

NOC GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY NEWS

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February 2014

President's Message

by Nancy Bird

Hello Everyone!
La Habra Citrus Fair-

We will again be doing this fun street fair April 12 & 13, the theme of which is "Back to the Farm," Saturday from 12 to 7 and Sunday from 12 to 4 or 5. We will be in the same place as last year, between the Library and the Historical Society and Veteran's Hall. We will again be advertising our annual show by geode cutting and doing the Pot O' Rocks. Also, I think we should sell Donation Awards prizes tickets and showcase some of our prizes. Mark Sturdevant from the Chamber has asked for plants, which I have started.

I also have been able to get the Year Around Garden Club to have a table near us to give away ziplock bags of soil, 4" pot, and succulent cuttings.

Sign up! Either at a meeting or call or email me. This fair is a lot of fun and great free advertising for us.

Annual Show-

Plans are coming along for our move to Sonora High School's La Habra Valley Community Fair. The dates are:

Thursday, June 5-will be set up for us. Time to be set later

Friday, June 6-8 A.M. to 4 P. M. vendor set up

Friday, June 6-4 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. Show will be open.

Saturday, June 7, the hours are 8 A.M. to 8 P.M.

Sunday, June 8- 9 A.M. to 6 P.M.

All of the response from our vendors, the City, and the Chamber has been very positive. I think this will be good for us and good for our hobby. I've sent out most of the contracts by email or I hand-delivered them in Quartzsite. We will be having around 10 more vendors. For the 1st time, we will have dealer/demonstrators, also, who will have just one table. I hope we make enough money from the extra vendors to help the scholarship fund.

NOC Club Activities

Board & Show Meeting - 7 to 9 p.m.

Tues. Feb 18 at

1001 W. Lambert RD. See page 3 for directions.

Field Trips - February 15-16 Baxter Wash

Programs

Feb 11 The program is will be a suprise and promised to be wonderful.

Refreshments

Thanks to Nancy and Kim Winn for bringing the goodies to the January meeting.

Teri Heuer and Clyeda Tezak will bring the goodies to the February meeting.

Date: February 11

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: La Habra Community Center
101 W. La Habra Blvd.

Members in the News

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

Nancy Bird

Jeremy Newman

Linda Nelson

Del Smith

Chalmer Steed

Joanne Schmidt

Your gemstone is Amethyst

Your flower is Primrose or Violet

Shows and Events

2014 -

February 15 - 24: INDIO, CA

San Geronio Mineral & Gem Society, Banning
Riverside County Fair & National Date Festival
46350 Arabia Street
Hours: 10 - 10 daily
Contact: Bert Grisham, (915) 849-1674,
(951) 288-9025 cell
Email: bert67@verizon.net

March 1 - 2: ARCADIA, CA

Monrovia Rockhounds
Los Angeles Arboretum & Botanic Gardens
301 Baldwin Avenue
Hours: 9:00 - 4:30 daily
Contact: Jo Anna Ritchey, (626) 359-1624
Email: joannaritchey@gmail.com
Website: www.Moroks.com

March 1 - 2: VENTURA, CA

Ventura Gem & Mineral Society
Ventura County Fairgrounds
10 W. Harbor Blvd.
Hours: Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4
Contact: Krishna Juarez, (805) 323-6725
Email: abaris2007@gmail.com

March 8 - 9: SAN MARINO, CA

Pasadena Lapidary Society
San Marino Masonic Center
3130 Huntington Drive
Hours: Sat 10 - 6, Sun 10 - 5
Contact: Marcia Goetz, (626) 260-7239
Email: joenmar1@verizon.net

May 3 - 4: YUCAIPA, CA

Yucaipa Valley Gem & Mineral Society
Scherer Senior Center
12202 First Street
Hours: Sat 10 - 6, Sun. 10 - 4
Contact: Lee Peterson, (909) 794-0731
Email: res09ayd@verizon.net
Website: www.yvgms.org/wiki

May 30 - June 1: POMONA, CA

2014 CFMS Show and Conference
May 30 - June 1
Fairplex, 1101 W. McKinley Ave
POMONA, CA
Hosted by the Pasadena Lapidary Society
Show Website: www.cfms2014show.com

June 6- 8, 2014: La Habra, CA

NOC Gem & Mineral Society Show
La Habra Community Fair
Sonora High School
401 N. Palm St.
La Habra, CA
Friday, June 6 4-9 p.m.
Saturday, June 7 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Sunday, June 9 9a.m. - 6 p.m.
(Livestock Show & Auction, Car Show & Dog Show, Gem & Mineral Show, Youth Exhibits, Games & Chili Cook Off, Food & Festivities)
(562) 697-0636
www.lhvcfair.com
www.nocgms.com

Dues are due!

