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CLUB INFORMATION:

ANNUAL DUES: Adults (21 & over) \$15, Couples \$20, Juniors (high school) \$1, and Pebble Pups (grade school or younger)- Free

INITIATION FEE: \$10 plus \$5 each additional family member (includes "stinkin' name badges!")

MEMBER OF: California Federation of Mineralogical Societies, American Federation of Mineralogical Societies (CFMS & AFMS)

CLUB MINERAL: Gold **CLUB COLORS:** Green & Gold **CLUB GEMSTONE:** Botryoidal Jade

SOCIETY PURPOSE: The Carmel Valley Gem and Mineral Society is a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting the study of mineralogy and geology, to encourage the collecting of specimens and the practice of the lapidary arts, to promote responsible field excursions to mineral locations, and to further the education of all. **And remember, please...Tread Lightly!**

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Rich Saylor, editor & publisher. Contributions, which are ALWAYS welcome, & (nice!) comments may be sent to

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Carmel Valley Gem & Mineral Society general meetings: **2nd** Friday, 7:00 PM; guests & visitors are welcome. Board meetings are held at 6:00 PM, before the General Meeting. Members are welcome to attend.

SUPPORT OUR LOCAL CLUBS:

The Santa Cruz Mineral & Gem Society meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month, at 7:00pm, Live Oak Grange Hall, 1900 17th Ave., Santa Cruz. Their website is www.SCGMS.org for club info & their newsletter, The Lapidarian.

The Salinas Valley Rock & Gem Club meets on the 3rd Monday of each month, at the North Minster Presbyterian Church 315 Alvin Drive, Salinas. Guests & visitors welcome. For club information & their newsletter, the club website is www.salinastrockandgem.com. Also contact Karin Salomon, 375-5233. Guests and visitors are welcome. **Annual SVR&G Show:** March 14 & 15, 2015, Veterans Hall, Spreckels. (2nd weekend in March). Modest admission charge, lots of FREE parking.

2015 CVGMS Monthly calendar (MONTHLY MEETING DATES): PLEASE NOTE, ALL DATES TO BE CONFIRMED, especially June (auction) and December (Christmas Dinner).

January: Friday the 9th

February: **Friday the 13th**. The Newark show will be on Mar. 6~8. **See page 9.** Carpooling is suggested.

March: Friday the 13th.

April: Friday the 10th

May: Friday the 8th

June: **Sunday the 7th:** Annual picnic & White Elephant Sale- Whispering Pines Park, Monterey

July: Friday the 10th

August: Friday the 14th

Sept.: Friday the 11th (General Meeting) **55th ANNUAL CVGMS GEM SHOW, SAT& SUN, the 26th & 27th**

October: Friday the 9th

November: Friday the 13th - **THE ANNUAL AUCTION!**

December: Sunday, Dec.6th: **ANNUAL XMAS DINNER & INSTALLATION OF 2016 OFFICERS**

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Message from the President- July

Hello CVGMS Members,

Hope you all enjoyed the Fourth of July Holiday.

We recently had to change the address of our website. The new address is cvgms.rocks. Please let everyone know our new address. Thanks to the Francos for making the change for us.

Our June picnic went really well. We would have liked to have seen more people, but those who came had a very good time.

Our barbecue chefs, Mike Cole, Rich Franco and Jim Hamilton did a fabulous job with the chicken, hamburgers and hot dogs. After lunch Rich and Jim then became our auctioneers.

Our annual CVGMS Gem Show will be on Sat & Sun Sept. 26 & 27. Please start thinking about putting up a display case at our show. Thanks to the Biewers we will have new slant front cases. We will have the sign-up board for displays at the show. Please specify Federation or slant-front case (*Note- Matt will be selling the old cases to club members who may want their own- Ed.*). And of course, volunteer sign-up sheets will be available at our next meetings as well. The Gem Show is our biggest fundraiser of the year. It takes a lot of hours to make it happen, so please volunteer to work at the Gem Show.

Sat. July 11, the day after our next meeting, is International Save the Vaquita Day. The Monterey Bay Chapter of the American Cetacean Society (ACS/MB) will join other organizations around the globe to draw attention to the most endangered cetacean on the planet - the vaquita porpoise.

