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The Searchers next meeting:
April 16th 2024 7 p.m. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

The President's Message

Hello Searchers,

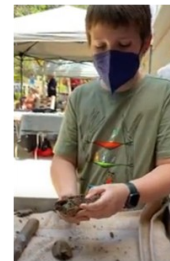
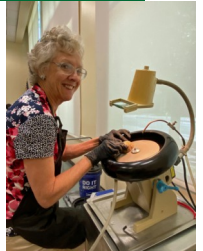
Tuesday April 16th, 2024 is the next general meeting, because the Anaheim Downtown Center is closed from Monday April 1 to Friday, April 12. A vote of the membership on the proposed Treasurer's jobs and cash basis accounting will be held at the April 16 meeting.

Thank you to Terri Wheeler, Beth Morrisey, and Chuck MacIntosh for their donations to the club. It is wonderful to have that right before the Show. Steve Duncan and Margaret Hogarth helped bring those in. Show weekend: Saturday April 27 and Sunday April 28.

Would you come by the Workshop and grab some postcards to hand out? Are you strong and able-bodied and want to help set up on Friday, April 26 or help pack up the truck on Sunday, after the Show? If you come to the Show Sunday afternoon, the Silent Auction starts to move rocks "in quantity" for a good price. Many Searchers go home with valuable material for just a few dollars. Come and join the fun, make some friends, and show your rockhound spirit. All close to home.

Preview of 2024 Silent Auction and Show items: The Lorotone 18 inch Saw is in new condition, never been used. There are (3) dual, rotating tumblers (Lorotone and Scientific), an 8 inch trim saw and much more equipment. **2024 Show activities:** dino eggs, geode cutting.

Sincerely, Robin Larzelere, President



Searchers Club Meetings

Board Meeting- **April 2nd at 6:30 P.M.**

Member Meeting- **April 16th** in the Anaheim Community Center

Board Meeting Minutes, February 6, 2023 Zoom - Meeting start: 6:33 p.m.

Attendees: Robin Larzelere, Margaret Hogarth, Gwen Sharp, Sue Gevedon, Caleb Guyer, Jamie Cassidy-Curtis **Absent:** Regina Tula, Nancy Bird **Guest:** Bill Hogarth

In-Person Board Meetings will be: March 5, May 7, July 2, Sept. 3, Nov. 5

2. Old Business:

A. Jamie needs to get reimbursed for paying the club's form 401-A CA Sales and Use Tax for 2022. She was reimbursed for Orange County Sales Tax. No action taken.

New Business:

Letter to Board concerning field trips. Discussion.

Center will be closed Monday April 1 to Friday April 12, 2024 April 16 general meeting will be in the Visual Arts Room.

Reports:

President – Robin Larzelere

Report on opening a Money market account

Saturday, March 2, 2024 Show meeting will be in Lobby of Senior Center.

Treasurer report Jamie Cassidy-Curtis

1st VP – Programs – Gwen Sharp – Stan McCall did not respond to requests to speak. No speaker at the February meeting.

2nd VP – Field Trips: Rick Webber Rick reported on interest in Feb. 16 trip and ways to improve communication with field trip participants and BLM rules.

CFMS Representative: Nancy Bird

Show Chair: Margaret Hogarth - requested a third tablet for the patio area that she would buy and share with her Library group.

Shop Chair : Caleb Guyer Reported that attendance is good at workshop, he had been on vacation for 10 days

Director: Sue Gevedon

Meeting close: 8:00 p.m. Minutes submitted by Robin Larzelere

General Meeting: Minutes from Feb. 13, 2024

Sign-up's are now open for volunteers to help at the 2024 Show.

On Saturday March 2, 2024 we will have a bag stuffing gathering. Contact Margaret for time and place. NOTE: March 16th if it rains on March 2nd.

Vendor wait lists were discussed in great detail by Show Vendor Chair, Veronica Purpura

•Vendors: 20 spots indoor and 20 outdoor.

•There is a wait list of over 50 people. •Veronica discussed her process for vendor selection. First, she will email interested parties. Next, wait two weeks for a response and then follow up with a phone call.

