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**The November meeting program will be the Annual Auction-
bring what you can to benefit the club and its programs!**

Elected Officers & Board of Directors- 2017

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SHOW	Board of Directors	
PROGRAM	Board of Directors	
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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 monthly 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, 7 PM, at the North Minster Presbyterian

Church, 315 East Alvin Drive, Salinas. Guests & visitors welcome. For club information & their newsletter, the club website is

www.salinasrockandgem.com. Also contact Karin Salomon, 375-5233. Guests and visitors are welcome. **Annual SVR&G**

Show: March 10-11, 2018, Veterans Hall, Spreckels. (2nd weekend in March). Modest admission charge, FREE parking.

2017 CVGMS Monthly calendar (MONTHLY MEETING DATES): PLEASE NOTE, ALL DATES TO BE CONFIRMED, especially June (auction) and December (Christmas Dinner).

January: Friday the 13th

February: Friday the 10th.

March: Friday the 10th. The Newark show will be on Mar. 3~5. See page 9. Carpooling is suggested. The Spreckels show is March 11 & 12; see page 10.

April: Friday the 14th

May: Friday the 21st (was changed)

June: Sunday, June 4 Annual picnic & Rockhounding Auction- Whispering Pines Park, Monterey

July: Friday the 14th

August: Friday the 11th

Sept.: Friday the 8th (General Meeting) **57th ANNUAL CVGMS GEM SHOW, SATURDAY & SUNDAY, 23- 24 SEPTEMBER**

October: Friday the 20th

November: Friday the 10th - Nomination of 2018 officers & Board members, **ANNUAL CVGMS AUCTION!**

December: Sunday the 10th , 4 PM- **ANNUAL XMAS DINNER** & installation of 2018 officers & Board members

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Message from the President

Hi everyone.

A great big "Thank You" to all who exhibited and helped to put on a great gem show! We could not have done it without you! And a huge "Thank You" to those that helped set up and break down the venue, which is a lot of work, and those who prepared all the wonderful snack bar offerings which also takes a lot of people to put together. And the great kids activities! The 'Club Project' case was a fun new addition and I think it will become a permanent addition to our annual show. Think about including something you will make during this next year's 'hands on' meetings. Thank you all again!! This issue of the Prospector will be dedicated to all the components of the gem show above and beyond the exhibits themselves.

Thank you Peggy Balding for providing our October refreshments!

And thank you so much Karin for this chain maille bracelet class and all the prep time to make all those jump rings! It feels good to leave the meeting with something we've made!

November meeting is our annual auction, Nov 10, so look through your material or equipment and see if there is something you'd like to donate to the cause. The proceeds go to fund our education and scholarship programs. I look forward to seeing you at our next meeting, the auction, Friday November 10.

Susie Harlow
President, CVGMS

CVGMS BOARD MEETING: Sept. 8, 2017

Call to Order: Meeting called to order by President, Susie Harlow.

Present: Susie Harlow, Barb & Matt Biewer, Jay House, Mike Cole, Jill Kahlow, Sally Eastham, Adrienne Pimentel, Talma Taormina, and Janis Rovetti.

Correspondence: Matt received 3 more dealer checks. He also received a DMV renewal for the trailer but we don't have to do anything since it is non-op.

Membership: Jay reports no new members.

Treasurer's Report: Jill gave the treasurer's report. It was M/S/P to pay the current bills. Jill gave us all a P&L year-to-date statement.

Federation: Karin was not present tonight to give a report.

Scholarship: Talma discussed the college scholarships for the members that have graduated from high school and are starting college. We discussed the guidelines that need to be accomplished before receiving a scholarship from the club. It was M/S/P to give Jimmy Zibell a college scholarship tonight.

Sunshine: There is no one currently that needs sunshine.

Old Business: We discussed the upcoming Sept. gem show. Members are being urged to help out and work at our gem show. Susie is getting members to sign up to help.

New Business: Susie will be sending Ed Clifton a thank you note plus a \$50 guest speaker fee. We also discussed ideas for member participation and discussed program ideas and possible speakers.

