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President's Message

We need volunteers! While we have filled most of our elected positions for the year, we need your help in some very important ways. Our club can not function without your help. Many of the positions take only an hour or so of time each month. Will you help?

We need what I would call an "Information Person". Using contact lists already in place, this person would send out notices and reminders to our members of upcoming events such as DRC sales, field trips, highlights of our general membership meetings, and special events such as our summer picnic or December installation dinner.

Are you familiar with spreadsheets or with creating contact lists for emails? We need a volunteer to create a list containing email addresses of past attendees at our annual festival. This can be done a little at a time over the coming year. This list is vital for information sharing within our club.

There are also other volunteer positions that need to be filled. The nominating committee will be contacting members to help fill these unfilled positions. I implore each and every one of you who is not already volunteering to consider how you might help. This is your club. It needs your help!

Frank Mullaney - SCVGMS President

CLUB'S ANNUAL FESTIVAL COMING UP IN MARCH

To encourage more participation at our sale from our club members, the club's board has decided to implement a new plan - every hour that you volunteer up to 25 hours, will get you one entry into a prize drawing. Actually, there will be 3 prizes to choose from! The more hours you help, the more chances you get to win. Those working more than 25 hours will be eligible to win a different, even nicer prize.

Sign up sheets will be available at the next club meeting, so you can reserve your preferred time/day/role. To track your hours, you will need to sign in and out on these sheets at the sale's Hospitality Booth. Roles include setup and teardown, room monitors to help watch for shop-lifters, and helpers in the Hospitality Booth or Scholarship Booth, etc.

Another change from the past, is that we have gotten approval from the Fairgrounds to do setup of tables/skirting/exhibit case hardware on the Thursday before the show. Vendors/exhibitors will still bring in their items on Friday, as in the past. Not trying to do everything all on the same day should make things a bit less exhausting. So our basic schedule looks like this:

Thursday March 15 Setup (start time TBD)
Friday March 16 Vendors/exhibitors arrive (start time TBD)
Saturday/Sunday March 17/18 10-5 Gem and Mineral Festival
Sunday March 18 5-7pm Teardown

2017 SCVGMS Calendar



January 5 - Smithies workshop 11 AM to 2 PM at Pat Speece's home.

January 9 - Cabbers 6 to 9 PM at Victor Gassmann's home.

January 12 - Smithies workshop 11AM to 2 PM at Pat Speece's home.

January 20 - Cabbers 10 AM to 2 PM at Victor Gassmann's home.

January 23 - General Meeting with Board Meeting immediately following

February 2 - Smithies workshop 11 AM to 2 PM at Pat Speece's home.

February 9 - Smithies workshop 11AM to 2 PM at Pat Speece's home.

February 13 - Cabbers 6 to 9 PM at Victor Gassmann's home.

February 17 - Cabbers 10 AM to 2 PM at Victor Gassmann's home.

February 27 - General Meeting

March 1 - Board Meeting at Frank Mullaney's

March 2 - Smithies workshop 11 AM to 2 PM at Pat Speece's home.

March 9 - Smithies workshop 11AM to 2 PM at Pat Speece's home.

March 17-18 - Festival

March 13 - Cabbers 6 to 9 PM at Victor Gassmann's home.

March 27 - General Meeting at Ric Kennedy's

March 29 - Board Meeting at Dean and Karen Welder's home.

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Highlights

January 23: Bring your item you made, cut, or polished to the General Meeting.

January 23: Presentation on Jade Carving by Chuck Boblenz

February 27 Panel Discussion of Quartzite and Tucson, led by Rick Kennedy

CFMS Club Show Calendar



JANUARY 2018

January 20-21, EXETER CA

Tule Gem and Mineral Society
Exeter Veterans' Memorial Building
324 Kaweah Ave.

Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4

Contact: Margaret Buchmann
559-799-6034

Email: margaretbu03@gmail.com

Website: www.tulegem.com

FEBRUARY

February 16-25, INDIO, CA

San Geronio Mineral & Gem Society
Riverside County Fair & National Date
Festival

82-503 Highway 111

10 - 10 daily

Contact: Bert Grisham, 915-849-1674

Email: bert67@verizon.net

February 17-18, ANTIOCH, CA

Antioch Lapidary Club
Contra Costa County Fairgrounds
1201 West 10th Street

10 - 5 daily

Contact: Brenda Miguel, 925-301-6957

Email: brenda.miguel@yahoo.com

Website: www.antiochlapidaryclub.com

February 24-25, VALLEJO, CA

Vallejo Gem & Mineral Society
Solano County Fairgrounds, McCormack Hall
900 Fairgrounds Drive

10 - 5 daily

Contact: Dan Wolke, 707 334-2950

Email: dncwolke@sbcglobal.net

Website: www.vjgems.org

MARCH

March 2-11, IMPERIAL, CA

Imperial County Gem & Mineral Society
California Midwinter Fair & Fiesta
200 East Second Street

Friday, Saturday, & Sunday: 12pm - 11pm

Monday through Friday: 4pm - 11pm

Saturday, Sunday: 12pm - 11pm

Contact: John Pyle Jr., 760-562-3453

Website: www.lvgms.org

March 2-4, NEWARK, CA

Mineral & Gem Society of Castro Valley
Newark Pavilion

6430 Thornton Ave.

Fri & Sat 10am-6pm, Sun 10am-5pm

Contact: Cathy Miller, 510-887-9007

Email: showchair@mgscv.org

Website: www.mgscv.org

March 3-4, ARCADIA, CA

Monrovia Rockhounds
Los Angeles County Arboretum and
Botanical Garden

301 Baldwin

9am-4:30pm Daily

Contact: Jo Anna Ritchey 626-359-1624

Email: joannaritchey@gmail.com

Website: www.moroka.com

March 3-4, TORRANCE, CA

South Bay Lapidary & Mineral Society
Ken Miller Recreation Center
3341 Torrance Road (Enter on Madrone)

Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 10am-4pm

Contact: Nancy Pekarek, 310-257-8152

Website:

southbaylapidaryandmineralsociety.com

MARCH (2018)

March 3-4 VENTURA, CA

Ventura County Fairgrounds
10 West Harbor Blvd.
Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4
Contact: Diane Cook, 805-312-8467
Email: info@vgms.org
Website: www.vgms.org

March 10 - 11: SAN MARINO, CA

Pasadena Lapidary Society
San Marino Masonic Center
3130 Huntington Drive
Sat 10 - 6, Sun 10 - 5
Contact: Ellen Ferrell, 727-512-0381
Email: pasadenalapidary@aol.com
Website: www.pasadenalapidarysociety.org

March 10 - 11: Spreckels, CA

Salinas Valley Rock and Gem Club
Spreckel's Veteran's Memorial Hall
5th & Llano Streets
10 - 5 daily
Contact: Gary Beck, 831-679-2896
Email: garybeckpca@yahoo.com
Website:
<http://salinasrockandgem.pagecloud.com>

March 10 - 11: TURLOCK, CA

Mother Lode Mineral Society, Modesto
Stanislaus County Fairgrounds
900 North Broadway
10 - 5 daily
Contacts: Terry McMillin, 209-484-4416
Email: terry.mcmillin@yahoo.com
Website:
www.motherlodemineralsociety.com

March 17 - 18: SAN JOSE, CA

Santa Clara Valley Gem & Mineral
Society
Santa Clara County Fairgrounds
344 Tully Road
10 - 5 daily
Contact: Sonia Dyer, 408-629-5735
Email: sonia.dyer@sbcglobal.net
Website: www.scvgms.org

March 17-18: LEMOORE, CA

Lemoore Gem and Mineral Club
Lemoore Trinity Hall
470 Champion Street
Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4
Contact: Chris Wertenberge 559-309-3433
Email: kim-morrell@hotmail.com
Website: Facebook: Lemoore Gem and
Mineral Club

March 24 - 25: ANGELS CAMP, CA

Calaveras Gem & Mineral Society
Calaveras County Fairgrounds
101 Frogtown Road
Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4
Contact: Robin Williams 209-728-8277
Email: robinski@yahoo.com
Website: www.calaverasgemandmineral.org

March 24- 25: ROSEVILLE, CA

Roseville Rock Rollers Gem & Mineral
Society - Placer County Fairgrounds
800 All American City Blvd
Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4
Contact: Gloria Marie, 916-216-1114
Email: gloriarosevillerockrollers@gmail.com
Website: www.rockrollers.com

DRC

DRC 2018

The DRC (Donation Receiving Committee) is a very successful money maker for the club. We've brought in over \$46,000 to benefit the club in the ten years since it was started. It is also an excellent field trip with rocks from various locations, and most everything up on tables.

