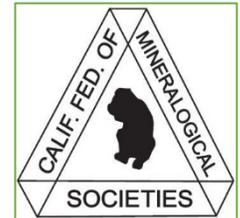


OXNARD GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY



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The Oxnard Gem & Mineral Society is a non-profit organization formed to increase our knowledge in geology, mineralogy and other such related fields in the earth sciences. We classify, cut, grind and polish rocks and minerals for our personal collections and to display at club shows. We learn from each other through club speakers, programs and organized fieldtrips. We co-operate with other clubs to encourage others to participate in our activity.

The Oxnard Gem & Mineral Society is a member of the California Federation of Mineralogical Societies (CFMS) and the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies (AFMS).

Meeting Location:

Oxnard Performing Arts Center, Oxnard, CA
800 Hobson Way (Thousand Oaks Room)

Meetings are Held:

First Wednesday of each month, unless the date falls on a Federal holiday. Pebble Pups meet at 6:00 p.m. General meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. Potlucks are held in July and December, and start at 6:00 p.m.

Yearly Dues:

Adults, 18 and over, \$15 per year.
Juniors, 12 to 17, \$2 per year.
Pebble Pups to age 12 FREE with paid adult.

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NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

On Memorial Day Weekend, I had the pleasure of attending the PACC Arts Festival. The Festival featured local visual artists, musicians, dancers, performers and gourmet food trucks (including cupcakes). At our information booth, OGMS volunteers (Jean pSmith, Kay Hara, Kathy Scharf, Kristen Meeker, Gail Sanborn, Adrian Ruiz, Brett Johnson, Laura Driskell, her friend Dawn, and myself) were able to meet and teach our neighbors how to Wire Wrap using Beach Glass. Fun was had by all. I would also like to thank Jean pSmith for conducting a Wire Wrap workshop during Members' Night, to get us ready for the PACC Arts Festival.

Somehow, my invitation to the Royal Wedding seems to have been lost in the mail. Nor am I going to "shop" the bride's look. However, for all of us who would like to have gemstones just like royalty (in this case the Dowager Empress of China) we are in luck. This month Adrian Ruiz is conducting a field trip to the Himalayan Mines for Tourmaline. Pink was the Empress's favorite color. I like them all!

Summer has arrived, and it is time to think about the Fair. It is always fun for friends and family to see your material in the Gem & Mineral Building. There is still time to finish your Entry during Members' Night. Reserve your Display Case by contacting Diane Cook or enter individual items to be displayed in the Bull Pen during the Weekend of July 20 – 22. The Entry Guide is available here.

<https://www.venturacountyfair.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/2018-Gems-and-Minerals.pdf> Entries will be accepted Friday, July 20, Saturday, July 21 & Sunday, July 22 between 10:00 AM-5:00 PM. Pick up day will be Monday, August 13 between 10:00 AM-7:00 PM.

In closing, I would like to thank the members who brought the delicious refreshments to the May meeting.

- Stephanie

June program notes: from the 1st VP, Gail Sanford



Subject: Mount St. Helens

Our speaker will be Tony Fender who is a professional educator with over 60 years teaching experience. He and his wife Sandie will be sharing their experience and ongoing observations with Mt St Helens.

In 1980 Mt. St. Helens erupted in a massive explosion. The presentation covers the mountain before the eruption, during the eruption and the aftermath of the eruption. The presentation also covers how nature has recovered with pictures of the mountain and wildlife today. Tony and Sandie Fender have traveled to the Mountain most years since the eruption to observe and document the regrowth of the environment.

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Members, please send photos of field trips, interesting rock finds, your hobby, or events!

Share a tip you have come across in a magazine or book (give the author credit) or have come up with yourself!

Help keep your bulletin alive and fresh with new ideas.

Deadline to submit materials is the 20th of each month.

Thanks for your support!

Laura Driskell, Editor

THOUGHTS AND THINGS, From the Editor

The birthstones for June are Pearl, alexandrite, and moonstone. Traditional guides say that the Pearl stands for good health, so Happy Birthday & Happy Anniversary to our friends celebrating in June! Belated May Birthday greetings to Brett Johnson, Jean pSmith, and Lee Leighton. And a very Happy Father's Day on June 17th!