2014 dues are now due.

**Please send to
Teri Heuer, or
Don Warthen or
the PO Box.**

\$20.00 for single \$30.00 for couple



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Schedule of 2014 Education Classes

February 25- Chain Bead Necklace per attached flyer/application

March 25 & 26 - Silver Smith w/Pendent

April 29 - Wire Wrap W/Prongs

September 23 - Copper leaf

October 28 - Chinese Knotting

November 18 - Holiday Project

For more information contact Ofelia Warthen 562-946-0828 or e-mail

odwarthen@verizon.net

Presidents Message Cont.

We need every able and not so able bodied person to help. The ROTC from La Habra High and the Youth Comm. will be helping us do everything, too. The Youth Comm. will not be doing food this year, so I've been talking to them about running the Nancy Bird Kid's Area and Spinning Wheel, with adult supervision. We have some people who have volunteered to help, but not to be there all the time. I don't even know what we do there and I need someone in charge-please.

Shop

I need someone to further look into us having a shop area at Sonora H.S.

Show and Board Meeting at Nancy Birds. Our next combined meeting will again be across the creek from my place at 1001 w. Lambert Rd. between spaces 22 and 23 in the club room. Everyone is welcome, but any overflow parking must be on Monte Vista. The date is Tuesday, Feb. 18 from 7 to 9 P.M.

Nancy Bird

What is Normal Memory Loss

People past the age of 40 worry about their memory loss because they have slow recall, or they lose track of things. There are two good reasons these people are most likely to be completely healthy and with normal memory loss.

1. Difficultly recalling names or the inability to find the right word. They are experiencing Slow Memory not broken memory.

The proof is that, once reminded of (the name they could not recall), they instantly recalled it.

This establishes that the information was still stored in their memory. They just had not been able to recall it as quickly as they would have liked.

2. Losing track of things and not following through on details.

There are many things to think about in a given day - more than at a younger age - a job, a spouse, children, bills to pay, elder parents to care for, etc.,

As the demands grow, it becomes more difficult to flawlessly administer the burden of a daily routine, especially given that the ability to block out competing information declines naturally as we age.

The problem is generally distraction and/or overload, and Normal Memory Loss.

When neither of the reasons apply, and the person truly cannot store and retrieve important information the memory loss is Real and, more important, never normal.

When memory loss is real, there will be an underlying cause of the problem that an enlightened doctor can diagnose and treat.

If your doctor says it is "just old age" and neither of the two reasons above (slow recall and lack of focus) seems to apply, you should seek a second opinion from another doctor.

2014 February Field Trip

Baxter Wash February 15-16, 2014

If you missed the fieldtrip over Thanksgiving and you wanted to go, then this is the trip for you. Baxter Wash is at the eastern side of Afton Canyon. There is a lot to collect; there are red, yellow, blue, plume & sagenite agates to mention a few. There is also jasper, opalite, calcite rhombs, chalcedony roses, amygdules and green fluorite and much more to mention a few more.

The camping area at this time will be again the overflow (group) camping area above the regular camp ground. Camping at Baxter Wash would be preferred with the exception of all the off roaders. If you like the sound of revving engines all night racing thru camp then this is the place for your camp.

Just think of all the collecting opportunities just on the way to Baxter Wash from camp. For those who don't camp for one reason or another, there is (some) lodging in Baker or better yet stay in Barstow.

This is an opportunity to create memories, take pictures, and collect cutting material and building friendships. There will be a potluck on Saturday evening and a campfire weather permitting.

Having an adventure (lost) somewhere in Calif.

Joe Goetz

2014 Field Trip Schedule

Feb 15-17 Baxter Wash: Exploring the North Cady Mountains for agate, jasper, opalite, calcite rhombs, chalcedony roses, amygdules, green fluorite, onyx and much more.

Mar 22-23 Lavic Siding Area: Jasper, thulite, agates and others.

Apr 26-27 Pinto Basin: Mines and mining history, turquoise and other minerals associated with the Dale Mining District.

May 17 Wrightwood: Actinolite and visits to sites along the San Andreas Fault

June (TBA) Cerro Gordo Mine: Historical Ghost Town and minerals associated with the mining of silver, lead, and zinc. Noted as a location to find Smithsonite.

