA on Sept 16-18

Eastern Federation
in Rochester, NY on October 21-23

Midwest Federation
in South Bend, IN on August 19 – 21

Northwest Federation & AFMS
in Albany, OR on July 27-August 1

Rocky Mountain Federation
in Wichita, KS on April 22 –24

South Central Federation
in Lubbock TX on May 7 & 8

Southeast Federation
none scheduled, yet.
Save cancelled postage stamps.
Give them to June Harris
We donate them to another CFMS club to support their charitable contributions.
Please leave a quarter inch border around each stamp or stamp grouping.

Gem Of An Idea
Going Out Of Business Sale

24” Highland Park Saw $4,000.
18” Highland Park Saw $1,400. (As Is)
14” Highland Park Saw $2,500.

Individual Slabs
Assorted slabs/5 gallon buckets-$99.

Oregon and Arizona Geodes

Cabochons ready for mounting or wire wrapping

Semiprecious stones ready to wear Chains

Buy out option … Let’s Make a Deal

Call Garth (408) 267-8957
The February meeting of the Santa Clara Valley Gem and Mineral Society was called to order at 7:40 pm at the Cabana Club. The minutes from the January meeting were approved as printed in the Breccia.

**Announcements:** Castro Valley Show March 4-6; Next month will be a silent auction. Pick up your 2016 directory and website passwords from Rick Kennedy. Festival sign-ups will be passed around. Openings on the BOD: Director and CFMS Chair

**New Members:** No new members this month.

**Board Meeting:** Will be at Frank Mullaney’s home at 7:30.

**Bragging Rights:** Last month’s winner was Missy Fox who showed off her Condor agate from Patagonia, Argentina. Next month’s theme is California.

**Rockhound of the Month:** Carissa Harris Rockhound of the Month award in thanks for the work she did on our FaceBook page and other projects.

**Scholarship recipients:** Our five scholarship recipients all attended the meeting and introduced themselves. They are: From UC Santa Cruz: Krista Sawchuk. From San Jose State: Paul Zimmer, Steffany Loeb, Kirby Kieler and Jairo Sanchez. They will be working at the Kid's Area during our Festival, make sure to make them feel welcome!

**2016 Festival:** The next meeting is March 2nd at 7:00. The location is Mountain Mike’s Pizza on Hamilton Avenue. All interested parties should attend. Business cards and posters for the festival are available. Sign up to enter a display case with Stephan May. Car signs are available, please contact Frank Mullaney. There will be a play day at the Cabana Club on Saturday, February 27th from 9:00 – 3:00. June explained some changes in the way the club will be doing security.

**Field Trips:** Dean Welder announced that there are five new field trips:

- Mar 6, 2016 – Pilikut Mine, near lake Folsom; uvarovite garnet, chrome minerals, common opal, jasper
- Apr 1 – 5, 2016 – Owens Valley, near Lone Pine, CA. Quartz Crystals, (some w/pink & purple hematite coating), Limonite Cubes, Chrysocolla, Malachite, Azurite, Copper, Cuprite, GOLD, Amazonite & Smoky Quartz, Blue Beryl, Epidote, Druze Quartz, Gypsum, Calcite, Pyrite, Quartz, Chalcedony, Jasper, Diopside, Wulfenite, Vesuvianite, Galena, Acanthite, Bronite, etc, etc. Mines were/are gold, silver & copper mines. The Reward is especially mineral rich.
- Apr 29 – May 1, 2016 – Topaz Mtn, UT. Topaz Crystals, Bixbite (Red Beryl), Pseudo-brookite crystals, and Hematite crystals
- June 14-16, 2016 – Virgin Valley, NV (possibly others). Pet & opalized wood both common and fire.
- Aug 2-6, 2016 – Prineville, OR. Co-ordinating with AFMS show hosted by Northwest Federation. Petrified wood, some blue vug agate, geodes, thunder eggs and jasper.

As always, please refer to the Breccia for all of the details.

**Member Displays:** By Rick Kennedy. June Harris brought a pendant that was made from material that Randy had cut and polished... as it turns out, Randy also did the wire work! Rick Kennedy brought a number of Fluorite specimens from the now closed Rogerly Mine in England. Margo Mosher told the story of how an Amethyst in need of repair became not only whole again, but a picture of the repaired specimen ended up being pictured in one of the Tucson guides!
Study Groups:
  **Cutaways:** April 9th, from 9:00 – 12:00 at Randy and June Harris’ house. Check the Breccia for the confirmed date and time. Call before attending to confirm. There is a shop fee of $5.00
  **Smithies:** The Smithies meet every Friday from 3:00 – 6:00. Pat also mentioned possible meetings on Saturdays by appointment only from 12:00 – 3:00. Dates of meetings are in the Breccia. Email to confirm with Pat, or to be added to her email list.