Sept. Program: Jade City DVD # 5 and #6 (since they did not work at the July general meeting).

October Program: Karin Salomon will give a presentation on Chain Maille.

November Program: Our annual rock related auction.

December Program: Our annual Christmas dinner, which will be December 10, 2017.

The meeting was adjourned. The next board and general meeting is Oct. 20, 2017

Janis Rovetti, Recording Secretary

CVGMS BOARD MEETING: October 20, 2017

Call to Order: Meeting called to order by President, Susie Harlow.

Present: Susie Harlow, Barb & Matt Biewer, Jay House, Karin Salomon, Jill Kahlow, Sally Eastham, Adrienne Pimentel, Talma Taormina, Rich Saylor, and Janis Rovetti.

Correspondence: Matt received the \$500 refund from the fairgrounds. He also reports the upcoming Contra Costa Gem show in Concord on Nov. 4-5, 2017.

Membership: Jay reports our newest member, Jerry Loomis. Welcome to the gem club Jerry!! We are so very glad you have joined us.

Treasurer's Report: Jill gave the treasurer's report. It was M/S/P to pay the current bills. Jill gave us all a P&L year-to-date statement.

Federation: Karin asked the board members to help answer some questions for the CFMS Member Club Survey before sending it in.

Scholarship: Talma has revised the college scholarship paperwork regarding the guidelines. She asked about any further feedback from the board.

Sunshine: There is no one that currently needs sunshine which is a good thing.

Old Business: We discussed the gem show from last month and it was a wonderful success! Thank you to all that helped.

New Business: The board discussed the meeting snacks and have decided on a \$25 limit for reimbursement for the member who has so generously brought them for the meeting. The fairgrounds made an error regarding next year's gem show and we do not have the last weekend in Sept 2018 but rather we now have Sept 15 and 16, 2018 due to the mix-up. We also discussed next year's show and getting more members to participate and possibly downsizing the food options at the snack bar for make things easier. Per Jill we had 916 people who paid attendance at our gem show.

October Program: Karin Salomon will give a presentation on Chain Maille.

November Program: Our annual rock related auction. Bring some great rocks and stuff!

December Program: Our annual Christmas dinner which will be December 10, 2017.

The meeting was adjourned. The next board and general meeting is Nov. 10, 2017

Janis Rovetti, Recording Secretary

SALINAS CLUB NEWS...

Hello SVRGC members- board and general meetings for November and December have been cancelled. We will resume our meeting workshops back in January 2018.

Regards,

Jeannie Nelson, SVRGC President

MEMBERSHIP REPORT... Jay House, Membership Chairman

At our September meeting we had 27 members sign in, also 2 guests signed in. They were Anne Greene (831) 277-3588 and Jerry Loomis of P.G., who joined the club.

At our October 20th meeting we had 24 members and 6 guests who signed in. The guests that left contact info were Amy & Emily Takagaki.

-Jay

CHAIN MAILLE PROJECT:

The October meeting featured a "Chain Maille Bracelet" hands-on session; everyone was asked to bring pliers, if they had them: chain nose, flat nose, bent nose pliers and flush cutters. Karin Salomon brought prepackaged "sets" of jump rings, ready to fasten into bracelets... everyone seemed to have fun! A very nice hands-on project, Karin; many thanks!



THE 2017 SHOW

Our exhibitors were:

Dealers:

Applegate Lapidary	Stone and crystal beads, polished petrified wood, fossils
Art of Jewelry	Common and unusual gemstones & metal
B & J Enterprize	Custom jewelry, beads
Lee Chavez	Silver & stone jewelry
Creations in Rock & Bead	Rocks, gems & jewelry
Daggett's Jewelry	
& Stoneworks	Polished stones, carvings, jewelry
Earth's Treasures	Minerals
Elkhorn Trading	Polished stones, stone jewelry, rock photos
The Kleins	Books, tools, lapidary & jewelry supplies
Mendocino Reflections	Crystal, jewelry, fossils, carvings
N.C. Nagle Gemstones	Faceted gemstones, beads
Rock Solid Jade	Jade, gems & jewelry
Sister Stones	Stone beads, unique polished rocks & fossils
William Head	Custom designed jewelry
Wonder Works	Minerals, gem stones, crystals, moldavite, beads