According to our guide, Dr. Aaron Celestian, this display of perfectly - matched graduated-size Tahitian pearls is probably the most expensive item on display at the Natural History Museum Gem Pavilion. Wow!

On Sunday, May 20th, members of OGMS, VGMS, CGMC, and Buena High School staff gathered with Ron Wise and his long-time student and friend Francisco Zermenio, to reflect on the life and laughter of Jean Wise. We miss Jean so much, but the stories and the wine helped ease some of the pain.



Thoughts, continued next column.

Show Report

There will be a show meeting on June 13th at 6:00PM prior to the board meeting.

It would be advantageous for all committee members to attend if possible. We would also like to include any members who are interested in helping with the show.

We need to check what has been covered and get input on items coming up. If you have any questions, please call me at 805-642-5779. Hope to see you all then.

Miriam Tetreault, Show Chair

Members' Night

Just a reminder, the next Members' Night is Wednesday, June 20. A perk of OGMS Membership is being able to use our Durley Park classroom equipment on Members' Night. Members in good standing can receive the Members' Night code by contacting Carolyn. Anyone new to the Shop will be receiving Safety Training. A maximum of 10 members can use the Shop on Members' Night. Members reserve a spot through the Class link on the website about a week prior to the Night. The \$2.00 material fee is payable at the classroom. Exact change is requested.

Thoughts and Things, continued...

Thank you to Jean pSmith, who tutored several of us on Member Night, on wrapping sea glass or beach glass, in preparation for the Arts event at the PACC on Memorial Day weekend.



Minutes of the OGMS General Meeting, 2 May 2018

Meeting called to order at 7:38 pm, Stephanie Hagiwara presiding.

Sargent-at-Arms. (Lee Leighton, not present) Adrian Ruiz led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Recording Secretary. Minutes of the Apr 2018 meeting printed in the Rock Bag. Laura Driskell moved to accept the minutes as printed; motion seconded by Candy Marshall and passed.

Hospitality. (Janice Albertson) Twenty-one members and fourteen guests were signed in.

1st VP Programs. (Gail Sanford, not present) Tonight's program is Collecting Sea Glass presented by Brett Bednorz.

2nd VP Show. (Miriam Tetreault) No report.

3rd VP Field Trips. (Adrian Ruiz reporting). Adrian announced the trip to the Himalaya Mine, San Diego, has been scheduled for 23 Jun.

Treasurer. (Miriam Tetreault) We are solvent, and bills are paid.

Corresponding Secretary/Bulletin Editor. (Laura Driskell) Cards/coupon for the Gem Fair in Santa Barbara are available. If you have a card that is not stamped with "OGMS" please write in "OGMS" as this is how the Santa Barbara Gem Society determines how many cards to send us in the future. Laura also requested pictures from tonight's presentation for use in the Rock Bag. Deadline for submittal of pictures and articles is the 20th of each month.

Membership Secretary. (Carolyn Howe) There are currently 70 OGMS members, with 17 of the members being Pebble Pups.

Federation Director. (Jennifer Haley) Not present; no report.

Library. (Kathy Scharf) A few new books have been added to the library. This month's Book of the Month is Pure Sea Glass, to coincide with the evening's presentation.

Refreshments. (Candy Marshall) No report.

Pebble Pups. (Louisa Carey) Tonight's activity was "Mineral Bingo" and was a lot of fun.

Shop Steward/Classes. (Jean pSmith) The last classes before summer break have begun this week. There are still a few spaces open for lapidary and wire wrap.

Education. (Open) No Report.

Ways & Means. (Larry Knapton, not present) Gifts were provided to the guests. There were about 8 drawings this evening plus the drawing for a carved pair of birds. Jean pSmith won the drawing for membership badge. Drawings were facilitated by Adrian Ruiz.

Scholarships. (Kay Hara) Two scholarship recipients have been selected and will be invited to the July potluck. The recipients are Leanne Kleinsmith and Epigmenio (Epi) Lopez Martinez. Congratulations!

