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Hello Fellow Rockhounds,

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. Please sign up to help in some way, whether it is Scholarship or Ticket Sales or Hospitality 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, March 17th, 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 January meeting. They will be helping with Mineral Identification 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 Four $1000 scholarships. The money for these scholarships is raised at the festival. The festival is also our major fund raiser 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, trailer storage, insurance and many other things. I look forward to working side by side with each of you to make this festival our best ever!

Happy rockhounding!

Randy Harris, President

The following message is from Margaret Kolaczyck, the 2017 CFMS President.

Dear CFMS Societies and Clubs,

This is an important reminder for all dealers and exhibitors who attend your show, not to bring any form of ivory for sale or display. In the state of California, it's been observed that State Officials and/or Fish and Wildlife Game Wardens are now writing up citations, and will most likely confiscate the ivory items. The California Ivory Law bans all ivory: elephant, rhinoceros horn, fossil and extinct Ivory. Mammoth molars and any type of ivory used in jewelry and knife handles that we sometimes see at the fossil dealers, should not be allowed in any CFMS and CFMS Society's shows which take place within the state of California.

Please remind your venders and exhibitors of the ivory ban. If you notice anyone during your shows who is disregarding this California law, please ask them to remove the items from the show immediately.

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CFMS/AFMS Show

Ventura, CA

June 9-11, 2017

This show comes to California once every seven years! Mark your calendars.
Hosted by Ventura County Gem and Mineral Society at the Ventura County Fairgrounds
10 West Harbor Blvd. Hours: Fri & Sat 10 to 5, Sun 10 to 4.
Contact: Diane Cook (805) 312– 8467
Email: info@vgms.org
Website: 2017CFMS-AFMSShow.com

Treat Yourself!

March 18 & 19

Gem and Mineral Show

Santa Clara Valley G & M Society,
Santa Clara County Fairgrounds
334 Tully Road, San Jose
Hours: 10 - 5 both days

Let's visit a show
CFMS Club Show Calendar

March 11 - 12: SAN MARINO, CA
Pasadena Lapidary Society,
San Marino Masonic Center, 3130 Huntington Drive
Sat 10 - 6, Sun 10 - 5
Contact: Marcia Goetz, (626) 260-7239
Email: pasadenalapidary@aol.com
Website: www.pasadenalapidarysociety.org

March 11 - 12: SPRECKELS, CA
Salinas Valley Rock & Gem Club
Spreckels Veteran's Hall, 5th & Llano Streets
10 - 5 daily : Contact: Gary Beck, (831) 679-2896
Email: garybeckpca@yahoo.com
Website: http://salinasrockandgem.pagecloud.com

March 11 - 12: TURLOCK, CA
Mother Lode Mineral Society, Modesto,
Stanislaus County Fairgrounds,
900 North Broadway 10 - 5 daily
Contacts: Bud & Terry McMillin, (209) 484-4416
Email: terry.mcmillin@yahoo.com
Website: www.motherlodemineralsociety.com

March 18 & 19:San Jose, CA
Santa Clara Valley G & M Society, Santa Clara County Fairgrounds, 334 Tully Road, San Jose Hours: 10 - 5 both days
Contact: June Harris, (408) 265-1422
Email: info@scvgms.org,
Website: www.scvgms.org

March 25 - 26: ANGELS CAMP, CA
Calaveras Gem & Mineral Society
Calaveras County Fairgrounds, 101 Frogtown Road
Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4
Contact: Dave Muster (209-518-8795) or
Anna Christiansen (209-847-1173)
Email: annachristiansen7132@comcast.net
Website: www.calaverasgemandmineral.org

March 25- 26: ROSEVILLE, CA
Roseville Rock Rollers Gem & Mineral Society
Placer County Fairgrounds
800 All American City Blvd (off Washington)
Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4
Contact: Gloria Marie, (916) 216-1114
Email: gloriarosevillerockrollers@gmail.com
Website: www.rockrollers.com