Guest Exhibitors:

Gary Beck	Rough & finished stones
Scott & Laura Biewer	Fossils
Jacob Biewer	Paleontology
Tim Hall & Luke Curtis	Polished Monterey jade
Connie Klein	Jewelry bead work
Peninsula Gem & Jewelry	Minerals & sale items

Club Member Exhibitors:

Barb Biewer	Ammonites, fish, dinosaur eggs
Matt and Barb Biewer	1000 cabochons & local stones
Biewer & Jay House	Fluorescent minerals
Jim Brace-Thompson	Fossil seeds, cones, fruits: fossil fish
Nancy Brace-Thompson	Ocean jasper, spheres
Mike Cole	Collection
Deidre Hamilton	Cats
Roslyn Hamilton	Cats
Susie Harlow	Turtles, benitoite, amethyst
Jay House	Birds, bowls, California minerals, fossils
Pat Rosburg	Jewelry, carvings
Richard Saylor	Ammonites, bola ties, jewelry
Karin Salomon	Jewelry
Mary Jane Stephens	Inuit art, Vessels & other items
Carolyn Schwarz	Collection
Coleman Taormina	Rhodochrosite
Nathan Taormina	Fossils
Talma Taormina	Giraffes, trilobites
Tempest Weis	Turquoise

Club Members giving demonstrations:

Jay House, rock carving
Rich Saylor, silversmithing demonstration

SHOW NOTES: *Those who took part in this year's show were asked to send in their experiences and photos...here they are, and many thanks to all! -Ed.*

Working in the kitchen, lost, then found, visitors asking about collections...

I'm always amazed at how smoothly the "Rock Show" goes; after 58 years it's a pretty well thought-out operation. Including the fact that when I lost my chef's knife last year in the kitchen, everyone just told me that "it'll be there next year when we unpack". So, I was very happy to see my knife this year when I showed up Saturday morning to help make sandwiches!

I realized a few new things this year, the front door is REALLY busy! Since I've been at the snack bar & kitchen for a few years the different vantage point was an eye-opener!

The mix-up between Genfare and our CVGMS was very funny, as people kept showing up with food; it led to lots of friendly conversations! People use the program to find different displays- one guy asked me how to find all the displays for cats- I was quite surprised, but he was happy to look at the collection that Roslyn and I had in our display; I didn't know it was listed that way (and I mentioned that the displays of birds and fish were far better).

Other things that people asked for included "the guy with the purple rocks from last year", "rocks with stars on them", and the couple who insisted on finding "the owner of the finest cabs I've ever seen"... they kept raving about the quality; another club member explained that they were a private collection... the lady continued her praises, then came back and asked for Matt and Barbara... so she'd (finally) read the program or the display notations...

-Diedre Hamilton

Pebble Pup activities...

On Saturday I volunteered at the Pebble Pup area. Visitors included families from my former elementary school and MEarth, which is associated with the middle school. My favorite activity was spin-the-wheel. I also had fun helping younger kids with the fossil dig. It was a great day!

-Roslyn H.

Fun with the Silent Auction!

Hey! Who were those two strangers wearing club vests and running the silent auction at the Show? For anyone who was wondering, CVGMS was the first rock club we joined, in 1991, three years after moving to the Monterey area from Pennsylvania. We didn't know such clubs existed, but 26 years later we continue to be CVGMS members and haven't missed a single show, even after we moved to Ventura in 1998 (which is why any newer members may have been wondering who we two strangers were). I guess we're sort of like geese, making an annual migration along the coast. It helps that we get the best room rate in all of Monterey by doing overnight security. We're so very glad that many years ago the Fairgrounds upgraded the building to transform it into the wonderful space it now is; I vividly remember sleeping on a cement floor and a mouse running across my chest at 2:00 AM!

