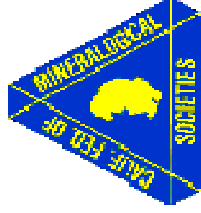
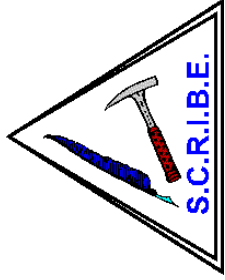


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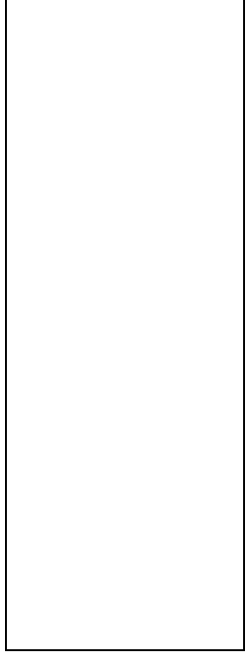
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	Vacant	
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Minutes of the August 27th General Meeting

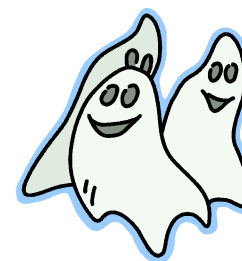
John Hill, Wagon master spoke about the next field trip. It will be the 28th of September near Lavic lake to collect some pretty agate. Across the road is plume agate. Chris Koch will be helping John identify the stones. Both sites can be driven to with a 2-wheel drive vehicle. Charles Toles reported that Connie Weinberg just got out of the hospital. Steve Hendrix will do the display for September. Linda Calloway is being nominated for 2nd VP, Education and will be voted on at our September Board meeting. Ed Berresford announced this will be his last meeting. He will be moving to North Carolina. Corey Beck will take over as President as stated in our By-laws.

Minutes of the September 3rd Board Meeting

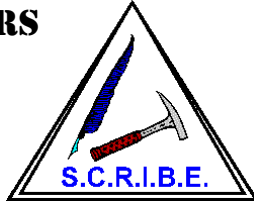
Lois Papner gave the treasurer's report. Lois filled Janet Flecher in on all the bills and correspondence that needed to be taken care of still. All bills were paid and deposits made and the checking balance is \$13,958.08 as of August 31, 2013. John Printz stated the pups will meet on the 1st and 2nd Saturday of the month in September. Tina LaBau spoke to the board regarding the wildlife habitat group to use our club for another demo. Steve Hendrix has classes coming up to teach silver techniques. Steve will bring boxes of wax for them to use and all they'll have to do is buy the investment. John Hill wants to put pictures up that show the field trips. The Board gave him permission. Repair the

door spring on the storage unit is being worked on. It will be fixed soon. Jessie LaBau will install the extra cameras we have inside the building to give us better coverage of everything. Cyndy Mandell will work with him to accomplish this. Nominating committee consist of: Frances Gramata, Linda Calloway, Janet Flecher, Cyndy Mandell. We still need one other general member to serve on this committee. Steve Hendrix is talking to Ruben Martinez about the phone tree and they'll work on getting volunteers. Maybe board members could call some people. Budget committee is needed. When Janet Flecher has the books in order and is ready we'll do this. Linda Calloway was voted in as 2nd VP and Jim Fosse was voted in as 1st VP. Ceci Kawasaki presented three options to the Board regarding the Christmas Party. All options being held here at the clubhouse.

1st option, Ceci Kawasaki will cook everything.
2nd option, Ceci will cook the meats and desserts and other members bring side dishes.
3rd option, the club finds someone to cater it.
The board was in agreement for option 1. It was decided to have it on Dec 14th at the clubhouse at 6pm. Members need to pay by Nov 30th of \$10 per person child or adult. Cyndy Mandell stated the raffle will be dark for September but will operating again in October. Ceci Kawasaki will begin to present themed potlucks. For October the theme will be Halloween.



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Was organized in 1947 and has been the focal point of High Desert rock hounds for the past 65 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. For further information, call (760) 243-2330.

Meeting Dates

Our September general meeting will be held on Tuesday, 24th at 7:30pm. and the October meeting is Tuesday the 22nd at 7:30pm.



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Wishing all of our
members this month a very
HAPPY BIRTHDAY

The birthstone for the month of
September is: Sapphire

Johnathan Conant Jr., Gary Douglas,
William Fabrizio, Kenneth Gates, Fran-
cis Gramata, Zelma Jaskolsky, Ceci
Kawasaki, Gail Luevano, Cathy
McMartin, Toni Melie, Bob Menelly,
Dagmar Miller, Michelle Miller, Alan
Molineux, Gena Oliver, Tom Owens,
Dorothy Smith, Eve Toles.

The birthstone for the month of
October is: Opal

Pamela Birge, Daniel Cavinder, Faith
Harper, Linda Harrison, Chris Koch,
Thomas Laszlo, Marilyn Pierson,
Diane Quinn, Tom Ryan, Dinah Shum-
way, Maria VanRoekel.

October Potluck

**Please bring a Halloween
themed dish. There are many
food ideas that can be found
on the Web. Do a search us-
ing “Halloween potluck food
ideas” and you’ll find a mu-
litude of ideas and recipes.**

Saw Oil by Ken Rogers from LA Rock on Yahoo Group



This equipment was given to the club by Kathleen Owens of Apple Valley it includes a 6 inch gemstone diamond & corundum wheels; 8" buffer with motor; 8" corundum wheels with buffer; 12" saw with stand and 16" buffer with motor.

These items will be auctioned at the general meeting in October and are on display now at the club. All motors are in good running order this equipment needs some good loving care and clean up. Thank you to George Kawasaki, John Printz, Don Pomerence, and Ed Skidmore for picking up and delivering this donation to the club house.

