

# NOC GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY NEWS

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## President's Message

*by Ofelia Warthen*

Hello Everyone! I believe October is the beginning of "Happy Days" ahead! October is "Halloween" Trick or Treat month! This is a fun and happy season. Everyone is looking forward in getting together with love ones to celebrate the coming holidays.

Our Chairperson members are busy planning holiday gifts with education projects making a silver wire-wrap on October 28 and November 19th a Christmas Wreath Pendant. November 4th (First Wednesday) monthly general meeting is our member annual "Silent and Life Auction". Start sorting out your collectables, your can't live without "white elephants", gems & jewelry, rocks and minerals. Our refreshment chairperson, Margie Bush has planned a Potluck at this meeting, so invite all your friends.

Also, a reminder of December 9th is our Club and Community Recognition awards meeting at Community Center. Loretta Ogden, Laura Castillo, and Margie Bush are in charge.

Sorry to announce our October 10th Scholarship Fund Raiser "Quarter Mania" has been postponed to early next year. Jann Cohen, Chairperson will keep us informed.

Want to thank our members that participated in taking the membership survey. The results are extremely important how your Board of Directors look at what members want. Top of list is 90% on Field Trip, and knowledgeable speakers. Next is education with Lapidary, and Silversmith. Most important is "Volunteers" to help achieve these goals. A comprehensive summary is available at general meeting.

Mark your calendars: October 14 and November 4 is General Member meeting at La Habra Community Center starts 6:45 p.m. Note: Board and Business meeting is October 21th. November 11th is Veterans Day Holiday, a commemorative celebration at Community Center, all are invited and its free, start at 9 a.m.

## NOC Club Activities

Board Meeting - 6 p.m. 3rd Wed. at La Habra Community Center (none in Jul & Aug)  
Field Trips - October- TBD

## Programs

Oct. 14 - The program this month will be a new format. We will be making Loretta's flowers. Come prepared to work. Bring your jewelry tools and any color nail polish you want to use for your flowers. There will be an alternate program for anyone who does not want to do the flowers. we are counting on a good time so come and enjoy.

## Refreshments

Thanks to Nancy O'Conner and Clyeda for bringing the goodies to the September meeting. Heather Bates and Russell Belvic will bring the goodies to the October meeting.

**Date:** October 14

**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 October.

<i>Jann Cohen</i>	<i>Susan Hansen</i>
<i>Nancy O'Conner</i>	<i>Yolanda Schirer</i>
<i>Terry Smith</i>	<i>Ofelia Warthen</i>
<i>Kim Winn</i>	<i>Frank Winn</i>
<i>Misha Farinech</i>	<i>Ted Heidke</i>

Your gemstone is Opal or Tourmaline  
Your flower is Calendula or Cosmos

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## Shows and Events

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### 2015

#### October 10 - 11: TRONA, CA

Searles Lake Gem & Mineral Society  
SLG&MS Show Building  
13337 Main Street  
Hours: Sat 7 - 5; Sun 7 - 4  
Jim & Bonnie Fairchild, (760) 372-5356

Email: [slgms@iwvisp.com](mailto:slgms@iwvisp.com)

Website: [www1.iwvisp.com/tronagemclub](http://www1.iwvisp.com/tronagemclub)

#### October 17-18: WHITTIER, CA

Whittier Gem & Mineral Society  
Whittier Community Center  
7630 Washington Avenue  
Hours: Sat 10 - 5, - Sun 10 - 5  
Contact: Marcia Goetz (626) 260-7239

#### November 7-8: ANAHEIM, CA

American Opal Society  
The Phoenix Club  
1340 South Sanderson Avenue  
Hours: Sat 10 - 6, - Sun 10 - 5  
Contact: Veronica Pupura (714) 501-9959  
Email: [info@opalsociety.org](mailto:info@opalsociety.org)  
Website: [www.opalsociety.org](http://www.opalsociety.org)

#### November 21 - 22: APPLE VALLEY, CA

Valley Gem Gem & Mineral Club  
Victor Valley Museum  
11873 Apple Valley Road (x Bear Valley Rd.)  
Hours: Sat 9 - 5; Sun 9 - 3  
Contact: Cyndy Mandell, 760.508.1080,  
760.508.1080