April 1 - 2: CHICO, CA
Paradise Gem & Mineral Society
Silver Dollar Fairgrounds
2357 Fair Street Sat 9 - 5; Sun 9 - 4
Contact: Kevin Wright, (530) 990-0211
Email: agateorca@ix.netcom.com
Website: paradisegem.org

April 1 - 2: TORRANCE, CA
South Bay Lapidary & Mineral Society
Ken Miller Recreation Center
3341 Torrance Blvd (entrance on Madrona Ave)
Sat. 10 - 5; Sun. 10 - 4
Contact: Nancy Pekarek, (310) 257-8152
Email: pekareks@hotmail.com
Website: southbaylapidaryandmineralsociety.com

April 7, 8 & 9: VISTA, CA
Vista Gem & Mineral Society
Antique Gas & Steam Engine Museum
2040 North Santa Fe Avenue
9 - 5 daily
Contact: Ray Pearce, (760) 535 5524
Email: raysrocks@cox.net
Website: www.vistarocks.org

April 8 - 9: MARIPOSA, CA
Mariposa Gem & Mineral Society
Mariposa County Fairgrounds
5007 Fairgrounds Rd/Hwy 49 So.
Sat 10 - 6; Sun 10 - 5
Contact: Meredith Meehan, (559) 868-3535
Email: mgmc@sti.net
Website: www.camineralmuseum.com

April 22 - 23: PASO ROBLES, CA
Santa Lucia Rockhounds
Paso Robles Event Center
2198 Riverside Avenue
Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 – 4
Contact: Tina Clark, (805) 305-0246
Email: slrockhounds@gmail.com
Website: www.slrockhounds.org

April 22 - 23: THOUSAND OAKS, CA
Conejo Gem & Mineral Club
Borchard Park Community Center
190 Reino Road at Borchard Road
10 - 5 daily
Contact: Robert Sankovich, (805) 494-7734
Email: rmsorca@roadrunner.com
Website: www.cgamc.org

April 29 - 30: LANCASTER, CA
Antelope Valley Gem & Mineral Society
Lancaster High School
44701 32nd Street West
10 - 5 daily
Website: www.avgem.weebly.com

April 29 - 30: SANTA CRUZ, CA
Santa Cruz Mineral & Gem Society
Santa Cruz Civic Auditorium
307 Church Street
10 - 5 daily
Contact: Dean Welder
Email: wdeanwelder@gmail.com
Website: www.scrockngem.org

May 5 - 7: YUCAIPA, CA
Yucaipa Valley Gem & Mineral Society
Yucaipa Music & Arts Festival
Yucaipa Blvd and Adams Street
Fri 6 - 9; Sat 12 - 10, Sun 12 - 6
Contact: Lee Peterson, (909) 794-0731
Website: www.yvgms.org

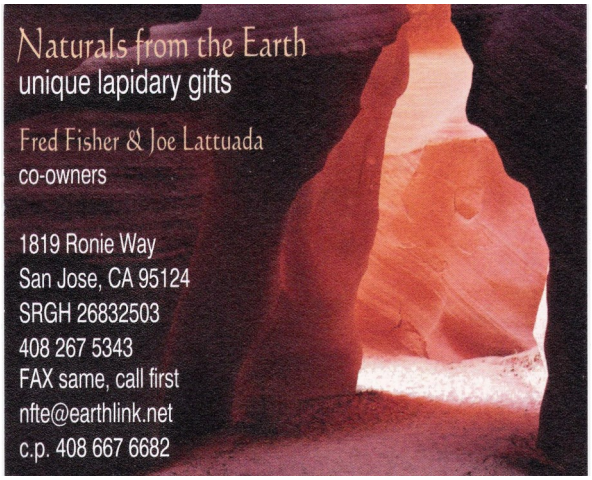
May 6 - 7: JACKSON, CA
Amador County Gem & Mineral Society
Kennedy Mine
12594 Kennedy Mine Rd (off Hwy 49/88)
10 – 4 daily
Contact: Gaylene Lichty, (209) 245-5388
Email: mountaingirl@volcano.net
Website: amadorgemandmineral.org

