

NOC NEWS

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Meetings

Day and Location:

With the exception of July, August and December, meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month at the La Habra Community Center, 101 W. La Habra Blvd., La Habra.

The La Habra Community Center is located west of Euclid on La Habra Blvd.

For current meeting information, please call (909) 598-2456

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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.
The North Orange County Gem & Mineral Soc. does not yet have a Junior Division.
Material contained in this newsletter may be used if credit is given.

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President's Message

by Don Warthen

Another year has come and almost gone. We had the best show ever with a great turnout. I want to thank everyone for a superb job.

We also had great success with the pearl seminar. Everyone wants to know when we are going to have another one.

Youth classes were held at Hacienda Heights and at the La Habra Day Camp this year and we had some really great programs at our regular meetings this year.

We had a fantastic Bar-B-Q, we have several new members and we joined the La Habra Chamber of Commerce for the first time this year. All in all I would say we had a remarkable year.

Plans are already in the works for next year. We should have another great year.

The Christmas Party this year will be held at the Community Center on December 9th (our regular meeting night) with social hour starting at 6:00 p.m. I hope to see everyone there.

December Meeting

Date: December 9, 2003
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Place: La Habra Community Center
101 W. La Habra Blvd.
Program: Annual Christmas Dinner

Refreshments

by Nancy Bird

Thanks to Don and Jane Livezey for bringing the goodies to the September meeting.

NOC Club Activities

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

Board Meeting — To be announced

Field Trip — To be announced

Deadline for NOC News — December 17.

Annual Christmas Dinner — December 9, 2003

La Habra Community Center
101 W. La Habra Blvd.

Autonetics club members & Spouces are invited.

Annual Youth Science Event — Sat. Jan. 10, 2004
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Wedgeworth Elementary School, Hacienda Hts.

Programs

Our program for December will be the Annual Christmas Dinner followed by the installation of the Secretary and three Directors.



Members in the News

HAPPY BIRTHDAY and have a wonderful day all of you who were born in December.

Hope Gonzalez - December 18

Pat Mogan - December 25

Jane Hendrixon - December 28

Your gemstone is Turquoise.

Your flower is Holly or Narcissus.

Shows and Events

October 11-12, 2003, Trona, CA

Searles Lake Gem & Mineral Soc.
Sigem Show Building
13337 Main St.
Hours: Sat 8-5 Sun 8-4
Bonnie Fairchild (760) 372-5356

December 6-7 2003, San Bernardino, CA

Orange Belt Mineralogical Society
"World of Gems 2003"
San Bernardino Women's Club
503 31st Street
Hours: Sat 10 - 6, Sun 10-5
Lyle Stayer (909) 887-3393 / ecobyrd@aol.com

December 13-14 2003, Los Angeles, CA

Society of Southern California & The Natural History
Museum of LA Co.

"Gem Fest"

900 Exposition Blvd.
Across from U of So Cal - Just off the 110 Fry
Hours: 10-5 both days
Admission:

Adult \$8

Students & Seniors \$5.50

Ages 5-12 \$2

Bob Rhein (213) 763-3538

Jan. 30-31 - Feb. 1, 2004, Redlands, CA

39th Annual Pacific Micromount Conference,
Southern California Micro-Mineralogists
San Bernardino County Museum
2024 Orange Tree Lane, Redlands, CA
Beverly Moreau (714) 577-8038
bcmoreau@adelphia.net

February 13-22 2004, Indio, CA

San Geronio Mineral & Gem Society
"Riverside County Fair & National Date Festival"
Gem & Mineral Bldg Fairgrounds; 46-350 Arabia St
Hours: 10 - 10
Bert Grisham (909) 849-1674 / grish1@msn.com

March 6-7 2004, Arcadia, CA

Monrovia Rockhounds
Los Angeles County Botanical Gardens
301 N. Baldwin Avenue
Hours: 9-4:30 both days
Jo Anna Ritchey (626) 359-1624