**DRC:** Pat Speece reported that they have enough material for a sale, just waiting to schedule one.

**Hospitality:** 40 members and 8 guests were in attendance.

**Founder’s Day Picnic:** Will be June 26th. Stephen May has agreed to run the Bingo game.

**ALAA:** No new news.

**Correspondence:** Rick Kennedy reported that the club has received flyers for the Castro Valley, Gem Fair, Vallejo and Roseville shows.

**Federation Report:** No new news.

**Sunshine:** June and Randy Harris announced that they are expecting their third grandchild!

**Program:** Jim and Missy Fox gave a program on the Polka Dot Agate Mine and brought a number of different find and tools that they use at that location.

**Meeting was adjourned** at 9:01 PM

Respectfully submitted, Rick Kennedy SCVGMS Secretary

SCVGMS Board Meeting
February 25th, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 PM at the home of Frank Mullaney.

**Roll Call:** All board members were present except Phillip Tomac, Dean Welder, Missy Fox and Joan Schramm. Patricia and Louis Schuesler were present as guests.

**Board of Directors:** Joan Schramm has had to resign from the Board of Directors, President Randy Harris appointed Patricia Schuesler to replace Joan Schramm.

**Reading of the minutes from the December 10th Board Meeting:** M/S/P to approve the minutes as read (F. Mullaney, J. Harris).

**Reading of the minutes from the January 26th Board Meeting:** M/S/P to approve the minutes as read (F. Mullaney, C. Boblenz).

**New Members:** No new members.

**Correspondence:** Nothing new.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Presented by Frank Mullaney. M/S/P to pay the bills (R. Kennedy, M. Paone).

**Committee Reports:**

  **Auditing Committee:** Frank Mullaney reported that the books should be ready for the auditing committee by March 8th.

  **Festival 2016:**
  Festival Meeting: March 2nd at Mountain Mike’s Pizza in Campbell. The meeting starts at 7:00.
Fire Marshall meeting is next week
Security bill is $1007.60 and will be sent out the first week of March.
Payment has been made for our Radio ads.
SJU Geology club has committed to help at the festival.
Rick Kennedy will attend the Discovery Museum’s “Question Quest”
M/S/P to approve $324.00 to purchase lighting for three tables of demonstrators (R. Kennedy, C. Boblenz)

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**Old Business:**
- **Programs:** Here is a list of the upcoming programs:
  - March – Silent Auction
  - April – Rick Kennedy – Toxicity of Rocks and Minerals
  - May – Dean and Karen Welder – Virgin Valley Opals
  - June – Gary Parsons – New Idria
  - October – Highway 50 Field Trips
- **Swingers for Rockhound of the Month, Officers, etc.:** Randy is putting it all together.
- **CFMS Dues and Insurance:** Done.
- **Bank Signature Card changes:** Will be completed February 29th.
- **Scholarships for SJSU and UCSC:** All of our scholarship recipients attended the February meeting and seem enthusiastic.
- **Play Day:** February 27th from 9:00 – 3:00

**New Business**
- **Cutaways shop fees:** M/S/P (the vote was 6 for, 1 against and 1 abstention) to change the Cutaways fee from $5.00 to $10.00 per attendee (F. Mullaney, S. May).
- **Cabana Club Tables:** M/S/P to authorize $300.00 to replace six tables at the Cabana Club (M. Paone, R. Kennedy).

**Meeting Adjourned at 8:59 PM**
Respectfully submitted,
Rick Kennedy, SCVGMS Secretary
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An Invitation

This society is pleased to invite guests to attend general meetings, study groups, and field trips. General meetings are normally held the fourth Tuesday of every month at 7:45 PM at 100 Belwood Gateway (the Cabana Club), Los Gatos, CA 95032. Belwood Gateway is just south of Blossom Hill Road between Leigh Avenue and Harwood Road.

Our next general meeting will be on March 22, Los Gatos, CA 95032 at 7:45 PM.

Our February Board meeting will be on March 24th hosted by Jim Fox at Frank Mullaney’s home at 7:30 PM.

Our Society’s Purpose: The inculcation of a love of rocks and minerals by the furtherance of members’ interests in the earth sciences and by education in all facets of related educational activities with the promotion of good fellowship, proper ethics, and conduct.

Our Membership Requirements: Attendance at two general meetings within twelve months. This society is a member of the California Federation of Mineralogical Societies (CFMS) and is affiliated with the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies (AFMS). Dues are $20.00 per year.

Our Newsletter, the Breccia, is published ten times annually. The deadline for most articles is the Sunday after the regular meeting. The Breccia Editor is June Harris who may be contacted by email at juneconeyharris@yahoo.com or by phone at (831) 438-5150. The Breccia is proofread by Randy Harris. Exchange bulletins may be sent to June Harris at the following address: 107 Dell Way, Scotts Valley, CA 95066. Permission to copy is freely granted to American Federation of Mineralogical Societies (AFMS) affiliated clubs when proper credit is given.

Study Group Leaders
For information on a study group, please call the leader(s) listed below

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