

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Thank You

I wish to thank all of you good people for the effort you put into making this another fine show!



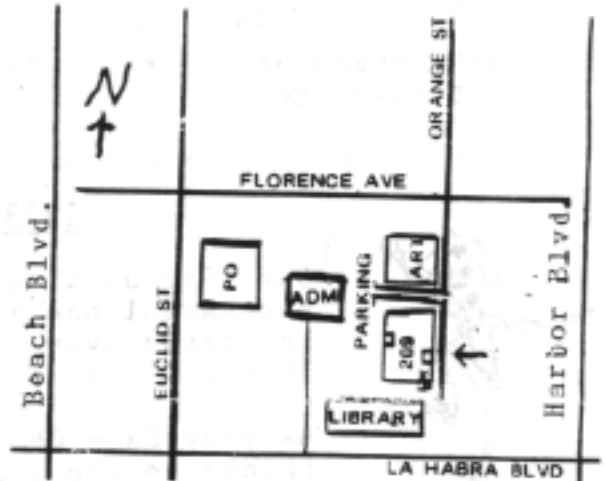
Walt

PROGRAM

APRIL MEETING

Date: April 13
Time: 7:30 p.m.
Place: La Habra Sr. Center
Assembly Room
Speaker: Mr. Conrad Grundke

He is well known through rockhound clubs for his prized work with "Intarsia." Mr. Grundke will talk on the history of the art as well as the skills, talent and equipment of Intarsia. He will also have several fine works of art for us to enjoy.



Don Warthen

DATES OF COMING ATTRACTIONS

NOC CLUB ACTIVITIES

Cab Classes at Walt Messemer's	Every Monday & Wednesday Eve.
Silver Craft at La Cuesta	Every Thursday Eve.
Field Trip (see page 4)	April 9-11
Regular Meeting (Assembly Room)	April 13
Ginny's Beadstringing Class (see pg.4)	April 17
Board Meeting (Assembly Room)	April 27

HINTS

The final polish on silver depends on the number of buffing wheel threads, not the amount of rouge used. A cheap buff will not give the same results as a quality one.

A little graphite mixed with chrome oxide and applied to ordinary muslin buffs, makes a wonderful jade polishing agent, and is fine on hard-to-polish agate.

From The Michigan Gem News 4/91 via Orange Coast Gazette 6/91

DATES OF COMING ATTRACTIONS (Continued)

SHOWS AND EVENTS

Borrego Springs Rockhound Club & Soroptimists Christmas Circle in center of town, Borrego Springs Grapefruit Festival & 1st Annual Gem & Min. Show	4/17,18
Antelope Valley & Palmdale G&M clubs Antelope Valley Fairgrounds, Lancaster	4/24,25
Palomar G&MC, The Vineyard (shopping center) 1511 E. Valley Pkwy., Escondido	4/30-5/2
The Searchers G&MS, Brookhurst Cmnty. Ctr. 2271 W. Crescent Av. (at Brookhurst), Anaheim	5/1,2
Snyder's Valley Springs Pow Wow (see page 9)	5/7-9
CFMS Show & Convention Ventura County Fairgrounds, Ventura	6/25-27
AFMS/RMFMS Show & Convention, Denver Merchandise Mart Denver, CO	9/16-19

1993 SHOW REPORT



Our 1993 Jubilee of Gems show is over, and a very successful one it was! I am told that the door count indicated over 1,550 guests attended this year's show. This would be about 150 more than attended last year.

As your Show Chairman I wish to convey my everlasting thanks to the supportive membership in general, and to all who gave of their time and talents in particular. Thank you all for a job "well-done!"

ALL SHOW CHAIRPERSONS please update your show folder and return it to Virginia Page.

Russ Hughes

Trini and I would like to thank all of you for your generous donations for door prizes. I heard many very positive comments and the prize winners have been thrilled when they picked them up.