Email: [cynmandell@me.com](mailto:cynmandell@me.com)

Website: [www.vvgmc.org](http://www.vvgmc.org)

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## Thanks

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### 2016

#### March 5 - 6: VENTURA, CA

Ventura Gem & Mineral Society  
Ventura County Fairgrounds  
10 West Harbor Blvd.  
Hours: Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4  
Contact: Show Chair, (805) 312-8467

Email: [info@VGMS.org](mailto:info@VGMS.org)

Website: [www.vgms.org](http://www.vgms.org)

#### March 5 - 6: ARCADIA, CA

Monrovia Rockhounds  
Los Angeles Arboretum-Ayres Hall  
301 Baldwin Avenue  
Hours: 9:00 - 4:30 daily  
Contact: Jo Anna Ritchey, (626) 358-1624,

Email: [joannaritchey@gmail.com](mailto:joannaritchey@gmail.com)

Website: [www.Moroks.com](http://www.Moroks.com)

#### June 3-4-5: LA HABRA, CA

Norh Orange County Gem & Mineral Society  
La Habra Community Center  
101 W. La Habra Blve.  
Hours: Fri. 5-7, Sat & Sun 10-5  
Contact: Don Warthen, (562) 330-8974

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## **“Rock N Rubies”, Future Rockhounds of America**

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*by Laura Castillo*

Our young members “Rock N Rubies” are back to school. We have been busy re-organizing the group with new joining members.

The first field trip is scheduled for October 11 to Jet Propulsion Lab (JPL) from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. This should be a very interesting field trip for all attendees.

Later we will be attending the Whittier Gem Show on October 18th.

All interested in attending these functions must register with Laura Castillo or Ofelia Warthen, in order to qualify for badge.

Laura’s e-mail address is [lac1013@msn.com](mailto:lac1013@msn.com) or [lauraac059@gmail.com](mailto:lauraac059@gmail.com) or phone/text me at [562-907-8967](tel:562-907-8967).

Ofelia e-mail address is [odwarthen@verizon.net](mailto:odwarthen@verizon.net) or phone 626-826-8974.

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## **CFMS Federation Report, Visalia CA**

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*by Loretta Ogden*

As of this time, the application for ZZYZX has not been published, no explanation supplied. I will keep you informed. The business meeting will take place Nov. 13 -15. I will be attending and reporting in Dec. If you have any concerns or questions please let me know.

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## **Education Report**

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*by Loretta Ogden*

This month on Dec. 28 Don Warthen will be teaching a wire wrap class. The flyer is included in this newsletter. Please let Don know if you want to attend.

We will be changing the classes at the community center next year. We will be offering a series of wire wrap classes consisting of beginning, intermediate and advanced. There will be criteria for these

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## **North Orange County Gem & Mineral Society General Meeting Minutes September 9, 2015**

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*by Terri Heuer*

President Ofelia Warthen welcomed everyone and opened the meeting.

Flag Salute - Kevin Smith.

Armando Pedroza announced our speaker Patrick on Searle’s Lake Amazonite he collected.

He discussed our future field trips and brought maps. Green mountains, Whittier Claim, and Yermo.

Ofelia welcomed the four guests attending the meeting.

Don and Ofelia spoke about about Camp Paradise and displayed beautiful projects they had worked on during their stay at the camp.

Refreshments - Thanks to Nancy O’Conner and Clyeda for bringing the goodies to the September meeting.

Raffle by Loretta Ogden.

Kevin and Beth Smith spoke about their rockhounding and cutting their geodes.

Kevin Smith and Alan Heuer approved the minutes from the June 10, 2015 meeting.

Treasurers Report by Don Warthen.

Federation Report by Loretta Ogden - Camp ZZYZX forms are on the CFMS website. Room and board (3 meals a day) for whole week only \$300 plus cost of supplies.

Education Report by Loretta Ogden.

Scholarship Fundrasing by Jan Cohen - the fundrasiers went well at pizza rev. - Bus to Pauma casino Sep 26, 2015. Meet at Jack In Box at 9 a.m. and dropped off a 6 p.m.. Casino will give you \$10. Quartermania Vendors Assorted things.

Scholarship Program by Alan Heuer - He gave an update on the work with the schools and asked for Volunteersto read the Scholarship entries.