Program. Tonight's program, presented by Brett Bednorz, was about collecting California sea glass. From Brett's handout, *"... the roles are totally reversed. Rocks and gems are created by nature and then sculpted and crafted by man...glass bottles are created by man and masterfully sculpted by nature."* Brett presented many examples (over 50 pounds!) of glass he has collected, include his rare red color. On his best day, he collected 1400 pieces of glass, but his average good day is 800 pieces. He discussed some of the best places and ways to search. He gave warning to "fake" sea glass, especially in jewelry, which can still be quite beautiful and is fine if the consumer knows what they are getting. A citrus-juicer and pieces of sea glass that originated from green colored "depression (or Vaseline) glass" provided for a very interesting set of demonstrations. Radioactive materials were used to color this glass, so these pieces registered on a Geiger counter and glowed under UV lighting, drawing "oohs" and "ahhhs" from the audience. Terrific presentation – thank you very much, Brett!

Announcements.

- Cleaning out the storage closets in the meeting room led to several personal items being found. These "Lost and Found" items were made available for members to claim.
- Jean announced that the PACC is hosting an art festival on 26 and 27 May. OGMS will have a table and will be presenting simple wire wrapping of sea glass. Request was made for members to sign up for 2-hour shifts to man the table. On Member's Night at the Durley Workshop (16 May) members may receive training on wrapping the sea glass.

Stephanie Hagiwara adjourned the meeting at 9:03 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Scharf, Recording Secretary, 5 May 2018.

Minutes of the OGMS Board Meeting, 11 May 2018

Meeting called to order at 7:19 pm; Gail Sanford presiding. Stephanie Hagiwara arrived late and assumed leadership of the meeting approximately 7:30. The quorum requirement was met. In attendance: Stephanie Hagiwara, Jennifer Haley, Carolyn Howe, Jean pSmith, Gail Sanford, Kathy Scharf, and Miriam Tetreault.

Minutes of the Apr 2018 board meeting were printed in the May 2018 Rock Bag. Carolyn Howe moved to accept the minutes as printed in the Rock Bag; motion seconded and approved. (Note: The corrected version of the February minutes still require approval; changes were minor.)

1st VP Programs. (Gail Sanford) The June program is Tony and Sandie Fender with a presentation on Mount St. Helens. The presentation will include the area's beauty before the 1980 volcanic eruption, the devastation caused by the eruption, and how the area is recovering.

2nd VP Show. (Open, Stephanie Hagiwara presented) The theme of the OGMS 2018 Gem and Mineral Show, scheduled for 17 and 18 Nov is "Calcite." The first show meeting will be held 13 Jun at 6:00 pm, just before the next board meeting.

3rd VP Field Trips. (Carolyn Howe/Adrian Ruiz/Larry Knaption) No report.

Treasurer. (Miriam Tetreault) Treasurer's report was presented. Accounts are in good standing. A few checks are outstanding. Bills presented were for copy services and May's speaker fee. A motion was made by Jean pSmith to pay the presented bills; motion seconded by Gail Sanford and passed.

Corresponding Secretary. (Laura Driskell) Not present; no report. Jean pSmith is continuing to work on getting additional post office box keys made.

Membership Secretary. (Carolyn Howe) Carolyn presented a membership application for 1 adult with 2 junior members for consideration. Vote to accept was tabled pending clarification of application information.

Federation Director. (Jennifer Haley)

- The annual CFMS Show & Convention for 2019 will be held 2nd week in March 2019 at the Fairplex-Pomona-CA and will be hosted by the Pasadena Lapidary Society.
- Jennifer provided flyers for the CFMS/Feather River show Sept 15th & 16th. CFMS was invited to attend the Feather River Lapidary Mineral Society's vendor dinner at this event. There will be an awards BBQ following the director's meeting. The CFMS Endowment Fund is requesting donations for their raffle and table sales at this event.
- CFMS slide programs (23,000+ slides) have been removed from their website and are in the process of being digitized, which will be a long-term project.
- Jennifer provided flyers for the CFMS Junior Activities Contest "Name That Dino". The "dino" is an animated baby Triceratops puppet donated for use at CFMS shows and conferences. Entries must be received by 31 Jul 2018.
- Those within the CFMS who have helped judge or clerk during annual federation shows and do not have an AFMS Judge card but have an interest in continuing to assist are to contact Jennifer. Those who have received AFMS trophies for their exhibits and are interested in judging or clerking during annual CFMS shows are also to contact Jennifer.
- The dates for the 2019 AFMS Show & Convention to be held in Cedar Rapids dates have changed to March 23rd and 24th. The AFMS Uniform Rules Committee met in Raleigh, NC, last month. There was a change to the Beading Rules to now read, "Mixed beadwork – may include bead weaving, bead embroidery, loom work, and stringing." Jennifer will be working on updating the judges roster and is requesting that those within CFMS who have received Judge cards over the years, contact Jennifer now with name, address, email, phone number, and a photo copy of the Judge's card.

