



Nevada County Gem & Mineral Society
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General Membership Meeting

Tuesday, June 2, 2009

7:00 p.m.

Golden Empire Grange

11363 Grange Ct., Grass Valley

June's Program

"California Volcanoes"

Presented by: Dr. Betsy Julian

Professor of Earth Sciences at Yuba College





Nevada County Gem & Mineral Society



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Nevada County Gem & Mineral Society Meetings

The Nevada County Gem and Mineral Society holds two meetings every month with certain exceptions. The membership is informed of exceptions during meetings and through Rock Writings. You are welcome to attend any meeting.

Executive Committee Meeting:
First Tuesday of the month, 6:00 p.m.
Golden Empire Grange Building
11363 Grange Ct., Grass Valley

Meeting, Tues. June 2

General Membership Meeting:
First Tuesday of the month, 7:00 p.m.
Golden Empire Grange Building
11363 Grange Ct., Grass Valley

Membership Dues: Yearly membership dues for NCG&MS are \$20.00 for singles and \$25.00 for families. For more information or an application, contact Membership Chairman Jeanne Boone at (530) 268-8857. *Deduct \$5.00 if you receive your newsletter via email*

NCG&MS is a non-profit organization that has these objectives:

- ♦ to promote the study of mineralogy, geology and fossils.
- ♦ to encourage the collection of minerals and gems.
- ♦ to foster the study and practice of the lapidary arts.
- ♦ to provide field trips to mineral localities.
- ♦ to promote good fellowship, education and recreation.



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June, 2009

Members in the News

The April, 2009 edition of the "Union" Newspaper featured articles on two of our members, Mary Tucker and Junior Rockhound, Alex Lay.



Mary was honored by the Nevada County Board of Supervisors for bringing the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program to Nevada County in 1984. The RSVP program has about 650 volunteers placed in local nonprofits, at Sierra Nevada Memorial Hospital and county government agencies.

A project that found old clothing insulates better than commercial insulation won Alex \$500 and this year's "Best of Show" award at the Nevada County Science Fair. He took his project to Los Angeles to attend the highly competitive California State Science Fair on May 18. Alex is a sixth grade student at Union Hill School.

Congratulations to both Mary and Alex. We are proud to have members in the news!

May Live Auction

The May Auction was a huge success. Thank you to auctioneer Bill Sagaser for a terrific job and thanks also to Vicki Black and Terry Bartels who announced the auction items and made out the tickets. We had wonderful donations and spirited bidding on all the items. Thank You Everyone!



June Calendar

June 2	NCG&MS Board Meeting 6:00 pm
June 2	NCG&MS General Meeting 7:00 pm
June 14	Father's Day
June 20	Newsletter Items Due
June 21	Flag Day



June Birthday's

Jun 03 – Anita Wald-Tuttle

Jun 03 – Penny Renicker

Jun 10 – Renate Patton

Jun 14 – Mary Tucker

Jun 26 – Anita Tucker

Sunshine Corner

A big WELCOME BACK to Duane DeWitt who has been recovering from an illness. We were happy to see you at our May meeting.

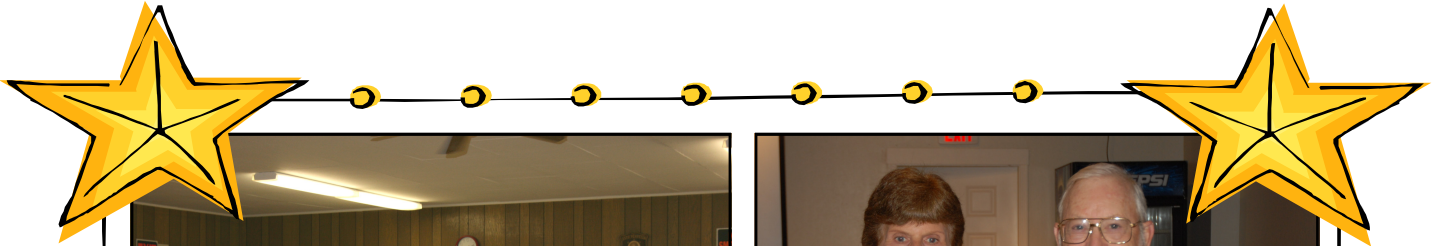
Bill Budd was scheduled for hernia surgery on May 19. He is expecting to be a little inactive for a week or two following the operation but should be back to normal by now. He is looking forward to planting his vegetable garden in June. Speedy recovery Bill!

