

NOC GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY NEWS

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President's Message

by Nancy Bird

Hi All-

Our show, for this year, is history. I hope it went well. Someone recently called it my show, but it wasn't - it was all of us willing to support OUR club by doing what they could.

For instance, Armando Perdoza was in charge of geodes and drove to Quartzsite for them and the Donation Awards from the club, Loretta Ogden was in charge of the demonstrators and demo/dealers and the money boxes, Nancy O'Conner kids and cases, the Valles the Silent Auction, Frank Winn layout & electrical, Don Ogden show program and help with speakers, Teri Heuer for spreadsheets and general booster, Alan Heuer for truck, workers and another general booster, Jonas Ruzgys for the wonderful faceted stone, and Don Warthen insurance and writing checks. And my roommate, Cathy Olson, for major house cleaning for vendor guests, picking up the new banner, dropping the check off for the tables, and set-up food for us worker bees. I can't thank her enough- and she doesn't even belong to our club!

THANK YOU EACH AND EVERY ONE
FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART!

We will be dark for the summer after a Board meeting June 17 at the Community Center. I hadn't planned a summer picnic or the Christmas party (been a little busy) - if you are so inclined to do those, please let me know.

In June, we need to pick a nominating committee of 5 people for the election in October. If you would like to be on it or run for office, please let me know that, too.

Nancy Bird

NOC Club Activities

Board Meeting - June 17, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Community Center

Field Trips - June (TBA)

Sep. NOC News input due Aug. 17.

Programs

The June 10 program -- TBD

Refreshments

Thanks to Kim Winn and Ofelia Warthen for bringing the goodies to the May meeting. Loretta Ogden and Armando Pedrosa will bring the goodies to the June meeting.

Date: June 10

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 June.

Ken Marks

Your gemstone is Pearl or Moonstone or Alexandrite or Agate.

Your flower is Rose or Honeysuckle

Note about birthday for newsletter.

I don't have a list of birthdays to put in the newsletter. Please send me your name and birthday month to donogden@aol.com or

Don Ogden
20904 Trigger Ln.
Diamond Bar CA

Shows and Events

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: La Habra, CA

NOC Gem & Mineral Society Show

La Habra Valley 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.

At the Fair

(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

June 28 - 29: CULVER CITY, CA

Culver City Rock & Mineral Club

Veterans Memorial Auditorium

4117 Overland Ave

Hours: Sat 10 - 6; Sun 10 - 5

Contact: Janice Metz

Email: janicemtz@yahoo.com

Website: www.culvercityrocks.org/fiesta.htm

October 11 - 12: TRONA, CA

Searles Lake Gem & Mineral Society

Gem & Mineral Building

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

Wood Chips

via web

This man takes wood chips, soaks them in water for many days. He uses a tree from Russia (Red Cedar). Then he starts building his pieces which takes him about 6 months, 10 hours a day to finish each. He was offered a lot of money for one piece but won't sell any.



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In Memory of Cal Clason

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It is with deep sorrow to inform you, that CFMS lost one of its own, Cal Clason on April 27, 2014. Cal Clason was a very active and dedicated participant of his local society as well as the C.F.M.S.

As a member of the Rock-hound community he was very knowledgeable and willing to pass his skills and time. His one passion was for the educational end of the C.F.M.S. He was active as an instructor teaching lapidary and cabochon making as well as mounting the cabs. Cal also was an avid sphere maker. Their house was well decorated with spheres, clocks and slabs that were polished.

He taught for the Earth Science Studies program until 1999 when he became a member of the E.S.S. Committee, and soon became committee chair and passing it on in 2007. His hard work and efforts created many improvements to the program

Cal will be sorely missed by all who's life he touched.



If Your Club Does Field Trips on Forest Service or BLM Public Lands, You Need to See This

by Shirley Leeson, President, ALAA

Back in December I attended a meeting of a sub-committee for the California BLM Desert Advisory Council. At that meeting the BLM Field Manager introduced a proposal that would change forever the way rockhounds use the public lands for field trip.

Because of space, I'm asking you to go to <www.amlands.org> and click on the left side under Newsletters. Click on the 1st Quarter 2014 Newsletter. You will find this proposal along with my thoughts, as well as those of Kim Campbell Erb, who currently is serving as chair for this committee.

This could be coming to your area soon...if and when it does be prepared to act. Attend the meetings and tell those in charge, rockhounds come under 'recreation, casual use/casual collecting'.

Second, unfortunately we have a number of ALAA applications floating around with wrong PO Box number and wrong zip code. The correct P.O Box for ALAA is: ALAA, P.O. Box 54398, San Jose, CA 95154. Please go to the application

And The Show Will Go On

Dear Don Warthen,

I am delighted to tell you that your show has been added to the policy and the attached certificate (proof of insurance) has been issued per your request.

Pat and I especially want to thank you for your efforts and your patience! We know you are a volunteer for your society, and they are lucky to have you! Please call us any time you have further needs or questions.