July 12 Palos Verdes: Glaucofane, barite and agate minerals.

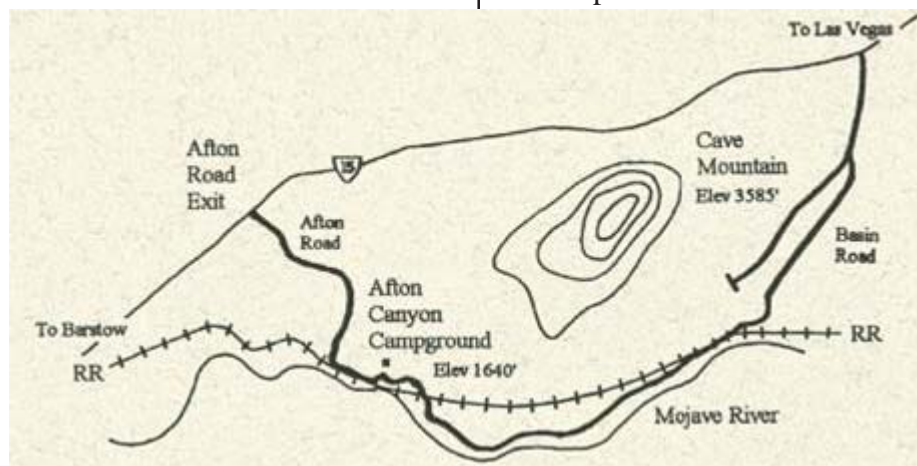
Aug 2 Nipomo Show/Los Olivos: to collect Serpentine, the California State Rock. Possibly collecting Cinnabar and a stop at Tajiguas Creek for fossilized whale bone.

Sept 20-21 Jalama Beach: Agate, jasper, petrified whale bone, travertine onyx, Marcasite and fossils.

Oct 11-12 Searles Lake Club Show & field trips: Pink halite crystals & borax minerals.

Nov 1-2 Whittier Claim Area: honey onyx, agate, jasper, palm root, etc.

Nov 28-30 Wiley's Well Area: Annual CFMS field trip for



The La Habra Community Valley Fair set up times are as follows.

Show (Fair) Dates JUNE 6, 7, 8, 2014

Set UP Times

June 5th Thursday 2:00PM – 10:00PM

June 6th Friday 8:00AM to 4:00PM

Show (Fair) Times

Friday - 4:00PM -8:00PM

Saturday - 8:00AM -8:30PM

Sunday – 9:00AM – 6:00PM

Alan Heuer has measured the upper and lower commons to create a layout of the show area.

Bruce Welch is the contact person for the high school.

Alan will be the go between with instruction from the club.

Sunbelt Electric handles all the electrical needs of the fair.

Phil Pasha suggests that the demos take place between 10:00AM and 4:00PM on Saturday June 7, 2014 and between 11:00AM and 4:00PM on Sunday June 8, 2014.

The Federation Website-Don Ogden

Nancy Bird-NOC Facebook page.

Don Ogden-NOC Gem and Mineral Soc. Club page.

The show contact will be Nancy Bird

Jann Cohen - Chamber information?

Don Warthen suggested having a club set up the club part of the show on Thursday June 5, 2014 and have the vendors set up on Friday June 6, 2014. The vendors can have set up times on Friday June 6, 2014 to be finished with set up by show opening at 4: 00 P.M., June 6, 2014.

There were concerns that the electrical equipment set up would be a mess as it was at the NOC Federation show in Whittier. But it was discussed that Phil Pasha has full confidence in Sunbelt Electrics ability to provide all electrical equipment including the spider junction boxes and safety trip covers for our show floor. Richard O'Connor spoke and said to remind the vendors about bringing fluorescent an LED lights and including a 25 foot maximum extension cord as they will need to supply their own electric to the spider junction boxes or electric wall plugs.

On February 8, 2014 at 11:00 AM - The show committee and members will meet at the show location which is located at Sonora High School on

401 South Palm St., La Habra CA.

We will meet in the parking lot outside the Gym *below the Raiders Mascot* (big horse and rider) which is painted on the wall. We will be having a visual review

of the show location to aid in the show design and layout.

Nancy and Richard O'Connor will be in charge of the cases this year.