Thanks -- Loretta and Trini

Show Kitchen: The help in the kitchen was really great. Thank you everyone. A first this year - Betsy Messemer made and sold NOC-chos. All the supplies for this were donated by Betsy and Walt - Thanks! We had lots of pies; the extra pies have been frozen and will be served at our next meeting.

Show Sales Table: Many old timers came out and helped on the sales table and we were all very busy. Thanks guys! Over 400 geodes were sold, many slabs and some rough rock.

Izzie

FIELD TRIP



The March field trip was to our show and I hope that everyone got lots of rocks.

Our Easter trip is to Ludlow, April 9,10 & 11, 1993. There will be a potluck on Saturday night, campfires, Easter Sunrise Service, and breakfast potluck. See March bulletin for map and details.

Bill Burns, Field Trips

REFRESHMENTS

Izzie will bring the extra pies left over from our NOC show to serve at our April meeting.



Thanks to Ginny Grafton and Virginia Page for the cake and ice cream served at our March meeting.

Adele Huber, Refreshments

DISPLAYS AND EDUCATION

This month our program will be about intarsia; so please bring intarsia, channel work, or inlaid material for display.

Our field trip will be to the Ludlow area; so please bring material from that area. I will make a SPECIAL REQUEST for Clarence Pool to bring a sample of the imbedded amethyst that he got from there several years ago.

Izzie

Classes -- Saturday, April 17. Beadstringing and knotting class. 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Bring beads or strands to restyle or repair. Also, findings if you have them or they will be available for purchase.

This class will be held at 15051 Leffingwell Rd., Rm. 204 just east of La Mirada. This is our La Questa workroom. Cost is \$7.50 for members; \$10.00 for nonmembers.

Ginny Grafton



MOTOR HOME FOR SALE -- 1978 GMC Royale \$18,000
26 ft. 70,000 miles New tires and new brakes
It has always been kept in a garage.
Anyone interested please call (714) 666-2020

Frances Troemmler

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to those born in April. Have a great day!

Bill Huber, 4/4
Barbara Steed, 4/6
Trini Hermosillo, 4/11
Jon Moreno, 4/13
Frieda Pool, 4/17



Bob Henry, 4/19
Eileen Derezin, 4/24
Virginia Harvey, 4/26
Joan Abramson, 4/27
Peter Young, 4/29

Your flower is Daisy or Sweet Pea. Your gemstone is Diamond.

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Virginia Harvey has been ill. We hope she gets well soon. Her daughter Jan came to our NOC show Sunday and brought regrets from her mom for not being able to come too.

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It was such a pleasure to see Roger Loest and his parents Wayne and Hazel at our show. We miss them at our meetings and field trips. Loretta won the beautiful plaque given in memory of Rose Loest for the most popular case chosen by our show guests. She met Rose's family and was very touched by their warmth and friendliness.

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We were happy to see Bonnie Renner and Derek Tufnell at the show. Keep hanging in there Bonnie; our prayers are with you.

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CLUB NEWS AND MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

REGULAR MEETING, March 9 -
Displays were brought by Don and Ofelia Warthen, Susan Hansen and Virginia Page.

Don Warthen talked about our future programs. We will have an intarsia demonstration at our April meeting.

We had 38 members and two guests attend our meeting and enjoy our program on space.

Russ gave his show report summarizing the meeting with show chairpersons held just before our Regular Meeting. Volunteer sheets were circulated for people to sign up where they could help. Adele wants people to sell tickets, Trini wants prizes, Izzie wants pies. Ray talked about cases.

Adele thanked Ginny and Virginia for refreshments. Trini volunteered to bring refreshments in September with Telmo.

Virginia announced she had CFMS show forms for anyone wanting to go to the Federation show in June.

Izzie gave her Education report. Yorba Linda Library asked for someone to talk on rocks April 26 & 27, 3:30 pm to 4:30 p.m.

BOARD MEETING, March 23 -
Izzie reported our field trip for Easter will be to the Ludlow area.

Bill Burns said we will be going to Ludlow in April. May field trip is still in the planning stages.