Rules:

1. You do not have to be present to bid.
2. Place all sealed bids in the suggestion box (at least one day before the day of the auction.
3. All sealed bids will be opened at the time of the auction.
4. If there is a sealed bid on any item that sealed bid will be the starting bid for that item.
5. If anyone at the live auction wants to bid more than the sealed bid the highest bidder will win that item.

Thank you to all who replied to my "Cutting Oil" question. I posted it on two forums (LA-Rocks & Rock Collecting and Field Trips). I have not yet heard back from my query to the Federation. Here is a compilation of the replies I received, on and off of the Forums. Based on everything I have received and have read, Pella-A cutting oil seems to be on the way out and many responders have switched to a "food grade" mineral oil, which also seems to be (if purchased right) half of the price we've been paying for the Pella-A. From the different writings, I get the impression that these choices were based on: 1) health & safety; 2) cost; and 3) ease of availability. Please read on:

From: Yogi Shah <yogi@jbfc.com>
Johnson Brothers Lapidary has very good Mineral Oil www.jbfc.com

From: Sue Gallagher
Covington Rockhound Oil. As a club, you will get 10% off.

From: Hank Cobb
Our club YVGMS uses Amber Neutral Oil 100. We buy it from Dion and Sons, Inc. 951 680-9731 Colton, CA 92324. We buy it in 55 gal. drums.

From: Martha_cat2000
Our local university just uses mineral oil that can be bought at Wal-Mart or the local Farm and Ranch store.

From: Michael mwkusa@yahoo.com
If you have people that have allergies the best thing to use is Food Grade Mineral oil and it doesn't absorb into the stone so is really easy to clean when your done. Just go online and find a supplier and it is less expensive than most cutting oils.

From: Cyndy Mandell cynmandell@me.com
The Victor Valley Gem and Mineral Club uses a neutral oil from Beck Oil in Victorville. We are lucky to have them located so close to us and the owner is a member of our club, Cory Beck. You might want to contact him and ask your questions. You will have to Google the phone number.

From: Paul psr6192000@gmail.com
I use Amber Neutral Oil 100 from Dion & Sons, about \$65 for 5 gallons. It cuts well and almost no smell. Link to data sheet follows: <http://www.rpiparts.com/instinst/RPF384.pdf>

For complete survey go to LA Rocks



On Sunday, September 8th I had the pleasure of attending the MASSC (Metal Arts Society of Southern California's Demo Day at Long Beach City College. The picture is of some spiculas made by Angelina Ciulik for a music video of a group called 9 Inch Nails with Rihanna. These are made of 26 gauge copper and hammered into an anticlastic shape to fit on the ends of your fingers.

By Cyndy Mandell

Approximately 100 people attended the demo day that featured five artists. We were quickly divided into groups and moved to a classroom where Betsy Manheimer displayed a number of different hammers and explained their uses. She also demonstrated how to take an inexpensive hammer and make your own patterns on it using grinding discs or diamond files. Next was Brad Smith the author of Bench Tips for Jewelry Making displaying and explaining some of his short cuts for metal smithing. Next was Corliss Rose showing how she works with Polymer Clay and last was Michelle Ross demonstrating her enameling work.

For the \$20.00 fee my lunch was provided, hand-outs were given, and for a donation they held a raffle where a Foredom was given away along with some expensive hammers, a circle cutting machine, a Bonnie Doon hammer, and many other expensive prizes. You truly won a MASSC tote bag. This event is held once a year and is very worth the time and money to go to I would recommend attending to anyone interested in the metal arts.

VVGMC Christmas Party

Saturday, December 14th @ 6:00 PM

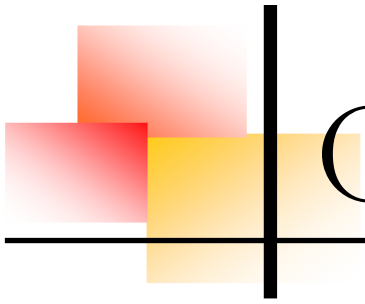
Price \$10.00 paid in advance by Nov. 30th at the club. RSVP's will begin October 1. See an instructor on duty to RSVP and pay.

We will not accept payment at the door the night of the event. Due to fire regulations and seating limitations of our clubhouse, we can only accept 80 guests.

Dinner will be cooked by Ceci Kawasaki

Roasted Turkey with gravy
 Baked Ham
 Stuffing
 Mashed Potatoes (made by Lois Papner)
 Cream Corn
 Green Bean Casserole OR Green beans with Carrots
 Cranberry
 Rolls
 Pumpkin Pie
 Apple Pie
 Cake: 1 white and 1 chocolate





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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Instructor's Mtg. @ 6pm Board Mtg. @ 7pm	2 Workshop 12 noon- 7pm	3 Workshop 12 noon- 7pm	4	5 Workshop 12 noon- 5pm Petrified Pups 9-noon
6 Workshop 12 noon- 5pm	7	8	9 Workshop 12 noon- 7pm	10 Workshop 12 noon- 7pm	11	12 Workshop 12 noon- 5pm
13 Workshop 12 noon- 5pm	14	15 Education Night @ 7pm	16 Workshop 12 noon- 7pm	17 Workshop 12 noon- 7pm	18	19 Workshop 12 noon- 5pm Petrified Pups 9-noon
20 Workshop 12 noon- 5pm	21	22 Potluck @ 6:30pm General Membership Mtg. @ 7:30	23 Workshop 12 noon- 7pm	24 Workshop 12 noon- 7pm	25	26 Workshop 12 noon- 5pm
27 Workshop 12 noon- 5pm	28	29	30 Workshop 12 noon- 7pm	31 Workshop 12 noon- 7pm		