May 6 - 7, 2017: RENO, NV
Reno Gem & Mineral Society
Reno Livestock Event Center
1350 North Wells Avenue
Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4
Contact: Daniel Ellis, (775) 359-6068
Email: sailondan55@aol.com
Website: www.renorockhounds.com

May 6 - 7: ANAHEIM, CA
Searchers Gem & Mineral Society
Brookhurst Community Center
2271 W. Crescent Avenue
Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4:30
Contact: Margaret Hogarth, 909 815-3045
Email: hogarth.m@gmail.com
Website: www.searchersrocks.org

Field Trip Schedule

Currently there are no trips scheduled. For more information about field trips, please contact Dean Welder at fieldtrips@scvgms.org



Donation Receiving Committee (DRC)

We have several donations which might be enough for a sale when the weather is predictably nice. Both sale and preparation need to be done in dry weather.

We typically plan the outside 9:00 am to noon sales for the Saturday or Sunday right after the general membership meeting. Sales are announced via email, in the Breccia, and at the most recent general club meeting.

If you have rocks or hobby related items to donate, let me know.

DRC sales are a lot of fun: you meet helpful friendly Rockhounds, learn, and get good buys. All money goes to the club.

Pat Speece
pat.speece@comcast.net
Donation Receiving Committee (DRC)
Santa Clara Valley Gem and Mineral Society.

Show and Tell Members' Displays

All members are asked to display at least one time per year. You can display as many times as you like. There are no displays in May and November because of the Silent Auctions. There are no displays in December because there is the installation dinner in lieu of our regular meeting. The display feature of our monthly meetings is enjoyed very much.

Don't know what to display? Any type of rock, mineral, or fossil (identified or not), your latest project, information on a field trip to take, ideas for a display case, anything to do with rocks!!!

Rockhound of the Month

There is no Rockhound for February.

Sunshine

Kelly Van Vleck had a knee replacement and is recovering. June and Randy Harris announced that they have a new grandchild!

Please report any information to Margo Mosher.
margomosher@yahoo.com.

Peregrine Rocks
&
Trading Post

peregrine-rocks.com or facebook.com/PeregrineRocksandTradingPost
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1881 W San Carlos St, San Jose, 95128
Corner of W San Carlos St & Boston Ave

Rocks & Minerals
Crystals & Massage Wands
Beads & Findings
Guidebooks & Fossils

Contemporary & Antique
Native American:
Basketry & Jewelry
Pottery & Weavings
Fetish & Kachinas

10% off any purchase with this ad (Dealer #720, excluding sale/nd) BR16

2017 SCVGMS Calendar

March 10th Smithies workshop from 4 to 7 PM at Pat Speece's home.

March 18 -19 Festival!

March 28th General meeting at 7:45 PM. With an Ice Cream Social and a Presentation by Cerie Elliot "Stained Glass with Rocks"
March 30rd Board meeting at 7:30 PM at the home of Frank Mullaney, Hosted by Jim Fox
April 7th Smithies workshop from 4 to 7 PM at Pat Speece's home.
April 14th Smithies workshop from 4 to 7 PM at Pat Speece's home.
April 25th - General meeting at 7:45 PM.
April 27 - Board meeting at 7:30 PM at the home of Rick Kennedy.
May 5th Smithies workshop from 4 to 7 PM at Pat Speece's home.
May 12 Smithies workshop from 4 to 7 PM at Pat Speece's home.
May 23 - General meeting at 7:45 PM.
May 25 - Board meeting at 7:30 PM at the home of Jo Borucki

Check Out What Our Study Groups Are Doing

SMITHIES

Interested in making jewelry?
Interested in getting the help you need and becoming comfortable with the tools to do it?

Welcome to the Smithies. We meet the first and second Friday of the month from 4:00pm to 7:00pm in my comfortable backyard shed.

These are small workshops where tools and guidance are supplied. To get on the Smithie mailing list, email me.

If this sounds interesting, let me know.

Pat Speece
pat.speece@comcast.net

Cutaways

A new Cutaways leader and location may have been found. Further information will be posted in future Breccia as it becomes available.

March 18th and 19th Festival
-VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES-
HELP OUR FESTIVAL BE SUCCESSFUL!

