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An Invitation

This society is pleased to invite guests to attend general meetings, study groups, and field trips. General meetings are normally held the fourth Tuesday of every month at 7:45 PM at 100 Belwood Gateway (the Cabana Club), Los Gatos, CA 95032. Belwood Gateway is just south of Blossom Hill Road between Leigh Avenue and Harwood Road.

Our next general meeting will be on June 22, 2010 at the Cabana Club, 100 Belwood Gateway, Los Gatos, CA 95032 at 7:45 PM.

Our next board meeting will be on June 24, 2010, at the home of Ruth Bailey, 2857 Addison Place, Santa Clara, CA 95051, hosted by Art and Carol Pimentel at 7:30 PM.

Our Society's Purpose: The inculcation of a love of rocks and minerals by the furtherance of members' interests in the earth sciences and by education in all facets of related educational activities with the promotion of good fellowship, proper ethics, and conduct.

Our Membership Requirements: Attendance at two general meetings within twelve months. This society is a member of the California Federation of Mineralogical Societies (CFMS) and is affiliated with the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies (AFMS). Dues are \$20.00 per year.

Our Newsletter, the Breccia, is published ten times annually. The deadline for most articles is the Sunday before the regular meeting. The Breccia Editor is June Harris who may be contacted by email at juneconeyharris@yahoo.com or by phone at (831) 438-5150. The Breccia is proofread by Linda Spencer. Ruth Bailey handles all aspects of mailing. Exchange bulletins may be sent to June Harris at the following address: 107 Dell Way, Scotts Valley, CA 95066. Permission to copy is freely granted to American Federation of Mineralogical Societies (AFMS) affiliated clubs when proper credit is given.

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For information on a study group, please call the leader(s) listed below

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Jewelers	Marc Mullaney	(408) 691-1584
Mineraleers	Chuck Boblenz	(408) 734-2473
Smithies	Pat Speece	(408) 266-4327

Marc's Memoirs

Congratulations to one and all. The Show accounting is in, and we had a good show. We did well enough that the Board has voted to add a fourth \$1,000 scholarship for next year.

We have added a new educational series to the Member displays during the general meeting and started it at the May meeting. We spent a few minutes discussing how to enter a display case and how to get started making your liners. In July we will continue with tips and hints on making liners and how to arrange your items in a display case.

There will be no meeting program or member display in June because we will have our ever popular **Silent Auction**. This is always exciting with some unusual items for sale.

We will resume with member displays, meeting programs, and guest speakers in July. See you at the **June 22nd Meeting and Silent Auction**

Silent Auction at the June 22nd Meeting

Members are requested to bring items to donate to the auction. Rocks, books, anything rock-related, baked goods, jewelry, minerals, fossils, or anything that you would bid on.

This is a great place to pick up some fantastic specimens for rock bottom prices. Don't forget cash or your check-book. No credit cards taken.

Questions??

Call John Palmieri (408) 272-2369

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Member displays by Rick Kennedy

Well, this month's theme turned out to be improvisation as our speaker turned into a video on the Petrified Forest. By the way, just a little tidbit of knowledge for you: Improvs is a word. At least it is in the Official Scrabble Dictionary. Your author found that out the hard way.

But we at the SCVGMS can improvise with the best of them, so here is what we brought to show off: Rick Kennedy had a bevy of beauties from his recent trip to the West Coast Mineral Show in Pomona, California, all obtained via the silver pick. But what really stood out were some bright, druzey Benitoite specimens he has been etching.

Don Jenson has been very busy out in the field and showed us a sampling of what was to be found in several parts of Nevada, including the Myler Mine at Majuba Hill, Nevada where he found some Azurite and showed both smarts and good safety practices by staying out of the underground workings. Good work Don and hope to see you out in the field again real soon.

Jennifer House brought self collected jasper from Fortuna, Cheseboro and from the Panoche Hills. The Panoche Hills material was especially interesting after having met and talked to the claim owner at the Snyder's Ranch Pow Wow at Valley Springs last month. Jay Rasmussen brought a large and unusually carved piece of wood that we were trying to figure out if it was petrified or not. Did we come up with an answer?

Though not a member display, I want to give a shout out to Frank Mullaney, et. al. for starting a series on making displays. We all have things we are proud of, be it crystals, beadwork, casting, faceteing, silver or goldsmithing, etc. There are a lot of talented people in this club, and it would be wonderful if more of us displayed at our annual show. Hey, I've got an idea! How about each of our study groups work on putting in a display case next year? That would be a good start.

For June, there will be no member displays because of the silent auction. But for July, members with the last names that start with L or M are requested to bring something to share at Member's display time.

Rockhound of the Month for May was Ruth Bailey

Sunshine

Frank Monez had knee replacement surgery and is home recovering.

Patt Magallon has pneumonia. She is hoping to make the next meeting.

Marc Mullaney broke his hand.

If you know of a society member who has been or is ill, had a death in the family, or has had a great event happen in their life, please contact Ernestine Smith with the news. Ernestine's phone number is (408) 395-5035, or email her at ebotts@juno.com.

SCVGMS New Members

Anna and James Williams (408) 568-3981 Anna and James are interested in cutting and polishing, collecting, silversmithing, fossils, faceting, carving, stringing beads, geology, minerals, and field trips.

Bev Jensen (408) 778-2495 Bev is interested in cutting and polishing, collecting, fossils, carving, and field trips.

Kathy Alexander (408) 398-3456 Kathy is interested in cutting and polishing, and collecting.

DRC Rock Sale on June 26th, article on page 8 of this issue.

Founder's Day Barbeque and Picnic needs your help. Michael Paone is in charge of this event and he needs help with set up, barbecuing, clean up. If you like BINGO, he is looking for someone to run the game after the BBQ. Interested? Please contact Michael at (408) 340-3258 or m.p.paone@prodigy.net

Check out what our study groups are doing!!!