Ofelia closed the meeting at 8:55 p.m.

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classes and we will discuss this at a meeting. We will also have a second class. A contemporary fashion jewelry class will also be offered and called a workshop.

## Old Rockhound Collecting Area

via Web

For those of us rockhounds in the 60's, 70's, and 80's who traveled north on highway 14, beyond Mojave, CA, looking for well-formed, Carlsbad Twin feldspar crystals and double terminated quartz crystals, the place to go was just north of the tiny town of Cinco, CA.

The, "Don't blink or you'll miss it", town of Cinco was nothing more than a combined gas station and the Tokiwa JAPANESE Restaurant, with a house behind it. The Cinco gas station and Japanese restaurant was, also, a regular rest stop for people driving up to the Owens Valley, Bishop and Mammoth Mountain. In the late 1980's Cinco station closed and was torn down, leaving only the house.

In today's L.A. Times, I saw an obituary for Tokiwa Van De Voorde, 84.

<http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/latimes/obituary.aspx?n=tokiwa-van-de-voorde&pid=175937169&fhid=24126>

Posted by: <kenrogers4u@juno.com



## Field Trip to WGMS Honey Onyx Claim November 7-8, 2015

from WGMS Rockhounder

The field trip will be to the Whittier Gem & Mineral Society's Honey Onyx Claim, located just east of Barstow. The honey onyx is still there but it is hard rock mining. If you have any or have seen it, you know that it is well worth the effort involved. Usually we use our Claim as a base of operations for daily field trips to the surrounding collecting areas. The access to the camp area requires unlocking a combination lock and opening a locked gate. The combination is 4321. After you pass through the gate, you must lock it behind you (this is very important). Follow the "P/W" signs to the camp.

There will be guided field trips on both Saturday and Sunday and we will leave from the Oak Tree Inn (each day at 8:00-8:30 a.m To get to the Oak Tree Inn take the Ghost Town Rd exit off of the 15 freeway, turn right, turn right again and go past the gas station and you will see the motel on the right. Saturday evening we will meet at Peggy Sue's Restaurant for dinner.

**Materials which may be collected:** honey onyx, red moss agate, petrified wood and palm root, algae agate, and other unnamed agate, jasp-agates, jaspers, fossils, etc.

**Tools:** rock pick and bag for general collecting: sledges, wedges, chisels, pry bars, etc. for those rockhounds who really want to get serious with the honey onyx.

**Supplies:** Barstow is very close. For beginning rockhounds (without campers, trailers, etc.) you may wish to stay in a motel in town and drive to the Club Claim each morning – many of the regular folk on the trip stay at the Oak Tree Inn (760-254-1148 ext. 400), the address is considered in Yermo.

**Contact: Joe Goetz at (626) 260-7239** for questions or further information.



**North Orange County Gem  
& Mineral Society**



**Presents Our Annual  
Fund-Raiser Auction**

**(Silent & Live Auction)**

**Wednesday November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015  
The Silent Auction begins at 6:45 pm with  
Refreshments being served.**

**The Live Auction begins at about 7:15 pm.  
Featuring Items Such as:**

**Fine Jewelry, One of a Kind Handcrafted  
Works of Art**

**Rocks, Geodes, Minerals**

**Various Items Donated by our Members**

**La Habra Community Center  
101 W. La Habra Blvd.  
La Habra, CA**

**For information, call Don or Ofelia Warthen  
(626) 330-8974 or (562) 946-0828**

# North Orange County Gem & Mineral Society

**Make a Beautiful Wire Wrap Fossil Pendant on Sterling Silver  
Wednesday Oct. 28, 2015 6:00 to 9:00 p.m**

Space is limited, please register early! Please arrive promptly!  
Classes are held at the:

**La Habra Community Center  
101 La Habra Blvd.  
La Habra, CA 90631**

The Class is \$10.00  
and \$25.00 for Materials

For more information call  
Loretta Ogden  
(909) 598-2456  
Or email [fbriktr1@aol.com](mailto:fbriktr1@aol.com)



**Register at the  
Community Center  
or you can Mail your Application, with your check made payable to NOCGMS.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Only **\$35.00** includes Class and materials. Open to the public.

Make check payable to NOCGMS and mail to:



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