Our first sale will be after the rains, probably after April, and at a new location - Billie Gordon's home.

We will keep you advised of upcoming sales via email, the Breccia, and meeting announcements.

Happy New Year!

Questions? [Email pat.speece@comcast.net](mailto:pat.speece@comcast.net)

Bragging Rights Chairman-Alan Achor

There was **no Bragging Rights for November or December.**

January's theme is something made, cut, or polished by you.

Election results from the November meeting

2016 Officers & Board of Directors

President

Frank Mullaney

Vice President

Sonia Dyer

Secretary

Rick Kennedy

Treasurer

Missy Fox

Editor

Jo Borucki

Federation Director

Stephen May

Alternate Federation Director

Unfilled at Present

Directors

Jim Fox

Alan Achor

Louis Schuesler

Pat Schuesler

Cal Hansen

Parliamentarian

Dean Welder

Historian

Unfilled at Present

Parliamentarian

Dean Welder

2018 Field Trips

No field trips are currently offered through our club, but CFMS is offering a trip to **Barstow, CA on February 17.**

Contact are:

Adam Dean: thegatehunter@verizon.net
909-489-4899

Roy Isaac: Ibionicdj@gmail.com
818-633-3350

SCVGMS Field Trip Coordinator: Contact Stephen May unless another contact is listed.
Cell: 408 306-6782 Home: 669 248-3993

Sunshine

David Mosher's cochlear implant was adjusted for more sounds, and he can hear a bit more everyday.

Another member can hear better also. Congratulations, **Bob K.** for getting hearing aids.

Rosemarie Vogel communicated to Margo that **Sig Vogel** is not doing very well as he continues to suffer with Alzheimer's.

Margo Mosher: margomosher@yahoo.com

Show and Tell Members' Displays

All members are asked to display at least one time per year, but you may display as many times as you like. There are no displays in May and November because of the Silent Auctions. There are no displays in December because there is the installation dinner in lieu of our regular meeting.

The displays at our monthly meetings are enjoyed very much. Don't know what to display? Any type of rock, mineral, or fossil (identified or not), your latest project, information on a field trip to take, ideas for a display case, anything to do with rocks!!!

There were no member displays in November because of the silent auction, nor in December because of our annual installation dinner

Rick Kennedy

New Members

Cesar Nunez picked up the family's packet and was welcomed into the club at the end of the meeting..

Rockhound of the Month

Bob Phelps for his help promoting our Festival.

Check Out What Our Study Groups Are Doing.

Smithies

Smithies 2018

What's a Smithie? A Smithie is someone who creates jewelry using a variety of metals and tools. These are guided workshops, a perfect place for beginners to become comfortable with tools and techniques in a small, friendly atmosphere. No tests; no stress; no contracts.

Tools and materials are supplied, but you are free to bring your own.

If you would like to be on the Smithie email list, or want more information, let me know via email.

There is a small lab fee.

Thanks,
Pat

pat.speece@comcast.net

Cabbers

Cabbers With the two club Genies and my slab saw, I can show you how to safely use the equipment to make a cabochon. These are formed rounded and polished stones to incorporate into jewelry. There is a \$7 shop fee. Beginners are welcome.

WHEN: We meet on the **second Tuesday** and the **third Saturday** of the month. Tuesday hours are from 6:00 to 9:00 PM and Saturday hours are from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

WHERE: 2150 Almaden Road, San Jose. This is near Curtner and Almaden Road.

CONTACT: You must call to let me know if you are coming.