Mineraleers by Chuck Boblenz



The Mineraleers met on May 4th at the home of Larry and Winnie Moore with seven members in attendance. The discussion topic was Rhyolite, and numerous super samples were shared. Eileen and Ed Ferner brought slabs and cabochons used in their case that was shown at our recent show in April. Larry and Winnie Moore also had a number of Rhyolite pieces they had collected on trips into Nevada.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, June 8th, at the Boblenz' residence at 7:30 PM. The topic will be Petrified Dinosaur Bone and drusy materials. So dust off your specimen of Dinosaur Bone and any drusy material and plan to join us for this meeting.

Smithies by Pat Speece



What do the Smithies do? We make jewelry using a torch, saw, files, polishers, et al. We teach you how and when to use the tools. You are welcome to use our tools, materials, and help. Beginners are always welcome.

The Smithies are taking the summer off and will resume the second Monday and Tuesday in September (September 13 and 14, 2010). We ask that Smithies sign up, so that if we have to cancel, we can contact them. Members can sign up either by email at pat.speece@sbcglobal.net or by phone (408) 266-4327.

Thanks, Pat Speece and Mike Perry

Founder's Day Picnic will be on July 11th and sign up deadline is the June 22nd meeting. Sign up forms can be found in the May Breccia on page 9 or the April Breccia page 10. Please send in your forms soon, so Michael will be able to plan a great meal for everyone.

Cutaways and Carvers



The Cutaways and Carvers group meets on the June 12th at John Eichhorn's house from 1 pm to 4 pm. Please call John for more information and directions, 408-749-0523.

Jewelers by Marc Mullaney



The Jewelers study group usually meets on the first Thursday of the month at Marc Mullaney's home from 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM. The next meeting will be in September. For more information about this group, please email Marc at geologistm45@gmail.com or call him at (408) 691-1584.

If you have not paid your annual dues, they are overdue.

The yearly dues have increased to:

Adult member: \$20.00 per year

Junior member: \$5.00 per year

Please send your dues to:

**Frank Mullaney,
SCVGMS Treasurer
5705 Begonia Drive
San Jose, CA 95124**

Faceters



The Faceters will be meeting on June 5th. They normally meet on the first Saturday of the month at Max Casey's home. Please call Max at (408) 227-0526 for directions and more information about this group.

2010 SCVGMS Calendar



June 5th Faceters meeting at Max Casey's home, call for time and directions

June 8th Mineraleers meeting at 7:30 PM at Chuck Boblenz home

June 12th Cutaways and Carvers meeting from 1 PM to 4 PM at John Eichhorn's home.

June 22nd General meeting at 7:45 PM Silent Auction throughout the evening. Please bring items to donate to the silent auction. They can be rock-related or not.

June 24th Board meeting at 7:30 PM at Ruth Bailey's home, hosted by Art and Carol Pimentel

June 26th DRC Rock Sale at Pat Speece's home from 9AM to noon. See article on page 8 for more information.

July 11th Founder's Day BBQ/Picnic potluck

July 24th Demonstration Day from 10 AM - 3 PM at the Belwood Cabana Club

July 27th General meeting at 7:45 PM Hot Dog and Sausage feed Members are asked to bring a salad or dessert to share. Feed to begin at 6:30 PM before the regular meeting. Evening program will be given by Dick Pankey on obsidian

July 29th Board meeting at 7:30 PM at Ruth Bailey's home, hosted by Art and Carol Pimentel.

August 24th General meeting at 7:45 PM Potluck Social at 6:30 PM before the regular meeting.

August 26th Board meeting at 7:30 PM at Marc Mullaney's home

September 11th Demonstration Day from 10 AM - 3 PM at the Belwood Cabana Club

September 28th General meeting at 7:45 PM Evening program will be given by Rick Kennedy on Tucson 2010 display cases.

September 30th Board meeting at 7:30 PM at Randy and June Harris' home.

October 26th General meeting at 7:45 PM Potluck social at 6:30 PM before the regular meeting.

October 28th Board meeting at 7:30 PM at RK Owen's home

November 13th Demonstration Day from 10 AM - 3 PM at the Belwood Cabana Club

November 23rd General meeting at 7:45 PM and Board meeting to immediately following general meeting. Silent Auction throughout the evening. Please bring items to donate to the silent auction. They can be rock-related or not. 2011 election of officers and board of directors throughout the evening

December 7th Installation Dinner at the Cabana Club

December 9th Board meeting at 7:30 PM at Randy and June Harris' home.

Field Trip Schedule

For more information about the field trips below, please contact Dean Welder at fieldtrips@scvgms.org

June 12th and 13th Austin, NV for green and purple fluorite, snakeskin agate, and blue chalcedony.

June 13th San Benito County, CA for benitoite Fee Dig

June 20th Spider Mine, CA for rhodonite (fee dig)

June 21st San Diego, CA Oceanview Mine for tourmaline fee dig through AFMS show field trips

June 22nd San Diego, CA The Himalaya Mine for tourmaline fee dig through AFMS show field trips.

June 23rd Bakersfield, CA Ant Hill for fossils through AFMS show field trips.

June 23rd Lompoc, CA Jalama Beach, for fossils through AFMS show field trips.

June 24th Lavic Siding (CA) through AFMS show field trips

June 24th LA County Natural History Museum tour lead by Dr. Larry Barnes through AFMS show field trips.

July 3rd - 5th Petersen Peak (Hallelujah) & Virginia City for quartz crystals

September 4th - 6th Austin, NV for fluorite, snakeskin agate, and other minerals

October 2nd Griffith Quarry, Penryn, CA for a tour of the quarry.

October 9th - 10th Fernley, NV for various minerals.

