

NOC GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY NEWS

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September 2011

President's Message

by Dave Swanston, President

I hope everyone had a great and enjoyable summer and now are ready to get back to business and our education classes. Our next class is September 20, at 6:00 p.m. at the community center and will be a wire wrap ring with beautiful beads lead by Don Eschbach. If you haven't yet registered and wish to take the class, give Ofelia a call. Another class led by Fran Swanston will be a wire wrapped cabochon with prongs pendent. This will be on October 18, also at the center at 600 p.m.

Our ANNUAL GEM & MINERAL SHOW was a success. The Officers and Committee Members did a great job. The Dealers were happy and liked the new layout. For the Community Center we had a record number of 18 dealers and a great variety of Dealers.

Our preshow open house was Friday from 5 to 7 p.m. and members from the La Habra City Council and the Chamber of Commerce were present, including Mayor James Gomez.

My thanks to Frank Winn and the former La Puente Gem & Mineral Club, for giving us the funds to honor two high school students with scholarships. The two students from Sonora HS and their parents, along with there science teacher, Dr. Jack Hawkins were also present. Mayor Jim Gomez helped with the presentations along with several Council Members.

My thanks to Richard and Nancy O'Conner and my wife Fran for their help on the scholarship committee. The two students selected to receive our scholarships were extremely grateful and showed their appreciation with many thanks. We wish these students well in all their future endeavors.

The city of La Habra was so touched that they presented our Club with a beautiful plaque. I hope we will be able to repeat this wonderful event again next year. And, if the board approves, the money in excess of operating funds for our education classes will be used to replenish and keep our scholarship fund healthy and active. (Continued on Page 3.)

NOC Club Activities

Board Meeting - Sep 6 @7:00 p.m.

Field Trip - TBD

Class - Sept 20 - 6 - 9 p.m.

Deadline for NOC News - Sept 17

Programs

by Don Eschbach

Sept. 13 - David Svenson -Phenomenal Stones, Diamonds, and Crystal forms.

Refreshments

*by Nancy O'Conner and
Clyeda Tezak*

Thanks to Loretta Ogden and Yolanda Schirer for bringing the goodies to the June meeting. Kim Winn and Teri Heuer will bring the goodies to the September meeting.

Members in the News

HAPPY BIRTHDAY and have a wonderful day all of you who were born in July, August, and September.

Members in the news in July.

Norberto Elicker

Ester Elliott

Kathy Eschbach

Marlyn Kline

Estela Kuethen

Your gemstone is Ruby.

Your flower is Larkspur or Water Lily.

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Shows and Events

August 5-7 - NIPOMO, CA

Orcutt Mineral Society
St. Joseph's Church Recreation Hall
298 S. Thompson Ave.
Hours: 10-5 daily
Gloria Dana (805)929-6429
Email: info@onsinc.org
Website: www.omsinc.org

September 10-11 - DOWNEY, CA

Delvers Gem & Mineral Society
Woman's Club of Downey
9813 Paramount Blvd.
Hours: Sat 10-6; Sun 10-4
Guynell Miller (562) 633-0614

October 8-9 - TRONA, CA

Searles Lake Gem & Mineral Society
13337 Main Street
Hours: Sat; 7:30-5; Sun. 7:30-4
Jim & Bonnie Fairchild (760) 372-5356
Email: slgms@iwvisp.com
Website: www1.iwvisp.com/tronagemclub

October 15-16 - WHITTIER, CA

Whittier Gem & Mineral Society
Whittier Community Center
7630 Washington
Hours: 10-5 Daily
Marcia Goetz (626) 260-7239
Email: joemar1@verizon.net

November 5-6 - LANCASTER, CA

Palmdale Gem & Mineral Club
Antelope Valley Fairgrounds
2551 West Ave. H & Hwy 14
Hours: 9-5 daily
Cheri George, (562) 243-8470
Email: lizardwoman3@yahoo.com
Website: www.palmdalegemandmineral.com

Members in the News (Cont.)

Members in the news in August.

<i>Colin Arp</i>	<i>Carolyn Duncan</i>
<i>John Erskine</i>	<i>Sandy Mogan</i>
<i>Walton Wright</i>	<i>John Elliott II</i>

Your gemstone is Sardonyx
Your flower is Poppy or Gladiolus

Members in the news in September.

