

NOC NEWS

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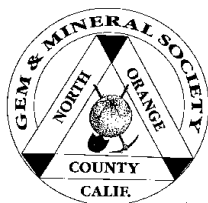
Day and Location:

**With the exception of July, August and
December, meetings are held at 6:45 p.m.
the second Wednesday of the month at the
La Habra Community Center,
101 W. La Habra Blvd., La Habra.**

**The La Habra Community Center
is located west of Euclid on La Habra Blvd.**

**For current meeting information,
please call (714) 342-1227**

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President's Message

by Kevin Smith

Hello to everyone in the North Orange County Gem and Mineral society.

Well we really had a wet January for the first time in several years. We really needed the rain.

Our general meeting had a very interesting guest Mr. James Whiteside III. He is an artist to say the least. He truly is a master metal smith and so much more. You will be seeing James more as he will be instrumental in helping out with our GAME OF STONES big show in June.

We are also wishing Don Warthen a speedy recovery, he had surgery several weeks ago and are wishing him the very best recovery.

We had our first big show meeting on the 23rd of January and it was fun hanging out with everyone one at Chilies in La Habra. We made great headway in preparation and a few steps forward with Armando Pedroza leading the way.

If there is anyone out there in the NOCGMS that would like to lend a hand with the big show please let Armando or myself know and we will be glad for the help.

Thank You all for your support

Kevin Smith
President. NOCGMS
Nocgemsociety@gmail.com

Members in the News

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

Your gemstone is Amethyst.
Your flower is Primrose or Violet.

NOC Club Activities

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

Field Trips - February 18-19: Paul Bunyon Area

Programs

February program by Armando.

It will be a displaying of lapidary equipment, tools and materials.

We will also be having a hands on display of rocks (jaspers, agates, fossils and petrified wood). Join us in learning to identify the many areas of our hobby.

Refreshments

Rose, and Armando will bring the goodies to the February meeting.

Date: Wed. February 8

Time: 6:30 p.m.

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

Camp Zzyzx

March 26 to April 1, 2017 -- The CFMS Earth Science Seminar will be held at the Desert Studies Center, Soda Springs (Zzyzx). It is located approximately 50 miles NE of Barstow CA off of I-15 at Zzyzx Rd.

The fee for the week is \$400 per person and includes quarters or RV space, 3 meals per day, and classes. See the CFMS website (www.cfmsinc.org) for forms and more information.

Shows and Events

2017

MARCH 4 - 5: ARCADIA, CA

Monrovia Rockhounds
L.A. County Arboretum & Botanical Garden
301 N. Baldwin Avenue
Hours: 9-4:30 Daily
Contact: Jo Anna Ritchey (626) 359-1624
Email: joannaritchey@gmail.com
Website: www.Moroks.com

MARCH 4 - 5: VENTURA, CA

Ventura Gem & Mineral Society
Ventura County Fairgrounds
10 W. Harbor Boulevard
Hours: Sat 10 - 5: Sun 10-4
Contact: Terry Wilson (805) 312-8464
Email: info@vgms.org
Website: www.vgms.org

MARCH 11 - 12 SAN MARINO, CA

Pasadena Lapidary Society
San Marino Masonic Center
3130 Hunting Drive
Hours: Sat 10 - 5: Sun 10-5
Email: pasadenalapidary@aol.com
Website: www.pasadenalapidarysociety.org

APRIL 8 - 9; MARIPOSA, CA

Mariposa Gem & Mineral Club
Mariposa County Fairgrounds
Hours: Sat & Sun 10 - 5
Contact: (209) 742-7625
Email: rocksmuseum@gmail.com
Website: CAMineralmuseum.com

May 6- 7; ANAHEIM, CA

Searchers Gem & Mineral Society
Brookhurst Community Center
2271 W. Crescent Avenue
Hours: Sat. 10 -5 ' Sun 10 - 4:30
Contact: Margaret Hogarth (909) 815-3045
Email: hogarth.m@gmail.com
Website: www.searchersrocks.org

JUNE 2 - 4: LA HABRA, CA

Game of Stones
North Orange County Gem & Mineral Society
La Habra Community Center
101 W. La Habra Blvd.
Hours: Fri: 5 p.m. - 8 p.m.: Sat & Sun 10 - 5
Contact: Armando Pedroza (909) 444-2727
Email: ForestandSUN@yahoo.com
Website: www.nocgms.com