October 23rd - 24th New York Cyn., NV for epidote, copper, minerals, and microcline

Let's visit a show

CFMS Club Show Calendar



June 4-6 2010, Woodland Hills, CA, Rockatomics Gem and Mineral Society, Pierce College, 6201 Winnetka Ave., Woodland Hills, Hours: 9-5, Gary Levitt (818) 993-3802, Email:

Show@Rockatomics.org, Website: Rockatomics.org

June 5-6 2010, Glendora, CA, Glendora Gems, Goddard Middle School, 859 East Sierra Madre, Hours: Sat. 10-5; Sun. 10-4, Bonnie Bidwell (626) 963-4638, mail: Ybidwell2@aol.com

June 18-20 2010, Whittier, CA, AFMS/CFMS Show and Convention, Hosted by North Orange County Gem and Mineral Society, So. CA University of Health Sciences Campus, 16200 E. Amber Valley Rd., Whittier CA, Hours: 10-5 daily, Mike Beaumont (714) 510-6037, Website: www.nocgms.com, or www.amfed.org, Website: networkingwave.com/afms2010/index.html

June 19-20 2010, Cayucos, CA, San Luis Obispo Gem & Mineral Club, Cayucos Vets Hall (next to Cayucos Pier), 10 Cayucos Drive, Hours: 9-5 Daily, Mike Lyons (805) 610-0757,

Email: jadestar@charter.net, Website: <http://www.slogem.org/>

July 10-11 19-20 2010, Culver City, CA, Culver City Rock & Mineral Club, Veterans memorial Auditorium, 4117 Overland Ave (Overland & Culver), Hours: Sat 10-6; Sun 10-5, Robert Thirlaway (310) 213-7677, Email: thirlawr@earthlink.net, Website: <http://www.CulverCityRocks.org>

August 6, 7 & 8 2010, Nipomo, CA, Orcutt Mineral Society, St. Joseph's Church, 298 S. Thompson Ave., Hours: 9-5 daily, Wes Lingerfelt (805) 929-3788, Email: Rocks4u@prodiqy.net, Website:

www.omsinc.org

August 7 & 8 2010, San Francisco, CA, San Francisco Gem & Mineral Society, San Francisco Co. Fair Bldg. (Hall of Flowers), 9th Ave. & Lincoln Way, Golden Gate Park, Hours: Sat 10-6 Sun 10-5, Carleen Mont-Eton (415)564-4230, Email: publicity@show.sfgms.org, Website: www.sfgms.org

August 21-22 2010, Orangevale, CA, Treasure Trove of Gems, Orangevale Community Center, 6826 Hazel Ave., Hours: Sat 10-6 Sun 10-5, Admission: \$4 per day or \$6 for weekend— Children under 12 yrs. Free with adult John Moulder (916) 290-3193, Email: info@treasuretroveofgems.com,

Website: www.treasuretroveofgems.com

September 3-6 2010, Fort Bragg, CA, Mendocino Coast Gem & Mineral Society, Town Hall, Corner of Main & Laurel, Hours: Fri-Sun 10-6 -- Mon 10-4, Don McDonell (707) 964-3116,

Email: ejwebb@mcn.org

September 11-12 2010, Downey, CA, Delvers Gem & Mineral Society, Woman's Club of Downey, 9813 Paramount Blvd., Hours: Sat 10-6; Sun 10-4, Nancy Bird (562) 697-0636,

Email: nancyjbird@verizon.net

September 18-19 2010, Redwood City, CA, Sequoia Gem & Mineral Society, Community Activities Building, 1400 Roosevelt Ave., Carol Corden (650) 248-7155, Email: ccorden@comcast.net, Website: <http://sgms.drifftmine.com>

September 18-19 2010, Paso Robles, CA, Santa Lucia Rockhounds, Pioneer Park, 2010 Riverside Drive, Hours: 10-5 Daily, Kim Patrick Noyes (805) 610-0603, Email: kimnoyes@gmail.com, Website: <http://slockounds.org>

September 25-26 2010, Monterey, CA, Carmel Valley Gem & Mineral Society, Monterey Fairgrounds, 2004 Fairgrounds Road, Hours: Sat 10-6; Sun 10-5, Susie Harlow, Email: Susie@tahcpa.com, Website: <http://www.cvqms.org>

October 2-3 2010, Oroville, CA, Feather River Lapidary & Mineral Society, Oroville Municipal Auditorium, 1200 Meyers street, Hours: 10 - 4, Mary Fong-Walker (760) 728-1130,

Email: ikonmiming@gmail.com,

Website: <http://www.OrovilleRocks.com>

October 3 2010, Fallbrook, CA, Fallbrook Gem & Mineral Society, Fallbrook Gem & Mineral Facility, 123 West Alvarado Street, Hours: 10 - 4, Mary Fong-Walker (760) 728-1130,

Email: ikonmiming@gmail.com

October 9-10 2010, Trona, CA, Searles Lake Gem & Mineral Society, Searles Gem & Mineral Show Building, 13337 Main Street, Hours: Sat; 7:30-5; Sun. 7:30-4, Jim & Bonnie Fairchild (760) 372-5356, Email: iwvisp.com, Website: www1.iwvisp.com/tronagemclub

October 9-10 2010, Vista, CA, Vista Gem & Mineral Society, Antique Gas & Steam Engine Museum, 2040 N. Sante Fe Avenue, Hours: Sat; 20-5; Sun. 10-4, Fred Wilson (760) 433-8446, Lois Harr (760) 724-0395

October 16-17 2010, Cayucos, CA, San Luis Obispo Gem & Mineral Club, Cayucos Vets Hall (next to Cayucos Pier), 100 Placer-ville Drive, Hours: 9-5 daily, Mike Lyons (805)610-0757,

Email: jadestar@charter.net, Website: <http://www.slogem.org>

October 16-17 2010, Placerville, CA, El Dorado County Gem & Mineral Society, El Dorado County Fairgrounds, 100 Placerville Drive, Hours: 10-5 daily, karen Newlin (530) 676-1643,

Website: <http://www.rockandgemshow.org>

October 16-17 2010, Santa Rosa, CA, Santa Rosa Gem & Mineral Society, Veterans Memorial Auditorium, 1351 Maple Ave, Hours: Sat. 10-6; Sun 10-5, Debbie Granat (707) 542-1651 - Cell (707) 887-7028, Email: Erica Tanner santarosarockshow@hotmail.com