•Vendor waitlist participant Charles Walker expressed finding better ways to contact them to ensure the process of becoming a vendor is fair and expedited, so all have the opportunity who wish to vend at our show are considered.

•There was a discussion about a misconception that our show is free for us to run. Margaret Hogarth writes a grant, awarded every year by the City of Anaheim, but club still pays for the staff and the venue security.

•Jimmy mentioned Esther's celebration of life should be listed in the slab and to contact her daughter for times and location for those who'd like to pay their condolences.

At Lavic and North Cadies Rick Webber reported 22 people went.

Respectfully submitted by Regina Tula, Secretary

Searcher Presenters and News

April Speaker: Steve Knox

Topic - Field Trips, Research, Tools and locating Minerals



Steve Knox is a field collector that has collected for over 30 years, mostly in the western US although various places in the world. He has been published in magazines such as the Mineralogical Record and Rocks and Minerals. April's topic will be on field collecting including researching locations, tools needed for trips, and how to locate and find minerals and fossils.



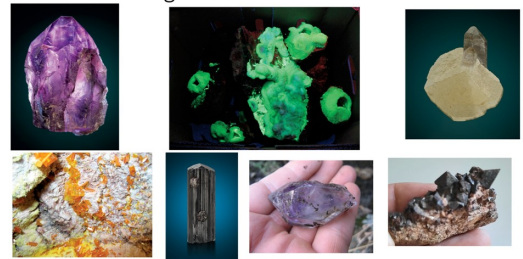
Photo at Trona, CA with brine lake in the background containing Pink Halite.



Photo underground at Bingham, NM at the Blanchard claims digging fluorite.

All minerals above field collected by Steve Knox. Photo of Four Peaks Amethyst, Phenakite and Schorl by Jeff Scovil. All others by Steve Knox.

Field Collecting in the Western US



MK Diamond (also Barranca) has gone out of business. They will no longer manufacture and sell lapidary equipment. They will continue to sell the MK 301 and MK303 saw blades, which are imported from Korea. If you need blades you can contact Dean Delahaut at 760 428 6243 or deandelahaut@gmail.com for more information, he and his brother Brian owned MK Diamond. I understand that Brian will be the one handling saw blades going forward. It's sad to see a lapidary business go down, but it is good news that the saw blades will still be available.
Steve Duncan Searchers Gem and Mineral Society

Workshop Request: For those who left rocks on the shelves at Workshop, please come pick up your rocks before Thursday, April 18, 2024. Rocks left after that date will be donated to the Silent Auction.

Welcome new Members: Madison Vasquez, Bruce and Johanna Wight

Saw Oil Available

The club supplies saw oil at a good price. It is located at Jim Peterson's home. Bring your own 5 gallon container. The cost is \$65 for 5 gallons to members. \$75 for non-members.

Upcoming Searchers Field Trips

Searchers 2024 Field Trip Schedule		
Date	Location	Leader
April 19-21, 2024	Hauser Geode Beds	CFMS
May 18-19, 2024	Coalinga, CA	Bill and Margaret Hogarth
May 24-26, 2024	Ventura, CA	
June 1-2, 2024	Copper World, Mojave Wilderness	Rick Webber

CFMS Field Trip, Hauser Geode Beds, Palo Verde, April 19-21, 2024

Wiley Wells Trip dates are April 19--20--21 2024. Coon Hollow BLM campgrounds, pit toilets, dry camp site w/some picnic tables, etc.

9 AM caravan out & explore with us. Some hotels are near, plan ahead.

Information is available on CFMS Inc, org -- click on field trips. Everyone is welcome, you won't be disappointed.

(See Below)

Spring camping, dress for cool or warm weather, be prepared and enjoy.

Please let me know if you want to attend so I can let Jim Barton know and we can look out for you.

Call 7145855606, text before or not so quick e-mail Richwebb3245@att.net.