International "Save the Vaquita Day" will be held on Sat. July 11, at the PG Museum, and will be celebrated from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The event will provide information about the vaquita and its tenuous existence in the Sea of Cortez (AKA the Gulf of California).

In other news of local events, the Monterey Peninsula Buddhist Temple will have its 69th Annual Obon Festival from 21 noon to 7 pm at the Temple. Lots of great food, exhibits and entertainment for all.

See you at our next meeting on Friday, July 10. Rich Saylor will do a short silversmithing demo. This could inspire you to think about what you could demo at our Gem Show in September. Bead stringing, wirewrapping, anything that would be of interest! We will also show a dvd about Mount Everest to help us understand the forces involved in the horrific April 2015 earthquake in Nepal.

Margaret Chan

CVGMS President

The June Board Meeting

No June meeting was held; the next board and general meeting is this coming Friday, July 10.

-Janis Rovetti, Recording Secretary

EDITOR'S NOTES....

ABOUT THE CLUB WEBSITE... We now have a new one, thanks to the Francos! It is "CVGMS.ROCKS". And again, for those of you who do NOT have email capability, but might be willing to consider having one (also available thru your smartphone, if you have or are getting one!). If you don't know how to go about it, ask either myself or even better, any 8 year old....

PEBBLE PUPS

Dear Pebble Pups and Jr. Rockhounds,

This month we will be repeating a mineral that we did 4 years ago, Hourglass Selenite. Many of you weren't in the club then, or maybe didn't attend that meeting. Anyway, I just returned from a month-long RV trip and just don't have the time to put something new together. Hope to see you soon.

Talma Taormina

Scholarship Chair

TRIPS

Jay H. & Talma & grandsons went to Utah, Canada & Lake Superior & points East to collect everything from trilobites, geodes, amethyst, prairie agates from The Badlands of South Dakota, pipestone from a dealer in Pipestone National Monument in Minnesota, where various native American tribes held peace conferences. and such. The total trip took 6300 miles! Nebraska was mostly cornfields... look for some photos in August! -Jay

AND, THE ARKANSAS TRAVELERS...

Hi Rich,

Here are the pictures of our crystal digging in Arkansas. After they get cleaned up we should have something for the silent auction at our show in September.



The weather was a little wet at night so kept things muddy during the day. -Matt



Here's Matt- *truly outstanding in his field...*

AND, OF COURSE, THE JULY PICNIC...



Meat Magic...*thanks, Mike, Rich, & Jim!*



Just raising a few bucks for the club...



Well, no use in repeating what Pres Margaret already said, just the photos, folks..from BBQ, to table, to auction, and to a nice nap... there you have it; the June Picnic in the park! -Ed.

THE CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF MINERALOGICAL SOCIETIES, INC

EARTH SCIENCE STUDIES

CAMP PARADISE

12725 LaPorte Road, Clipper Mills, CA 95930

Emergency Phone Number for Camp Paradise 530-675-2625

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE REGISTERING

1. Any cancellation *prior* to August 1 will incur a \$25.00 Administration Fee.
2. No refunds on cancellations after this date unless *a substitute* is provided.
3. DO NOT mail "Registration Forms" prior to May 1st, 2015

Make Checks Payable to: CFMS EARTH SCIENCES
and send to:

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Please Note: Sign In will be Sunday, August 30th and Sunday, September 6th, 2015 at 1:00 PM

CAMP PARADISE is approximately 50 miles east of Marysville on Highway E-21 (Marysville Rd. towards Brownsville). Elevation is approx. 3,500 ft. The facilities are at a rustic church camp, rooms with double beds (for couples) and/or bunk beds. Bathrooms and showers are communal and located in each building. Housekeeping is the responsibility of each guest. Also available, on a limited basis, are cabins for 4 or more persons (bathrooms and showers are located nearby). RV space with electricity and water *for most spaces* is available. **Since it is a church camp, no alcoholic beverages are permitted. Room assignments will be made by staff.**

CLASSES - Beginning Faceting, Ming Trees, Lapidary, Soft Stone Carving, Silver Smithing, Lost Wax Casting, Beginning through Advanced Wire Art, Copper Enameling, Lamp Work Bead Making, Beading, PMC3 Clay and Dichroic Glass.

Please Note: There will be some classes with limited space - Preference will be given to first time students.