A number of our members have answered the call, and signed up to assist at the upcoming Gem Festival, but we still have plenty of vacancies, and are counting on YOU to pitch in where ever you can. We have a particular need for the following helpers during the show on Saturday March 18 and Sunday March 19. The days can be divided into timeslots from 9:45-noon, noon-2, and 2-5PM.

Greeter: Stands inside near the door, making people feel welcome and handing out copies of the Program. We still need someone both days.

Hospitality: Works in the Hospitality Booth, encouraging people to fill out the tickets for the hourly drawing for door prizes, answering simple questions like "Where's the bathroom?", and accepting items for the Lost and Found box. We still need 2 more people on both days.

Photographer: Takes pictures of people enjoying the show. Great for the club's website, and helps document the club's history. We still need someone with a camera both days.

Room Monitor: Works in pairs to look for shoplifters. Specific instruction is given in advance for what to do if you spot one. Bring your cell phone. We need one person all day Saturday, and one more person from 2-5 on Saturday. On Sunday we need one person all day, two more for the 9:45-noon shift, and one more for the 2-5 shift.

Ticket sales: Help sell tickets. This provides much of the club's income. We need one person all day Saturday and one person all day Sunday. On Sunday we also need one more person in the 9:45-noon shift, and one more person in the 2-5 shift.

Scholarship Booth: Help sell a miscellany of stuff targeted mainly for kids. This provides much of the funding for the scholarships we give college students each year. On Saturday we need someone from 9:45-2, and someone else from noon-5. On Sunday we need 2 people from 9:45-2PM.

If you can pitch in for any shift in any of the above jobs, please contact Sonia Dyer ASAP at sonia.dyer@sbcglobal.net, or 408-629-5735.

Rockhounding in New Mexico

By Jo Borucki, September 2, 2014

As Bill, our friend Gene, and I wandered and climbed among the dusty hills of New Mexico, in temperatures of around 90 degrees Fahrenheit, I pondered our sanity and thought of the story the guide at the Turquoise Museum in Albuquerque told us about a miner. The miner got up each morning, climbed into his truck, drove to his mine, threw in some money, and drove home, satisfied that he had done the most effective mining that he could do. He was right. Like owning a boat which is a hole into which you throw money, mining and rockhounding share the same definition, except that in mining and rockhounding, first you have to dig the hole before you toss in the cash. As I searched the ground, pondering further, I realized that it is the search that counts; the fun of the search and the joy of wandering among the plants, some with lovely flowers, under a vast ever changing sky, in the silence of remote countryside, where we find peace and occasionally even a worthwhile mineral. We will return home exhausted, appreciating our comforts of home.

The anticipated treasures vary with each place that we visit. We educate ourselves first by going to museums and on tours so that we will recognize the rocks and minerals of our locations. We visited the Turquoise Museum in Albuquerque. Our guide informed us that of all of the states that have turquoise, New Mexico has the worst. The visions of finding turquoise that had danced in my head quietly slinked away, but I learned something else, and that was that if I was going to buy turquoise, I needed to know what to buy. The vendors describe their turquoise in many ways; natural, real, genuine, authentic, guaranteed, or stabilized, but only a written statement from the vendor saying that the turquoise is natural has assurance that the stone is the mineral known as turquoise and is as nature made it. The term turquoise is simply a description of the color of the material, but the material if not labeled as natural may be bits of turquoise glued together, turquoise where the color has been enhanced, glass, another mineral treated to look like turquoise, or even plastic. Often the imitations are very beautiful so one must decide they are buying turquoise, for value or simply for beauty.

We drove from Albuquerque, south to Socorro and spent most of our time searching the dumps at the Kelly Mines near Magdalena. We hoped to find Smithsonite. Originally silver was mined, and the Smithsonite was simply considered to be a nuisance to be tossed aside, It was described as a gristle lacing the silver ore that the miner sought. In the 1890s, Cory T. Brown became curious about the greenish rock where eventually it was analyzed and considered to be a rare and valuable mineral, later to be named Smithsonite after the founder of the Smithsonian Museums in Washington DC. Access to the mines was controlled by a petite little lady named Bennie, short for Benita. She runs Tony's Rock shop, once owned by her brother Tony, who has since died.

