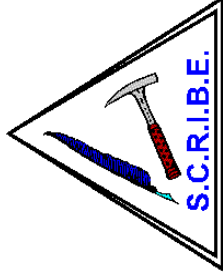


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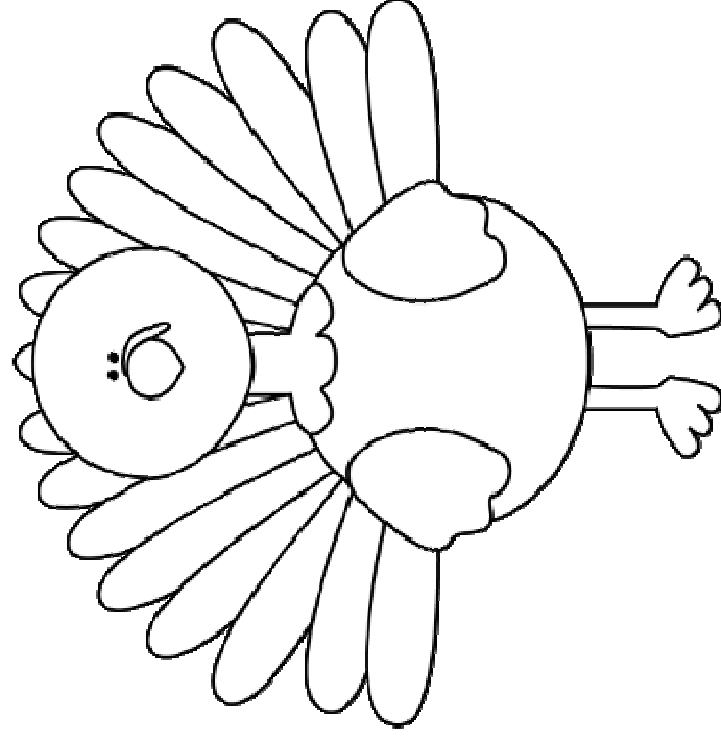
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Calico Field Trip

Saturday, October 26, 2013

Calico Silver Lace and Mule Canyon Blue Stone

Meet at 7:00 a.m. at Pizza Hut

The Calico Silver Lace is an old favorite of rockhounds and because it is so famous the float pickings are few and far between. Some material can be obtained from steep tailing piles, but this is dangerous. We will go to the Mule Canyon for Blue Stone first this requires easier climbing and then we will go to the Silver Lace site.

Suggested tools: pry bar, good chisels, a shovel, rock hammer and spritzer bottles and snacks.

Take the I-15 to the Barstow exit turn right and take another quick right to the Valero Gas Station the Pizza Hut is right behind the station.

My phone number is 760.508.6726. A release will be available for all to sign. More information may be found on our web site vvgmc.org.



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Christmas Party

December 14th

6:00 pm to 9:00 PM

Dinner • \$10.00

Auction

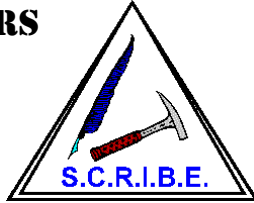
Installation of new officers



We welcome you to join us in celebrating the Holiday Season with your fellow members. We promise a night of good food, fun and laughter. Tickets will be sold beginning on October 1st through November 30th. We are limited to 80 people due to fire regulations and limited seating. Hurry to purchase your ticket. You don't want to miss out on all of the fun!



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**The Victor Valley Gem and
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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 November potluck will be held on Tuesday, 26th at 6:30pm. and the general meeting will be at 7:30pm.

HINTS:

Catsup spread on your copper specimens, left to dry a few minutes and then rinsed off, will brighten them. Mix a little graphite with chrome oxide to polish jade on a muslin buff. Sagenite should be worked with the inclusion lines not across them.

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★ Free Shop Passes Available ★
★ Come to clean up day or any ★
★ open workshop day and do ★
★ some clean up work to earn a ★
★ free shop day pass. ★
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Wishing all of our
members this month a very
HAPPY BIRTHDAY

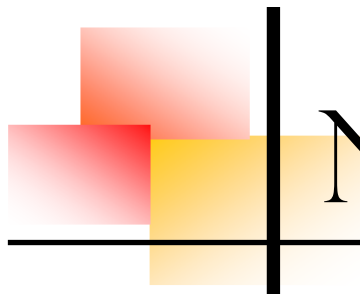
The birthstone for the month of
November is: Citrine

Howard Brown, Nancy Flanders, Georgina Frost, Gordon Harton, Jessie La-Bau, Patricia Lansdown, Linda Parker, Mike Roser, Brett Ward

How to Petrify Your Own Wood
A Harvard University group has developed a way to petrify plant tissue in the lab. They use ethyl silicate and citric acid which produces a petrification very similar to what is opalized wood. The reported technique can petrify wood in a matter of days.

Which Weighs More..... a pound of gold or a pound of feathers?
There is two weight systems used in the U.S. The troy system with 12 ounces to the pound, traditionally used for precious metal and the avoirdupois system with 16 ounces to the pound is used in general commerce. Obviously a pound of feathers at 16 ounces to the pound will weigh more than a pound of gold at 12 ounces to the pound.

Membership Dues are Due
The first of the year is rapidly approaching and it will be time to pay your yearly dues again. Let's get an early start and pay now so we can avoid the \$5.00 penalty after January 1st. \$5.00 Petrified Pups; \$20.00 individual and \$30.00 for couples.



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Workshop 12 noon- 5pm Petrified Pups 9-noon
3 Workshop 12 noon- 5pm	4	5 Instructor's Mtg. @ 6pm Board Mtg. @ 7pm	6 Workshop 12 noon- 7pm	7 Workshop 12 noon- 7pm	8	9 Workshop 12 noon- 5pm
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24 Workshop 12 noon- 5pm	25	26 Potluck @ 6:30pm General Membership Mtg. @ 7:30	27 Workshop 12 noon- 7pm	28 	29	30 Workshop 12 noon- 5pm

Deadline for the December issue of the Bulletin is November 15th .Ph.(760) 508-1080 or email editor@vvgmc.org