October 23-24 2010, Los Altos, CA, Peninsula Gem & Geology Society, Los Altos Youth Center, 1 North San Antonio Road, Hours: 10-5 both days, Email: pggs50@yahoo.com, Website: <http://pggs.org/>

October 30-31 2010, Lakeside, CA, El Cajon Valley Gem & Mineral Society, Lakeside Rodeo Grounds, 12584 Mapleview Street, Hours: 10-4 both days, Carolyn Boland (619)561-7498,

Email: carolynboland@juno.com, Website: ecvqms.com

November 6-7 2010, Concord, CA, Contra Costa Mineral & Gem Society, Centre Concord (in Clayton Fair Shopping Center), 5298 Clayton Rd., Hours: 10-5 both days, Harry Nichandos (925) 289-0454, Email: show9@ccmgs.org, Website: www.ccmgs.org

November 6-7 2010, Lancaster, CA, Palmdale Gem & Mineral Society, Antelope Valley Fairgrounds, 2551 West Ave. H & Hwy 14, Hours: 9-5 daily, Susan Chaisson-Walblom (661) 943-1861, Email: sichaisson@yahoo.com, Website: palmdalegemandmineral.com

November 6-7 2010, Ridgecrest, CA, Indian Wells Gem & Mineral Society, Desert Empire Fairgrounds, 520 south Richmond Road, Hours: 9-5 both days, John DeRosa (760) 375-7905

November 12, 13, 14 2010, Sacramento, CA, Sacramento Mineral Society, Bob Johnson (916) 339-7007,

November 13-14 2010, Yuba City, CA, Sutter Buttes Gem & Mineral Society, Yuba-Sutter Fairgrounds (Franklin Hall), 442 Franklin Ave., Hours: , Erik Anspaugh (916)567-9750, Email: inez_brg@yahoo.com

November 20-21 2010, Oxnard, CA, Oxnard Gem & Mineral Society, Oxnard Performing Arts Center, 800 Hobson Way, Hours: Sat. 9-5 Sun. 10-5, Frank Bouich (805) 271-0538, Email: show_info@oxnardgem.com, Website: www.oxnardgem.com,

Website: www.oxnardgem.com,

DRC Rock Sale Planned

The DRC is having a long awaited rock sale on June 26th from 9AM to noon. It will be held at the Speece residence at 2357 Loma Park Court, San Jose.

We have new donations of rocks and minerals, some fossils, a gently used Pixie, and numerous other items. The Pixie will have a starting price on it, and bids will be accepted. The DRC will be organizing, sorting and getting the tables ready for a sale the week before. There will be a table or two of free material, so bring your buckets.

All of the money from our sales goes back into the club to support our meetings, potluck supplies, field trips, and other things that benefit all club members. We also have a pending donation of equipment that we will be organizing for pick up soon. We will need a large open pick up or two small open ones. Please come and join us for the sale, and maybe you'll find that special rock or specimen that will enhance your hobby. We hope to see you there.

Hidden Treasure AFMS / CFMS Show

Special Drawing Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Hidden Treasure

It is by Royal Decree that you are ordered to buy tickets for our very special drawing. Even though we know we cannot do that, I know you will want to anyway. We have the most beautiful deep purple 21.5 Karat Natural Amethyst set as a pendant with its own chain in sterling silver. It comes with an appraisal certificate (\$1600.00). We are very fortunate to have as a member of our club a man named Jonas Ruzgys. He is a master faceter and an expert in Baltic Amber. This piece will be in a side raffle to support the Youth Of La Habra. We will be selling the tickets for only \$10.00 and will close the sales at 300 tickets total. Don't take a chance; go to the ticket sales table first thing upon arrival at the Show.

CFMS/AFMS SHOW Petrified Wood at the Show by Isabella Burns

The highlight for this year's annual AFMS/CFMS show will be a (museum) quality display of Petrified Wood, collected from all over the earth, 125 specimens that have been collected by Walt Wright.

This display is set up in the Pavilion, and Walt will be there to explain and answers questions about petrified wood. Don't miss this display.

Both articles via The CFMS Newsletter, June 2010

Order Your Club Vest or Shirt

Vests and shirts are available to order. Samples will be at the meeting. Vest and shirts will be available for pickup prior to our annual show. Contact person is Frank Mullaney, (408) 691-2656.

Name: _____ Phone # _____

Email: _____

Club Vest: _____ Small	\$12.50	Club Shirts _____ Small	\$22.00
_____ Medium	\$12.50	_____ Medium	\$22.00
_____ Large	\$12.50	_____ Large	\$22.00
_____ X-Large	\$12.50	_____ X-Large	\$22.00
_____ XX-Large	\$13.50	_____ XX-Large	\$22.00
_____ XXX-Large	\$14.50	_____ XXX-Large	\$22.00

Club vest and shirt payments should be made to: Frank Mullaney/Rocky Five

_____ Miner patch (for the back of vest or shirt) \$4.00

_____ Club emblem patch (for front of vest or shirt) \$1.00

Payment for patches can be made to SCVGMS

CFMS Scholarship

by Jennifer Haley
via CFMS Newsletter, 6/2010

With gratitude we received a letter from SJSU student Bret Treece thanking CFMS and our honoree Frank Monez for awarding him a scholarship this year. In his words, receiving this gift helped him in his decision to continue on to graduate school next year. In June Bret will be studying Paleozoic and Cenozoic rocks of the Schell Creek Range in eastern Nevada. He will be constructing a geologic map of the area, cross sections, and writing a final report. The students will be tent camping for 4 weeks. Bret will be field assisting with Ashley Van Dyke, a project on plutons, in the Sierras. This year I think we can all feel that we received an award, too, by the impact we had as members of CFMS societies who made it possible to make a dream come true for a student such as this. Congratulations, everyone!

Safety - Driving & Cruise Control

by Bural LaRue
via CFMS Newsletter, 5/2010

Along with Spring and great weather come thoughts of hitting the road and exploring our great state. Your cruise control is a great tool to prevent driver fatigue, speeding and help with fuel economy during long trips on flat straight roads.