***** CHANGES MAY BE MADE AS NECESSARY *****

A list of supplies will be sent to you with your confirmation. Please e-mail me after 30 days if you have not received information.

PLEASE CUT ALONG LINE and KEEP FOR FUTURE REFERENCES

REGISTRATION FORM

____ Week 1 August 30 - September 4, 2015 ____ Week 2 September 6 - September 11, 2015

\$390 A PERSON - PER WEEK

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Name 1 _____ Name 2 _____

Address _____ City _____ State ____ Zip _____

Phone _____ E-Mail _____

CLUB _____

Accommodations (Circle One) **Couples Dorm Dorm Cabin RV Area**

Would Like to Room With _____ (if possible)

Special Needs: Food _____ Diabetic _____ Vegetarian _____ Other _____

(explain briefly) _____

Due to the lack of dietary knowledge and the various interpretations of different needs, we ask that you bring your special food items and we will do our best to prepare them for you.

Animals will be allowed in the **RV Area Only** and must be kept on a leash and picked up after.

Any violation could result in adherence to their **No Pets Rule**.

UPCOMING LOCAL/REGIONAL EVENTS

This month, only California and nearby events are listed, due to space limitations. However there are many, many shows throughout the US and Canada, both club/Federation and commercial. For more information & other out-of-state listings, please go to: rockngem.com or cfmsinc.org PLEASE NOTE THAT COMMERCIAL (non-club) SHOWS aren't listed, but can be found at the above websites. Please confirm all show dates, if you plan on attending - Ed

July 2015

2-5-SISTERS, OREGON: Annual show; Jean Miller, Sisters Elementary School; 611 E. Cascade (off Hwy 20); Daily 9 am-6 pm; Free admission; Beads, Gems, Minerals, Fossils, Crystals, Jewelry, Grab Bags, Turquoise, Petrified Wood, Thundereggs, Rough & Polished Rock & more. Fun for everyone, contact Jean Miller, (971) 219-0323 e-mail: karmicbeadsandgems@yahoo.com

9-12-CASCADE LOCKS , OREGON: Annual show; Cindy Allison, Cascade locks marina park; 355 Wa Na Pa St.; Daily 10 am-5 pm, Fri. -; Free admission; contact Cindy Allison, 87987 9th St., Veneta, OR 97487, (541) 554-2863; e-mail: Gemsareus2@yahoo.com

17-19-REEDSPORT, OREGON: Annual show; Lower Umpqua Gem & Lapidary Society, Reedsport Community Bld.; 415 Winchester Ave.; Fri., Sat. 10-5:00 pm, Sun. 10-4:00 pm; Admission Price is a Donation; Raffle drawing, silent auction, kids scavenger hunt, vendors and display cases; contact Susan Baughman, 105 Ocean View Ct., Florence, OR 97439

25-28-MADRAS, OREGON: Annual show; All Rockhounds Pow Wow Club of America, Jefferson County Fairgrounds; Fairgorunds Road; Thu., Fri., Sat. 9-5 pm, Sun. 9-2 pm; Free admission. Field Trips daily at 8 am (arrive early) Club membership required to participate; contact Sandra Vess; e-mail: Madraspowwow@Hotmail.com; www.allrockhoundspowwowclubofamerica

July 2015-Early August 2015

31-2-NORTH BEND, OREGON: 53rd Annual Gem and Mineral Show - Are You Ready to Rock?; Far West Lapidary and Gem Society, North Bend Community Center; 2222 Broadway; Fri., Sat. 10-5 pm, Sun. 10-4 pm; Adults \$1, Children under 12 free; contact Don Innes, (541) 396-5722; e-mail: doninnes.innes20@gmail.com

31-2-PRESCOTT VALLEY, ARIZONA: 12th Annual show; Prescott Gem & Mineral Club, Prescott Valley Event Center; 3201 North Main St.; Fri., Sat. 9-5 pm, Sun. 9am-4 pm; Adults \$5, Seniors \$4, Students \$4, Children under 12 free!; Minerals, fossils, meteorites, slabs, tools, jewelry, exhibits & demos. Hourly raffle drawing for valuable prizes. Child friendly demos, displays, games, face painting, geode cracking, spinning wheel, fluorescent rocks & minerals. All spaces for vendors are filled; new vendors will be added to our waiting list.; contact Prescott Gem & Mineral Club Attn: Melanie, P.O. Box 3923, Chino Valley, AZ 86323; Web site: www.prescottgemmineral.org