John Edkins, Customer Service

MEMBERS SPOTLIGHT
Don Warthen US Navy SEALs

Don climbing on Gordon Cooper's
Faith 7 Mercury Capsule
15 May 1963



Don Standing on rear of skiff
in Vietnam 1967



Don on Left
with an underwater assault rifle



Don Diver



Don in Hong Kong, China



Don 1964
Navy Seal



Don 2014
in American Legion



Field Trip to Wrightwood May 17, 2014

Field trip start at the Blue Cut marker on the Pacific Plate.



Blue Cut marker



From the Pacific Plate to the North American Plate on RT 66.



Collecting along Pine Canyon road.



Collecting along Pine Canyon road.



Highway 2 Actinolite collecting area.



Highway 2 Actinolite collecting area.



Bench Tips

by Brad Smith
via Delvings

SAWING JUMP RINGS

The difficult part of making jump rings for me has always been holding the coil while cutting off the individual rings. I use a saw to get the best fit when closing the rings later.

I've seen all sorts of suggestions for ways to hold the coil, but the one that works best for me is this little jig made from scrap wood. It's about 2 inches wide and 4-5 inches long with a groove cut down its length to cradle the coil of wire and a thin stop attached to the front end.

To cut the rings, thread your saw blade through the coil, hold the coil down in the groove and against the front stop, and saw at about a 40 degree angle. Don't forget to use some wax or cutting lube. It really does make a difference.

If you don't believe me, do an experiment while you're cutting a mess of rings. Count how many rings you cut before breaking a blade, first without lube and then with some every 6-8 rings.



Sawing Jump Rings



SAVE WHEN BUYING SILVER

Silver products like sheet, wire, and casting shot are sold by the Troy ounce at what is called the spot price. That's what companies pay for the pure metal on the commodities market, and the spot price changes daily.

But in addition to the spot price, there is also a cost to fabricate the metal into wire or sheet, so the price of the item you buy is the cost of the metal plus the cost to make it.

Different products have different fabrication charges because each takes a different amount of labor. Also, different companies will have different fabrication charges because of local labor rates and their desired profit margin.

You can save money by finding a company with a lower fabrication charge. Also, note that the fabrication charge per ounce is less on larger orders, so you can save more by buying more. Find a friend to place a joint order and split the shipping charges.

But for casting purposes, there's an even better way to save. Buy your silver at a coin store. They sell bars and rounds in pure and Sterling for the spot price plus about a dollar per ounce.

The local coin shop adds only a small profit over the spot price. Further, they often waive the sales tax on a cash buy. So I save about \$3 per ounce, pay no tax, no shipping charges, and support a local business.

Get all 101 of Brad's bench tips in "Bench Tips for Jewelry Making" on Amazon .

Title of the book is a live link to
<http://amazon.com/dp/0988285800/>



Silver

NOC Show 2014



Show Set-Up -- Thursday June 5

Dealer Set-Up -- Friday June 6

Show -- Friday June 6 at 4:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Saturday June 7 at 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Sunday June 8 at 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

SHOW PROGRAM

Nancy Bird, Show Chair

DEMONSTRATORS

Beading - Ofelia Warthen

Faceting - Jonas Ruzgys

Lapidary - Jay Valle

Metalsmithing - Jerry & Kathleen Turner

Precious Metal Clay - Marylou Wencloff

Scrimshaw - Sandy Moore

Stone Carving - Sammy Florida

Wire Wrapping - Audry Wolfox & Marcia Goetz

DEMO-DEALERS

Creations by Joan (paper beads) - Joan Todd

Diamond Pacific Lapidary Equipment - Bill Depue

Rough Rocks - Jason Badgley

Spheres & Glass - CJ & Ray Quitoriano

Two Tribes Pottery - Rowan Harrison

Wood Carving - Joe Girtner

ACTIVITIES AT THE SHOW

Cutting Geodes - Armando Pedroza & Heather Bates

Geology Club from Cal State Fullerton

Grab Bags and Pot 'O' Rocks

Kids - Rock identification, toothpaste making, and more.

Plants - Easy and beautiful

Route 66 Gold Miners

Silent Auction - Beautiful slabs etc. You set the price.

Spinning Wheel - Spin the wheel and win a prize.

ROTC & LA HABRA YOUTH COMMITTEE

The ROTC will provide the color guards for the start of the show and provide security for the show.

The Youth Committee will be helping with the Show.

DONATION AWARDS

Main Prize - **AZ Petrified Wood Clock**

Citrine in Brillo Pendant

by Jonas Ruzgys

KIDS' ACTIVITIES AREA

Located off the "lower commons" area. Look for the big dinosaur.

Visit our Kids Area. Participate in the following projects:

Rock Art - Decorate a rock with a hat, eyes and accessories.

Bracelets - Design and make a bracelet from bright beads.

Keychains - Design and make a keychain for keys or as a decoration for a backpack.

Toothpaste - Make your own toothpaste, add flavoring and coloring.

Dinosaurs - Color a dinosaur at the coloring station. Look at the pictures of dinosaurs from the Triassic, Jurassic, and Cretaceous Periods.

Buy a Dinosaur "fossil" for \$1.00 to take home and open it up. You will find a dinosaur and other items inside. It also includes some activities to do at home!



SPEAKERS' SCHEDULE AND TOPICS

Ampitheater in the "lower commons" area.