Victor Gassmann 1(408)376-1721

If you would like to be on my email notification list, email me.
gassmannv3@gmail.com

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Rockhounding – June 2011 – Nevada

by Jo Borucki, June 23, 2011

Saturday, June 11, 2011, we packed the car. First into the trunk were Bill's and my suitcases filled with old clothing, pants and shirts suitable for abuse and one decent outfit so that places that did not allow dirty old scrounges would allow us in the door. Then we packed in all the stuff for digging in the dirt, shovels, hand garden tools, dulled old hunting knives for scraping rocks, and backpacks to hold it all. We included a computer so that we could look up GPS coordinates of mining sites we might like to visit. We were on our way, picking up Gene, and then continuing on to drive to Reno, Nevada.

We hoped to find some malachite, chrysocolla, and azurite in the Reno area. We had bought malachite in the past. It is a beautiful ore of copper, probably the first one mined. It was mined in the Sinai and eastern deserts of Egypt in 5000 BC, and used as eye paint, pigment for wall paint, pottery glazes, and a component in green glass. It's easy to see why it was prized. The shade of green is magnificent. We explored several sites in the area, finding plentiful amounts but usually just a surface covering on country rock with occasional tiny crystals. Chrysocolla is a clay decomposition product of copper in shades of green similar to malachite. Azurite has a dark blue color and is often found with malachite, and is an oxidized part of copper deposits.

In addition to the malachite, azurite, and chrysocolla, we found a few tiny crystals of epidote growing on the surfaces of country rock. Country rock is not the name of a type of music, but of the rock found commonly in whatever area you are in. I don't even know if country rock is a commonly used term, but it is the name Gene gives to much of the material I lovingly gather. He also calls my treasures leaverites, as in don't pick 'er up, leave 'er right there, but I love my rocks whatever they are.

In addition to the malachite sites just mentioned we also spent time at the Peterson Mountains which wander back and forth between California and Nevada along Highway 395. We had been in this area about 47 years earlier and had found some quartz crystals. We found some quartz on this trip as well, nothing really notable, some smoky and some clear, and got lots of exercise walking around the area; enough exercise so that I was still recovering a week later. Eight and a half miles or so each day, for several days, much of it steeply uphill or rock scrambling was challenging to me, but I have two maniacs that I must keep up with, sometimes graciously, sometimes grumpily, and always with some pleasure because I'm outdoors, and I love to be outside whether it's in chaparral, forest, desert or simply in my backyard garden.

Our other important quest in our Nevada expedition was to find opal. There are several opal mines in the very remote, northernmost regions of Nevada near the Oregon border. After 4 days in the Reno area, we were on our way to Denio Junction, a tiny settlement near where Highway 140 turns from north to west. Our route dictated that we drive west on 80 to Winnemucca. Stopping for the night, we found the Val-U Motel. I guess the Val-U must have been in the eyes of the desk clerk who, when we could pull him away from his iPhone, put us in a nonsmoking room that reeked of smoke and had cigarette burns on the bedspread and pillow cases and had no hot water. When we asked about the hot water, he offhandedly replied that the hot water pipes

had yet to be installed. Bill and I got our money back and looked further. After much searching, we found a room. Winnemucca was pretty much out of hotel space! Winnemucca filled up? Amazing!

On Thursday we arose very early and drove 100 miles north and east on 94 then 140 to the Denio. Actually Denio has nothing, but some enterprising souls had set up a small 7 room motel, a bar, a café, and gas pumps nearby and called it Denio Junction. It was an oasis in the middle of nothing for 100 miles in one direction and 130 miles in the other. If you needed 10W-40 motor oil, beer, soda, a couple of cans of soup or peas, or some candy bars, the store suited your needs. If you liked meat and potatoes, the café was your cup of tea, but without the tea, only coffee, no cream just powdered white stuff. The motel rooms were just fine and the price was right at \$49/night. You wanted entertainment? You had it in watching Bobby and Monica on Friday night. Everyone within 100 miles came to Denio Junction on Friday night because there was nowhere else to go. Monica cooked and waited on the tables while Bobby tended bar, pumped gas, waited on tables, and found a hypodermic needle for the diabetic who had wandered in hoping to get help so he could take his insulin. Bobby and Monica were walking miracles! They did their work with a big smiles and lots of friendliness to all.