In years past, Nancy and I normally helped out with the snack bar, kids' booth, and entrance table, but this year, like last year, we were asked to step in to run the silent auction given that several members were absent for varied reasons. We were more than happy to do so, especially given our experience running last year's silent auction. It looks like that prior experience paid off: a preliminary tally shows we raised over \$2,600!

It helped that we had truly quality items donated by various members (especially the Biewers and member-from-afar Anne McConnell of Las Vegas). These included impressively big Arkansas quartz crystal clusters that started bidding at \$40 to \$50 and quickly went up from there. There were also several large, polished septarian nodule halves from Utah (again, starting at initial bids of \$40), large pieces of fluorescent Wyoming youngite (from a locality now closed to collecting), Monterey County nephrite and Vulcan jade (which proved especially popular), lots and lots of nicely polished thunder egg halves from Oregon, and more. Most of the pieces that generated keen bidding were "specimen items" (like quartz clusters or large individual quartz crystals, or the polished nodule halves) as opposed to lapidary rough or slabs, but there was still some good bidding on lapidary materials such as Stone Canyon jasper, chunks of Graveyard Point plume agate, baggies of Oregon sunstones, or chunks of fossil whale bone. One thing that helped move those pieces was having "windows" polished (or just lacquered) along an edge to show folks what the material would look like when worked and finished. Sometimes, all it took was a one-inch window to grab attention.

If you have spare materials to share, we welcome donations toward next year's silent auction, as well as help running the auction itself. We could probably make even more money if we expand the footprint of the auction by adding a table or two-but that would require more donations and more help. Think about it, and start planning today for September 2018. Just like migrating geese, we'll be back!

-Jim & Nancy Brace-Thompson

Some more snack bar & kitchen crew notes:

Prior to the show, the supplies shopping and the exemption letter for an food sales event from the Health Dept. went well. Thank you to the Kitchen crew volunteers: Barb, Sally, Dierdre, Mark, Amy, Karin, Martha, Mary Jane, and Suzie. Thanks to the Snack bar volunteers: Nancy, Mary Jane, Karin, Jeannie, Barb, Dierdre, Suzie, and Kathy. Thanks to Dierdre for her gluten-free butternut squash and cannoli bean soup. Thanks to Barb for bringing hard-boiled eggs, thanks to Adrienne for the pre-cut veggies, apple pie & cake, and thanks for the other bountiful donations of store-bought baked goods (I don't even know who brought what). So much so, that at the end of the show, we ended up with some unopened boxes of donated Costco cookies. The chocolate sheet cake that came from Costco on Friday was adequate for both days. Later I found out that they can be ordered without the filling, which would then makes them a candidate for displaying longer without refrigeration.

This year's snackbar and show had some challenges... the show was down at least 5 members due to family arranged vacations. We were a bit short-handed in the snack bar, as a result. Thanks to Jeannie from the Salinas Gem Club who volunteered both days, which helped tremendously, and to Teri Beck for being cashier on Sunday!

We thought we would be short-staffed in the kitchen, so Karin stepped-up and pre-cut a lot of vegetables and prepared other plate condiments on Friday and again on Saturday. Due to her many hours of prep time and working during the show, the kitchen and snack bar managed to be a success. We had a good sized kitchen crew on Saturday for sandwich making and veggie plates with a bit fewer on Sunday. The snack bar's usual storage room was locked, so Barb stored our equipment boxes underneath the sinks. Our personal items were put on the open shelves. I had a high school reunion on the same weekend so I wanted to leave at 4pm on Friday and Saturday. Nancy volunteered to wash the chili pot after the show closed on Saturday. I enjoyed my reunion gatherings both Friday and Saturday evenings. Another unexpected item was that the mayonnaise-based tuna salad and egg salad sandwiches did not sell well on Saturday. I think this was due to them being kept on ice behind the display counter. Dierdre helped by supplying cold packs on Sunday that then allowed them to sit in plain sight, and so they sold. A small positive from that lack of sales was that we didn't make any tuna or egg sandwiches on Sunday, which unloaded the workload for the somewhat reduced kitchen crew on Sunday.