Library. (Kathy Scharf) Options for library on hold pending decision about PACC on-site storage.

Hospitality: (Janice Albertsen) Not present; no report.

Refreshments. (Candy Marshall) Not present: no report.

Shop Steward/Classes. (Jean pSmith) Final session of classes before summer break is underway. There was another issue with the alarm system that has been resolved. Jean and Brett will be using some time during the summer break at Durley to work on enhancing their instructor knowledge and skills.

Education. (Open) No report.

Ways & Means. (Larry Knaption) Not present; no report.

Scholarships. (Kay Hara, not present) Stephanie attended the scholarship award ceremony at Oxnard College; our scholarship recipients were not in attendance as they were in class at the time.

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May Pebble Pups Program

Calling all Pebble Pups! Fun (surprise) activities are planned for the group.

See you all there! Newcomers welcome, no Pebble Pup goes home empty-handed.

The meeting will be held in the Thousand Oaks room of the Oxnard Performing Arts Convention Center (800 Hobson Way, Oxnard) on the first Wednesday of the month at 6:00pm.

Rocks ROCK! Louisa

(Board Meeting Minutes continued from page 6)

Old Business.

- Stephanie is in process of completing the movement of all OGMS accounts to Union Bank; show account has been moved.
- Update regarding PACC request to remove OGMS items from on-site storage: OGMS plans to reach out to the new Director of Cultural and Community Services for the City of Oxnard (who oversees the PACC) to retain our storage area. The current Director, Ingrid Hardy, is leaving in June for a new position.
- We will have a display table at the PACC Art Festival on Memorial Day weekend. We will be presenting a simple sea glass pendant project for festival attendees. Need more volunteers to man the table. Hands-on sea glass pendant wire wrapping instructions will be provided to OGMS members during the 16 May Members Night.
- From March: The 8-foot display case has been offered to Conejo, but no response has been received. The Ventura fairgrounds will now be offered the case. Tabled.
- Packs of 25 cut pieces of material for making grab bags were handed out at the general meeting last week. Tabled.
- From March: People are needed to put openings in table skirts. This has yet to be scheduled. Tabled.
- From March: The emblems that go on the back of vests are currently in the possession of Stephanie; Donna has the bolt of blue material for making adult vests. People are needed to sew the vests. Tabled.
- From April: The budget for speakers is to be used at the discretion of the 1st VP, using such factors as the fees charged by some speakers and distance traveled. A recommendation was made to consider increasing the annual budget for speakers. Tabled.

New Business.

- The meeting attendees began a review of the latest version of the proposed revised By-Laws.
- Insurance premium due dates were briefly discussed.
- Need to improve our presence within the community was discussed. This included looking for opportunities to increase support of art groups (e.g., our participation in the PACC Arts Festival).

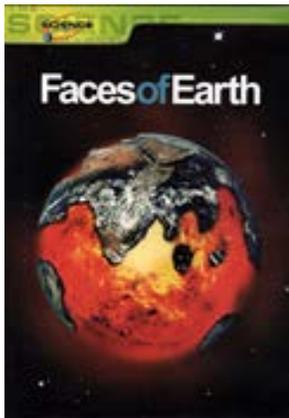
Announcements. Next meeting scheduled for 13 June 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment. Stephanie Hagiwara adjourned the meeting at 9:02 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Scharf, Recording Secretary, 11 May 2018.

Author: (Produced by) Evergreen Films, LLC, in association with The American Geological Institute

Publisher: The Science Channel, distributed by Image Entertainment, 2008



The book of the month for June is a DVD containing four episodes of the Science Channel's program entitled "*Faces of Earth*." The first two episodes were reviewed in March, while this month's review covers the third and fourth episodes, *Assembling America* and *A Human World*. *Assembling America* explores the development of America starting with the west coast of Washington and moving to the east. It looks at the roles of such events as plate subduction and ice in the formation of mountains and lakes. *A Human World* presents effects of man and his activities on the planet. Again, this DVD makes for an evening or two of good family entertainment and education.

