

NOC GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY NEWS

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December 2012

President's Message

by Frank Winn, President

I hope all had a happy thanksgiving holiday. I know I sure did. The trip to the "Jewel Tunnel" was fun. I could not afford the Amethys geode that could double as a closet or small shed....just needed a door. Guess I will have to save up for that one.

If you have any preferences for field trips please send me an email.

The clubs auction was a resounding success. We had fun vying for the treasures. I think everyone got something. Jonas donated several beautiful faceted gemstones that proved to be popular. Dinner was provided by Ofelia, Stella, Lorretta, Armando, Richard O., Nancy O. & Trini. (I am sure I forgot at least one) There was plenty of real delicious food.

The snowman painting was enjoyed by Kimberly even if I did bump the table and break off three snowman arms...OOPS... A little glue and the snowmen were holding up christmas lights again in just a few minutes.

This will be my last President's Message this term. I will be real glad to take the old calendar down. Parts of being of being president are real fun. All of it has been real and most of it has been fun but it would be a long stretch to say that it was all real fun.....

Quartzite is coming up quickly...The SCRIBE meeting is coming up on January 26th...Hope the weather is better than last year(it was windy and dusty). The strong winds that lifted and blew canopies all over did hold prices down...Only it is hard to recognize a bargain with dust in your eyes and sand in your smile.

The installation of officers for next year is set for December 11th six p.m. at Portofino's. Hope to see all of you there.

FRANK WINN

NOC Club Activities

Board Meeting - TBD

Field Trip - TBD

Class - TBD

Deadline for NOC News - Dec. 17

Programs

by Nancy Bird

Dec. 11 - Christmas Holiday Dinner 6-00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Refreshments

*by Nancy O'Conner and
Clyeda Tezak*

Thanks to Armando Pedroza, Ofelia, Stella, and Nancy O'Conner for bringing the goodies to the November meeting.

Members in the News

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

Members in the news in December

Janine Arp	Linda Chu
Ray Cooley	Wendy Erskine
Natividad Farquer	Pat Mogan
Richard O'Conner	Jerry Turner
Kathleen Turner	KathyValle
Barbara Woolfok	

Your gemstone is Turquoise
Your flower is Holly or Narcissus

Shows and Events

December 1-2: BARSTOW, CA
Mojave Desert Gem & Mineral Society
Barstow Community Center
841 S. Barstow Road
Hours: 10 – 5 daily
Gene Haines, (760) 256-0595
Email: vhaines@san.rr.com
Website: www.mdgms.org

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February 15-24: INDIO, CA
San Gorgonio Mineral & Gem Society
Gem & Mineral Building, Bldg #1
Arabia Street
Hours: 10 -10 daily
Bert Grisham, (915) 849-1674
Email: bert67@verizon.net

March 2-3: ARCADIA, CA
Monrovia Rockhounds, Inc.
LA County Arboretum
301 Baldwin Avenue
Hours: 9 - 4:30 daily
Jo Anna Ritch, (626) 359-1624
Email: vgms_editor@roadrunner.com
Website: www.Moroks.com

April 27-28: LANCASTER, CA
Antelope Gem & Mineral Society
Lancaster High School
44701 - 32nd Street West
Hours: 9 - 5 daily
CJ Quitoriano, (661) 209-9092,
cjq_62@yahoo.com

July 13-14: CULVER CITY, CA Culver City
Rock & Mineral Club Culver City Veterans
Memorial Auditorium 4117 Overland Ave
(Overland & Culver)
Hours: Sat 10 - 6; Sun 10 - 5 Robert Thirlaway,
(310) 462-2269
Email: fiestaofgems@gmail.com
Website: www.culvercityrocks.org

Shop Hints

When working with a soft stone such as onyx or marble, soak it in water for a few days before cutting to keep oil from soaking in to discolor the stone. It also results in a higher polish.

Rock Chips 10/88

Snow Man



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Awards/Installation Dinner

Date: December 11, 2012
Time: 6::00 to 10:00 p.m.
Place: Portofino Ristorante Italiano
Location: 651 W. Whittier Blvd., La Habra, CA

The price to members is \$15.00 per person and \$20 for guests, including dinner and entertainment.

Four choices for dinner:

LASAGNA: "PORTOFINO SPECIALTY"
Lasagna with ground meat, ricotta, baciamele, mozzarella, and romano cheese

MELANZANA PARMIGIANA:
Breaded eggplant with mozzarella and marinara sauce

POLLO MARSALA:
Chicken breast sauteed with mushrooms and marsala wine

SOGLIOLA PICCATA:
Sole sauteed with lemon and capers

For **reservations** call (562) 697-0636. Send check payable to NOCGMS to:

Nancy Bird
1001 W. Lambert Road #18
La Habra, CA 90631-8904

We must have all reservations made and paid for by December 6. I hope to see every member there. Please bring unrapped children's presents for Operation Santa, and bring canned goods.