Many thanks to Nancy for "plating" desserts, to Suzie Grimes for volunteering Sunday morning kitchen and afternoon snack bar and also for donating a berry pie, and to Alyce Thompson for being snack bar cashier for long periods on both days. And last but not least, thanks to everyone for putting up with me when I got overloaded!

-Martha Saylor

About amethysts... Our prez writes about some of her favorite rocks, etc. in the show... Ed.

Interesting amethyst : ametrine, which is amethyst, which while 'growing', encountered increased heat hot enough to turn the purple to citrine gold resulting in a half amethyst, half citrine crystal thus 'Ametrine'.

Also interesting : amethyst Scepter, amethyst cactus quartz and amethyst stalactite.

And the 'tiny turtles', for size reference: the opal turtle is 1/4 inch from head to tail.

And fun in the kids' area : necklaces of fossils, shark teeth and crystals.

-Susie Harlow

In the Kids' Area...

The Kids' Area of the show was hopping all weekend. The Grab Bags of polished rocks were very popular. We had only a handful left by the end of the show. We had more necklace making options this year, which went over really well. The Fossil Dig, Mine Shaft, and Fossil Painting were all popular. And of course, everyone loved the Spinning Wheel. So far as setup/takedown went, it's incredibly difficult to get the Kids Area packed up and then still have to take down display cases. I closed up at 4:00. But it was still hard to get done by 5:00. In addition to the 4 adults I had my 2 strong grandsons helping. I couldn't even stand up straight, my back hurt so badly. I've been trying to think of changes I can make to the Kids Area to lighten the load. Something has to change.

-Talma Taormina



Taking show photos...

Hi Rich! I took several good photos of rock club volunteers in action with public & will send them to you this week if my new photo program cooperates. In one case, the silent auction volunteer was enjoying a chat with a knowledgeable customer about rock-hounding locations they both knew from past adventures. In another photo, 2 young boys both held hands over ears as their geodes were being loudly sawed open.

Loved this year's show! Saturday I went with my son who loves the shows as much as I do and likes to buy items to add to his collection. Sunday I went with hubby who rested outdoors in the shade while I had fun taking photos of everything.

-Andrea Wilson

About the show...

The show only happens if we have volunteers to do the hard work of setting up the venue: setting up tables, unloading the trailer, table 'skirts', electrical wiring, assembling the beautiful cases built by Matt, putting in lights, setting up chairs, the kids area, signs, entrance table, dealer spaces, the snack bar appliances and utensils...and that's just Wednesday! Friday we add finishing touches and fill exhibit cases. Sat and Sun early morning we make all the sandwiches, salad plates, desserts, chili & hot dogs. Then Sunday night we have to take it all down and pack it all into the trailer! The show is a lot of work but a rewarding and fun experience! We can always use more help so think about joining the fun next year!

-Susie Harlow

PS - I meant to include the geode cutting and demo areas in the Friday set up. I just want the club members to realize how much is involved behind the scenes so they may more fully appreciate what it really takes to put on this show. Maybe they will understand why we ask so fervently for help and more hopefully will step up next year!! It's always the same small group that does it all and we're getting old!

Without going into too much detail, I had to leave early Sunday due some health issues; driving home became somewhat scary...