August 2015

14-16-SEASIDE, OREGON: Annual show; Jean Miller, Seaside Convention Center; 415 1st Ave.; Daily 10-6 pm; Free admission; Beads, Fossils, Gems, Minerals, Crystals, Petrified Wood, Sunstones, Turquoise, Jewelry, Opal, Native American Jewelry, Rough & Polished Free Pearls to first 75 ladies through the door daily. For info call Jean Miller 971-219-0323 or e-mail karmicbeadsandgems@yahoo.com; e-mail: karmicbeadsandgems@yahoo.com

22-23-SAN FRANCISCO, CA: Annual show; San Francisco Gem & Mineral Society, SF County Fair Building; 9th Ave. & Lincoln Way; Sat. 10-6:00 pm, Sun. 10-5:00 pm; Adults \$10, Seniors \$8, Students \$8, Children under 12 w/ adult free; Dealers, displays, demos, kids' activities, mineral & gem identification, silent & live auctions!; contact Ellen Nott; e-mail: ellen_nott@yahoo.com

29-30-ASHLAND, OREGON: Annual show; Scott's Rocks, United Methodist Church, Wesley Hall; 175 North Main Street; Sat. 10-5 pm, Sun. 12-5 pm; Adults \$2, children under 12 free; free rock for each child. Crystals, minerals, gemstone beads, hand crafted gemstone jewelry, fossils, precious opals. Silent auction. Free fossil leaf field trip on Monday, Aug. 31st.; contact Scott Blair, (541) 621-2558; e-mail:

scottsrocks@scottsrocks.com; Web site: scottsrocks.com

29-30-CONCORD, CALIFORNIA: Show & sale; Contra Costa Mineral & Gem Society, Centre Concord; 5298 Clayton Rd., near Ygnacio Valley Rd; Daily 10-5 pm; Adults \$6, Children under 16 free. 25 Dealers: gems, jewelry, fossils, minerals, crystals, jade, meteorites & tektites, fluorescent rocks, lapidary tools & equipment, findings, books; 20 Demos: cabbing, beading, wire-wrapping, faceting, stone setting, stone carving, gold panning, more; 48 Exhibits & Educational Displays; Activities for all ages: youth and Scout activities, free rock & gem identification, silent auction, fluorescent display room, hourly door prizes, raffle. Contact HarryNichandros, CA, (925) 289-0454; e-mail: show-r@ccmgs.org; Web site: <http://ccmgs.org>

September 2015

12-13-HANFORD, CALIFORNIA: Annual show; Diggin'sproductions , Hanford Civic Center; 400 N. Douty St; Sat. 10:00 am-6:00 pm, Sun. 10:00 am-6:00 pm; Adults \$2.00, Children are Free!; Rock, minerals, slabs, fossils. Demonstrations, Jewelry; contact Kathy Corbett, 341 cedar st., Hanford, CA 93230, (559) 904-4795; e-mail: Corbett1@sbcglobal.net; Web site: Digginsproductions.com

19-20-CHICO, CALIFORNIA: Annual show; Feather River Lapidary & Mineral Society Inc, Sliver Dollar Fair Grounds; 2357 Fair st.; Sat. 9:30 am-5 pm, Sun. 9:30 am-5 pm; Students, Adults + Seniors \$3, Children under 16 Free!; Annual Show: Feather River Lapidary & Mineral Society: Chico's Silver Dollar Fair Grounds: 2357 Fair St: Sat. + Sun. 9:30-5: Adults \$3 children (16 & under) free: HOME OF THE WORLDWIDE ROCK TUMBLING COMPETITION! Free shark tooth necklace, first 200 Kids. Dealers Opals, Rough Rock, Crystals, Fossils, Jewelry, Minerals, Wire Wrapping, Flint, Knapping, jewelry making, silent auction, door prizes, raffle, Boy & Girl Scout Badge area, Kids wheel of fortune, grab bags FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY! Contact John Scott 1288 Glenwood ave. Chico ,CA 95926. (530-343-3491): e-mail jweazel@sbcglobal.net Web site: www.featherriverrocks.org ; contact John Scott, 1288 Glenwood ave., Chico, CA 95926, (530) 343-3491; e-mail: jweazel@sbcglobal.net ; Web site: www.featherriverrocks.org