We were in Denio Junction because we wanted to go to the opal mines in the area. On Thursday, after paying cash for our rooms, we drove on to Bonanza Mine. I thought the bonanza was picked up by the mine owners, and the picked over dirt was left in piles for people like us to work through. You think gamblers are in denial in Nevada as they expect to win big; well; we were in Denio expecting to drive to local mines and win big, to win a bonanza of opal. No such luck. It was time to move to the next mine.

The next day we finished our quest for gems and minerals by going to the Rainbow Ridge mine. You could buy a cubic yard pile of virgin dirt pulled right out of the mine for \$700, or you could pay \$70 and sift through tailings. We chose the tailings and had a good day, found some nice opal, and went home dusty and happy. The opal is hydrophilic. That means that it must be kept in water, or it will dull and crumble. It seeks and needs water. I did really well in finding samples though, and I planned to find some way of wearing some of them, either by sealing the opal in acrylic or by wearing a small, clear, container filled with water and opal.

The trip was fun, but it had a price. We had to buy new tires and two new wheels for Bill's car. The rutted country roads took their toll in his trusty 1998 Toyota Camry. We decided for future trips that it would be wiser to rent a SUV or truck. I hope we are able to do Rockhounding trips for many years to come. It is always one of the highlights of our year.



SANTA CLARA VALLEY GEM and MINERAL SOCIETY
General Meeting Minutes
November 28th, 2017

The November meeting of the Santa Clara Valley Gem and Mineral Society was called to order at 7:55 pm at the Cabana Club. The minutes from the October meeting were approved as printed in the Breccia.

Announcements: Installation Dinner is coming up December 5. Reservations are due by the end of the meeting. Bring an unwrapped toy for the “Toys for Tots” program.

Auditing Committee: Three volunteers are needed for the auditing committee: Jim Sugiyama (chair), Jim Fox, and Michele Smith volunteered.

Correspondence: Rick Kennedy reported that the club has received discount coupons for Bucca di Beppo and Smash Burger. The club also received the newsletter for the Underground Gold Miner’s Museum.

New Members: Cesar Nunez picked up the family’s packet and was welcomed into the club at the end of the meeting..

Board Meeting: Will be immediately following the General Meeting. The combined old and new boards’ meeting will be December 7th, at Frank Mullaney’s home, hosted by Stephen May at 7:30.

Bragging Rights: Last month’s winner was Rick Kennedy with his Beryl, variety Aquamarine crystal from Vietnam. There will be no Bragging Rights this month due to the auction. January’s theme will be something made, cut or polished by you!

Rockhound of the Month: Bob Phelps for his help promoting our Festival.

Sunshine: David Mosher’s surgery was successful! In less pleasant news, Rosemarie Vogel communicated to Margo that Sig Vogel is not doing very well as he continues to suffer with Alzheimer’s.

Festival: Sonia Dyer is making great progress. The next meeting will be December 13th at Sonia’s house. Business cards are available, and display cases can be signed up for.

Study Groups:

Cabbers: Schedule in the Breccia. At Victor Gassmann’s home. \$7.00 shop fee, please RSVP if you are planning on attending. Always check the Breccia for details.

Smithies: The Smithies meet the first two Fridays of the month from 11:00AM – 2:00PM. Dates of meetings are in the Breccia. Email to confirm with Pat, or to be added to her email list. Pat announced that they will not be meeting in December.

DRC: The most recent sale netted almost \$1000.00! There will not be any more sales until likely the spring as winter is upon us.

Hospitality: 33 members and 6 guests were in attendance.

ALAA: No new news.

Federation Report: Stephen May attended the meeting in November in Visalia. He reported that it is very likely there will be no CFMS Show in 2018. A new Board was voted in, and the CFMS is working with the BLM on two projects in the Mohave desert.

Field Trips: Stephen May reported that nothing new is in the works. As always, check the Breccia.