It rained hard the first day, and we searched amidst the raindrops when the rain wasn't too much and between the showers when it poured. The rain washed the hillsides, and we sorted among the washed, cleaned minerals and rocks that first day, and again on the third

day of our trip. Later that third day we searched the piles near where narrow gauge railroad cars were loaded along the road leading to the Kelly Mines. We found some tiny pieces. Flushed with our small success, we returned on our last day of rockhounding only to find access to the mines closed, so we searched along the roads and in the ditches, but to no avail.

Our other notable rockhounding day was spent at the Blanchard Mines. The rockhounding books describe these mines as a rockhounder's paradise, and they truly are. It also warned us that rattlesnakes roamed the area in great numbers, but what are a few rattlesnakes when there are minerals to find? We needed permits, issued by Allison and Donnie Cameron in what is left of the town of Bingham. Bingham boasts two building sites, one of them being a building with a sign advertising "Blanchard Gems and Minerals 3 miles from the Middle of Nowhere". Allison talked with us a bit, issued our permits, and told us how to get to the mines, giving us her wrinkled, used copy of the map, and instructing us to return it to her. She kept my driver's license as security, telling us we could each collect ten pounds of rocks for our ten dollars per person fee. She mentioned that we'd probably have to dig for our treasures and that our location was not the original Blanchard Mine. Because of her description, our expectations were low as we bumped and banged across the arroyos and over the ruts on the dusty road.

The mine dumps were the stuff of my childhood dreams! Glittering treasures lay everywhere: glittering treasures anyway to a gal that loves gleaming minerals and really doesn't give a darm whether they are rare or valuable. Most notable were lovely samples of fluorite.

We returned home exhausted, but contented; Bill and I with our usual large hordes to ship home and Gene, perhaps the wisest, with only a tiny translucent specimen of Smithsonite. Bill will spend many happy hours analyzing his minerals. I will admire mine, perhaps use some in jewelry, but then add most of what I have to my rock garden in the atrium, and we will all three treasure the memories of sun, silence, and serenity found in abundance in the quiet hills of New Mexico.

Bragging Rights

There will be no Bragging Rights at the March meeting, because I will be gone for that meeting. There has been a recent decline in Bragging Rights participation, with one entry at the February meeting and two in January. For April, there will be no contest, but I ask people to bring one or two items from your collections that you feel passionate about; items you believe are Bragging Rights winners. Be prepared to talk a little about your them; what they are and what makes them special. Items can be lapidary items, mineral specimens, or fossils. They can be purchases or items made or found by you. I hope to generate new interest and enthusiasm, and possibly get new ideas for themes.

Alan Achor

Bragging Rights Chair

Santa Clara Valley Gem and Mineral Society
General meeting minutes
February 28th, 2017

The February meeting of the Santa Clara Valley Gem and Mineral Society was called to order at 7:45 pm at the Cabana Club. The minutes from the January meeting were approved as printed in the Breccia.

Announcements: Castro Valley Show March 3-5; Directories will be ready to pick up from Rick Kennedy. Festival sign-ups will be passed around.

Correspondence: Rick Kennedy reported that the club has received a number of show flyers, some bills and insurance statement and our ALAA membership card.
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 Jim Fox who showed off his Rhodochrosite slab from Argentina. This month's theme was the letter "T". If participation continues to dwindle, the Bragging Rights contest may be canceled.

Rockhound of the Month: No winner for this month.

Field Trips: Karen Welder announced that there will be a NBFT meeting on April 8th. For more information about the meeting and upcoming field trips, please refer to the Breccia for all of the details.

Member Displays: By Rick Kennedy. Jim Fox brought a piece of orbicular jasper that he had polished a corner of (Did I mention it was a very large piece?) to show both the pattern and a metallic mineral that appears to be Hematite. Rick Kennedy shared some of his digging and Tucson finds including Amethyst from Jackson's Crossroads, Georgia, Feldspar from the California Blue Mine and Gold from a few different locations.