Take a few minutes to look over the OGMS Library at the next regular meeting –

Kathy Scharf, OGMS Librarian

Please remember to follow these guidelines when checking out a library book:

1. You must be a current member with your dues paid.
2. Up to three (3) books may be checked out at one time.
3. Books may be checked out for one month at a time. Check-out at one monthly meeting and return the book(s) at the next monthly meeting. If you wish to extend your check-out, please arrange it with the librarian.
4. Books must be returned in good condition! Any damage should be reported as soon as possible. If a book is lost, please make every effort to recover it, or replace it. Some of our books are very valuable.
5. If books are overdue, you will receive a reminder call to bring them back.
6. Donations are welcomed! Books and DVDs (no VHS tapes, please) that are in good condition, relevant to our hobby, and contain current information may be donated and will be appreciated.

Summertime is Here!!

With summer comes time spent outdoors. Working in the yard, hiking, picnicking and field-tripping among other pursuits occupy us. Unfortunately, sunburn, heatstroke, poison ivy and bugs go along with those activities.

After several mild winters, tick populations are up, and the percentage carrying Lyme disease bacteria has almost doubled in some areas. If not treated promptly Lyme disease can be very serious. Symptoms include fever, rash, muscle and joint pain, and dizziness. If you find a tick attached to you, remove it immediately and if you experience symptoms, especially a bulls-eye rash, seek medical attention. Early treatment is very important. However, it is best to try to avoid tick bites. If you are going to be somewhere where you will be exposed:

- *Wear long-sleeved shirt, light-colored, long pants and closed-toe shoes.
- *Tuck shirt in pants and pants in socks.
- *Apply insect repellent with DEET or Picaridin to exposed skin and clothing.
- *Apply permethrin to clothes and shoes (not skin)
- *Avoid areas of overgrown grass, brush and leaf litter.
- *Protect your pets as they can bring ticks into the home.

Source www.mlive.com/news

Brad Smith's Bench Tips

REVOLVING SOLDER PAD

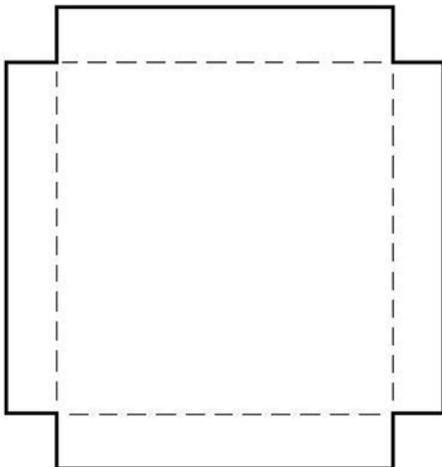
Often when we're soldering we have multiple pieces on the pad or a single piece and would like to work on several sides of it during the same heat.

One of the ways to deal with this is to put your solder pad onto a turntable. That way you can rotate each piece into position when you need to or can rotate the pad to reach another side of a larger piece.

All you need to make one of these is a piece of aluminum sheet and an inexpensive turn table assembly. A good hardware store will have both, although you can usually find the aluminum in the scrap pile of a local sheet metal shop.



To build a turntable for my 6-inch solder pad, I used a seven-inch square piece of aluminum sheet and cut out 1/2-inch notches from each corner. Then I used a bench vice to bend the sides along the dotted lines to form a tray that cradles the solder pad. I attached the tray to the turntable assembly with a couple small flat-head machine screws and nuts.

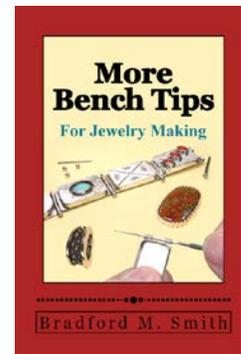


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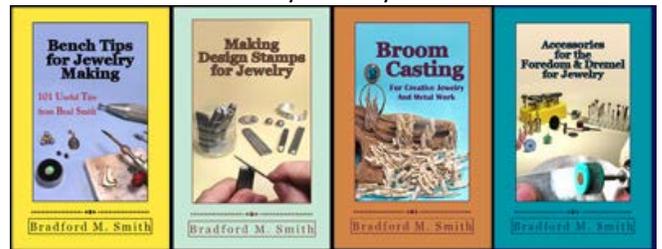
Do you hear that little hiss when some jewelers drop a hot piece from soldering directly into the pickle? That hiss sends small droplets of acid into the air that can rust nearby tools and can't be all that good to breathe. To avoid this, I keep a coffee cup of water at the solder station to cool a soldered piece before dumping it into the pickle. It's also useful for annealing metals and for cooling off tweezers.