Elections: Our nominating committee came up with the following candidates:

President: Frank Mullaney;

Vice President: Sonia Dyer;

Secretary: Rick Kennedy;

Treasurer: Missy Fox;

Editor: Josephine Borucki;

Federation Director: Stephen May;

Parliamentarian: Dean Welder.

At large Board members: Louis Schuesler, Pat Schuesler, Cal Hansen, Jim Fox and Alan Achor.

At present, Alternate Federation Director and Historian remain open. M/S/P to submit a White Ballot (R. Kennedy, S. Dyer). Welcome to the new board!!

Program: Silent Auction, many people walked out with some great finds!

Next month's program will be a DVD on Jade, presented by Chuck Boblenz.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00PM

Respectfully submitted, Rick Kennedy SCVGMS Secretary

SANTA CLARA VALLEY GEM and MINERAL SOCIETY

Board Meeting

November 28th, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 9.05 PM at the Cabana Club.

Roll Call: All board members were present except Michael Paone.

Reading of the minutes from the September Board Meeting: M/S/P to postpone the reading of the minutes. (F. Mullaney, D. Welder).

New Members: M/S/P to accept the applications of Tamara Bell, Paul Kidman and Jose and Gloria Sul (F. Mullaney, R. Kennedy).

Treasurer's Report: Presented by Chuck Boblenz. M/S/P to pay the bills (F. Mullaney, S. May).

M/S/P to drop delinquent members (R. Kennedy, F. Mullaney)

Meeting adjourned at 9:11 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Kennedy

SCVGMS Secretary

SANTA CLARA VALLEY GEM and MINERAL SOCIETY
Board Meeting
December 7th, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 PM at the home of Frank Mullaney, hosted by Stephen May.

Roll Call: All board members were present except Sonia Dyer, Karen Welder, Jim Fox, Cal Hansen and Michael Paone.

Reading of the minutes from the October 26th Board Meeting: M/S/P to approve the minutes as corrected (F. Mullaney, C. Boblenz).

Reading of the minutes from the November 28nd Board Meeting: M/S/P to approve the minutes as read (F. Mullaney, D. Welder).

New Members: No new members.

Correspondence: No new correspondence.

Treasurer's Report: Presented by Chuck Boblenz.

M/S/P to pay the bills (F. Mullaney, R. Kennedy).

Committee Reports:

Festival 2018:

Festival Meeting: December 13 at Sonia Dyer's home. The meeting starts at 7:30.

Volunteer Incentive: There was discussion about various incentives for volunteers. One reward to be drawn from people who work over 24 hours and three rewards to be drawn for people who work less than 24 hours. Rewards will be along the lines of gift certificate to DRC sale or club's silent auction. M/S/P to implement plan if Sonia approves (S. May, L. Schuesler).

Field Trips: Stephen May is researching a possible trip to Topaz Valley in Utah. As always, details about upcoming trips can be found in the Breccia.

Old Business:

Installation Dinner: Rick Kennedy reported that 35 people (the most we have had in a few years) attended. Dinner was enjoyed by all, and many club members enjoyed extra time socializing. Jim Fox, Missy Fox and Rick Kennedy also put together a Christmas display of red and green rocks and minerals! Many gifts (two large tables full!) were donated to "Toys for Tots".

Scholarships: Rick Kennedy reported that although he had immediately heard back from SJS, they had not chosen the students by the time of the Board meeting. Rick said he sent a follow up email earlier that day (December 7th)

Constant Contact: Frank Mullaney is looking for a new person to be in charge.

Laptop: Cal was not available to give an update.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:11 PM

Meeting reconvened with the new Board at 8:12 PM

Roll Call: All Board members present except Sonia Dyer, Missy Fox, Jim Fox, Alan Achor,

Karen Welder and Cal Hansen.

New Business:

Website Updates: Need to send corrections to RK Owen.

Approval of meeting dates and reservations for the Cabana Club: M/S/P to reserve the Cabana club for the fourth Tuesday of every month except December for general meetings and December 4th for the Installation Dinner (R. Kennedy, S. May).