JUNE 9, 10, & 11: VENTURA, CA

Ventura Rocks The Nation!
2017-CFMS-AFMS Show & Convention
Hosted by Ventura Co. Gem & Mineral Society
Ventura County Fairgrounds
10 West Harbor Blvd.
Hours; Fri & Sat 10-5; Sun 10-4
Contact: Diana Cook, (805) 312-8467
Email: info@vgms.org
Website: 2017CFMS-AFMSShow.com

JULY 8 - 9: CULVER CITY, CA

Culver City Rock & Mineral Club
Veterans Memorial Auditorium
4117 Overland Blvd.
Hours: Sat 10-6: Sun 10-5
Contact: Janice Metz, (310) 850-4398
Email: janicemtz@yahoo.com
Website: www.culvercityrocks.org

AUGUST 4 - 6; NIPOMO, CA

Rainbow of Gems
Orcutt Mineral Society
Nipomo High School
525 N. Thompson Ave.
Hours: Fri 10 - 5, Sat & Sun 10 - 4
Website: www.omsinc.org



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Australian Chrysoprase









Orange County Gem & Mineral General Meeting Minutes

Date - 1/11/2017

Location: La Habra Community Center

President – Kevin Smith open the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

Kevin Stated our room change was due to our normal meeting room had been cancelled somehow (even though we have them always on the 2nd Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.) but the Community Center staff was able to give us another room. Thank you, La Habra Community Center for always taking great care of our club's needs.

2nd Vice President- Marjorie Bush is who handles all our NOC activities that involve membership. We had 23 Members and 4 Guest in attendance.

We all love our hobby and our Vice President – Armando Pedroza whom selects our General Meeting Presentations. For our meeting tonight we had a hobbyist James Whiteside III. James does amazing works of Art by repurposing old materials. Not only is his artwork interesting but it also saves the planet. James showed us how to saw intricate designs on metals. He was working on a custom car hood ornament as he walked us through the various steps.

Break and Raffle– Thank you, Alan & Teri Heuer & Marjorie Bush for bringing snacks and setting up our snack table. We will have a new Snack Chairman Rose Pedroza – Rose will be responsible for setting up the snack schedule for members to bring snacks and will bring all our snack supplies in every week. Thank you, Rose for Volunteering for this position. We would not have meeting without our Break Snacks. Note: If you have not signed up for a snack please do, we only need you to bring snacks one

month a year and we try to double you up with another member so it is less for each member to bring on their own. Look for Rose at our General Meetings to sign up for your snack month.

New Business

1st Vice President – Armando Pedroza requested an approval on the 2017 Gem Show Flyer from the general membership. Our Gem Show theme this year will be medieval times the title of our gem show will be “Game of Stones” Secretary – Teri Heuer made a motion to approve the show flyer 2nd by – Director - Beth Smith. The Gem Show Flyer has been approved with No Nays

President – Kevin Smith handed out our proposed 2017 Budget for all members to review. Member – Jann Cohen made a motion to approve the 2017 Budget and Director – Matt Pedroza 2nd the motion to approve the 2017 Budget has been approved with no Nays.

Field Trip Chair – Richard Sprowls gave an update on our upcoming field trips.
January 18 - 22 Quartzsite, March – Lavic Siding

Side note about Lavic Siding -Lavic Siding Jasper Fields

Description - One of the greatest of the “legendary” rockhounding sites, the Lavic Jasper Fields offer a staggering amount of Jasper, chalcedony and agate in virtually every color of the rainbow.

Our Field Trip Chair – Richard Sprowls works with other gem clubs field chairs so we can team up with other clubs and rockhounds to enhance our field trip experience. If you have any questions on dates or future field trips you can go on our NOC website or contact Richard Sprowls (number is on our NOC membership roster). We thank Richard

for all his efforts to make our field trips a great success. If you have never been out on a club field trip, make it a goal to get out on one these great adventures.