<i>Matthew Cooley</i>	<i>Carolyn Duncan</i>
<i>Don Eschbach</i>	<i>Stacy Graham</i>
<i>Randi Hetrick</i>	<i>Lynn Johnson</i>
<i>Ben McKinstry</i>	<i>Mark Nelson</i>
<i>Don Ogden</i>	<i>Loretta Ogden</i>
<i>Eleanore Pleines</i>	<i>Rose Mary Powers</i>
<i>Evelyn Smith</i>	<i>Dave Swanston</i>
<i>Leonard Villaescusa</i>	<i>Don Warthen</i>

Your gemstone is Sapphire
Your flower is Aster or Morning Glory.

THANKS



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General Meeting June 14, 2011

by Nancy Bird

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Dave Swanston at 7:02 p.m. Dave Swanston led the salute to the Flag.

Speaker: Don Eschbach introduced our own NOC program: Fiels Trips to Burro Creek, Calico Aea, and Gold Rock Ranch by Don Eschbach, Jay Valle, and Don Ogden.

Rfreshments: Thanks to Loretta Ogden and Yolanda Schirer for bringing the goodies to the June meeting.

Show Wrap-Up: For the most part this was a show wrap-up meeting. The attendees were asked first – What were positive things about the show? What in your opinion went well?

Among the answers:

Was anything new that might be repeated in future shows? One thing mentioned was that the set-up wasn't cluttered.

Positive/negative input of the following:

Positive comments from prize winners, from the dealers, and from the youth.

Vendors-only 1 negative, most positive.

Printed Programs in color -best printed program yet by TNT Printing! And it only cost us \$108.00.

Donation letter-needs to go out as early as 6 months.

Friday night VIP program, food, etc.-scholarship, only 9 chamber members present.

Grab bags-sold \$182 of the new bags, \$98 of the old ones.

Raffle-suggested that we not have a drawing every 15 minutes due to lack of prizes left on Sunday.

Publicity-great job Don Eschbach!

Demonstrations, plants, silent auction, security, and kid's room was discussed. We donated \$500 to the ROTC who were a wonderful help.

What went wrong or needs to be corrected or eliminated?

Preliminary \$ totals: We made money.

Presidents Message (Cont.)

Our Board meeting for this month is September 6, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Community Center.

Our next general meeting will be Tuesday September 13, 7:00 p.m. at the Community Center.

Last June Don Eschbach, Don Ogden, and Frank Winn put on a great program regarding past field trip locations. It was super.

Sunday, August 14, Kathy and Jay Valle held a wonderful picnic at their house and was enjoyed by all who were able attend. Thank you Jay and Kathy.

See you at the meeting,

Dave Swanston, President

Cabing Machine for Sale

by John Erskine

Older Highland Park cabbing machine. Sanding belt, two grinding wheels, two polishing disks. Extra sanding belts. Strong Motor.

Gravity feed water system. With rolling cabinet and storage shelves.

\$150 John Erskine (562) 697-1140 or
(310) 283-2564 (cell)

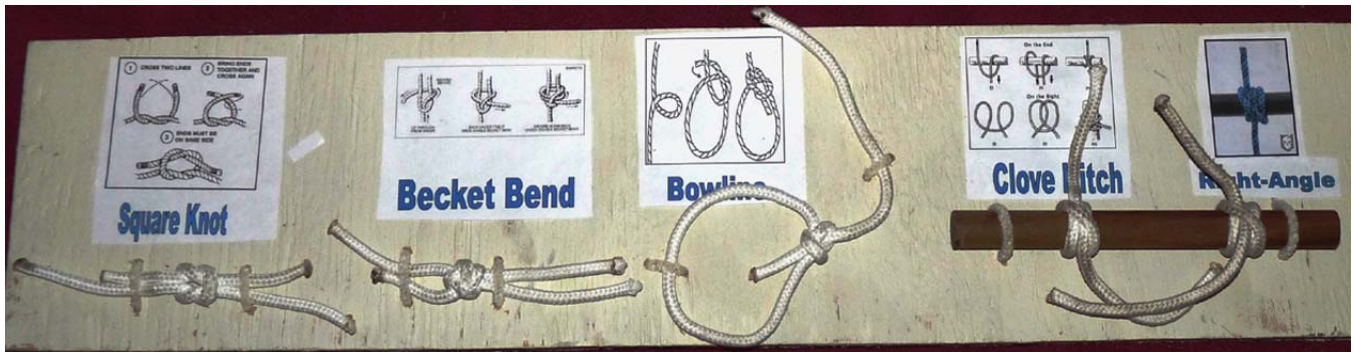
By-Laws Change

The By-Laws change announced in the June meeting has been withdrawn by Don Eschbach and the By-Laws committee. It will no longer be considered.