April 3-4 2004, Torrance, CA

South Bay Lap & Mineral Society
Torrance Recreational Center
3341 Torrance Blvd.
Hours: 10-5 both days
Omer Goeden (818) 353-9279

May 28 2004, Mariposa, CA

Mariposa Gem & Mineral Club
Mariposa County Fairgrounds
One hour from Yosemite National Park
California State Mining and Mineral Museum
P.O. Box 1192, Mariposa, CA 95338
(209) 742-7625 / minealmuseum@sti.net
Fax (209) 966-3597

June 19-20 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
Show Chair TBD

via CFMS Web Site <http://www.cfmsinc.org>



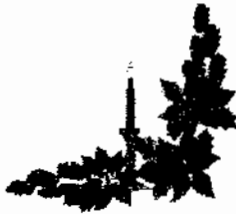
Federation Report

by *Loretta Ogden*

It is time to start the process of making everything official for the New Year to come. We pay our club dues and the club pays the Federation dues. This year they are \$6.00 per member. The break down of that is \$1.50 CFMS dues and \$4.50 Insurance. Membership also includes three newsletters to members of our club. These are to be shared with the general membership. I will be sending the executive secretary the club information for 2004 to be included in the Society Roster. This will be published in book form and displayed on the CFMS web site.

Remember the CFMS Show this year is in Mariposa on May 28 -30, 2004 It is sponsored by the Mariposa Mineral & Gem Club. It is not too early to start planning for that or possibly entering in competition. Ask me for any forms you may need. The forms are also on the CFMS web site <http://www.cfmsinc.org>.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.



Requests for Certificates of insurance/Additional Insured Endorsements

by *Fred Ott, CFMS Insurance Chairperson*

When submitting requests for certificates of insurance and/or additional insured endorsement, it's very important that any "special wording" required by the certificate holder be included in your club's request. Almost ALL requests involving governmental agencies and other such organizations (cities, coun-

ties, fairgrounds, agricultural districts, State of California, etc.) require Some sort of "special wording". Be sure to INCLUDE these "special wordings" with your request. Incomplete requests can result in significant delays in having the insurance documents issued, particularly if submitted just prior to a gem show or other event.

Just a reminder to all... The new insurance forms for all requests submitted after October 16th, 2003 are now available on the Federation's web site, cfmsinc.org. These forms have the date 10/16/03 in the lower right-hand corner and should be used immediately. Please discard all previous editions of these forms. Also, please remember to submit all requests for insurance and/or certificates at least 3 weeks in advance of the planned date(s).

Perpetual Reminder: Be sure to submit your requests for proof of insurance at least a minimum of 3 weeks in advance of your scheduled event (show, field trip, etc.)

Annual Christmas Dinner

Autonetics club members and spouses are invited.

- When:** Tuesday
December 9, 2003
- Where:** La Habra Community Center
101 W. La Habra Blvd.
La Habra
6 p.m. Social Hour (No bar)
7 p.m. Dinner
Installation of Officers to follow
- Cost:** \$10 each for NOC and Autonetics members & guests - \$20 per couple.
Send check to or call
Don Livezey (714) 524-6280
by December 4, 2003
- Gifts:** For Operation Santa, bring presents for Children (unwrapped) and food.
- Crossroads:** La Habra Blvd. and Euclid

Ernie Gaytan

January 6, 1937 to November 6, 2003

by Jay Valle via Rockhounder

Recently, a staunch friend of ours passed away from complications of cancer. He was only 66 years old. **Ernie Gaytan** has been a supporter of the Whittier Gem and Mineral Society for as long as I can remember. He has come to our shows and meetings and helped out as needed. The WGMS acknowledged his contributions each year by granting him associate membership in the Club.

Ernie was born in The Township of Belvedere, California (?) on January 6, 1937. He grew up with a brother and sister. He graduated from Garfield High School and then joined the Air Force, spending 4 years in the service of his country. After leaving the service, he went to trade school, majoring in electronics. This was to be his profession for the years to follow. He worked for several years at North American Aviation before settling down as an electrician for the Montebello School System.