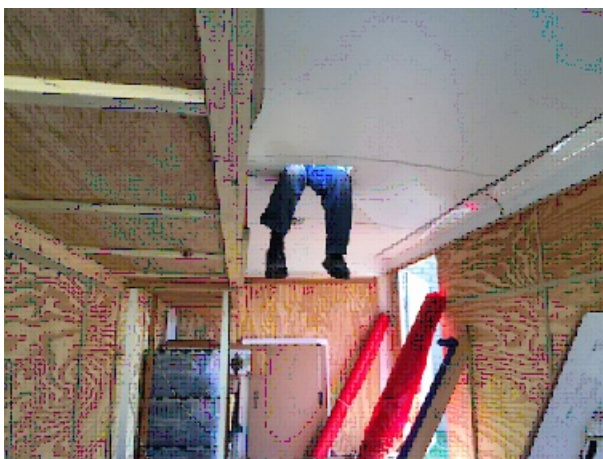
Anyway, being the president I always feel a responsibility to be the last person out the door and feel like I owe everyone who broke down the show an apology for just disappearing. My health issues started just after leaving the parking lot and lasted a little less than 2 hours. *-Susie*

Cutting geodes...

Well, we made it through another Gem Show. The big hit in the geode booth were the Moroccan Geodes, some almost too big to cut with our saw. Matt, Mark and I were kept busy but it seemed a little softer than last year. We also had some solid geodes from Richardson's Ranch that produced a few nice cuts. The highlight for me this year was the new tables and rolling carts used to set up on Wednesday. So much nicer than the old beat up super heavy ones we used for so many years.

-Mike Cole

AND THIS YEAR'S PHOTOS...



Matt in the trailer ceiling, getting everything ready



The storage trailer



Setting up cases



Setting up the slant cases



Getting it all straight



Taking a short break



Some chat time during setup



At the front door...



Making sandwiches in the kitchen



Barb & Martha doing the Snack Bar



Meanwhile, out back...



What the kids like



Cutting geodes, VERY noisy!



Susie H. and the kids



The kids made plaster casts of fossils...very colorful interpretations!



Nancy B-T running the Silent Auction...



Jim B-T, explaining stuff at the Silent Auction



Jay, grinding away at something



Rich (your editor) demo'ing how to ruin perfectly good silver...

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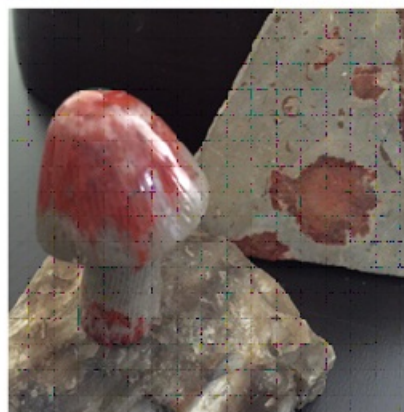
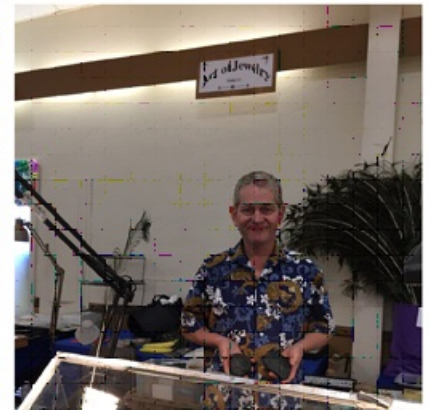
Art of Jewelry:
Keith Olivas

Ernie LeFevre

Regrettably, Susie couldn't locate a photo of Ernie (though she worked right next to him!) BUT here's a photo of some of his excellent work... a "mushroom" from a piece of UT red coral rough.

Photo Credits:

Nancy & Jim Brace-Thompson, Andrea Wilson, Susie Harlow, Matt & Barbara Biewer, Martha Saylor. **All dealer photos:** Susie Harlow



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CAMP ZZYZX

We invite you to join us at the Earth Science Seminar being held at the Desert Studies Center, Soda Springs (Zzyzx) located approximately 50 miles Northeast of Barstow, CA. Off I-15 at Zzyzx Rd. Facilities are rustic, dormitory style rooms with bed, mattress & desk. Cleaning is the occupant's responsibility. You must bring bed linen or sleeping bag, and any creature comforts you may desire i.e. lamp, throw rug, ice chest. RV parking is approximately 1/4 mile from the Center and has no facilities of any kind. All restrooms and showers are in separate buildings at the center and are communal. The Earth Science Committee reserves the right to accept or deny applications as they deem appropriate. This area is designated by the Government as a Desert Studies Center; consequently, **NO PETS ARE ALLOWED**. A limited number of reservations are available and an early application is recommended. Subject to change these classes will be offered:

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MARCH 25th – MARCH 31st, 2018

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SHOWS & EVENTS OF INTEREST:

PLEASE VERIFY ALL SHOW INFORMATION BEFORE ATTENDING! Only Calif. events are listed. For more information about each show & out-of-state listings, please go to: rockngem.com or cfmsinc.org **PLEASE NOTE THAT COMMERCIAL (non-club) SHOWS** aren't generally listed, but can be found at the above website.

November 2017

11-12—YUBA CITY, CA: Annual show; Sutter Buttes Gem & Mineral Society, Yuba Sutter Fairgrounds; 442 Franklin Ave.; Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-4; Free Admission; contact Karen Horita, 1364 Golden Plover Street, Plumas Lake, CA 95961-8730, (916)-677-6696; e-mail: horita@comcast.net; Web site: www.sutterbuttes.net

18-19—LAKESIDE, CA: Annual show; El Cajon Valley Gem and Mineral Society, Lakeside Rodeo Grounds; 12584 Mapleview Street; Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-4; Free Admission; contact Mary Ness, PO Box 451, El Cajon, CA 92022, (619)-449-0759; e-mail: ecvgms@gmail.com; Web site: ecvgms.org

18-19—HESPERIA, CA: Annual show; Mining Supplies and Rock Shop, Mining Supplies and Rock Shop; 9565 C Ave; Sat. 9-5, Sun. 9-4; Free Admission; contact Cyndy Mandell, 9565 C Ave, Hesperia, CA 92345, (760)-244-9642; e-mail: cynmandell@me.com; Web site: www.miningsuppliesandrockshop.com

18-19- SANTA CRUZ, CA: See color ad insert above, this page

18-19—OXNARD, CA: Annual show; The Oxnard Gem & Mineral Society, Oxnard Performing Arts Center; 800 Hobson Way; Sat. 9-5, Sun. 10-4; Free Admission; contact Stephanie Hagiwara, (805)-394-8002; e-mail: webmaster@oxnardgem.com; Web site: <http://www.oxnardgem.com>

25-26—MONTEREY, CA: Wholesale and retail show; Gem Faire Inc, Monterey County Fairgrounds; 2004 Fairground Rd; Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-4; Free Admission; Fine jewelry, crystals, gems, beads, gold & silver, minerals & much more at manufacturer's prices. Exhibitors from all over the world will be on site. Jewelry repair & ring sizing while you shop. ; contact Allen Van, (503)-252-8300; e-mail: info@gemfaire.com; Web site: <http://www.gemfaire.com>

December 2017

2-3—BARSTOW, CA: Annual show; Mojave Desert Gem & Mineral Society, Cora Harper Fitness Center; 841 Barstow Rd; Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-5; Free Admission; 43rd Annual Show. Fun for the whole family. Lapidary arts & crafts, Displays with special Petrified Wood exhibit by Walt Wright. Silent Auctions both days & Raffle. Dealers with gems, minerals, lapidary rough, beads, unique jewelry & gifts. Demonstrations & Lapidary instruction. Our Famous Grab Bags & Wheel of Fortune for the young & young at heart. Food booth. Proceeds go to our local scholarships.; contact Danny Watts, P.O. Box 138, Barstow, CA 92312, (760)-373-1309; Web site: www.mdgms.net

9-10—RIALTO, CA: Show and sale; OrangeBelt Mineralogical Society, Across street from Rialto City Hall; 105 S. Palm Ave.; Sat. 9am-Dusk, Sun. 9am-Dusk; Free Admission; Tons of rocks, minerals, fossils, gems, jewelry, hand made crafts, tools, petrified woods, agate, geodes, and much more. Fun and educational.; contact Jessica Pearson; e-mail: jpearson1915@gmail.com; Web site: OBMSRocks.yolasite.com

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