Come on out and get your Geology kick and then some. Happy trails, Rick Webber

Wiley Wells, probably named after the Wild West, back about 100 to 140 years ago when the rich gold fields worked their way back to markets (west) on the Bradshaw Trail. Gold was plentiful in Arizona and south into Imperial County where Gold is still being prospected plentifully. Maybe you can find the Lost Spanish Galleon in the Salton Sea.

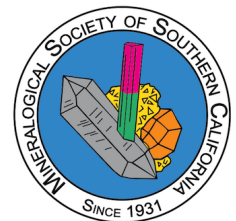
The upcoming Field Trip to "The Hauser Beds" and Wiley Wells, saying loosely because at least 20 prospective sites are a display of 'Cinammon', 'Potatoe Patch', and blue banded crystal formed geodes; even 'Fire' agate Geodes next to 'Pebble Terrace' is within range. This weekend is chalk full of abundant knowledge, and educated staff from CFMS & BLM, a Geologist, Earth Science experts to help us out there. What a great chance to learn the Craft, WOW !!!

- This trip is 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 (see Contact) beforehand to sign up and for further information.
- Remember to wear your name badge and sign in and sign out with the field trip leader.
- CO-OP website has information: <https://www.co-opfieldtrips.com>
- Also see CFMS Website: <https://www.cfmsinc.org> (no password needed)
- A Consent and Assumption of Risk Waiver of Liability form must be signed upon arrival at meeting site.
- All non-CFMS members are required to contact the Field Trip Leader before a field trip for any insurance requirements.

TRIP DIFFICULTY RATING SCALE

Vehicle Access & Parking – 5-7 dirt roads, hills, some steep sections and ravines

Collection Site – 5-7 dirt parking at lower collecting area, can hike up hills



Field Trip Hauser Geode Beds (Con.)

SPONSOR CLUB – COOP (Field Trip Leaders Association, a CFMS Society)
 LEADERS– GINA MALCOLM COOP President and JIM BARTON COOP Permanent Director
 CONTACT JIM BARTON IF ATTENDING (916) 847-7321 geologist1@surewest.net
 COLLECTION MATERIAL – Geodes, Porcelain Jasper

PROPOSED SCHEDULE – Meet up and conduct safety meeting each day before convoying to collection sites.

MEET (where/when) – Near intersection of Wiley's Well Rd and Hauser Geode Beds Road 0900 hours daily

DIRECTIONS TO SITE/CAMP – Take I-10 Wiley Well exit before Blythe, travel south on blacktop to CA State Prison then south on rough gravel road past Wiley Well and Coon Hollow BLM campgrounds to Hauser Geode Bed Road, where vehicles will congregate at 9 am each morning. Camping at BLM Coon Hollow Campground

VEHICLE REQ'S – recommend 4x4 or carpooling with a 4x4

CAMP/FACILITIES – Coon Hollow is a BLM fee required, gravel pads dry camp with pit toilets, shaded picnic tables and no hookups. There are several motels in Blythe (consult Google or Apple Maps for names)

TOOLS – Shovel, bucket, hoe or cultivator rake, rock hammer, safety glasses, work gloves

SAFETY CONCERNS – potential for heat or cold (layers), dehydration, sunscreen and full coverage hats, rattlesnakes and scorpions, slips-trips-falls (bring first aid kit), rough roads

CLIMATE/WEATHER – variable this time of year in the Mojave Desert, bring lots of water and sunscreen

CLOTHING – long pants and shirts – dress in layers, hiking boots recommended, sun protection (full cover) hats

OTHER REMARKS – The BLM and CFMS have a Memorandum of Agreement (MOU) to allow recreational (not commercial) collection of geodes at the Hauser Geode Beds.

The Bureau of Land Management Geologist and Scientist staff will give a presentation at the dig site on the geology, wildlife and historical significance of the region on April 19th.

CFMS requests that you, if able, clean up after yourself (fill holes, etc.) and help pick up any loose trash left by others at the sites. Recommend using BLM trash bags to clean up areas as needed. After their talk. BLM staff will haul collected trash out.

Field trips will end daily at 4 pm.

Bring your own water and lunches.

Remember to donate some of your finds to your society when you return.

