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Day and Location:

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The objective and purpose of the North Orange County Gem and Mineral Society is to disseminate knowledge of mineralogy and the earth sciences and to encourage study in these subjects through means of: the presentation of public exhibitions, lectures, slide programs; field trips for explorations, study and collection of specimens; the preparation, publication and distribution of articles and studies pertaining to mineralogy and the earth sciences; the promotion of scientific research in these fields; the encouragement of interest among young people and the fostering of classes in mineralogy and lapidary arts; and all other means which are appropriate to the accomplishment of the primary objectives set forth.

*Annual Membership Dues: Individual, \$10; Family, \$15; Juniors, \$3.
 Visitors are always welcome at our regular meetings and field trips.
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President's Message

by Don Warthen

The vacation season is over. I hope everyone had an eventful and uplifting vacation this year. Now it's time to get back to work, and boy do we have a lot of work to do.

First we will have elections at the next meeting. I don't know who the Nominating Committee has selected yet but I believe most of the existing officers are running for reelection. We will have nominations from the floor before the election.

The show is coming together nicely but we still have some position open, talk to Izzie to see where you can help.

Remember our Christmas party will be on the Second Wednesday, December 11th not on the second Tuesday. We should have a great time there this year.

Don't forget the auction at our Nov. meeting, this has always been a lot of fun, we still need donations.

November Meeting

Date: November 12, 2002
Time: 7:30 p.m.
Place: La Habra Community Center
101 W. La Habra Blvd.
Program: Auction and election of 2003 officers.

Refreshments

by Oscar Veloz

Virginia and Susan will bring the goodies for the November meeting. Thanks to Floyd Allen for bringing the goodies to the September meeting.

NOC Club Activities

Cab Classes at Walt Messemmer's — 7-10 p.m.
every Wednesday Evening.

Board Meeting — To be announced

Field Trip to Whittier Club Claim — Nov 28 - Dec 2

Deadline for NOC News — Nov 17.

Annual Christmas Dinner - Dec. 11, 2002

Hilton Hotel
7230 Greenleaf Ave.
Whittier, CA

Autonotics club members and Spouses are invited

Annual Youth Science Event — Sat. Jan. 11, 2003

10 a.m. to 1p.m.
Wedgeworth Elementary School, Hacienda Hts.
(Details will be Dec. NOC News)

Programs

by Irene Veloz

The November meeting presents you multiple reasons to attend. Elect your 2003 officers. Bid on bargains at the now famous NOC auction. Bring things to donate to the auction. Bring money to rake things home.

Members in the News

HAPPY BIRTHDAY and have a wonderful day all of you who were born in **November**

Jeff Parker - November 8

Jane Livezey - November 11

Jerry Grafton - November 19

Your gemstone is Topaz

Your flower is Chrysanthemum

Shows and Events

via CFMS Web Site

November 2-3 2002, Anaheim CA

The American Opal Society
Quality Hotel Main Gate
616 Convention Way
Hours: Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-5
Robert Dixon (714) 534-5063
Jay Carey (714) 525-7635

November 16-17 2002, Palmdale CA

Palmdale Gem & Mineral Club
"Rock n' Gems"
California Elks Lodge
2705 E. Ave. Q
Hours: 9-5 both days
Gail Becker E-mail: Gail1010becker@aol.com

November 23-24 2002, Victorville CA

Victorville Gem & Mineral Club's
27th Annual Show
San Bernardino County Fairgrounds
14800 7th Street
Hours: Sat 9-5 Sun 9-4
Gil Gilbert (760) 868-6900

November 30 -December 1 2002, Barstow CA

Mojave Desert Gem & Mineral Society
Barstow community Center
841 South Barstow Road
Hours: 10-5 both days
Bob Depue (760) 255-1030

December 7-8 2002, San Bernardino, CA

Orange Belt Mineralogical Society
503 W. 31st. Street
Hours: Sat. 10-6 Sun. 10-5
Emma Couveau (Workshop #) (909) 381-0089