While using cruise control keep both feet flat on the driver's side and ready for braking or maneuvering in case you need to suddenly slow or make an emergency stop. Don't curl your feet up underneath you or on the dash, window, and etc. while driving. Don't use cruise control on any road wet from rain, snow or ice. If you do step on the brakes to stop, slow or turn off the cruise control; the change in tire speed can also cause the wheels to slip, lose traction and skid out of control.

A word of caution might save you a traffic ticket. I set my cruise control one mile per hour under the legal speed limit and witnessed many tickets being issued to motorists who passed me. I had a friend who set his cruise control two miles over the speed limit. When stopped, the driver informed the officer that the cruise control was set two miles per hour over the speed limit and basically admitted to speeding. A citation was issued.

Chalcedony

via Quarry Quips, March, 2010

Chalcedony, named after the ancient Greek city Chalcedon, is a form of silica, composed of the minerals quartz and moganite. Chalcedony has a waxy sheen and ranges from opaque to semitransparent. It is found in a wide variety of colors, but is most common in white to gray, grayish-blue, or a shade of brown ranging from pale to nearly black.

In the gem trade, the term chalcedony only describes white or lightly colored nodular or massive chalcedony. However, many semi precious gemstones are actually varieties of chalcedony. These include agate, aventurine, carnelian, chrysoprase, heliotrope, jasper, mtoroloite, onyx, sardonyx and tiger's eye. Other forms of chalcedony include flint and chert.

Chalcedony often chemically pseudomorphs (chemically replaces) other organic materials. Common examples are petrified wood, petrified dinosaur bone and coral. Tiger's eye, once a finely fibrous structure of crocidolite transformed into chalcedony through the process of pseudomorphism. The presence of impurities sometimes form a moss or tree like growth forming moss or dendritic agate. Chalcedony can also form in geodes, lining the cavity with nodules.

Early man made weapons and tools from many varieties of chalcedony including agate, agatized coral, flint, jasper, and petrified wood. In the Bronze Age, chalcedony was carved into intaglios, ring bezels, and beads. Because hot wax wouldn't stick to chalcedony, it was often used for seals. At least three varieties of chalcedony were used in the Jewish High Priest's Breastplate.

Chalcedony can be found in some form in all 50 of the United States. Arizona is best known for its petrified wood and fire agate. Montana is known for its moss agate, and South Dakota for Fairburn agates. Oregon is known for its scenic jasper, agate and thunder eggs.

Chalcedony, in its many forms, is used to create a wide variety of products including table tops, jewelry, and other forms of art. It is a favorite of hobbyist and professional gem cutters due to its beauty, variety, and ease of cutting and polishing. US production of gem chalcedony was valued at 1.9 million in 1993. The production and use of chalcedony as a gemstone will continue to increase due to its abundance, durability, and beauty.

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CFMS/AFMS SHOW & CONVENTION

by Loretta Ogden, via The CFMS Newsletter, June 2010

Hey every one this is the last time I will be able to tell you anything about the Hidden Treasure Show. I have been hearing rumblings that people cannot find information about the show. Your Federation Director can get you the forms, and they are also on the CFMS website at cfmsinc.org. Look it up! It is also in The CFMS Newsletter.

The other thing I am hearing is that no one knows about the hotel, and people are making reservations at other hotels. I want to tell you that we have chosen a very nice hotel in a very convenient location and negotiated a fabulous price. You may also stay beyond the show for our special price. That is a real benefit if you have other things to see, or you are going on the fieldtrips. Anaheim Park Hotel (877) 491-1011

Walt Wright will have at least 120 rounds of petrified wood for you to drool over. It is a great opportunity to see this much all in one spot, and Walt will be there to answer any questions you may come up with.

One more very important thing! We need as many volunteers as we can get. Contact Don George at lizard-woman3@yahoo.com to add your name to the volunteer list. Please sign up to volunteer! We really need you!

On Friday evening at 7:00 PM we will have the Cracker Barrel at the recreation room at Friendly Village Mobile Home Park. This is a very nice facility, and if the weather co-operates bring your swimwear. They have a lovely pool. Besides you may have heard that some may walk the plank. There will also be treasure to be found, and pirate attire is appropriate if desired. There will be refreshments, fun, games and fellowship. You will have an opportunity to meet the officers and hopefully committee chairs of both the AFMS and CFMS.

On Saturday the CFMS Director's meeting will be held at 9:00AM at the La Habra Community Center. It is just a little way northeast of the show. The doors will open at 8:00AM. Directly after that is the ALAA meeting and any committees that may also be meeting. At 4:00 PM everyone must be out so we can decorate for the banquet. We are doing a Mexican Fiesta, so please dress accordingly if you wish. The foods will all be authentic Mexican with a variety of meats and cheese main dishes, rice & beans, salad, salsa and dessert.

Sunday morning will bring the Editors Breakfast to be held at the Anaheim Park Hotel.

All of the field trips are planned for after the show, so you need not miss any time over the weekend.
Two Tourmaline Mines in Two Days!

- June 21st: The Oceanview - Fee Dig \$50 (this is a \$25 discount per person) Caravan to the Lake Henshaw Resort (I am working on a group rate reservation for the spaces next to the mine)
- June 22nd: The Himalaya - Fee Dig \$50 (this is a \$15 discount per person)

Fossil Hunters Choice!
June 23rd:

- Trip One - Ant Hill - more strenuous option
- Trip Two - Jalama Beach - lead by Jon Meredith - less strenuous option

Rock Hound or Tourist?
June 24th:

- Trip One - Lavic Siding - lead by Jay Valle - more strenuous option
- Trip Two - LA County Natural History Museum - lead by Dr. Larry Barnes - less strenuous option

2010 Mid-Year Public Lands Advisory Committee Report

by John Martin via CFMS newsletter 06/10

Listed below is the latest status on Proposed Legislation that will have an unfavorable affect on Rockhounding when passed. Getting involved with the process can help to keep our collecting locations open and accessible to all Rockhounds.