NEW BENCH TIPS BOOK

For those who enjoy these bench tips, I'm happy to announce a second volume is now available on Amazon. "More Bench Tips" includes 86 additional ways to save time, avoid frustration or improve quality at the bench. These new tips cover problems in fabrication, stone setting, casting, soldering and polishing. Browse through a couple of the new ones at <https://amazon.com/dp/B07D4B45JJ/>



For more tips or to learn new jewelry skills see [Amazon.com/author/bradfordsmith](https://amazon.com/author/bradfordsmith)



BEGINNING WIRE WRAPPING VIDEO (from the *Flatirons Mineral Club* newsletter, May-June 2018)
Craig Hazelton prepared a video on this technique. You can view it at <http://youtu.be/pqOzlsFyXvl>. Craig will be glad to answer questions you have about the video. His email is paddlething@hotmail.com.

This Month's Field Trip:

Contacts: Chuck Borchard, CGMC, chuck.cgmctrips@gmail.com; John Cook, VGMS, cookjohnr@sbcglobal.net; and Luther Brown, VGMS, ravenwolf2@att.net; Adrian Ruiz, OGMS, 805-512-3383.

Sat., June 23rd (OGMS) Himalaya Mine, San Diego, CA. Lead by Adrian Ruiz, 805-512-3383.

Contact by phone, not by email. See details, below. Please sign up at www.whoscoming.com/vgms if you are going.

The Himalaya Mine, opened in 1898, was the world's top producer for a long time before shutting down in 1977. Discovery of a new pocket in 1989 yielded half a ton of tourmaline. The mine can't support commercial operations but continues as a popular destination for rockhounds. You get to take home whatever you find.

The tourmaline is beautiful, a hard gemstone with a large crystal in a range of colors – especially pink, green, and a bicolor variety called watermelon (the pink surrounded by the green). Minerals found are tourmaline, feldspar, black schorl, quartz, clevelandite, mica, lepidolite and more.

- Fee Dig – 5 hours for \$75.00/adult, under 12 yrs. free with paid adult; Juniors 12-18 \$32.50
- A discounted fee is available for groups of 20 or more.
- Dig Times: 10am to 3 pm. Meet at 9:45am at Entrance inside of Lake Henshaw for instructions please click here:
http://www.highdesertgemsandminerals.com/html/tourmaline_dig_map.html
- Adrian will be camping at the Lake Henshaw resort Friday-Sunday. Camping space is \$25 per night/vehicle. There are also cabins to rent. There is a general store and a restaurant at the resort area. Visit their website for more info: <http://www.lakehenshawresort.com/>
- Bring an easy-up tent if you have one, plenty of water, and lunch.
- Stay and dig on Sunday again, or go to the nearby Ocean View Mine. This mine requires advanced reservations on their site: www.digforgems.com to sign up and receive details.



July Field Trip:

July 26-29,

Davis Creek obsidian,
CFMS-North:

Dick Pankey,
dickpankey@juno.com
(preferred) or 925-439-7509

Federation News-May & June

By Jennifer Haley

CFMS:

1. **A ballot was emailed to the CFMS societies on Sunday, 5/6/2018, requesting their vote in “favor” or “disfavor” of the Pasadena Lapidary Society hosting the Annual CFMS Show & Convention for 2019.** By Monday, 5/7/2018 we received a quorum in favor of the show. There were no votes in disfavor. The show will be in the spring, 2nd week in March, Fairplex-Pomona-Ca. Show will not conflict with the AFMS show or Camp Zzyzx for 2019. More information to be announced.
2. **CFMS Convention and the Feather River Lapidary Mineral Society- Sept 15 & 16, 2018-** Feather River has invited those attending from the CFMS to attend their vendor’s dinner for free up to 75 people. Awards Banquet BBQ @ noon following the director’s meeting and a short break. Schedule and more info on CFMS website.
3. **CFMS Endowment Fund** is asking for donations for their raffle and table sales at the Feather River event.
4. **The CFMS slide programs have been taken off the website.** They are no longer available to check out for programs. These are very old slides, and there have not been requests for slide programs for the past few years. CFMS is in the process of digitizing the slides so societies can check them out again. Currently 2,300 + of the 23,000 +/- slides have been digitized already. We have most if not all the handwritten or typed programs which go with these slides. This is a long-term project.
5. **“Name That Dino” Contest** is in the works- Due date for entries is July 31, 2018.
6. **CFMS Judges and Clerks:** Those within the CFMS who have helped judge or clerk during our annual federation shows, but do not have a AFMS Judge card, but have an interest in continuing to assist, please contact Jennifer. Those of you who have received AFMS Trophies for your exhibits and are interested in judging or clerking during our annual CFMS shows, Jennifer would like to hear from you too.

AFMS:

1. **The 2019 AFMS Show & Convention-Cedar Rapids, IA, dates have changed to March 23rd-24th.** CFMS did come home with awards! The CFMS chairmen will be announcing those soon.
2. **AFMS Uniform Rules Committee met in Raleigh, NC last month. There was one change to the Beading Rules, which was voted on and approved:**
Division “I” I-8 Currently reads: “mixed bead embroidery and/ or bead weaving, w/wo stones approx. equal proportions.”
New change to read: “Mixed beadwork- may include bead weaving, bead embroidery, loom work, and stringing.”
3. **AFMS Judge Cards:** At the AFMS meeting in Raleigh last month Jennifer Haley asked and was given permission to work on updating the roster to present day judges. It has not been updated since the 1990’s. Each federation is being asked for their assistance.
Those within the CFMS who have received AFMS Judge cards over the years, and as recent as last year’s CFMS-AFMS Show, need to contact Jennifer now with the following: Your name, snail mail and email address, phone number, and a photo copy of your judge’s card. These cards would have been given out following an AFMS Judges Training Seminar or immediately after judging was completed at an AFMS Show.

CAMP PARADISE APPLICATION:

<http://www.cfmsinc.org/forms10/paradise/2018CampParadiseRegistration.pdf>

SHOWTIME!

June 8 - 10: LA HABRA, CA

North Orange County Gem & Mineral Society
La Habra Community Center
101 W. La Habra Blvd.
Hours: Fri 5 - 8; Sat & Sun 10 - 5
Contact: Armando Perdoza, (909) 455-6800
Email: forestandsun@yahoo.com
Website: www.nocgms.com

June 9 - 10: ESCONDIDO, CA

Palomar Gem & Mineral Club
California Center for the Arts, Escondido
340 N. Escondido Blvd.
Hours: 10 - 5 daily
Contact: Michele Shephard
Email: pqmcshow@palomargem.org
Website: www.palomargem.org [Show Page](#)

June 9 - 10, 2017: GLENDORA, CA

Glendora Gems
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 23 - 24: CULVER CITY, CA

Culver City Rock & Mineral Club
Veterans Memorial Auditorium
4117 Overland Blvd
Hours: Sat 10 - 6; Sun 10 - 5
Contact: Janice Metz, (310) 850-4398
Email: janicemtz@yahoo.com
Website: www.culvercityrocks.org [Show Page](#)

Rockhound Rendezvous

Lapidary Equipment Demonstration

Saturday, June 16, 2018

9:00 am To 2:00 pm

VGMS WORKSHOP

Camp Comfort, 11969 Creek Rd, Ojai, CA 93023

Don Depue will be demonstrating some of Diamond Pacific's excellent equipment. You will be able to have a hands-on demonstration of equipment you might be considering purchasing for yourself or your club. Bring your checkbook if you are considering a purchase. Following are the machines demonstrated:

- 4-5 Genies
- Flat Laps for Genie w/polishing pads
- Wizard 6" Trim saw
- Band Saw
- Slab Saw
- NEW 8" slant flat lap

VGMS will also be holding the Annual Picnic. The club supplies the main dish (Don cooks his famous pulled pork) and drinks, with members/guests bringing side dishes and desserts.

Everyone is welcome, just please sign up so we have a count. Go to www.whosbringingwhat.com/vgms, or email info@vgms.org with any questions.