February 14-23 2003, Indio, CA

San Geronio Mineral & Gem Society
Riverside County Fair & National Date Festival
Gem & Mineral Bldg (on the Fairgrounds)
46-350 Arabia Street
Hours: 10-10
Don Grisham (909) 795-7289

March 1-2 2003, Arcadia, CA

Monrovia Rockhounds, Inc.
The Arboretum of Los Angeles County
Ayers Hall: 301 N. Baldwin Avenue, Arcadia
Hours: 9-4:30 both days
Fee to enter The Arboretum
Jo Anna Ritchey (626) 359-1624
j.ritchey@verizon.net

March 8-9 2003, San Marino, CA

Pasadena Lapidary Society
San Marino Masonic Center
3130 Hunting Drive
Hours: Sat. 10-6 Sun. 10-5
Marlene Kyte (626) 794-0519
Show Theme: "Gems, Minerals and
Jewelry of the Southwest"

June 21-22 2003, La Habra, CA

North Orange County Gem & Mineral Society
World of Gems
La Habra Community Center
101 W. La Habra Blvd.
Hours: Sat. 10-5 Sun. 10-4
Bill & Izzie Burns isnbl@aol.com

In Memoriam

Zeke Wilder passed away Wednesday
October 30 at the hospice hospital, Royal
Court, in Whittier. Funeral services at Rose
Hills are pending.

NOC General Meeting Minutes

October 8, 2002

By Susan Hansen

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m. by 2nd Vice President Jane Livezey. We met in the center room of the ballroom trio.

The flag salute was led by Loretta Ogden.

Loretta introduced the program: a video on the story of Scarles Lake, and a short video by the Trona club on the annual field trips and how the companies prepare for them.

Refreshments were provide by Floyd Allen.

The minutes were in the bulletin and accepted as printed.

Treasurer's report was given by Don Livezey.

Field Trip information was in the bulletin.

Show news: Iz sent a note on the dealers that she has talked to or have responded to her letter so far. Danke's will be at the San Diego Fair that weekend. Hill's are on vacation, Tom Wolfe not sure of schedule at that time. Lapidary Originals said OK.

Loretta's friend redrew the logo guy from some old sketches/flyers-more to the original one.

Christmas Party - Jane talked to Trini, Date set at 12-11, a Wednesday, at the Hilton in Whittier, \$15 each, \$30 per couple, \$30 for outsiders.

We received a letter from Mae. Zeke is in the Royal Court Nursing Home in Whittier. A card was passed around for members to sign.

Old Business: Nominating committee hasn't been able to meet, so slate not available. A suggestion was made that we re-elect the current officers to another term, assuming they are willing. Those present voted to pass the suggestion as a motion made by Loretta. We need to elect a President, 1st VP, Treasurer, and 2 directors.

Other shows upcoming but not listed: The Fullerton Arboretum "Arborfest" is Oct. 12-13, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Associate Rd. and Yorba Linda Bl, NE corner of Cal. State Fullerton.

The meeting adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

Petrified Wood

By Joan Abramson

The colors of an Arizona sunset
Are embedded in these massive trees that lie
Upon a hostile landscape, bleak and dry,
Yet once enjoyed a climate lush and wet.

Water rich in silica rushed down
And buried endless forests where they stood,
Replacing bit by bit the solid wood
And making this a place of great renown.

The arteries that nourished every limb
And carried food into each outer leaf
Have left their rings and conquered disbelief
That these trees flourished in those days so dim.

So many places have wood petrified,
Microscopically the cells outlined.
A rockhound's greatest dream: to search and find
A log of stone with amethyst inside!,

Gabbs, Nevada has its calico-
The black, white, orange wood is opalized,
And scarcity now makes it always prized.
Its glassy surface has a special glow.

The Wiggins River when it tumbles down
A tributary to the mighty Wind-
Cascading over banks, undisciplined,
Reveals wood, a lovely beige and brown.