FEES – Nominal camping fees at Coon Hollow Campground, none currently at dig sites.

Clear Creek Management Area Field Trip May 18-19, 2024

NOTE: AS OF 2/27/2024 THERE IS AN ADVISORY ABOUT RAINS WASHING OUT SOME AREAS OF THE ROAD AND SUGGESTING CAUTION. HOWEVER, THE ROAD IS NOT CLOSED AS IT WAS LAST YEAR AND THERE'S STILL 2 MONTHS MORE TO DRY OUT.

Meet 8:30am, Depart: 9:00am

Leader: Bill & Margaret Hogarth and Jimmie Peterson Cell# 909-264-1122 & 909-815-3045

Email: whogarth@gmail.com

For field trip
 information
 contact: Bill
 Hogarth or Rick
 Webber

Clear Creek Management Area Field Trip (Con.)

Hobby gem and mineral collectors are drawn to the Clear Creek areas by the presence of over 150 semi-precious mineral and gemstones. This is one of the most highly mineralized areas in California. The serpentine mass contains two superfund sites, Atlas Mine and Johns-Mansville. Both were associated with the mining and processing of chrysotile asbestos. Other minerals mined from the serpentine mass included cinnabar, chromite, magnesite, and jadeite. The Gem mine (private: <https://benitoitemining.com/>) located within the serpentine mass is the only source of gem-grade benitoite in the world. They have a fee dig in the tailings on the road up to our camping area if you are interested, but we will not be going on that trip. The rare minerals neptunite and joaquinite have also been found there. Other cool things to hound are jaspers, uvarovite, and plasma agate. We'll do a combination of digging for plasma agate and scouring the stream beds for interesting finds. You can't be disappointed in such a geologically diverse place! Please RSVP if you plan to attend, so we can try and get campsites for all.

Permits Needed!!

Get your permits ahead of time by visiting the following site, each car needs a general access permit to CCMA AND a special permit for the Serpentine Area (ACEC). <https://www.recreation.gov/vehiclepermits/250848>

\$11.00 for the two permits plus a fee of \$6.00

We will also need a gate code; Margaret will send that information out before the trip.

Directions:

I recommend using the "download offline maps" feature for Google Maps or your own selection of GPS App which allows off grid maps. There isn't much for cell service in the area.

From the I-5 Freeway: Take exit 325 for Jayne Ave (Rt33) and go west toward Coalinga (top up fuel here as there are no more stations). Continue on Jayne Ave, which is renamed Polk St. inside the town of Coalinga, then back into Jayne Ave after passing thru town. Continue on Jayne Ave and it makes a big right (north) sweeping turn, becoming S. Derrick Ave and you are in the middle of the Chevron Oil Field, go ~4 miles.

Turn left onto Los Gatos Creek Rd. Follow for 21.5 miles, turns into Coalinga Rd at the Condon Peak Recreation Area. Continue another 8.6 miles and turn right on to Clear Creek Rd (LOOK FOR SEARCHERS SIGN).

Pass over the shallow ford in the San Benito River. Travel about 2.3 miles, turn left just before the locked gate to head up to Jade Mill Campground (36.368356, -120.754140), SEARCHERS signs will be posted.

Camp is approximately 6 hrs from Orange County.

The camp is a dry camp with a pit toilet, bring everything you need. The campsites in Jade Mill are under mature oak trees and suitable for RV, trailers and tents.

Tools:

You may want heavy tools for the Plasma Agate, as some of it is in boulders you will need to break up if you want to take some. For the stream collecting, a rock pick and spray bottle will suffice. There are trace amounts of mercury, asbestos and arsenic as you read to get your permits. Having a filter mask is not a bad idea.

Vehicles: Although we will be on dirt roads, a high clearance vehicle or 4x4 is still recommended. If you come to camp in a car, we will have you carpool with someone for the collecting.