Teri will be gathering the donation from the Vendors and requested Nancy to inform the Vendors of that needed donation also collecting donation from the community and our members. At the show Teri and Valeria Ruzgy's will be setting up and working the Donation Awards Booth during the show.

Nancy Bird is going to supply a donation award letter to use for our donors.

Loretta Ogden will be the person in charge of the demonstrators.

Nancy Bird received a suggestion from Mark Sturdvenant to change up our promotion image with a picture of people at our show or persons viewing cases or specimens for our show cards versus just a mineral. Also Nancy B would like to have the show cards done on Glossy card stock. We had a discussion on printers and Jann had a suggestion of one printer she uses and Don Ogden suggested we use one of our members' Clyeta's husband printing company TnT Printing as they have done our club printing for years. The printer has not been determined at this time.

Richard O'Connor has a connection with James Hardware and the tall gentleman Dave said he would allow us to display our promotion on or in his store. Dave stated he is an advocate of the high schools and their agriculture 4H programs. We need to see if we can gather last year's fairs promotion material to provide us with ideas to include our logo/brand to the group branding on the fair promotion materials. Note: Have Alan request that information from Bruce to ask their Promotion committee for the material.

Don Warthen suggested that we include a booth for the BLM land, geology departments, and the parks and recreation, the water district if they would like to have information booths at our show. Don Warthen stated he would call his connection to see if they would like to participate in our show. Another suggestion from Don W is that there are two clubs and never have their own shows and he suggested that we allow The Carvers and Faceting club to be a part of our show with their own little mini show as they are interesting and the public rarely sees these groups.

Frank Winn suggested we get our ad in the Rock & Gem magazine ASAP. Nancy B said she would get that into the magazine she was waiting until the dates and location was confirmed. Frank also stated he would do an electrical cord update on our clubs own electrical equipment.

End of meeting.

Scribe Annual Meeting Quartzsite Arizona January 25, 2014



At the Scribe Meeting we learned how to bring members to the meeting without being there with SKYPE. Information is on page 7.

How To Give Your Bulletin a Facelift

Presentation by Gene Strim at Quartzsite
Editor of the Tehachapi Gem & Mineral Soc.



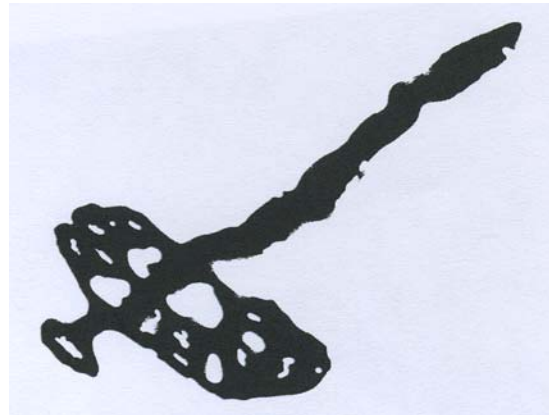
After the Bulletin presentation, Gene who is an author and had books for sale. I bought two books:

1. **The Art and Craft of Cover Design,**
A Comprehensive Book Cover Design
Guide for Self-Publisher

2. **As A Shaman Dreams.**

The book was about Shamanism, the worlds oldest spiritual belief system.

The book had 46 photos of petroglyphs and their location. It also described 18 Shaman art forms “symbols” as shown below.



Atlatl - a throwing stick used before bows, also a phallic symbol.

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Using SKYPE



Cheri George setting up Skype
With a Member in Canada



Picture of What the Canadian Member
Sees on Her Computer



A Picture of a Candian Members video (with audio) is displayed on Cheri's TOSHIBA Laptop.

The Webcam on Cheri's TOSHIBA is Transmitting the Scribe Meeting video and audio to Canada.

SKYPE is a computer program that provides video, audio, instant messaging experience between computers. Sign-up and setup are a breeze, and the software supports virtually any webcam on the market or headset on the market.

The interface takes minutes (at most) to learn.

The above photos shows a member in Canada attending our meeting in Quartzsite Arizona with video and audio going both ways.

Group calls among SKYPE members are free, but they are limited to 25 participants for voice and 10 for video.

North Orange County Gem & Mineral Society



CHAIN/BEAD NECKLACE



All Classes are Held at the La Habra Community Center

February 25th, 2014

101 W. La Habra Blvd. from 6:00 – 9:00pm

REGISTRATION FORM:

Mail with your check made payable to NOCGMS.
Space is limited, please register early.



Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone No.: _____ Email: _____

Class and materials \$25.00



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