If you need more information, contact me at 805-647-4393 or clintwise@hotmail.com

Ron Wise

IN MEMORIAM

Isabel Burns

Izzie Burns was admitted to hospital on May 8th, and on May 10th she was transferred to a hospice facility to keep her as comfortable as possible for what time she had left. On May 15th she quietly fell asleep and passed away. Services will be on May 29th at 11:00 at Rose Hills Mortuary in Whittier. The services will be in the Rainbow Chapel which is at gate 14.

Izzie had a long relationship with the rockhounding community and was president of both CFMS and AFMS. Izzie was also instrumental in the establishing of the earth sciences group at Zzyzx and Paradise and enjoyed attending the events there for several years. She also served on the BLM Desert Advisory Committee for several years working to keep the desert open for rockhounding.

The family requests that any donations be made to the CFMS Earth Sciences fund.

Karen Higgins

Former OGMS member and lapidary student, Karen Higgins, passed away May 4th. She was a friend and neighbor to Kathy and Tom Sharf for 48 years. We extend our sympathy and condolences to Karen's family and friends in their time of loss.

**2018 VENTURA COUNTY FAIR
AUGUST 1 – AUGUST 12, 2018**
Fair theme: A Country Fair with Ocean Air
GEMS & MINERALS DEPARTMENT

Superintendent – Diane Cook

(805) 889-1209 or (805) 648-3376 x 173 gemsandhobbies@venturacountyfair.org

Entry Guides are on the fair website: www.venturacountyfair.org Click 2018 Fair, then up on top drop down menu, click on Fair Entry Guides, then scroll down to Gems & Minerals Entry Guide – there you will find all the classes and rules for your entries. Single specimens, cases, jewelry, beading, silversmithing, a Division and Class for everyone! Share with the public the great treasures we all enjoy.

Fair cases and spaces for personal cases are limited. *Please call for reservation of space or case between June 1 and July 14, 2018 to Diane Cook at (805) 889-1209 between the hours of 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM. No one is guaranteed a space or case without confirmation from Diane Cook, Superintendent.*

ENTRY DATE and TIME:

10:00 AM to 5:00 PM ENTRIES ACCEPTED:

Competitive and Non-Competitive

Friday, July 20, Saturday, July 21 & Sunday, July 22, 2018

ENTRY PICK-UP DAY

Monday, August 13, 2018

10:00 AM – 7:00 PM

Exhibits must remain in place for the duration of the Fair. All entries not claimed on Monday, August 13, 2018 become the property of the Ventura County Fair and will be discarded.



FACES AROUND THE V.C.



Top to bottom, left to right:
 Refreshments at Jean Wise memorial, the many phases of Jean's teaching looks, Nancy Bogart & Janice Albertson, Kay Hara & Miriam Tetreault. Matt White, Kathy Sharf and Stephanie Hagiwara take wire wrap tutorial. Kirsten and Mary Meeker enjoy wire wrapping on Member Night. Stephanie and Gail Sanford volunteer at PACC Arts Festival. Samples of children's bead art.



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June 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
27 PACC THE ARTS Festival May 26th 11a-5p, May 27th 12p-4p	28 MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVED	29	30	31	1	2
3	4	5	6 OGMS at the PACC PebblePups 6p Member Mtg 7:30p	7 VGMS Board Mtg 7:30p	8 LaHabra Gem Show	9 LaHabra Gem Show Palomar Gem Show Glendora Gem Show
10 LaHabra Gem Show Palomar Gem Show Glendora Gem Show	11	12 Happy Birthday, Bob Driskell!	13 OGMS Show Mtg 6p Board Mtg 7p @ the PACC	14	15	16 VGMS Rockhound Rendezvous @ Camp Comfort 9a-2p
17 HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!	18	19	20 OGMS Member Night @Durley Park, get password from Carolyn Howe	21	22	23 Himalaya Mine Field Trip (see Field Trip info) Culver City Gem Show
24 Culver City Gem Show	25	26	27 VGMS Member Mtg, 7:30p @ Poinsettia Pavilion	28	29	30
1	2	NOTES		SHOW MEETING ON TUESDAY, 6-13-18 6 PM. Bring your grab bags if you have some, get your donations for raffle lined up, decide what days you can help and sign up!		