Study Groups:
Cutaways: May have found a new leader, working towards an April debut!
Smithies:
The Smithies meet the first two Fridays of each month from 4:00 – 7:00. 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 are waiting for things to dry out a bit before scheduling the next sale.

Hospitality: 30 members and 2 guests were in attendance.

Founder's Day Picnic: Looking for someone to chair this event.

ALAA: Lots of activity in Southern California, especially in the Mohave desert.

Federation Report: No new news.

Sunshine: Kelly Van Vleck had a knee replacement and is recovering. June and Randy Harris announced that they have a new grandchild!

Program: June Harris gave a program about our Annual Festival, going over both the past history and the current way the Festival is organized. For a volunteer organization, it is very impressive that the club is able to pull this off every year and we truly need the support of every able member at some point during the 15 month process of planning and putting on our Annual Festival. After the program, posters, postcards and business cards were made available.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:50PM
Respectfully submitted, Rick Kennedy SCVGMS Secretary

SCVGMS Board Meeting
March 2nd, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:37 PM at the home of Frank Mullaney.
Roll Call: All board members were present. June Harris and David Marshall were present as guests.
Reading of the minutes from the December 8th Board Meeting: M/S/P to approve the minutes as read with one date correction. (F. Mullaney, D. Welder).
New Members: M/S/P to accept the application of Mitzi Stauffer. (F.Mullaney, R. Kennedy)
Correspondence: Nothing new.
Treasurer's Report: Presented by Chuck Boblenz. M/S/P to pay the bills (F. Mullaney, R. Kennedy). M/S/P to donate $25.00 to the CFMS Endowment Fund in memory of Ron Erickson. (F. Mullaney, D. Welder).
Committee Reports:

Auditing Committee Report: Presented by David Marshall: The Auditing Committee (David Marshall, Bill Simpson and Chuck Boblenz) met with Frank Mullaney on January 23, 2017. They found the books to be in proper order and offered the following recommendations:
1. Submit revenue and expense line items to the accounting firm on a quarterly basis via a thumb drive.
2. Authorize up to $75.00 for this quarterly accounting work.3. Have the accounting firm do a separate Festival Report after the Festival: cost to be determined.
4. Dispose of the decals that are in inventory. Take the Note Cards to the founders Day picnic.

Field Trips: M/S/P to allow travel reimbursement for travel to the NBFT meeting in April (F. Mullaney, R. Kennedy).

There was discussion about possible field trips for our club to sponsor for the NBFT.

Festival 2016:

There will be a Set up/ Layout meeting at Sonia Dyer's home on March 8th.

There will be 52 dealers at this year's festival.

Two more demonstrators have signed up for the festival.

June Harris was able to negotiate a $1600.00 discount from the Fairgrounds on our contract by meticulously going over the details of the contract with the fairgrounds management.

Sonia Dyer reported that the 2018 contract with the fairgrounds has been signed and the deposit made.

M/S/P to buy a collapsible cart for $75.00 to facilitate delivering dealer lunches (R. Kennedy, F. Mullaney).

As the position for "Buyer" was never filled, M/S/P to immediately compensate June Harris for expenses she will be paying that the "Buyer" would normally pay (F. Mullaney, S. Dyer).

Old Business:

Socials: Karen Welder has agreed to be the Socials Chairperson, there will be an Ice Cream Social before the March General Meeting.

Meeting dates have been set. Sonia Dyer has agreed to chair the Founder's Day picnic.

Programs: Here is a list of the upcoming programs:

March – Cerie Elliot: Stained Glass with Rocks

April – Rick Kennedy – 2016, My Year of Mineral Specimen Mining

May – Silent Auction

June – Chuck Boblenz: Dendritic and Plume Agate

Officer and Board Bars and Pins: Frank Mullaney is working on these.

Directories: Finished, Rick is handing them out at meetings.

Swingers for Rockhound of the Month, Officers, etc.: Frank Mullaney is working on these.

Committee Chairs: There remain several open positions after Randy has made several calls.