We hope Diane Riley is continuing to improve after her stroke. She has been undergoing therapy to regain strength in her left arm. We are looking forward to seeing her at a meeting soon.

Mary Tucker is our Sunshine Reporter. Please contact her with any news..

Bill Budd's Mexican Cruise?

I was on a ten day Mexican cruise (on the Star Princess) between April 27 and May 7. Unfortunately, we never docked at any Mexican port because of the swine flu threat. Instead, we tooted around southern California (sometimes in circles) and docked at San Diego (twice), Santa Barbara, Los Angeles and Catalina. A rather different itinerary than originally planned but there was plenty to keep us occupied aboard the ship like eating, swimming, hot tubs, stage shows, more eating (and a little drinking), getting lost trying to find our way around eleven decks, staying in touch with the other eight people in our group and emailing family members from the Internet Café. The first three days out of San Francisco were cold and windy but by the time we reached Ensenada (and turned around) on our way to Acapulco, the weather was good most of the time. We even got a little sunburn in Catalina and San Diego.



CFMS Award Winners: Jonathan North - 5th Place Webmasters; Rudy Thompson - 9th Place Article (Holley Blue) and Jeanne Boone - 1st Place for Small Bulletins.



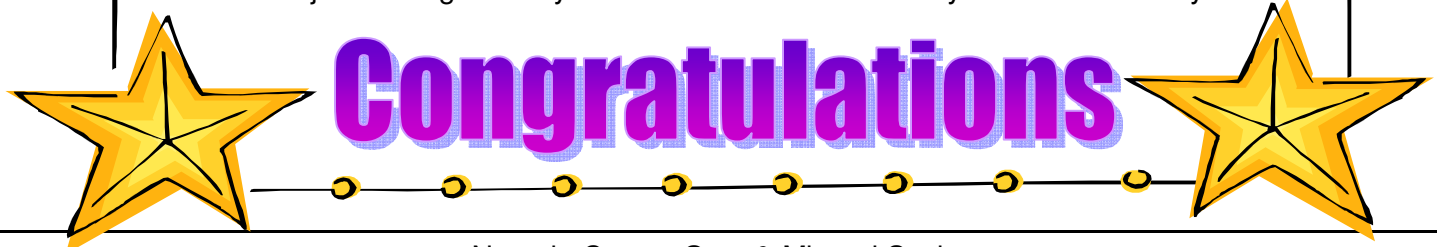
Jeanne Boone presented with the CFMS Golden Bear Award for 1st Place in the Small Bulletins category by Dick Pankey (CFMS 2007 President).



Terry Bartels, Vicki Black and Bill Sagaser did a terrific job running the May Auction.



The Auction table loaded with donated items. Thank you donors and buyers!



Congratulations

President's Message
Oh, What A Show!
By C. J. Quitoriano, CFMS President

Shhh...be very, very quiet....

I am sitting at the 2009 CFMS Show in San Jose, writing this message while hiding from paparazzi that have plagued my every move for the last 3 days! The madmen (Jim and Bud), have left me alone for a short time, but I never know when they might find me out and begin shooting again...I have to keep my head down.