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CLUB NEWS AND MEETING HIGHLIGHTS (Continued)

BOARD MEETING (Continued)

Don Warthen reported our program for April will be on intarsia, and May the talk will be on diamonds.

Virginia Page asked for reports for the bulletin.

Russ thanked all for their cooperation in putting on a great show. He recommended we appoint a new show chairman now; set the date for next year's show; we get going on advertizing much sooner; every show chairman should have their particular folder updated. He heard many comments of the fine quality of the displays. Rock sales area was busy. The demonstrators were very much appreciated by those who came to them for instruction and education. There was a discussion on how we

could put more loud speakers in the lobby and outdoor rock sales area.

Walt read a letter from Todd Schowalter asking if anyone wants to display this year at the Orange County Fair gem show.

Izzie read a thank you letter from Lisa Babilonia of the Ralph B. Clark Regional Park. She appreciated the demonstrators, Al Hermosillo and Walt Messemer.

A discussion was held on how to better arrange our show country store and demonstrators to make room for another dealer.

The Board discussed getting club membership cards for everyone.

The next Jubilee of Gems NOC Show is planned for March 26,27, 1994.

RECAP OF MARCH PROGRAM

John Latin talked about the space program. He explained about missiles and interceptors using tennis balls to illustrate. His helper was one of our guests, John Moreno, Jana's son. We learned about other interesting things concerning space science activities and equipment.

RECAP OF THE RALPH B. CLARK OCC OUTING

On March 13 club members Al and Trini Hermosillo, Walt and Betsy Messemer, Izzie Burns and Don Ogden came to the park to help support the OCC educate-the-public day. Al and Walt demonstrated silver work and cab making.

GOLD CORAL FROM HAWAII -- We have all found white coral, seen the pink and red coral and marveled at the beautiful jewelry made of black coral. Now an exciting discovery off the coast of Hawaii gives us a gold colored coral. The Maui divers of Hawaii found the incredible discovery in the midnight landscape of the coral forest 1200 ft. beneath the sea. So deep that bathysphere or minisub must be used to 'mine' this gold. No one knows what magic gave this coral its astonishing color and brilliant textures.

From Chips and Chatter, et al, via Stoney Statements, Texas 3/93

INDIAN PAINT ROCK

Great Spirit placed a special talent
In our brothers of the west,
Indulged their fertile fantasies,
Imagination at its best.

To Zunis he gave power to fashion
Intricate inclusions rare,
Petit-point and tiny dendrites,
Delicate beyond compare.

Hopis splashed the rock with pigment--
Such capricious colors bright,
Swirling down receptive sandstone,
Capturing Kachinas' light.

Lagunas featured red and black
Delinations, sharp and fine.
Other tribes used muted earth tones,
Softening a harsher line:

Dappled ochre, tawny auburn,
Subtle shades all natural,
Compositions done in fresco--
Acomas' original!

Anasazis decorated
Shards that knew no potter's wheel--
Pseudo petroglyphs in stone
Before invaders from Castile.

Navajos were granted gifts
Of boldness as they made design--
Red and orange, incandescent
Sunset colors to enshrine:

Gaudy as a warrior's trappings,
Brilliant hues that snared the eye,
Garnishing the barren wasteland
Like a transient butterfly.

Great Spirit looked upon the paint rock,
Satisfied what whimsey wrought
And gave His blessing to the people
Who created, all untaught.

by Joan Abramson
NOC Member

CFMS NEWS

DEADLINES FOR CFMS SHOW - VENTURA JUNE 25,26,27

May 24, 1993 CFMS Competitive Exhibit Entries
 June 1, 1993 Oxnard "SEAGULL" entries
 June 1, 1993 CFMS Registration - Admission,
 Banquet, Editors Breakfast,
 Camping, etc.



I have copies of all necessary forms.

Jane Livezey, Federation Dir.