Cutaways: Victor Gassman has volunteered to host the Cutaways. M/S/P to accept Victor's offer to host Cutaways (F. Mullaney, C. Boblenz).

New Business

Club Telephone: June Harris reported that someone will need to take over the club phone from the Harris'. Frank Mullaney volunteered, but will have to check his provider first.

Key to Cabana Club: June Harris reported that she needs to give the key to the Cabana Club to a new person. Rick Kennedy volunteered to accept the key.

Access Pass for the trailers: M/S/P for the club to purchase an additional access pass to the area where the trailers are stored (C Hanson, S. May).

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Kennedy

SCVGMS Secretary

SANTA CLARA VALLEY GEM and MINERAL SOCIETY
February Financial Report

Beginning Balance:			$53,661.72
Receipts			
	Festival: Dealer Fees	$5,390.00	
	Festival: Meeting Refreshments	135.00	
	Refund: FTB Filing Fee	10.00	
	Sub Total		5,535.00
Expenses			
	2018 Festival: Fairground Down Pay.	2,835.00	
	Trailer Storage Fee	2,040.00	
	2017 Festival: Advertising – METRO	1,972.00	
	2017 Festival: Outside Security	1,071.00	
	2017 Festival: Liability/Dealer Ins.	805.00	
	2017 Festival: Meeting Refreshments	210.73	
	2017 Festival: Fire Marshall	201.00	
	CFMS Membership Dues/Insurance	1,040.00	
	Membership Directory Printing	166.23	
	Speaker – January Meeting	50.00	
	Phone Bill - Feb.	43.09	
	Pending		
	Santa Clara Co. Festival Taxes	375.58	
	2018 Festival: Business Cards	128.83	
	2017 Festival: Business Cards	77.71	
	2017 Festival: Scholarship – Pyrite	50.00	
	Trailer Insurance	48.29	
	Trailer Insurance	42.29	
	Sub-total		11,156.75
Ending Balance:			$48,039.97

Boblenz
2 March 2017
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SCVGMS ELECTED OFFICERS

President: Randy Harris (831) 438-5150
Vice President: Karen Welder (408) 353-2675
Secretary: Rick Kennedy (408) 529-9690
Treasurer: Chuck Boblenz (408) 734-2473
Editor: Jo Borucki (408) 245-2881
Federation Director: Stephen May (669) 248-3993
Alternate Fed. Director: Frank Mullaney (408) 691-2656

Board Members
- Jim Fox (408) 356-7711
- Sonia Dyer (408) 629-5735
- Louis Schuesler (408) 353-2329
- Pat Schuesler (408) 353-2329
- Cal Hansen (408) 394-4642

Historian: Michael Paone (408) 340-3258
Parliamentarian:
- Dean Welder (408) 353-2675

SCVGMS COMMITTEE HEADS

Bragging Rights Chair: Alan Achor
Donation Receiving Committee Chair:
Pat Speece, Missy and Jim Fox
Festival Chairman 2017: June Harris
Field Trip Committee Coordinator:
Dean Welder
Founder's Day Picnic Food:
Michael Paone and David Marshall
Founder's Day Raffle: Sonia Dyer
Founder's Day Bingo:
Stephen and Alan May
Hospitality: Pat and Louis Schuesler
Installation Dinner: Rick Kennedy
Junior Chairman: **OPEN**
Librarian**: OPEN**
Member Displays: Rick Kennedy
PLAC (Public Lands Advisory Committee): **OPEN**
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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 meetings is on March 28th at the Belwood Cabana Clubhouse in Los Gatos at 7:45 PM. Our March Board meeting is on March 30 and is at the home of Frank Mullaney.

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 Jo Borucki who may be contacted by email at joborucki@yahoo.com or by phone at (408)245-2881, and leave a message if no one picks up the phone. The Breccia is proofread by Randy Harris and Pat Speece. Exchange bulletins may be sent to Jo Borucki, 1196 Sesame Drive, Sunnyvale, CA 94087. Permission to copy is freely granted to American Federation of Mineralogical Societies (AFMS) affiliated clubs when proper credit is given.

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