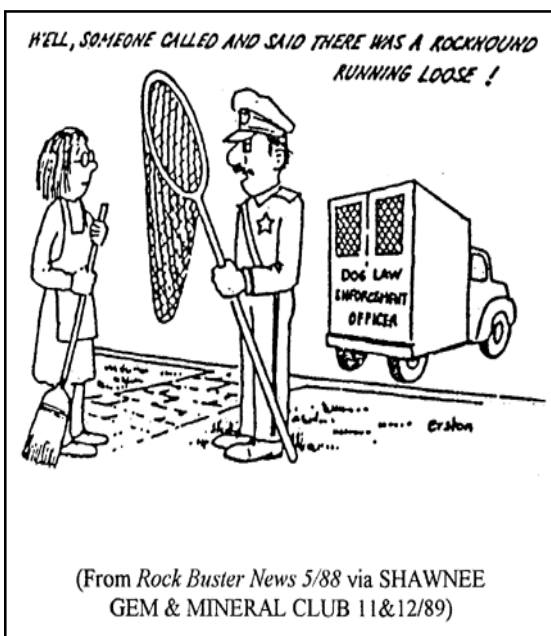
Besides the crazed shutterbugs, the show has been fantastic! Displays are incredible, and I'm very impressed with competition entries. There are great craftsmen out there!! I'm proud to be associated with such talented people! I'm really impressed with one case in particular: Bob Rush put in a beautiful case of giant cabs with metal work that just knocked my socks off! This was not a competition case, but it won an award anyway, the President's Award! It was a thrill to be able to give an award just because I loved it! At this point, I have not given Bob the award, but I am looking forward to meeting him and learning more about the material in the case! I will tackle him when he comes to take his case down...more on that later...

There are TONS of kids here! I was so surprised at how many Boy and Girl Scouts there are here! I didn't know there were this many Scouts in all of California, let alone in this one area! If you want to get the Scouts to come to your show, find out what they did here, because you can't swing a dead cat without hitting a Scout! (Don't try this at home.) There is a wonderful diversity of vendors, too! They have everything! I'm really impressed with the variety; it's great to see this kind of diversity at one of our shows. Good job, Santa Clara Valley Gem and Mineral Society!

As for the food, the Garlic French Fries are killer good! I can't stand too close to anyone now, but those things rock! (Pun intended) If you couldn't make the show this year, be sure to make the show next year in La Habra. The club there is really gung-ho about putting on a great show, so start planning now! Uh-oh, I've been spotted! I have to move or they'll begin shooting again (with their cameras of course). Until next month,

C.J.

Source: CFMS June 2009 Newsletter Website: www.cfmsinc.org/



HINTS & TIPS

In some displays, you want a slab to show how it looks before polishing. Water won't stay wet, grease looks greasy, some waxes turn white under heat. If you rub the surface with liquid detergent and wipe it off, there is no shine and the pattern will show.



Use a glass cutter to do your trimming of slabs. Saves your diamond blade for more detailed work. Use one with a carbide wheel, not tungsten (available at Sears), put a good solid handle on it so you can bear down hard, the use pliers to break the slab along the scored line. via Brecia and the Drift. (Bet this will work, having cut a lot of glass. It also has the advantage of having to clear- off the cutting lubricant from everything and a clean break will eliminate a lot of grinding to shape).

ST. PAUL, MN. & "3M CLUB Rockhound News" via Rock Chips 7/98

Summertime

by Joy Bourne, AFMS President

- and the field trip season is well underway from Maine to California., and from Washington state to Florida! I have been very pleasantly surprised to see so many lists of scheduled club field trips in the club bulletins I receive. In my opinion, this is what rockhounds should all do - get out there and find your treasure. What you find does not have to be of world class value - the real treasure is the great companionship and fun you experience in the hunting.



Most field trips are sponsored by local clubs or regional organizations, and are led by a local field trip chairman. These individuals are knowledgeable about the area in which the trip is to be held; have taken a safety course, and are prepared to enforce the rules concerning appropriate field trip behavior just in case. And that is all to the good. They can probably identify your finds for you, too. (Especially if you are looking for fossils) My personal experience is that it was on a mandatory field trip during my undergraduate years that I found my first fossil! I was a math major and only went on the trip because it was a requirement of the University curriculum.