S. 787: Clean Water Restoration Act A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to clarify the jurisdiction of the United States over waters of the United States.

- April 2, 2009: Introduced
- Jun 18, 2009: Committee on Environment and Public Works. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- April 9, 2010: Still in committee

S. 796: Hardrock Mining and Reclamation Act of 2009 A bill to modify the requirements applicable to locatable minerals on public domain land, and for other purposes.

- April 2, 2009 Introduced
- July 14, 2009: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 111-116.
- April 9, 2010 Still in committee

H.R. 699: Hardrock Mining and Reclamation Act of 2009 To modify the requirements applicable to locatable minerals on public domain lands, consistent with the principles of self-initiation of mining claims, and for other purposes.

- January 27, 2009 Introduced
- February 26, 2009 the bill has been referred to the following committees: House Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources -- Hearings Held
- April 9, 2010 Still in committee

S. 799: America's Red Rock Wilderness Act of 2009 A bill to designate as wilderness certain Federal portions of the red rock canyons of the Colorado Plateau and the Great Basin Deserts in the State of Utah for the benefit of present and future generations of people in the United States.

- April 2, 2009 Introduced
- April 2, 2009: Read twice and referred to the

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

- April 9, 2010 Still in committee

H.R. 1925: America's Red Rock Wilderness Act of 2009

To designate as wilderness certain Federal portions of the red rock canyons of the Colorado Plateau and the Great Basin Deserts in Utah for the benefit of present and future generations of Americans.

- April 2, 2009 Introduced
- Oct 1, 2009: The bill has been referred to the following committees: House Natural Resources, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands -- Hearings Held
- April 9, 2010 still in committee

S.2921: California Desert Conservation and Recreation Act

A bill to provide for the conservation, enhanced recreation opportunities, and development of renewable energy in the California Desert Conservation Area, to require the Secretary of the Interior to designate certain offices to serve as Renewable Energy Coordination Offices for coordination of Federal permits for renewable energy projects and transmission lines to integrate renewable energy development, and for other purposes.

- December 21, 2009 Introduced -- California Desert Protection Act of 2010 - Amends the California Desert Protection Act of 1994.
- December 21, 2009 Senate Energy and Natural Resources
- April 9, 2010 still in committee with no (0) co-sponsors

H.R. 2454: American Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009 (CAP and TRADE)

To create clean energy jobs, achieve energy independence; reduce global warming pollution and transition to a clean energy economy.

- May 15, 2009 Introduced
- Jun 26, 2009 Passed House 219 -212
- Jul 7, 2009: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 97.
- This is the most restrictive and regulating bill to come before Congress in US history. If passed and signed into law, it will have some controlling effects on each and every one of us in our daily lives. Even the short summary is too long to place in this article, and the full text of the bill is over 1000 pages. To see the full text of the bill go to <http://www.govtrack.us/congress/bill.xpd?bill=h111-2454> .

For more detailed information on these issues go to the American Lands Access Association Website www.amlands.org

What Price Is the Right Price?

by Karen M. Burns

Member of the Houston Gem & Mineral Society

from Backbender's Gazette, 4/10

The question came up again the other day—how do I figure my cost of goods sold, and how do I price my jewelry for sale?

Figuring Costs: For the hobby jewelry maker who is not selling \$100,000 or more per year, figuring costs is simple. It is what you paid for materials. If you are doing wire wrap and fabrication, you can weigh or measure the materials, and using a conversion chart such as the one in the Rio Grande catalog or one of the online conversion charts, multiply it times the per gram cost of your purchases.

If you make and use cabochons or faceted stones, use the cost of the rough as the cost of the stone. Any waste that you use later has a cost of \$0. Keep track of what you purchased and what you have at the end of the year. The difference is your cost of goods sold for tax purposes.

Figuring Costs for Tax Purposes: For tax purposes, there are also administrative costs and overhead such as postage and travel, stationery and envelopes, advertising and tools and equipment. Anything less than \$100–\$200 of purchases is just added into overhead. Big purchases are prorated by the number of years of expected use—usually 3–5 years. This should supply the information needed to file a Schedule C for federal taxes.

Pricing Your Jewelry: Pricing your jewelry requires a few more steps. Estimate the manufacturing costs by measuring or weighing the metals you use, and count the beads and findings and multiply them times your purchase price. These are your material costs for each item. Then include a factor for overhead and administrative costs, utilities, etc. Multiply this by three, and add your hourly wage. **This is your manufacturing cost. Double your manufacturing cost for a wholesale cost**, and that is the lowest price that you should charge for your finished jewelry. If you employed someone to make your finished jewelry, there would be no profit for you at this point.

Profit and Artistic Merit: Profit is a very subjective amount and is what I call the value of “artistic merit,” which is the result of your particular choice of materials, your creativity in designing the piece, and your skill in creating the piece of jewelry. The total should be in the neighborhood of three times the manufacturing cost estimate. **Never underestimate the value of artistic merit.** Then look at the piece and adjust the price to what you might be willing to pay. That is the full retail sales price of your jewelry.

Hints on Selling Your Jewelry: Setting prices is an art, not a science, and it depends upon many subtleties, the

primary one being the market in which you sell. Set your price, and don't offer discounts—EVER. Forget three for the price of two, etc.—refer to the third sentence. That is simply re-pricing your merchandise. If you want to entice sales, offer something extra such as a pair of earrings or a simple finger ring, something with a low cost that doesn't lower the value of the more expensive piece.

“But my things aren't selling, and my prices are really low.” The answer may be: your prices are **too** low. There is a perception of value for the purchaser—if the price is too low, as in “if it's too good to be true, it probably is,” so the perception may be that the materials are cheap, the workmanship shoddy, and the design is poor. Raise your prices to be in keeping with the precious metals and handcrafted work that you are selling. Consider these two scenarios as examples of pricing and how it can affect sales. The prospective purchaser is holding your jewelry but can't decide and finally says, “I really like it, but it's a little out of my price range. Can you lower the price? After thinking it over a minute—really wait—you lower it by saying, “For the next five minutes and just for you, I will lower it \$XX, because I can see how much you like it.”