26-27-SANTA ROSA, CALIFORNIA: Annual show; Santa Rosa Mineral & Gem Society, Wells Fargo Center; 50 Mark West Springs Road; Sat. 10:00 am-6:00 pm, Sun. 10:00 am-5:00 pm; Adults \$6, Children under 12 Free; Lots of Vendors, Bake Sale, Raffle, Rough Rock Sale, Wire Classes, Fun Kid Stuff; contact Jolene Coon, (707) 849-9551; e-mail: jolene4srmgs@gmail.com; Web site: SRMGS.ORG

26-27-DOWNEY, CALIFORNIA: Annual show; Delvers Gem & Mineral Society, Elks Lodge; 11233 Woodruff Ave.; Sat. 9 am-5 pm, Sun. 9 am-4 pm; Admission is Free!; 20+ vendors, displays, raffle, demonstrations, and wonderful grab bags.; contact Dale Harwood, 1914 El Segundo Apt. 2, Gardena, CA 90249-1871, (310) 217-0551; e-mail: nancyjbird@verizon.net; Web site: <https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/delvers/info>

26-27-MONTEREY, CALIFORNIA: Annual show; Carmel Valley Gem & Mineral Society, Monterey Fairgrounds; 2004 Fairgrounds Road; Sat. 10 am-6 pm, Sun. 10 am-5 pm; Adults \$4.00, Children under 12 are FREE!; We have approx 15 dealers at the show featuring jewelry, cut and uncut gemstones, beads, crystals, rough and polished rocks, mineral specimens, and fossils. This annual event also has over 50 displays featuring the gem, mineral, and fossil collections of guest and member exhibitors. In addition, there will also be demonstrations of jewelry making, sphere making, rock grinding and polishing. A silent auction will run continuously for people to bid on. This is a family event with plenty of great activities for the kids. A full snack bar is always open with drinks, hot dogs, chili, homemade sandwiches, and desserts. This event supports the Carmel Valley Gem & Mineral Society's educational outreach for Monterey schools. ; contact Janis Rovetti, 1047 Roosevelt Street, Monterey, CA 93940, (831) 372-1311; e-mail: janis12@sbcglobal.net; Web site: www.cvgms.com

26-27-LODI, CALIFORNIA: Annual show; Stockton Lapidary & Mineral Club's , Lodi Grape Festival Grounds; 413 E. Lockeford St.; Sat. 10:00 am-5:00 pm, Sun. 10:00 am-5:00 pm; Adults \$6.00, Children 12 and under free with adult; Discount coupons available at: www.stocktonlapidary.com. See Exhibits, Demonstrations, Dealers, Gems, Minerals, Fossils, Beads, Crystals, Fluorescent Displays, Finished Jewelry, Jewelry Making Supplies and Tools, Gold Panning, Children's Activities, Educational Displays, Rock Identification, Super Raffle, Snack Bar, Gold Panning with Delta Goldiggers, and more! Show

contact is Jerold Kyle, (209) 368-9411, mail c/o SLMC Clubhouse, 3136 E. Anita St., Stockton, CA, 95205 - or e-mail directly to: JeroldKyle@Yahoo.com. Contact Kyle via USPS: 327 Del Mont St., Lodi, CA 95242. ; contact Jerold Kyle

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30-4-JOSHUA TREE, CALIFORNIA: Annual show; Hi-Desert Rockhounds, Sportsman's Club of Joshua Tree; 6225 Sunburst Street; Daily 9 am-6 pm; Admission if Free!; Sportsman's Club of Joshua Tree Gem, Mineral and Craft Show. Over 60 Dealers Featuring Rocks, Minerals, Fossils, Gemstones, Jewelry, Beads, Lapidary supplies & items, Mining equipment, Gemstone rough, Findings, Geodes, Slabs, Meteorites, Dazzling crystals, Carvings, Jewelry boxes, New Age items, Gifts, Collectibles, Books, Tools And so much more!; contact Judy & Roger Thompson, 6225 Sunburst Street, Joshua Tree, CA 92252, (760) 902-5340; e-mail: rogerthompson@mac.com; Web site: www.jtsportsmansclub.com/gem.html
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3-4-VISTA, CALIFORNIA: Annual show; Vista Gem & Mineral Society, Antique Gas & Steam Engine Museum ; 2040 N Santa Fe Ave; Sat. 10 am-5 pm, Sun. 10 am-4 pm; Admission is Free!; contact Ray Pearce, (760) 535-5524; e-mail: vistarocksgms@gmail.com; Web site: Vistarocks.com