The professor took a bus load of students to the newly constructed US Rt 81 in northern New York state, pulled off at an exit, and told us we were to look for fossils. When we asked him, what they looked like, he told us we were to look for rocks which did not look like the usual run of rock in the area. When I found a rock which appeared especially lumpy, I took it to the gentleman and asked him if it was a fossil, he took a look at it, and said, "My dear, you have found a horntomata!" Wow, was I excited! That is when I became hooked and although I did not realize it at the time, I became a Rockhound! (I still have that fossil in my collection.) I went on to take every geology course in the syllabus, and wound up with dual certification to teach Mathematics and Earth and Space Science. So, you can see how a life can be changed on a field trip.

Even if you don't plan to change your life - I highly recommend collecting to you as a super way to spend a summer.

Happy Hunting!

Source: AFMS June 2009 newsletter Website: www.amfed.org/

Sad News

I'm sorry to report the passing of one of our long time club members, Roy McDowell. He passed away peacefully in his sleep at his home in Grass Valley on May 3, 2009. He was 78 years old.



Roy was active in many organizations including Lodge #23 in Grass Valley, E.D.G.E. and Tractor Association and the Roaming Angels Car Club. He had many hobbies including rock and gems, old engines and tractors and classic cars.

Roy loved talking with everyone and was especially proud of his family.

Our condolences go to his wife, Clare and to all of his family members and friends. He will be missed by us all.

Source: The Union newspaper, May 2009

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CFMS Directors Meeting Notes
by Jonathan North
NCG&MS Federation Director

New Business:

1. Dick Pankey talked briefly about American Lands Access Association (ALAA). He stated that there would be an ALAA meeting following the Director's Meeting at 3:00 p.m. Anyone interested in learning more about ALAA should attend. Dick went on to state that out of 640 AFMS member clubs, only 21 belong to ALAA. More members mean more voices, especially those who could write to agencies and congressmen on items of concern. Norvie Enns, Public Lands Advisory Committee North, requested that they also be permitted to attend the meeting.
2. Shirley Leeson apologized for not writing a report to AFMS about the Directors Meeting in Visalia. The report is due in December; the new CFMA/AFMS Representative takes over in November, and she thought the incoming representative would do it. Shirley Leeson requested that it be put into future minutes that the outgoing representative is required to do the report, so there is no doubt as to who is responsible. Shirley went on to say that CFMS operates well above the other federations.

Committee Reports:

1. Frank Mullaney gave his reports first, because he had to get to his sales booth at the show. As a representative for the Santa Clara Valley Gem and Mineral Society, who put on this year's show, it is doing well so far. Golden Bear recipients have been selected and will be awarded at the banquet. The trophies for the banquet have been completed. The Nominating Committee for 2010 is Izzie Burns, Ted McGee, Don Beachler, and Debbie Bunn. They are still taking nominations for the election of officers in November.
2. All American Clubs Dorothy Beachler said that there was a little more participation in the All American Club program, but still not enough clubs are entering. She still would like inputs on improving the program.
3. Bulletin Aids Chairman: Doug Arnold said that CFMS Editors Contest rules are being adjusted to be more in line with AFMS, taking in more categories. This will be in effect starting with next 1. year's contest. He said that First Place awards in the Bulletin Contest would be presented at the Banquet, and all others would receive their awards at the Editor's Breakfast on Sunday.
4. By-Laws Committee: Ruth Bailey, Chair, said the By-Laws Committee has proposed changes to the CFMS Scholarship Operating Regulations to bring them into conformity with the AFMS Scholarship Operating Regulations.
5. Newsletter Editor: Jim Brace-Thompson thanked everyone for their timely submissions for the monthly CFMS newsletter. He said that things have gone so well, all he has had to do is put the newsletter together. There will be no newsletter in May.
6. CFMS Representative to AFMS Colleen McGann said she would be attending the AFMS Show in Billings, Montana, July 28th – August 2nd. She said that CFMS did what we could to hold off the Omnibus Wilderness Act that did pass Congress this year. As a group and as individuals we all need to continue to voice our opinions to our government to let them know the educational value of keeping lands open for collecting. Please continue to do what you can.
7. Earth Science Studies: Marion Roberts said that Camp Paradise has changed hands again and things should get better again. They hope to go back to two weeks in 2011. Zzyzx is on schedule; however there may be future conflicts with other organizations as to availability.
8. Education Through Sharing: Loretta Ogden named off a list of club members that will be receiving certificates for their efforts to the hobby..