Ernie loved to ride. He was a member of a Harley Davidson motorcycle club and still had all the bikes he had ever owned (this was always a source of amusement to his friends and family). Each year, he participated in several annual motorcycle events and his greatest pleasures were found in the freedom of the road. A few years ago, he was able to make it to Milwaukee for the 100th Anniversary of Harley Davidson Motorcycles, considering it a high point in his riding life.

Family was always very important in Ernie's life and they remember him, always with a smile and a helping hand. A few years ago, when his parents became disabled, Ernie moved in and took care of them.

The lapidary arts were only one of Ernie's interests, and typically, he brought great skill and craftsmanship to his work. He was a worker in wood and silver, specializing in lost wax casting and silver engraving. He taught silver casting at

Baldwin Park and was continually taking classes to learn new techniques. He did metal engraving for firearms and rebuilt old Ford trucks.

What Ernie is remembered for most, through, is for all the people he helped and befriended over many, many years. He was there for anyone who needed him. I have met Ernie at various gem club events over the years, sometimes demonstrating his art, sometimes just helping where needed. He was always there for the Whittier Gem & Mineral Society to assist in the setup and teardown phases of our annual show. He will be missed, not because he can't help us anymore, but because we liked him and he was our friend.

Recipe for a Good Rock Club

*by Rosemarie Young
Trinity Tailings, via CFMS Newsletter*

(Assemble a group of rockhounds in assorted sizes and personalities)

Measure accurately:

- One cup of **Friendly words:**
- One cup of **Understanding:**
- One cup of **Courtesy and Patience:**

Sift carefully and remove all **Malice and Ego!**

Add a dash of **Wit and Humor:**

Give a **Warm Welcome** for all and a heart full of **Cooperation.**

Praise when needed.

Mix well until blended into a smooth running Organization.

Sprinkle with **Good Times and Fun!**

Garnish with **New members.**

Serve with **Warm greetings. Plenty for all!**

(This is a tried and true Recipe)

Safety Heart Attack Signs

by Chuck McKie, CFMS Safety Chairman - 2003

Warning Signs: Recognize these heart attack signals to save a life: Typically, in the movies or on TV, older men suffer from heart attacks - we watch them clutch their chests as they collapse to the ground in pain. In reality, heart attacks can strike anyone when damage to the heart, such as a lack of oxygen or blood, causes it to stop working.

The American Red Cross is educating the public about heart attack signals so that they are prepared to respond to their family members, friends and co-workers in this potentially fatal situation.

Signals of a heart attack: Severe chest pain lasting 3-5 minutes that does not go away, or goes away and comes back. The pain may range from mild to an unbearable crushing sensation, and the victim may describe it as a pressure, squeezing, tightness or aching in the chest. The pain may spread to the arms, shoulders, neck, jaw or back and will become constant. Resting or taking medicine will not alleviate the pain. The victim may have trouble breathing - you will notice that their breathing is faster than normal and noisy. At this point, the body is trying to get much-needed oxygen to the heart. The victim's face may appear pale and damp with sweat, and the victim may become nauseous and dizzy.

How can you help a heart attack victim?

Recognize the signals of a heart attack. Make sure your family members, friends and co-workers are educated with the warning signs as well. Call 9-1-1 or the local emergency number immediately for help. Convince the victim to stop activity and rest; comfort the victim. Monitor the victim's condition and try to obtain additional information about their condition. Assist with medication, if prescribed.

Be prepared to give CPR and to use an automated external defibrillator (AED). To learn more about how to enroll in American Red Cross CPR and AED training courses, via the American Red Cross

NOC General Meeting November 18, 2003

by Nancy Bird

The meeting was called to order by President Don Warthen at 7:30. We had 19 members and 7 guests present. The minutes of last month's meeting were approved as appeared in the bulletin.