Shop Hints

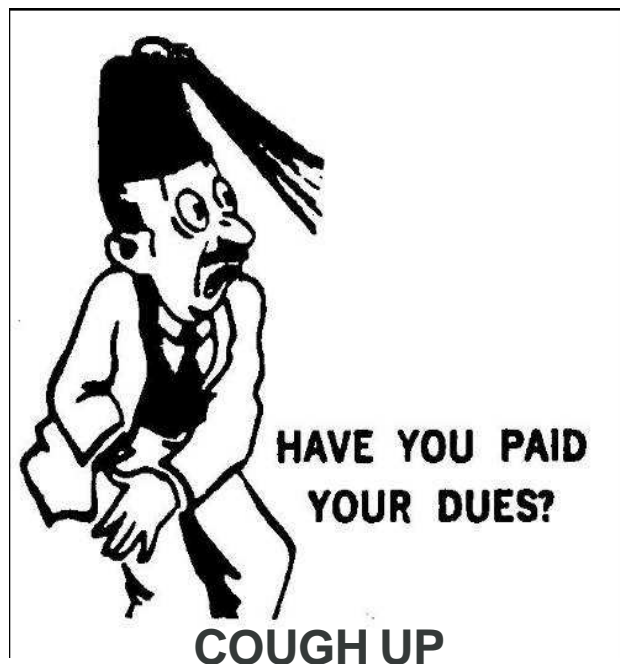
To avoid spilling small stones on a field trip, have a can with a plastic lid handy. Cut a plus sign in the lid and simply push the stones through the plus. This greatly reduces the chance of spilling or losing stones. A cloth or paper cushion in the bottom of the can protects the stones.

Rocky Review, via Breccia 9/97

Dues

Below is something I saw in another news letter. It was in last years December news letter also.

Don Ogden
Editor



via Scribe December, 2009
By Bob Hughes

Awright, youse guys!

It's time to shell out a couple bucks for my club dues for 2013.

Yeah, you know it's worth it! I tried, but the gov't says we didn't ask for enough to qualify for stimulus.

So, same old price per year. In advance.

And don't say it is too expensive: It costs that much for several cups o' mud at the local coffee shop.

More, if you can stand Starbucks. And you don't have to tip the editor.

PLEASE, try to get paid up by the end of December.

Would help the bookkeeping.

Ming Tree Class

10-23-2012

by Don Warthen



Whitter Clam Field Trip
11-5-2012



Whitter Clam Field Trip
11-5-2012





Paul Bunion Agate





How to Use Petrified Wood Energy

via the internet

http://www.ehow.com/how_4441085_use-petrified-wood-energy.html

Petrified wood isn't really a crystal, it's fossilized wood and it carries a mixture of both wood and stone energies.

Petrified wood is a calming stone, and increases perseverance and patience. Its protective energies are very grounding, but will also connect you to the past and the future in a way that other stones can't.

Petrified wood is also considered a stone of communication. It can ease the harsh edge off communications in difficult times, enhance public speaking, and smooth discussions. Read on to learn how to use petrified wood energy.

Things You'll Need

- Petrified Wood
- Tektite (optional)
- Smoky Quartz (optional)
- Small bag or pouch (optional)

Instructions

1. Use petrified wood to ground your own higher consciousness. It is a direct link with the enlightened energy of the planet. Keep a small piece in your pocket or a medicine pouch to keep yourself grounded and still in touch with the bigger picture.
2. Keep a piece of petrified wood in the vicinity of stiff or weak joints. It will aid in flexibility, strength and relief of inflammation.
3. Use a piece of petrified wood as an aid for your memory. The energy of this stone will keep you in touch with your thoughts and help you to make them manifest.
4. Use a piece of petrified wood as a focus of meditation, or just keep it in the room with you while you meditate. Petrified wood is perhaps the greatest nature-based meditation stone. It is the stone that represents both the trees and the forest.



5. Use petrified wood as a basic stone for a medicine pouch. It works and plays well with all other stones, and will help to solidify the energy of the other stones.

6. Keep a decorative piece of petrified wood on your desk if you work in an office environment. It will bring the power of the trees and rocks to your aid through your work day.

Tips and Warnings

- a. Use petrified wood with malachite if you need to inject some flexibility into your financial situation.
- b. Try combining these minerals in bracelets or necklaces.
- c. Combine pieces in a pouch and wear them, or just tuck them in your pocket.
- d. Some people are more sensitive to mineral energy. Watch your reactions when you use these stones.
- e. If you experience anxiety or restlessness, or physical symptoms, like nausea, you may want to cut back your exposure.
- f. If you are sensitive, try using only single stones.

Don Ogden's Comment

Is this real? I slept with a piece of petrified wood shown above for a few nights to cure the pain in my elbow and it did nothing. I have petrified wood next to my computer, and I can work to the wee hours in the morning without getting sleepy. Is that the petrified wood energy?

Let me know if it affects you.

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