Saturday, June 7

1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Keith Krzywiec - "Vertebrates of the Puente Formation"

3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Awarding Our Scholarships

4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Keith Krzywiec - "Non-vertebrates of the Puente Formation"

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Justin Zzyzx - "Rockhounding 101, Advanced Tips for All Rockhounds"

Sunday, June 8

12:00 noon. - 1:00 p.m.

Lothar Vallot - "Internal World of Gemstones"

1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Kim Cambell Erb - "Planning for Our California Deserts and How You Can Make A Difference"

STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS

North Orange County Gem & Mineral Society will honor two students with a scholarship at the show on *Saturday, June 7th between 3:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m.* at the Amphitheater located in the lower commons.

The students are *Emily Moreno* from La Habra High School and *Livia Varela* from Sonora High School.

DEALERS

Abalone King
AmeriAsian
Andy Delong Trader
Ariana Gem & Minerals
Art of Jewelry
Bead Center
Burbeks Greywolf Crearions
Cam's Crystal Galley
CIAC Zuni Artisans
Crystal Monster
Dragon Minerals
Evergreen Gems
Ethopian Imports
Fossilsinc - George Walter Ast
Fossils Plus
Gem Nest & Mineral
Gemstone Station
Gem & Wire Works
Genuine Designs
Herbie's Rock Pile
Hunza Minerals
Jann Cohen
Janu Gems
Jeremy Berg
JPK Studio
Jurassic Jewelry
J & K Heart
King Mike Mining
Prentiss Campbell
Genuine Design
Misty Mountain
Sahara Treasures
Sandra Smith
The Agateer Lapidary Supply
The Rock Farm
Turtle Island
Unzueta Wood Craft

FAIR PROGRAM

Friday, June 6, 2014

Fair Gate Opens 4 p.m.
Craft and Food Village 4 p.m.-9 p.m.
GEM & MINERAL SHOW (School Commons) 4 p.m.-9 p.m.
Swine Progress & Market Class Judging & Showmanship
(Livestock Tent) 4 p.m.-7 p.m.
Fun and Games 4 p.m.-8 p.m.
Fair Gate Closes 9 p.m.

Saturday, June 7, 2014

Fair Gate Opens 9 a.m.
Craft and Food Village 9 a.m.-9 p.m.
GEM & MINERAL SHOW (School Commons) 9 a.m.- 9 p.m.
Fun & Games 9 a.m.- 9 p.m.
Livestock Judging and Showmanship (LS-Tent) ... 9 a.m.-6 p.m.
Pee-Wee Swine Showmanship (LSTent) 11 a.m.
ASCA Dog Show at the Fair (Football Field) 9 a.m.-12 noon
Youth Building Exhibits (Youth Exhibit Tent) 9 a.m.-9 p.m.
Small Animal Exhibits (Small Livestock Tent) 9 a.m.-9 p.m.
10th Annual Charity Car Show (Lawn Area) 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
Entertainment (Main Stage) 10 a.m.-12 noon
Kid's Petting Zoo 9 a.m.-8 p.m.
Entertainment (Main Stage) 12 noon-2 p.m.
Car Show Awards (Main Stage) 1:30 p.m.-2 p.m.
Entertainment (Main Stage) 2 p.m.-4 p.m.
ARBA outh Rabbit Judging (Small LS Tent) 3 p.m.-5 p.m.
Entertainment (Main Stage) 4 p.m.-8:30 p.m.
Fair Gates Close 9: p.m.

Sunday, June 8, 2014

Fair Gate Opens 9 a.m.
Craft and Food Village 9 a.m.-9 p.m.
GEM & MINERAL SHOW (School Commons) 9 a.m.- 6 p.m.
Fun & Games 9 a.m.- 6 p.m.
Master Showmanship (Livestock Tent) 9 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
ASCA Dog Show at the Fair (Football Field) 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
Market Animals on Display (livestock Tent) 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
Youth Building Exhibits (Youth Exhibit Tent) 9 a.m.-6 p.m.
Rabbit & Poultry Exhibits (Small Livestock Tent) . 9 a.m.-6 p.m.
Junior Livestock Auction (Livestock Tent) 1 p.m.-4 p.m.
2014 La Habra Valley Com. Fair: Awards Program . 4 p.m.
Fair Gates Close 6 p.m.

Meeting Minutes April 8, 2014

by Teri Heuer

Flag Salute led by President Nancy Bird.

Schedule of 2014 Education Classes

by Loretta Ogden

Scheduled Classes

September 23 - Copper leaf

October 28 - Chinese Knotting

November 18 - Holiday Project

As you can see the Copper leaf class is scheduled for September. I already know of five people that plan to sign up so please sign up as early as possible. I will have the flyers at the show. Be sure to pick yours up. We have been having great classes and lots of fun. Don't miss out.

For more information contact Ofelia Warthen
562-946-0828 or e-mail odwarthen@verizon.net

2014 Field Trip Schedule

June (TBA)

July 12 Palos Verdes: Glaucothane, 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 geodes, agates and other good stuff.

For up-to-date information on these field trips call Joe Goetz at (626)-622-9420.