Boy Scouts Tying Knots

by Don Warthen

On June 15th Don Warthen, representing the North Orange County Gem & Mineral Society, taught the La Habra Boy Scout troop 833 the art of tying knots.



DayCamp



Small Geods

Volunteer Recognition

Eight members of NOC were present at the Volunteer Recognition luncheon. They were surprised when the Mayor had them come up on the podium.

Then Mayor, Jim Gomez, presented the 2011 Community Volunteer Award Plack from the City of La Habra to the Norh Orange County Gem & Mineral Society.

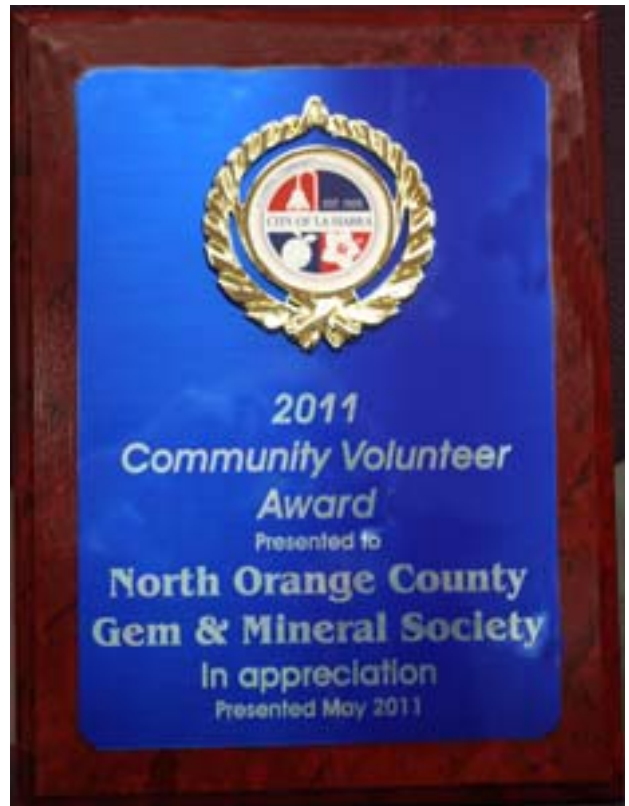


THE CITY OF LA HABRA INVITES YOU TO THE
FABULOUS 50'S
Volunteer Recognition
Will be Serving an All American BBQ
June 22, 2011
4:30 to 6:00 p.m. *50's Attire Encouraged!*
Program at 5:30 pm

La Habra Community Center
101 W. La Habra Blvd.
La Habra, CA 90631
RSVP by June 1st to (562)905-9708 ext. 263 or 619







2011 NOC Show







NOC Education Report

July thru September 2011

by Ofelia Warthen
Education Chairperson

What a summer this has been, full of excitable events! I want to commend the Education Committee and the great group of volunteers that came together to make all the events most successful. North Orange County Gem & Mineral Society and its Chairperson want to congratulate all members that came together as a camaraderie group to help where help was needed.

I will start with the June 3-5 Gem Show. The Children's Activities Program:

The Boy Scout Troop 833 and Cub Scout Pack 871 workshop, led by **Frank Winn**, had a marvelous program. The 12 Scouts gain their Merit Badges and 18 Cubs got their Belt Loops. Following the program, the scouts proceeded to the outside patio where they had the most exciting of events, making volcanoes and crystals taught by our famous newer member, **Barbara Woolfolk**. We have received many lovely thank you cards from the Scouts that are shown within the Newsletter.

The Children's Activities section was full of interesting hands-on projects. Our new member, **Stella Bedwell** led the bead bracelet project. She gave each kid choices of different colored beads. **Mary Ruiz** set up her key-chain knotting project. **Bernie Ruiz** continued doing what he knows best, teaching the kids make toothpaste with many different flavors. **Clyeda Tezak** (Rock Artist) helped kids create their own favorite "Pet Rock" each one with its own personality, even some wanted to have earrings and hats. **Don Warthen**, added his new creation of "Black Light" display that brought many exciting remarks.

Other helpers were **Kim Winn** did pet rocks; **David Vasquez** and **Lindsey Bedwell**, helped making bracelets; **Brenda Gomez** (Mayor Gomez wife) came to learn how to make toothpaste. The Pachinko game was led by **Richard** and **Yolanda Schirer** and assisted by volunteers **Paul** and **Rosie Funez** (Ofelia's brother and sister-in-law)

Thank you all that participated at meetings held prior to the Show, preparing and putting together, rock identification in egg cartons, bead kits for bracelets and key chains, pet rocks. These meetings were very beneficial to accomplish all the great events that followed.