You are making a special, unadvertised deal for this one customer. Or as an alternative, you can offer a pair of earrings or a ring saying, “What if I include this pair of earrings or this ring?” You are selling one-of-a-kind and/or limited edition pieces, and one reduction won't affect your whole inventory.

This is not re-pricing your inventory. The next customer will not expect the same price or gift unless you choose to make the offer. Don't do this routinely, or you are again repricing your inventory.

On the other hand, suppose your purchaser is holding your jewelry and says, “I can't believe you're only asking \$X, it's so beautiful.” It is too late to increase the price when she has it in one hand and her credit card in the other. Price high. You can always lower it if it is really overpriced. How can you tell? If you have too many customers like the first and none of the second. Sales is an art, and the most highly-paid employees in many businesses are the sales people on commission who have a good product to sell.

An optimist is a person who sees a green light everywhere, while a pessimist sees only the red stoplight . . . The truly wise person is color-blind. - Albert Schweitzer

Rockhounding Clues and Tips

by C. E. Johnson from El Gambrosino, April 2010

via Gem Cutters News – May 2010, via The Rock Collector, 04/10

There are many clues out there in the field to guide us, so we just need to know what they are and what they mean, and of course we need to be observant and curious, or we will be just wasting our time.

Assuming that we are already out there in the field, anything that appears uncommon or odd such as rust or stains, sudden changes in color of rock or its grain-size, or differences in compositions, may be worth investigating closely, for instance, rust or stains could be “oxidation” products of mineral deposits containing one or more metalbearing minerals such as those of iron, copper, lead, zinc, uranium, tungsten, manganese, nickel, cobalt, molybdenum, bismuth, and silver (in the form of a chloride). Metal-bearing deposits, of course, indicate a mineralized area, so whether or not you are interested in the metals, such an area is very much worth investigating for other types of minerals. However, even many of those metallic minerals often occur in very attractive forms, whether beautifully crystallized or not. Sudden changes in color of a rock formation could mean “segregations” or “differentiations” of some of the rock’s “accessory” minerals (which are more desirable or valuable than the usual common “rock-making” minerals), or “hydrothermal” alteration of parts of the rock formations (which is a good indicator of mineralizing solutions in the area). Any increase in texture or grain size of an intrusive igneous rock formation such as one of the granite family, would be especially encouraging for several reasons: because one or more of the rock’s “accessory” minerals would be especially valuable in larger sizes; and such rock formations often breed “pegmatites”, which are always very much worth exploring because of their very special valuable minerals typically occurring in very large sizes, and often very well crystallized. Of course, probably most of us are familiar with quartz or calcite “vein” material, and the significance of it, and the presence of certain “indicator” minerals, and other clues are always a plus, but I can’t include them all in this article.

Lava flows with many cavities (or “bubble-holes”), are fairly obvious, and they are often happy-hunting-ground for agate material and zeolite crystals, etc. Our best clues are rock formations, to begin with, if we are familiar with them, because areas can be chosen before leaving home, simply by using geologic maps, which describe the types of rock formations shown in any particular area. However, with or without a geologic map, the usual clues as shown above are standard procedure for rockhounds and prospectors.

We always have rock formations wherever we go, and the types of formations determine whether or not any of the above clues will exist in any given area, what those clues will be, and what minerals to expect, so learning enough about rocks and minerals to be able to use geologic maps as a very valuable tool is, of course, the best approach to rockhounding and prospecting, and I highly recommend it. This and your usual visits to the usual pay-to-dig collecting sites compliment each other perfectly. There are many potential areas out there, and geologic maps are a great help in choosing which areas are favorable for which type of minerals before leaving home, and, of course, will guide you in the field.

It’s not necessary, of course, to be familiar with rock formations to explore for minerals, but if you are naturally curious and you enjoy exploring, at least do yourself a favor and take samples and make notes of those curious-looking areas while traveling to & from those pay-to-dig collecting sites, and find out what your rock samples are and what relationship they may have with what kinds of minerals.

Surely there’s someone in your community that you can ask about it, at schools or libraries, universities or colleges, local U. S. G. S. Offices, or Bureau of Land Management, or forestry service offices, etc.

Happy Hunting

How to Field Trip

by Steve Duncan, Searcher's Gem and Mineral Society
via The Rockhounder, 2/10; via the Rock Slab News, 1/10

Here, in no particular order, are some thoughts about field trips.