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- 9 Field Trips North: Dave Muster spoke about claims and of the recent program he conducted on claims. He has claim application forms available. Dick Pankey said he is hoping to gather information on clubs that have claims and who may want to share them with other clubs. He also urged clubs to stake claims on collecting area if the can. This may be one of the few ways to collect in the future. There are proposals in Congress for major revisions to the Mining Act that could eliminate the claim process as soon as 2010. We need to act now.
10. Historian: Shirley Leeson said that Rosemarie Young, CFMS Past President 1997, passed away. Also, Renata Williams-Bever passed away. She was Executive Secretary/Treasurer for CFMS from 1988 through 2000. There are a couple new items in the Historical Cab collection. They are still looking for cabs from Historical locations within the CFMS Boundaries.
- 11 Insurance: Bud McMillin said people have asked how they could print a copy of the CFMS Policies. Click on this link: <http://www.mcdanielinsuranceservices.com/CFMSI/>. The User name is CFMSI, password: rocks.
- 12 Internet: Don Ogden said the CFMS Website server went down and the server lost the website. He had to completely reinstall it and it took quite a while to get everything back up to date. He said he was lucky to have it in his laptop. Don urged everyone to check the website and if they see anything that is not correct, call him.
- 13 Junior Activities: Jim Brace-Thompson said that last October he issued an invitation to others to join him on the CFMS Junior Activities Committee. Jim now has a committee: Terry McMillin (Mother Lode Mineral Society), Ismael Sanchez (Kern County Mineral Society), Susan Chaisom-Walblom (Palmdale Gem & Mineral Society), and June Harris (Santa Clara Valley Gem & Mineral Society). The Junior Program continues to grow with clubs joining the AFMS Future Rockhounds of America. There are 21 clubs, within CFMS, that signed up compared to 14 clubs this time last year. Jim has been contributing a brief mineral-of-the-month column to the "Rock & Gem Kids" section of Rock & Gem magazine.
- 14 Long Range Planning: Marion Roberts was chosen as the 4th Regional Vice President for AFMS. Also there was a Supplemental Report by Dick Pankey concerning Waiver of Liability forms for field trips and other activities.
- 15 Museum: Debbie Bunn thanked everyone for bringing all of the CFMS exhibits to the show. She said it would be impossible for her to get everything herself, since they are scattered all over the state. Debbie said that she is still working on getting a display "home" for the CFMS Artisans, CFMS Fossils, and the large Chrysanthemum stone.
- 16 Program Aids: Ted McGee said he is working on updating the program aids listing and plans on having it available by the Directors Meeting in Visalia.
- 17 Public Lands Advisory North: Norvie Enns said the Blackrock/Highrock Wilderness & Conservation collecting rules are now law. Collectors can take 25 lb. of any material. BLM is building a "Braille Trail" from Lakeport, Oregon to near Reno, Nevada. Land is being donated to BLM by the railroad. It will also be open to motorized vehicles and horses. Norvie foresees lots of good collecting sites opening up. Norvie said that there are a lot of environmentalists that complain about rockhounds taking all the rocks and not leaving any for them. He suggested that there could be a weight limit established by AFMS, which could possibly stop the environmentalists complaining. The suggestion was not received well, and there were remarks that they would complain about limit sizes also.
- 18 Rules Committee: Tom Burchard was absent. Dee Holland talked about the 2009 CFMS Show Exhibits, stating that there were some great entries this year. He also discussed the show overall.
- 19 No report; Chuck McKie absent.
- 20 Scholarship Committee Report: Jennifer Haley stated that the Scholarship Committee announced three Honorees this year: Preston Bingham from the Sequoia Gem & Mineral Society, June Harris from the Santa Clara Gem & Mineral Society, and Rock Currier from Jewel Tunnel Imports. They were nominated for their exceptional