10-11-ANDERSON, CALIFORNIA: Annual show; Shasta Gem & Mineral Society, Inc, Shasta District Fairgrounds; 1890 Briggs Street; Sat. 9:00 am-5:00 pm, Sun. 10:00 am-4:00 pm; Admission is Free!; Free Family Fun! Demonstrations, gold panning, raffle, kids arena, dealers selling jewelry, beads, minerals, fossils, silent auctions, food and more.; contact Kelly O'Leary, (530) 722-7133; e-mail: shastagemandmineral@gmail.com; Web site: shastagemandmineral.com

11-11-FALLBROOK, CALIFORNIA: Annual show; Fallbrook Gem and Mineral Society, Fallbrook Gem and Mineral Museum; 123 W. Alvarado St.; Sun. 9:00 am-4:00 pm, Daily -; Free, Free, Free, Free; The Fallbrook Fall Festival of Gems and Minerals will be held on October 11, 2015, by the Fallbrook Gem and Mineral Society. The event will feature: gem, mineral, and fossil vendors; panning for minerals; geode cracking; gem identification; raffles; and more. Vendors will sell a variety of gems, minerals, fossils, jewelry, and related items. The Fallbrook Gem and Mineral Society Museum will be open (admission is always free) during the show. Food and drink will be available for purchase. The Fall Festival will take place on W. Alvarado Street (the street will be closed to traffic between Main and Pico Avenues) at Main Avenue, in downtown Fallbrook, California. ; contact Mishell Rose, 123 W. Alvarado St., Fallbrook, CA 92028, (760) 728-1130; e-mail: fgms@sbcglobal.net; Web site: www.fgms.org

17-18-WHITTIER, CALIFORNIA: Annual show; Whittier Gem & Mineral Society, Whittier Community Center; 7630 Washington Ave; Sat. 10 am-5 pm, Sun. 10 am-5 pm; Admission is Free; The Whittier Gem and Mineral Society's annual show "Rocks Rock" will be held on October 17th and 18th, 2015, 10 am to 5 pm. The show will be held at the Whittier Community Center, 7630 Washington Ave., Whittier (corner of Mar Vista and Washington Ave). Free admission and parking. There will be vendors featuring minerals, jewelry, gems, and collectables and members demonstrating different aspects of the lapidary hobby. For more information call 626 260-7239.; contact Marcia Goetz

17-18-PLACERVILLE, CALIFORNIA: Annual show; EL DORADO COUNTY MINERAL & GEM SOCIETY, Placerville, CA; Placerville Fairgrounds, 100 Placerville Drive; Sat. 10 am-5 pm, Sun. 10 am-5 pm; Adults \$4.00, 12 and under are free; EDCM&G Society's 32nd Annual Rock & Gem Show. This year's theme is agate. Displays, dealers and demonstrations and more. Minerals, gems, jewelry, beads, fossils, geodes, petrified wood, gold, opal, meteorites, lapidary materials, rough rock and equipment. Lot of free activities for the kids. Buy a geode and watch us cut it open for you! Raffle drawings and door prizes. Buy lunch at our popular concession booth.; contact Karen Newlin, 4232 Gailey Circle, Cameron Park, CA 95682, (530) 676-1643; e-mail: k.m.newlin@comcast.net; Web site: www.rockandgemshow.org

24-25-LOS ALTOS, CALIFORNIA: Annual show; Peninsula Gem and Geology Society, Los Altos Youth Center; One No. San Antonio; Sat. 10 am-5 pm, Sun. 10 am-5 pm; Admission \$4.00, Children \$2.00; contact Steve Jobe, (408) 834-5384; e-mail: steve_job@sbcglobal.net; Web site: <http://pggs.org/>

Please confirm all show dates!