We welcome Rose Pedroza as our new refreshment chair –

Meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Minutes by NOC Secretary – Teri Heuer
Please contact Teri Heuer for comments, corrections or feedback or for anything
Email terishelp@yahoo.com
Subject Line: NOC Member... (So I know to look at it right away)
Call/Text Teri 951-640-2923

CAMP PARADISE EXCITEMENT BEYOND BELIEF

By Al Bolschazy, Camp Manager

Howdy folks! Boy, talk about getting so excited about Camp Paradise - I just wanted to extend the camp to four weeks instead of two. My bad (luck), I am sorry for any inconvenience that this may have caused.

Yes, Camp Paradise is excitement beyond belief! There is so much going on is hard even for me to keep up.

So what is going on? Well let's see:

Casting – from lost wax techniques to everyone's favorite straw casting. This is where you take a broom straw, pine needles, etc. and bind them together and place them in water. You then pour molten metal into the straw. You get random shapes that can be cleaned up and turned into beautiful jewelry.

Lapidary – this is where you learn to take a rock slab, cut out the design, then grind and polish it into a beautiful stone. We have high-end equipment for

you to use well learning the various techniques.

These are just two of the crafts offered at Camp Paradise. I will be talking about more of the crafts offered as we head towards May. Some of the other activities we have at Camp Paradise are:

Sell-O-Rama. This is when you and the instructors can sell items to other students. We just ask for a 10% donation to the ESS Fund.

Silent Auction. This is where you can bid on items that have been donated to the earth science studies. The item could be anything from slabs to cabs to tools and equipment.

The EES Fund benefits from the sale of these items. There's much more going on but I will tell you more as we approach May.

Our Camp is located in the mountains with beautiful pine trees, the clean fresh air and red dust you will not believe.

Our lodging is in rustic buildings that are reminiscent of 1939 military barracks... perhaps a little better than that.

Will you go hungry? Absolutely not! We have wonderful cooks who provide us with lots of tasty food. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner are served daily.

The cost for one week is \$400. You can go onto the CFMS website and download the registration form. when available. (Form available shortly after Zzyzx is over.)

GIA Institute Tour

In the La Habra Winter brochure that there is a one day trip scheduled for April 20 to the GIA Institute with a tour of the museum.

Lunch at the Green Dragon Tavern & Museum. The afternoon visit will be to the Salk Institute in La Jolla which is now a historical site. Includes a 1 hour guided tour.

Leaves from La Bonita Park parking lot. Sign up at the La Habra Community Center. Cost is \$99 and includes lunch, tour director and driver gratuity. Check Community Center website for complete info.



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December 19, 2016
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Dear Gem & Mineral Society,

On behalf of the City of La Habra Community Services, we would like to thank you for your donation for Operation Santa Program.

We appreciate all you do to help this program.

Sal Failla

Director of Community Services

Josie Anderson
Social Services Manager



December 7, 2016

Dear Bulletin Editor:

I'm with the Ventura Gem & Mineral Society. Our 55th annual show is March 4-5, 2017. I'm writing to see if you might include mention of our show in your January and/or February newsletters—or, at the very least, to make an announcement about the show at one of your upcoming general membership meetings. Details about the show are noted at the bottom of this letter. (I'm also happy to send this via email if you send me the appropriate email address.) We're trying to alert as many rockhounds as possible within convenient driving distance.

We would be happy to reciprocate with a full announcement of your club's show in our monthly bulletin. To place an article in our bulletin, please mail or email your announcement to my attention at the address line below.

Finally, I'm also enclosing a copy of our exhibitor application form for any club member/s who may wish to enter a display.

Many thanks in advance & Happy New Year!


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55th Annual Ventura Gem, Mineral, Lapidary, & Fossil Show
The Ventura Gem Show!

The Ventura Gem & Mineral Society is holding its 55th annual show March 4-5, 2017 (10AM-5PM, Sat.; 10AM-4PM, Sun.) at the Ventura County Fairgrounds in Ventura, CA (10 W. Harbor Blvd). The show is free. Kids will enjoy a variety of kids' activities. See demos of lapidary arts & exhibits from private collections of minerals, fossils, & lapidary work from throughout southern California. Raffle prizes will be drawn at the end of the show & a silent rock auction will be held hourly both days. 15+ dealers in fossils, minerals, lapidary equipment, slabs, etc., will be on hand, along with a country store featuring flea market items, used books, & plants. For further information about the show—or to enter a display—contact Jim Brace-Thompson, (805) 659-3577, jbraceth@roadrunner.com. Visit us on our web site at www.vgms.org.