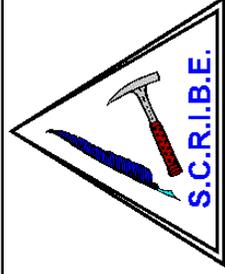


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Club Website—www.vvgmc.org

October General Meeting Minutes

2nd V.P of Membership, Lois Papner said that Dr. Erik Melchiorre a geologist from C.S.U.S.B would speak at the November Educational Night about local gold finds. Local gold prospecting clubs would be invited. 1st V.P of Membership, Sheryl Grenell said that dues were due by the end of the December meeting. Blaine Witte—the club wagon master spoke of finds on recent field trips. There would be a field trip to the Caddee Mountains on November 5th. Interested parties would leave from the club at 8a.m and from the Dairy Queen at Ludlow at 9a.m. Mike Stafford spoke of the recent club picnic/barbeque. \$115 was raised for the club at a silent auction of rocks that were brought to the picnic. The club Christmas Party will be held at the local Golden Corral—see p.10 of this issue. The club elections were held and new officers were elected. Marilyn Pierson spoke of the upcoming Roy Rogers Day at Brewster Park in Apple Valley—November 5th and 6th.

November Board Meeting Minutes

1st V.P of membership, Sheryl Grenell had (3) new membership applications. The CFMS rep—Pat Estes said she would call about CFMS patches. Pins and hangars for officers were on order. There would be a CFMS meeting in Visalia in November. Cyndy Mandell would attend as a Bulletin Aids Chairperson. Debbie Savacool would stand for election as corresponding secretary. She would be a volunteer and have no voting rights until she had been a member for a year. We are looking for a Projects Manager to assist the club president. We have a 16" saw for sale and it was motioned we sell tickets at \$5 each to club members until a figure of \$500m is reached. Cyndy Mandell mentioned the recent club picnic. We will have a budget committee meeting on Sunday, November 6th. The club instructors use of the club was discussed. A retailer will be selling rough and slabs from the club parking lot on Saturday, November 5th. Bill Woody, Debbie Savacool and Ed Berresford are new instructors and will be under probation for a month.

Club Christmas Party

Monday, December 12th
6—9p.m

Golden Corral Restaurant
Main Street, Hesperia.

About \$11 for the meal
\$10 for seniors

Bring a raffle item



The Victor Valley Gem and
Mineral Club

was organized in 1947 and has been the focal point of High Desert rock hounds for the past 64 years. The club takes active roles in various civic activities. Membership is open to all persons interested in the gem and mineral hobby and lapidary arts. Meetings are held at the clubhouse located at 15056-B, 7th Street (behind Kaman Bearing) in the center of Victorville. Visitors are always welcome. Call (760) 243-2330. For further information,

Meeting dates

We will gather for a club Christmas Party on Monday, December 12th. (See the article in p. 10). Our January General Meeting will be held on Tuesday, 24th at 7:30p.m.

Happy
Birthday



I don't regularly put birthdays in the newsletter—but, Connie Weinberg is turning 100 years old in December. Connie, congratulations and a happy birthday to you.

Competitive Bulletin?

Cyndy has asked me to put this Bulletin in the CFMS editors competition—although I don't think it's very good, I'll submit it anyway.

Upcoming Gem Shows

November 12th & 13th; Yuba City, CA
Sutter Buttes Gem & Mineral Society
Yuba Sutter Fairgrounds (Franklin Hall)
442 Franklin Avenue,
Hours: Sat. 9a.m.—5p.m.