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- 21 work over the years promoting what we all love best, the earth sciences as our hobby in life. There were also two Dietrick Scholarships to be given out this year at the Awards Banquet.
22. AFMS Scholarship : Betty Pankey thanked numerous clubs for their donations to the AFMS Scholarship Fund. For 100% participation, a club would donate \$1.00 per member, however any donation is appreciated.
- 22 Show Dates: Susan Chaisson-Walblom thanked everyone that has been submitting their show dates; keep them coming in.
- 24 Slide and Video Librarian: Kathlyn Duncan said there are new programs being added all the time, and she hopes to come out with a new catalog in the near future.24 Tax Advisor: All clubs are now required to file tax returns with the IRS, which must be submitted no later than May 15. This includes clubs that make less than \$25,000.00. File on the computer using Form N990.

**Nevada County Gem & Mineral Society
Board Meeting Minutes
May 5, 2009**

Meeting called to order by President Vicki Black at 6:10pm

Members present: Terry Bartels, Vicki Black, Jeanne & Alan Boone, Joyce Emerson, Julie-Anne Lay, Kim Moore & Jonathon North

Minutes from April Board Meeting: Approved as printed in May bulletin

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer, Alan Boone, reported that all accounts are looking good. The Board approved payment of expenses to Federation Director, Jonathan North, for attending CFMS meeting. It also clarified that the monthly raffle money is intended for upkeep of display cases for the show. It was discussed that part of show profit should be set aside for following year's show – sounds like a good idea and the Board will address this again after the show.

Correspondence: Grass Valley Downtown Association requested sponsorship of July 4th Parade but the Board decided not to contribute this year.

Committee Reports:

Membership: Welcome back past president Hank Hoyt

Bulletin: No report

Field Trips: Terry Bartels reported the Austin trip was postponed due to snow and poor road conditions. Those who signed up went on an alternative trip to Fallon for wonderstone and the Fairview area for agates and geodes. Upcoming field trips fliers are available at meeting.

Federation: Jonathan North attended the CFMS Director's meeting in San Jose. The club website placed 5th, the monthly newsletter "Rock Writings" placed 1st and Rudy Thompson's article on "Holly Blue" placed 9th.

Show Chairman: The committee is working on the budget. Planning in progress.

Webmaster: No report

Picnic: No report

Program: A Live Auction is the program for May and next month's program will be "California Volcanoes" presented by Dr Betsy Julian from Yuba College.

Continuing business: Frank Rohleder has volunteered to get the junior rock hound program started.

New business: The Old Timer's Club has several grants available for junior clubs for special projects, contact Joyce Emerson for details. Mary Tucker was recently honored by the Nevada County Board of Supervisors for her contribution to senior volunteer programs in the county. Junior member Alex Lay won "Best of Show" at the county science fair. A big thank you to Vernita Personini who made 200 bags for the Show to fill with rocks for kids' grab bags.

Meeting adjourned: at 6:40pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Julie-Anne Lay, Secretary,
Nevada County Gem & Mineral Society

**Nevada County Gem & Mineral Society
General Meeting Minutes
May 5, 2009**

Meeting called to order by President Vicki Black at 7:00pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Present: 35 members and 2 guests

Sunshine: Welcome back Duane DeWitt

Birthdays: Happy Birthday to the May birthdays !