Eden Valley, in Wyoming's plain.
Has wood so dark it does not show the light.
Louisiana palm has dots so bright
It mimics speckled trout in its domain.

Virgin Valley opalized its wood-
Intensive colors permeate each cell,
And every piece is truly nonpareil,
It glitters as a kin to opal should.

Rare ginkgo wood-an ancient souvenir
That has descendants living yet today
Old weathered trees resisting all decay.
In age the modern ginkgo has no peer.

While some locations have wood that's less grand,
Though nondescript, it yet gives us a thrill
Each knothole in a limb, each twig, we still
Are humbled when we view this wonderland.

Annual Christmas Dinner

Autonetics club members and spouses are invited.

When: December 11, 2002
Where: Hilton Hotel
7320 Greenleaf Avenue
Whittier, CA 90601
Time: 6 p.m. Social Hour (No host bar)
7 p.m. Dinner
Installation of Officers to follow
Food: Requested with check to be
determined at November Meeting
Cost: \$15 for NOC and Autonetic Mem-
bers each, \$30 per couple. \$30 for
outsiders.
Gifts: For Operation Santa, bring presents
for Children (unrapped) and food.
Crossroads: Whittier and Greenleaf

Auction

We are planning a big auction with a real live auctioneer for the November meeting. We are in need of some great material for this event so start looking and planning now. It is the perfect time to make some space.

Lets all get behind this event and make sure it is fun and lucrative for all.

Elect Your Officers for 2003

Editors Note:

Voting will be at the November 12 for your officers for 2003.

I have not received a list of officers from the Nominating Committee as of the printing of NOC News. The committee should present a list at the November meeting and there will be nominations from the floor.

Earth Science Studies at Soda Springs

(Known as Zzyzx - 6-13, 2003)

via Nov., 2002 CFMS Newsletter

After a very productive two weeks at Camp Paradise, the committee is turning their attention to Zzyzx. The dates are April 6-13, 2003. The program is a weeklong CFMS sponsored seminar on Earth Sciences and lapidary Arts.

The **facilities** are an old resort located 50 miles northeast of Barstow, on Zzyzx Road. There are rustic dorm style rooms and rooms with double beds or cots. Rest rooms and shower rooms are in a separate building nearby. There is room for all types of RVs, but no hook-ups.

Workshops include: Wire Art, Silversmithing, Bead Stringing, Soft Stone Carving, and Cabbing

There will be some field trips, and programs fill the evenings. Three wholesome meals a day are provided, as well as food and beverage sent out on field trips.

Enrollment is limited to 60 persons. The fee is \$220 per person. See Izzic, Bill, or Loretta for a registration form.

It is important to write on your registration form if you have any physical needs or require special diets. It is **VERY** important to let us know if you are using available rooms or plan to use your RV.

As this is a desert preserve, dedicated to desert studies, no pets of any kind are allowed.

If you have any questions call:

Cal Clason (661) 589-4169 or
Ray Meisenheimer (805) 642-3055

NOC Field Trip Nov. 28 to Dec. 2

by Izzie Burns

Thursday - Thanks giving Day

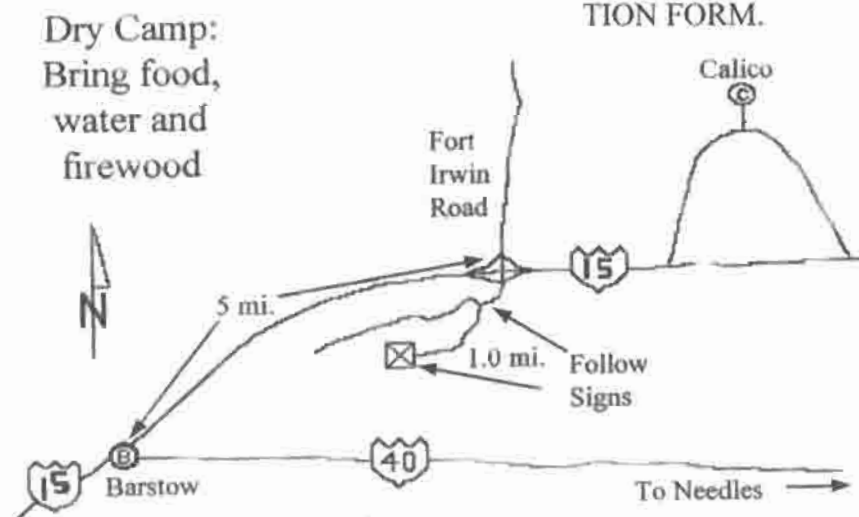
Friday, Nov. 29 - We will be at the Whittier Club Claim by 12:00 noon. This is located five miles past Barstow on Highway 15 toward Las Vegas. Take the Fort Irwin off ramp, but turn to your right thru the gate turn right at sign and follow the signs to the camp ground. There is a locked gate down the slope. If we should not be there by 12:00, call the Burnes at (626) 233-3933. The gate will be left unlocked for your entry, but may be locked if you arrive before we do or if it late at night.

Friday - we will do some scouting of the Barstow area.
- Campfire that night, etc.

Saturday - we will leave at 8:30 a.m. for the Northern Cady Mountains (south Afton Canyon).
- potluck, campfire, etc.

Sunday - Barstow Show
-Dinner at Peggy Sues

Monday - leave camp by 10:30 a.m. - gate will be locked and boulders placed in back of it.
We will answer any questions at the November Meeting.



Seaside GEMboree

via Nov, 2002 CFMS Newsletter

It is time to start thinking about the Seaside Gemboree 2003. Plan your vacation to join us in the cool, clean beach air of Ventura, California! June 5, 6, 7, 8, 2003. Early June will be a beautiful time to visit Southern California. The Del Air (Seaside Gemboree) Field Trip Committee has been working very hard to open new areas or reopen areas long closed to rockhounds for this Show. So sign up early for the Special Field Trips for the rare Nipomo Agate and more. This will be an opportunity to explore areas that have not been accessible to rockhounds for years. Seaside Gemboree 2003 will be a joint show of the American and California Federations of Mineralogical Societies. Together this show will be a celebration of America's rocks and minerals from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

Del Air Rockhounds, Inc Seaside GEMboree
Publicity Committee
email: ohmarin@earthlink.net

ENTER your self-made work or self-collected item in the MERMAID CONTEST. See Don Ogden for a MERMAID COMPETITION FORM.

Field Trip to GIA



Halloween Safety Tips for Kids and Adults

By Chuck McKie, CFMS Safety Chairman 2002

Parents (and grandparents) here are some safety tips to help prepare your children for a safe and enjoyable trick-or-treat holiday. Halloween should be filled with surprise and enjoyment, and following some common sense practices can keep events safer and more fun.

But at all times, remember how much we have been hearing in the news about child abductions . So be double careful and don't let your very young children out of your sight . An adult or an older teenager should accompany them on the trips .

- Let them walk, slither, and sneak on sidewalks, not in the street .
- Teach them to look both ways before crossing the street to check for cars, trucks, and low-flying brooms, to cross the street only at corners .
- Don't hide or cross the street between parked cars
- Have them wear light-colored or reflective-type clothing so they are more visible . (And remember to put reflective tape on bikes, skateboards, and brooms, too!)
- Plan their route and share it with your other family members also .
- Have them carry a flashlight to light their way.
- Caution them to keep away from open fires and candles. (Costumes can be extremely flammable .)
- They should only visit homes that have the porch light on.
- Treats should only be accepted at the door and never go into a stranger's house .
- Use face paint rather than masks or things that will cover their eyes .
- They must be cautious of animals and strangers .
- Have a grown-up inspect the treats before eating. And no one should eat candy if the package is already opened . Small, hard pieces of candy area choking hazard for young children .