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DESERT NEWS - "THE CALIFORNIA DESERT PROTECTION ACTS OF 1993"
 Senate S-21 House HR 518

Thursday January 21, 1993, California Senator Diane Feinstein, with California Senator Barbara Boxer as a co-sponsor, introduced into the Senate "The California Desert Protection Act of 1993." Would you believe---the bill number is --S-21-- again!!! At the same time, California Congressmen Lehman and Miller introduced HR-518 "The California Desert Protection Act" into the House.

It appears these two bills will be on a 'fast tract' through Congress. Copies of the Legislation can be requested from Senator Feinstein's office by calling (202) 224-3841 (FAX 202 224-0656) or writing The Honorable Diane Feinstein, United States Senate, Washington, D.C. 20510. When writing to Senator Feinstein or your representative, send a copy of the letter to President Clinton!

Sue Hickman -- From the March issue of CFMS NEWSLETTER
 Jane Livezey

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EXHIBITORS' WORKSHOP

The CFMS and Conejo Gem & Mineral Club presented a workshop on March 13, 1993, in Thousand Oaks.

Speakers who shared their ideas, knowledge and experience were Bill Burns who talked about rules and competition, Jessie Hardman on minerals and labeling them, Bob King on fossils, Pat LaRue on lapidary and petrified wood, Bural LaRue on jewelry, Jeane Stultz on educational exhibits, Roy Foerster and Lois Allmen talked about special trophies, and Fred Sellers and Bob Stultz discussed showmanship. Ray Meisenheimer told us about the CFMS Earth Science seminars.

We learned a lot about how to set up an attractive display case. One of the most important things when choosing material to display is quality. Another is workmanship, and another is labeling. Many hints and tips were given. A great deal of good, helpful information about all aspects of displaying was presented. Many thanks to all for giving their time and expertise to help us improve our displays.

Thanks too to the Conejo club for refreshments and lunch of salads brownies and delicious Conejo chili.

Virginia Page

AFMS NEWS

COMMEMORATIVE STAMPS by Tony Verdi

For several years I have requested the Postal Service issue a block of four stamps depicting some of our early fossils. In 1974 a beautiful block of stamps showing minerals was issued. In 1989 four prehistoric animals of the Mesozoic Era were issued. In 1992 a second set of four mineral stamps were issued.

Our committee feels that stamps depicting the early, small fossils should be the next step. Common fossils such as ferns, trilobites, crinoids, ammonites and brachiopods should be considered. These could be

shown in early reconstructed scenes or as a fossil of today.

The Commemorative Stamps Committee asks that rockhounds and interested collectors of stamps and blocks write to the Postal Service's Citizens Stamps Advisory Committee and request that our fossil heritage be recognized.

Write to:

U.S. Postal Service
Citizens Stamp Advisory Committee
Room 5800
475 L'Enfant Plaza West, SW
Washington, D.C. 20260-6352

From the AFMS Newsletter 3/93

SNYDER'S VALLEY SPRINGS POW WOW

The Pow Wow will be at the Snyder Ranch, 1290 Paloma Rd., Valley Springs. Lots of activities will be going on:

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| Beautiful arts & crafts | Gems & minerals |
| Gifts and jewelry from throughout the world | Music galore old time fiddlers campout |
| Blue grass country & western | Chicken-in-the barrel and steak barbecue |
| Display of working antique gas engines | Demonstrations |
| Free prize drawings each day | Fly-N-Radio controlled airplanes |
| Camping \$8 per night | Field trips |
| | Cow pie throwing contest |
| | And much more |

RECEIPE FOR A GOOD ROCK CLUB

Assemble one (1) group of rock hounds in assorted sizes, shapes, and personalities.
Measure accurately;
1 cup friendly words
1 cup understanding
1 cup courtesy and patience
Sift carefully and remove all malice and ego, add a dash of wit and humor, a warm welcome for all and a heart full of cooperation.
Sprinkle with good times and much fun.
Garnish with new members, serve with warm greetings.



Plenty for all

From The San Diego Lapidary Soc. Newsletter