Program: Live Auction with auctioneer Bill Sagaser with help from Terry Bartels and Vicki Black.

Minutes from April Board Meeting: Approved as printed in April bulletin

Treasurer's Report: Accounts fine.

Correspondence: Gem & Mineral Show, Costa Mesa May 16th & 17th

Committee Reports:

Membership: Welcome back Hank Hoyt past president. New membership list is available – let Jeanne Boone know of any corrections that need to be made.

Field Trips: Austin trip was cancelled (will reschedule) instead, those signed up went to Wonderstone Mountain near Fallon, NV and also to the Fairview area. Co-op trip to Monte Cristo Mtns. on Memorial weekend. Trip fliers available.

Federation: Jonathon attended the CFMS Director's meeting 4.18.09 in San Jose. At the awards banquet : Jeanne Boone took 1st place with the "Rock Writings" in the small bulletin category, Jonathon North placed 5th with the club website and Rudy Thompson took 9th place with his article on "Holly Blue".

Show Chairman: Planning in progress. The main exhibit is a collection of fossils including an impressive set of 45 million year old shark teeth and a rare sting ray fossil from Wyoming.

Juniors: Frank and Reba Rohleder and Jennifer Wren are starting the junior rock hound program.

Picnic: No report

Program: Next month's program will be presented by Dr. Julian from Yuba College on "California Volcanoes".

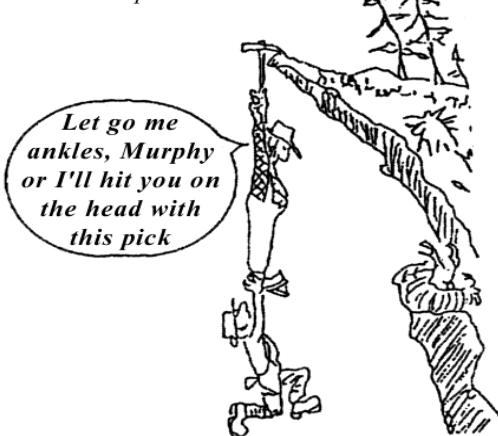
Continuing business: Thanks to Vernita Personini for sewing 200 grab bags for the show. Walmart in Yuba City donated curtain samples to the club which can be used to make more grab bags.

New business: Mary Tucker was recently honored by the Nevada County Board of Supervisors for her contribution to senior volunteer programs in the county. Junior member, Alex Lay, recently won Best of Show at the county science fair.

Meeting adjourned: at 7:20pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Julie-Anne Lay, Secretary,
Nevada County Gem & Mineral Society

*From MWFMS Bulletin Editor News 1/84
via Golden Spike News 9/00*



Advice For Rockhound Watchers

Can you spot a rockhound? The species isn't rare.
You can tell him by his honest face, and his willingness to share.
You can tell him as he saunters by, his eyes glued to the ground.
No matter where he goes, he's sure there's gemstones to be found.
You can tell him by his friendly smile, he's an all-round pleasant guy;
But the sure-fire way to spot him, is the flashy bola tie!!

From EUREKA NEWS 1/86 via QUARRY QUIPS 4/01



CO-OP MEMBER & OTHER FIELD TRIPS FOR 2009



Contact your club's field trip leader for further information and revisions. CO-OP website also has information: www.ourfieldtrips.org (Password is needed.)