Setting the Calendar for Social Events: M/S/P to have socials at the February, April, July or August and October meetings. (R. Kennedy, D. Welder).

Board Meetings: Board members have signed up to host Board Meetings through the year.

Swingers for Board, Committees, Rockhound of the Month, etc.: M/S/P to order swingers as needed. (R. Kennedy, D. Welder).

Directory Printing: In process, will be done by the January General Meeting.

Program Schedule:

January – Chuck Boblenz – Jade Video

February – Panel Discussion of Quartzite and Tucson, led by Rick Kennedy

March – Open

April – Rick Kennedy: Mining Arkansas Quartz

May – Jo Borucki – Camp Zzyzx

Bars and Pins for the 2018 Officers and Board: M/S/P to order bars and pins for the entire 2018 Board. (R. Kennedy, D. Welder).

CFMS and AFMS Newsletter Recipients, Information Changes: Stephen May, Jo Borucki and Missy Fox will be receiving the CFMS and AFMS newsletters.

CFMS Scholarship Honoree & Rockhound of the Year: There was discussion about who to nominate for the next year's awards.

Changes to Bank Signatures, Insurance Contact: Rick will check with the bank to schedule the changes.

Committee Chairs: Stephen May will be helping Frank fill open positions.

January Board Meeting: M/S/P to have the January Board Meeting immediately following the General Meeting. (R. Kennedy, S. May)

Meeting adjourned at 8:38 PM

Respectfully submitted

Rick Kennedy, SCVGMS Secretary

SANTA CLARA VALLEY GEM and MINERAL SOCIETY
November 2017 Financial Report

Beginning Balance: \$46,297.74

Receipts:

2018 Festival: Dealer Fees	4,710.00
Installation Dinner Fees	110.00
Dues	<u>120.00</u>

Total Receipts: 4.940.00

Expenses:

ZZYZX Registration Fee	800.00
2018 Festival: 10K Business Cards	163.65
2017 Officer Triangles + Bars	92.00
BRECCIA: August Printing	44.15
Phone Bill: November	25.19
DOJ Filing Fee	<u>20.00</u>

Total Expenses: 1,144.99

Ending Balance **\$50,092.75**

Boblenz
27 November 2017

SANTA CLARA VALLEY GEM and MINERAL SOCIETY
November 2017 Financial Report Amended on December 7

Beginning Balance:		\$46,297.74
Receipts:		
2018 Festival: Dealer Fees	8,915.00	
DRC: Sale Proceed	992.00	
Installation Dinner Fees	290.00	
Dues	<u>175.00</u>	
Total Receipts:	10,372.00	
Expenses:		
ZZYZX Registration Fee	800.00	
2018 Festival: 10K Business Cards	163.65	
2017 Officer Triangles + Bars	92.00	
Presidents Gift	60.00	
BRECCIA: August Printing	44.15	
Phone Bill: November	25.19	
DOJ Filing Fee	20.00	
DRC: Poster Board Signs	12.00	
Dues Refund	<u>10.00</u>	
Total Expenses:	1,226.99	
Ending Balance		\$55,442.75

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30 November 2017

Bill Paid in 2017, to be included in January 2018 Expenses:
Installation Dinner Fee: 782.00

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Founder's Day Raffle:
Founder's Day Bingo:
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Installation Dinner: Rick Kennedy
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Program: **OPEN**
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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. The next **General Meeting is on January 23**. The **Board Meeting immediately follows the General Meeting** and is also at the Cabana club.

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 per year are \$5.00 for Junior, \$20.00 for an individual, and \$30.00 for the household.

Our Newsletter, the Breccia, is published ten times annually. **The deadline for all articles is the Sunday after the general meeting.** The Breccia editor is Jo Borucki who may be contacted by email at jborucki@yahoo.com or by phone at (408)245-2881. Leave a message if no one picks up the phone. The Breccia is proofread by Pat Speece. Exchange bulletins may be sent to Jo Borucki, 1196 Sesame Drive, Sunnyvale, CA 94087. Permission to copy is freely granted to American Federation of Mineralogical Societies (AFMS) affiliated clubs when proper credit is given.

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