Following the Gem Show on June 15th, Boy Scout Troop 877 called **Don Warthen** to demonstrate "Boy Scout Knott-tying" at the Hut in La Habra.

Our next Educational Program was held on July 18th for the La Habra Children Summer Camp sponsored by the City of La Habra. This is an annual event our organization is invited to participate with an Earth Science program. This year we had approximate 40 children, which is the most we have ever had. We are so blessed with our volunteers that came to help as follows:

Clyeda Tezak, Aida Heidke, Loretta & Don Ogden, Heather Bates, Esther Esparza, Barbara & Audrey Woolfolk, Richard Schirer, Mary & Bernie Ruiz, Nancy Bird, Don & Ofelia Warthen.

There is no other group like ours! If I left out anyone that volunteered, please let me know and I will buy you lunch!

Dear Mrs. Warthen and
The Orange County Gem & Mineral Society,
Thank you so much for your hospitality and generosity in
completing the requirements for earning our Geology Merit Badge.
The Gem & Mineral show was amazing and we really learned a
lot. It was a great day and we very much enjoyed it!
Boy Scout Troop 833

Tristan Smith

Jay Jones Troop 871

James Miras

Frank Perez

Carl Lopez

Richard Reeves

Rob Frohman

Michelle Vozza
Mr. Sane

Anthony
Reeves

House G. James E. Miras
JR

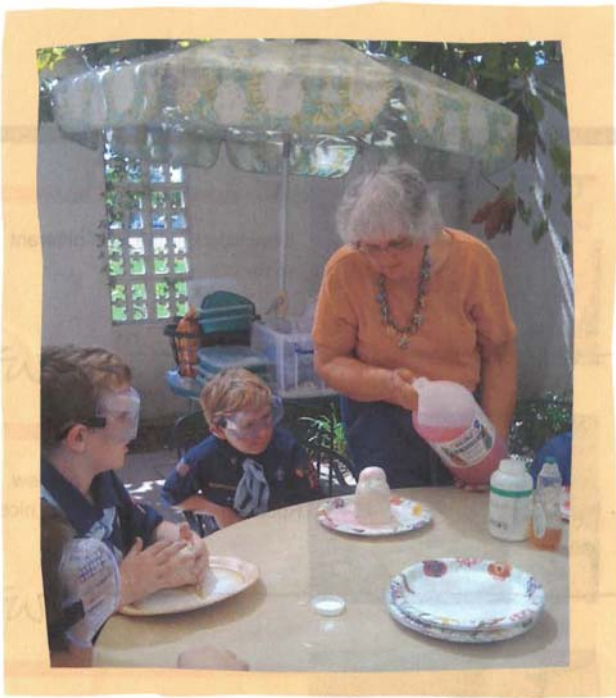
Celia Miras

Steve S

Nick Tezak

Jared Vassia

Dames Perez



It's Volcano Time!!!

THANK YOU!!!



Pack 871 thanks you so much for sharing your love of the Earth with us

Pack 871 at La Habra GemShow

You've **Ignited** a love of exploring our backyard for the treasures buried in the soil.

We are taking time to have **sedimentary** knowledge to become part of who we are.

Your dedication to sharing your passion is having a **metamorphic** effect on these Scouts' attitude towards Earth Science!

Garrett Erik H.
 Brandon Scott Wasser
 Noah Cedric D.
 Isaiah
 Gabriel Max

Thank You!



Checking hardness of different materials



Identifying our rocks in our new Rock Collection! You are so nice!



Talking about how minerals are used in our everyday life...

Many thanks for "patching us in."
 We loved it!
 Celeste

North Orange County Gem and Mineral Society

Autumn Class Schedule - 2011

***Sept 20th 2011 – 6 to 9 PM
Wire Wrap Four Bead Ring
(by Don Eschbach)***



***October 18th 2011 – 6 to 9 PM
Wire Wrapped Prong
Pendant. (by Fran Swanston)***



Registration Form: Mail no later than September 9th, 2011

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone No: _____ **email:** _____

Check class(s) you are registering for:

- September 20th – Wire Wrap 4 Bead Ring. \$20 for members, \$25 for non members.
- October 18th - Wire Wrapped Prong Pendant. \$20 for members, \$25 for non members.

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____ Mail with your check made payable to **NOCGMS**

Mail to:

Ofelia Warthen
15051 Leffingwell Rd., Suite 103
Whittier, CA 90604
(562) 946-0828

Classes are 6 to 9 PM

and Held at:

La Habra Community Center
101 W. La Habra Blvd.
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