- All non-CFMS members must have proof of personal liability insurance (renters or homeowners policy). These trips are open to all rockhounds who agree to abide by the AFMS Code of Ethics, the directions of the field trip leader and practice safe rockhounding.
- Call the field trip leader beforehand to sign up and for further information.
- Remember to wear your name badge and sign in with the field trip leader.
- A Consent and Assumption of Risk Waiver of Liability form must be signed upon arrival at meeting site

June 6	Virgin Valley for opals, opalized petrified wood. El Dorado Co. M & G Club, Fred Ott, by phone or email.
June 13/27 rain date	Babcock Peak for rose quartz & tour of Taylorsville Museum, Paradise G & M Club, Mike Eggleston, by phone or email: -rain date is June 27.
June 13	New Almaden Co. Park, Fee tour of cinnabar mining. Peninsula Gem & Geology, Colleen McGann, by phone or email.
June 13	Spider Mine, west of Red Bluff; for rhodonite, Mine owned by San Francisco Gem & Mineral Society, contact Barb Matz, email or phone.
July 4, 5	Buffalo Canyon (Middlegate, NV) for fossils. Fossils for Fun, Hugh Brady, phone or email.
July30 – Aug. 2	AFMS/NFMS Show & Convention in Billings, Montana. During the week following the show, field trips in Montana. Contact: Doug True at www.amfed.org/nfms
Sept. 19 or 26	Hanksville, UT for petrified wood, fossils and agate. Fossils for Fun, Keith Lindholm, by phone or email.
October 3	Empire Mine Tour. Sun City Lincoln Hills G & M Club, Ron Clawson, by phone or email.
Nov. TG week	Southern CA – annual Thanksgiving week trips. Mother Lode Mineral Club, Al Troglin by phone or email.

Sources: Florence Brady, Co-op Field Chairman & CFMS website:
Website: www.cfmsinc.org/



2009 CFMS SHOWS

June 5-7 2009, Woodland Hills, CA

Rockatomics Gem & Mineral Society
Pierce College
Pierce College - Victory & Mason
Hours: 10-5 Daily
Contact: Gary Levitt, Show Chair (818) 993-3802
Email: Show@Rockatomics.org
Website: www.Rockatomics.org

June 6-7 2009, La Habra, CA

North Orange County Gem & Mineral Society
La Habra Community Center
101 W. La Habra Blvd.
Hours: 9 - 5 both days
Don Warthen (626) 330-8974
Email: warthen@earthlink.net
Website: nocgms.com

June 13-14 2009, Cayucos, CA

San Luis Obispo Gem & Mineral Club
Cayucos Vets Hall
10 Cayucos Drive
Hours: 10 - 5 both days
Kim Patrick Noyes (805) 610-0603
Email: kimnoyes@gmail.com
Website: slogem.org

July 11-12 2009, Culver City, CA

Culver City Rock and Mineral Club
Veterans Memorial Auditorium and Rotunda
4117 Culver Blvd
Hours: Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-5
Robert Thirlaway (310) 213-7677
Email: thirlawr@gmail.com
Website: CulverCityRocks.org/fiesta.htm

August 1-2 2009, San Francisco, CA

San Francisco Gem & Mineral Society
San Francisco County Fair Building
Ninth Ave. at Lincoln Way
Hours: Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-5
Website: www.sfgms.org
Show Flyer [click here.](#)

August 7-9 2009, Nipomo, CA

Orcutt Mineral Society
St Joseph's Church
298 S. Thompson Ave.
Hours: 9-5 daily
Wes Lingerfelt (805) 929-388
Email: Rocks4u@prodigy.net
Website: www.omsinc.org

August 14, 15 & 16 2009, Tehachapi, CA

Tehachapi Gem & Mineral Society
St Malachy Catholic Church
407 West E. Street
Hours: Fri. & Sat. 8-7:30; Sun. 8-5:30
Chuck Overall (661) 821-4650
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September 4-7 2009, Fort Bragg, CA

Mendocino Coast Gem & Mineral Society
Town Hall
Cr. of Main & Laurel
Hours: Fri. to Sun. 10-6, Mon. 10-4
Don McDonell / (707) 964-3116

September 12-13 2009, Vista, CA

Vista Gem & Mineral Society
Antique Gas & Steam Engine Museum
2040 N. Sante Fe Ave.
Hours: Sat. 10-5; Sun. 10-4
Fred Wilson (760) 433-8464
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