- Most trips are for the weekend, although there are some one-day trips, and some longer ones.
- Most campsites are dry campsites (no facilities, no water, etc.)
- Campsites are usually accessible by any vehicle.
- Some people tent camp, some sleep in their pickups, some sleep in their RVs, and some sleep back in town at the nearest motel.
- Saturday night there is a potluck and campfire.
- Collecting trips may require high clearance or 4X4 vehicles. If you don't have one, we will carpool you with someone.
- Your most used tool will be a rock pick and a spray bottle, this is enough for most trips.
- When this is not enough, you may want sledges, gads, shovels, etc.
- I have found that backpacks are the most convenient way to carry rocks, although you will see many other methods used.
- I like shoes with stiff soles (as compared to soft soled running shoes), but the soft soles will work.
- Hats are good
- Gloves are good
- Glasses to protect your eyes from flying rock chips are good.
- Sunscreen and water are good.
- Snacks when out collecting are good.
- You won't see many critters, and most want nothing more than to be left alone; be careful reaching into holes, under bushes, etc.
- Many places have been picked over some; that just means that you need to work harder to find good stuff.
- Look under bushes, on the side of hills, etc., wherever no one has looked before.
- Not sure what you are looking for? Ask someone. We will all be glad to help you.
- It never hurts to follow the field trip leader's recommendations about how and where to collect.
- Realize that although finding rocks is the goal, half the fun is in just being out there and spending some time with friends.
- Leave the collecting site cleaner than you found it.
- Fill in holes; if that is not possible, slope the sides so that a critter that falls in can get out.
- Don't pick up or bother a tortoise; you will literally scare the pee out of them, and with the loss of that liquid they run the risk of dying of dehydration.
- Drink lots of water, and pace yourself. It is easy to become dehydrated yourself.
- Don't mess with a rattlesnake.
- Do show your rocks to others; at the trucks, at the campsite, etc. We do like to look at rocks.
- Bring friends along. You do not have to be a member to come on one of our trips.
- You will need to sign a waiver.
- Once you have found all these cool rocks, there is the question of what to do with them. You can certainly have the coolest yard in the neighborhood (or at least the most rocky), but learning to work the rocks will increase your enjoyment of them.
- When you are out collecting in the desert, you may notice the lack of something: noise. Pause for a moment and enjoy it. Take a second to renew your connection with Pachamama (the Earth Mother)
- It is nice to find a great rock, but it is really nice to give that rock to a youngster or rockhounding newbie and watch their eyes light up.
- Spending time with your friends is good.
- Breaking out of your everyday routine, getting out of the city is good.
- Finding rocks in a parking lot is good.
- Finding rocks in the road is good (literally "in" the road). Telling stories about the nice rocks you have found is acceptable, telling stories about the great rocks is encouraged.
- I find that when I arrive at a site, I am not "seeing" the rocks well, but as some time goes by and my mind slows down, I find a few examples, all of a sudden it seems like I can see all the good ones.
- The driving can be exciting; collecting requires a different pace.
- Field trips are one of the great things the club has to offer you.
- You really ought to take advantage of them; we have a lot of fun.

Santa Clara Valley Gem and Mineral Society
General meeting minutes
May 25th, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 7:45 PM at the Belwood Gateway Cabana Club.

Announcements: Dues are due. Founder's day picnic will be July 11th. The Board meeting will be held Thursday, May 27th at Ruth Bailey's home, hosted by Michael Paone.

Minutes of the April meeting were approved as printed in the Breccia.

New Members: No new members were present.

Correspondence: Dodge and Cox report, Gem Faire passes, Newsletter from the Oklahoma mineral and Gem society, and show fliers.

Awards: Jennifer House was awarded a plaque for her single item entry in the jewelry category at the show. **Rockhound of the month** is Ruth Bailey.

Sunshine: Marc Mullaney broke his hand. Frank Monez is recovering from knee replacement surgery. Ed Orekar is doing better. Patt Magallon has pneumonia.

Study Groups: See listings in the Breccia.

DRC: A donation needs to be picked up. Rock sale is planned for June 26th.

Hospitality: There were 36 members and 7 guests in attendance.

Founder's Day Picnic: The annual Founder's Day Picnic will be held July 11th.

Installation Dinner will be held on December 7th, 2010.

PLAC: No report was presented.

Federation Report: The CFMS Show is June 18th, 19th, and 20th. Ruth still has sign up forms for the CFMS show. Some bills coming up regarding public lands.

Field Trips: See the Breccia for more information.

2010 Show: Marc gave a report on the show.

Member Displays: See the Breccia for details.

Marc and Frank Mullaney presented a short demonstration on display case liners.

Door Prize Drawing: Names were drawn for the door prizes.

Program: The program tonight was on the Arizona Petrified Forest and Painted Desert. The video was called "A Story in Stone".

The meeting was adjourned at 8:58 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Randy Harris, Secretary

SCVGMS Board Meeting
May 27th, 2010

The Meeting was called to order at 7:31 PM at the home of Ruth Bailey. The next meeting will be at the Ruth Bailey's and hosted by Carol Pimentel.

Roll Call: All board members were present except Rick Kennedy, Dean Welder, Art and Carol Pimentel.

Minutes of the April 29, 2010 meeting were approved as read.

New Members: There were 4 applications for membership. M/S/P (R. Harris, F. Mullaney) to accept Kathy Alexander, Anna and James Williams and Bev Jensen for membership.

Correspondence: None

Treasurer's Report: M/S/P (R. Harris, R. Bailey) to pay the bills presented. Frank presented a prelimi-

nary show financial report. M/S/P (R. Bailey, M. Paone) to receive the show financial report.

2010 Show: Discussion of the show and review of possible changes for next year. Discussion of how to entice members to display their collections. M/S/P (M. Paone, R. Bailey) for Frank, June, and RK to explore online ticket sales for the Kids Area for next year. This would require opening a Pay Pal Account or some other type of account

Field Trips: RK has added field trips to the online calendar.

Scholarships for 2011: M/S/P (J. Harris, M. Paone) to approve 4 \$1000 scholarships for 2011. M/S/P (M. Paone, R. Harris) to extend one scholarship each to UCSC, SJSU, Stanford, and CSEB.

Conversion of paper records to electronic documents: Marc has started transferring documents to Google docs.

Officers and Chairmen's Manual is currently under review.

Bylaws and Operating Regulations: Bylaws have been updated. The operating regulations need to be updated.

New Business: Discussion about our email list and what types of messages will be forwarded to our lists.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:28 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Randy Harris, Secretary

Santa Clara Valley Gem and Mineral Society
Treasurer's report
May 27, 2010

Beginning Balance \$22,147.43

Receipts

Initiation Fees	\$ 20.00
Secret Auction	\$ 10.00
Dues	\$680.00
Interest	<u>\$.22</u>
Total Receipts	\$710.22

Disbursements

Money into CD	\$5,000.00
Glue for Serpentine Cards	\$ 62.06
April Phone bill	\$ 25.22
Breccia copying	\$ 66.58
Refreshments	\$ 47.48
Mineraleers copying expenses	\$ 90.20
Show mementos	\$ 110.62
Show Chairman's plaque	\$ 40.97
Show speaker Richard Wade	\$1,245.00
Show Banner, car signs and dealer signs	\$ 101.00
Post Card Mailings	\$ 290.00
Refreshments	\$ 15.74
Breccia postage	<u>\$ 30.50</u>
Total Disbursements	\$7,125.37

Ending balance \$15,732.28