The nomination for the officers for 2004 were approved by the members and are as following:

1st VP-Izzie Burns

2nd VP-Pat Felix

Treasurer-Don Livezey

Directors-Angie Harwood, Nancy Bird,
and Bill Burns

The Youth Science Class at Hacienda Heights will on January 10 the 2nd Saturday. Members need to go to Walt Messemer's and make some cabs.

Don Warthen talked about having another beading class plus a wire wrap class. Let him know if you are interested.

The next Field Trip will be Quartzite on uraryan, 2004.31.

The Christmas Party is Demberc., 2003th at the LaHabra Community Ceand nter catered by our shows' grand prize winner Melissa, co-owner of Gaetano's Italian restaurant. Bring canned goods and toys for children. It will cost \$10 per person. LA single member is allowed 1 guest.

We voted in Jonas Ruzgys and his wife as new members.

Ofelia Warthen reported that Walt Messemer was still doing the workshops, but is in a lot of pain. Ernie Gatton has passed away.

Loretta Ogden, Federation Director, reported ththe CFMS dues and at insurance costs have gone up to \$6 per person per year (dues \$1.50 and insurance \$4.50). She said hat the show insurance has increased also. The California Federation show will be in Mariposa next year - May 28 through 30, 2004. If you plan on going you need to book rooms early.

CFMS Field Trip - South

by Bob Fitzpatrick

Field Trip Location - Historic Gold Rock Ranch area, southern California desert, located 20 miles west of Yuma, Arizona.

When - December 19-21, 2003

Sponsor - CFMS Field Trip - South

Leader - Bob Fitzpatrick

Material to Collect - Kyanite, Dumortierite, Petrified Palmwood, Agate, Jasper, Geothite crystals, and much more.

Proposed Schedule: Early Friday we'll be setting up camp. Around 1 p.m. I will be leading a field trip. Saturday and Sunday we will meet at the Chuck Wagon on the ranch for breakfast. At 9 a.m. (California time) we will head out to the collecting areas.

Directions to Campsite: 12 miles west of Yuma, AZ on Interstate 8, go north on S-34 (Ogilby Road) for 9 miles, then left on Gold Rock Ranch Road for one and a half miles to the ranch. We will be dry camping just outside of the ranch.

Vehicle: Two wheel drive to the ranch; four wheel drive to collecting areas.

Camp & Facilities: Some of us will be dry camping just outside the ranch. No water, toilets, or fire wood to be gathered and no fees. The ranch has full service hookups at reasonable rates and they also have some supplies. If you need a motel or supplies, they are available in Yuma.

Tools: Collecting bags, rock hammer, eye gear, flash lights, spray water bottle, etc., and a camp chair (to sit in at night around the fire).

Safety Concerns: Do not lick the rocks, use sun screen, stay away from rattlesnakes, use bug spray, be aware of flash floods, be extra careful and don't get lost, drive safely on all field trips.

Climate and weather: It can be hot during the day and cold at night; it could rain. Clothing: Appropriate for this time of year.

Other remarks: All club members and their guests are welcome to join us. Come for a day or camp out with us. Bring food, lots of water, a camera and lots of firewood for the campfire at night. Don't forget we will have a potluck on Saturday night, so bring a dish to share and your own place setting. Each night after dark we have a campfire where we can all join together and have a good time roasting marshmallows, telling jokes or just talking about the good OLE times. I should be arriving at the ranch around midday on Friday. For more information about the Gold Rock Ranch and area, they have a web site. <http://goldrockranch.tripod.com> Or call them at (928) 919-6220 or (928) 920-0603. You must observe the AFMS Code of Ethics and sign a consent and assumption of risk waiver of liability form to participate in this field trip.

For additional information: E-mail me at RUROCKY2@aol.com or call at (909) 845-3051. Bob Fitzpatrick, CFMS Field Trip Chair - South, 2003