Sun: 9a.m.—4p.m.
Erik Anspaugh (916) 869-7272
rocks@hughes.net
www.sutterbuttes.net

November 19th & 20th; Oxnard, CA
Oxnard Gem & Mineral Society
Oxnard Performing Arts Center
800 Hobson Way

Hours: Sat. 9a.m.—5p.m.
Sun. 10a.m.—4p.m.
Norb Kinsler (805) 644-6450
showinfo@oxnardgem.com
<http://www.oxnardgem.com>

December 3rd & 4th Barstow, CA
Mojave Desert Gem & Mineral Society
Barstow Community Center

841S. Barstow Road
Hours: 10a.m.—5p.m. daily
Gene Haines (760) 447-8068
vhaines@san.rr.com
www.mdgms.org

Where's the Christmas Party?

It's at the Golden Corral restaurant on Main Street, Hesperia on Monday, December 12th from about 6—9p.m. The cost will be about \$11 per head and \$10 for seniors.

The Lancaster Gem & Mineral Show



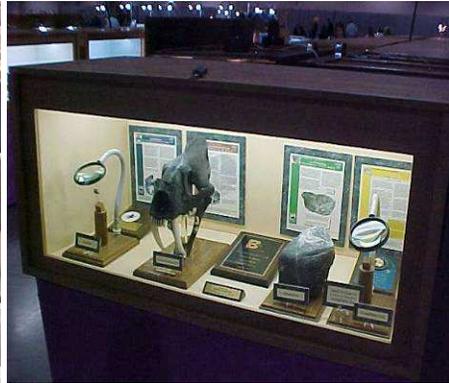
Many fossils were on display.



Vendors sold every type of lapidary product.



Vendors sold their wares.



The displays were very well done!



On Sunday, November 6th, Kerry and I went to the Palmdale Gem & Mineral show at the Lancaster fairgrounds. We looked at displays and Jewelry.

Around the shop



Our merchandise is on display for a member's convenience.



The "Genies" were free when we came in on a Sunday.



Our Sunday instructor, Virgil Melton showed us some of his finished work.



These are some of the agates that Virgil Melton brought in.



Blaine Witte was the only one using the saws.



9 This is a piece that Blaine was sawing.

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CFMS Fall Directors' Meeting

By Cyndy Mandell, president

I attended the November 11, 2011 meeting of the California Federation and Mineral Society Fall business meeting in Visalia, California. I have volunteered as their new Bulletin Aids Chairperson and will be trying to fill the shoes of Doug Arnold who has held this position for many years.

This gathering of directors', chairpersons, and board members was held to conduct one of the two business meetings held every year. During this time they nominated and elected a new slate of Executive Committee members to lead us in the coming year. This was a very formal business meeting with an agenda that took two full pages. It was conducted efficiently and was very informative. Lots of reports were made by the different committee members and directors. My report was regarding the deadline, December 15th, for entries by editors to the newsletter completion. Editors can enter articles, features, or poems from their newsletters of the previous year to be judged by a panel.

After the business meeting, which ended at noon, optional meetings by others groups were held to plan for next year. Scholarship committee, uniform rules, etc. The next Federation Show and meeting will be held in Riverside in July. Since this is closer to our club members, I hope many of you will attend. I will keep you informed regarding this event in



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 New Year's Day Club closed.	2	3 Instructor's Meeting 6pm Board Meeting at 7p.m	4 Workshop 1-9p.m.	5 Workshop 1-9p.m.	6	7 Workshop 12noon-5pm Petrified Pups 9—2p.m.
8 Workshop 1—5p.m.	9	10	11 Workshop 1-9p.m.	12 Workshop 1-9p.m.	13	14 Workshop 12noon-5pm
15 Workshop 1—5p.m.	16	17 Education/ Demonstration Night 7p.m	18 Workshop 1-9p.m.	19 Workshop 1-9p.m.	20	21 Workshop 12noon-5pm Petrified Pups 9—2p.m.
22 Workshop 1—5p.m.	23	24 Pot Luck—6:30p.m. Monthly General Mtg 7:30pm	25 Workshop 1-9p.m.	26 Workshop 1-9p.m.	27	28 Workshop 12noon-5pm
29 Workshop 1—5p.m.	30	31				

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