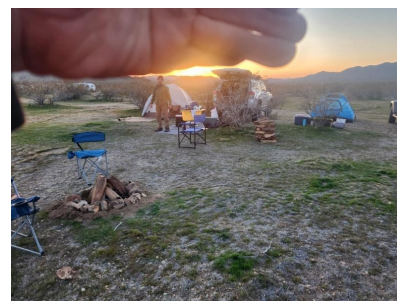
Potluck:

On Saturday night we will have our standard potluck, bring something to share if you wish to participate. If campfires are allowed in May please bring some firewood if you are able.

Field Trip Report : March 22-24 Stoddard Wells Tail Gate Show

Hello fellow Searchers, Rock Hounds and Lapidary Crafters of fine and beautiful mineral specimens. Stoddard Wells tailgate weekend was a fine blending of everything you can imagine, raw, and expertly worked. Some really good buys, some too beautiful to hold or purchase (for me), but no one left without something precious. Weather was amazing.

Friday--Brad was early. me--later. Warm campfire and snipe hunt (they're hibernating). Saturday, we were in a caravan of 28 cars and out 12 miles to the Tri-Color Marble site in a hilly small canyon. The Tri-Color Marble is a colorful blended, with some banding into a skin of stable volcanic bark that typifies desert Basaltic varnish. Truly interesting, can't wait to hand some pieces to the workshop. We will bring it to the next General meeting. Too good to hide !!



More on the Stoddard Wells Show

My husband Jack and I also went to the show on Friday. It was fun to go to a fully outdoor show way down a dirt road. It was the perfect day out in the high desert. There were many vendors both with finished products and lots of rough and slabs. I was really impressed with a knife maker– Jesse West. He makes some very beautiful pieces. His partner also had had some very nice stuff for sale.

Linda Horn



Camp Paradise 2024!

Now is the time to register for Camp Paradise. Organized by the California Federation of Mineralogical Societies (CFMS), this week-long lapidary camp has it all. Learn faceting, silverworking, lost-wax casting, chain mail, precious metal clay, enameling, beading, lapidary, soft stone carving, agate carving, dichroic glass, intarsia, and probably some other yummy skills. The camp includes food and lodging and is a blast. The cost is \$500 per person per week. What a bargain! It is located at 12725 LaPorte Road, Strawberry Valley, CA 95930. This is north of Sacramento in a dry forest. All rocks all the time, what could be better?

Week 1: August 18th to August 24th 2024

Week 2: August 25th to August 31, 2024

<https://cfmsinc.org/camp-paradise/>

I hope several of the Searchers consider attending. While we were not as active after 2020 due to my mom's care and then Ira's cancer, before that he was always there to help at club field trips and very much so at the shows, quietly behind the scenes. It was Ira who created the large vinyl banners used at the shows. He was so excited that year to surprise everyone with them! He was the quiet guy that always lent a hand... most times without ever being asked, and many times without anyone ever even knowing.

Thank you! Teri

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CELEBRATION OF LIFE
IRA FRANK WHEELER
MAY 4, 2024
12:00PM - 4:00PM
9772 EL TULIPAN CIR
FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CA 92708



The Wheeler Family invites you to join us as we celebrate the life of Ira. He was a dedicated husband, dad, son and a true friend to all that know him.

Please come gather with us as we celebrate, laugh at his funny antics and remember how amazing a man and friend Ira was to all.

*we are asking if you're able to, please bring a dish of your favorite finger food, appetizer or dessert (just something simple). I know some will be traveling and bringing a munchie isn't doable. That's totally ok... we want you to join us most of all!

Show News 2024

Our show is shaping up very well. Thank you to our hard-working Show Committee for producing such amazing results. What a lot of talent we have in our club! Our Silent Auction has an abundance of equipment and fine material this year, so get your wallets ready! We have volunteers signed up for making dinosaur eggs and helping with show activities, but if we had more volunteers it would be a more enjoyable experience for everyone. Offer a member a bio-break or time off for lunch. Help set up and take down. If you have strong relatives who can help take down the show, please ask. By Sunday evening most of us old-timers are ready for some assistance and the ibuprofen is wearing off. With our rolling racks and finely-organized show traditions we constantly work to make the show a better experience for all of us.

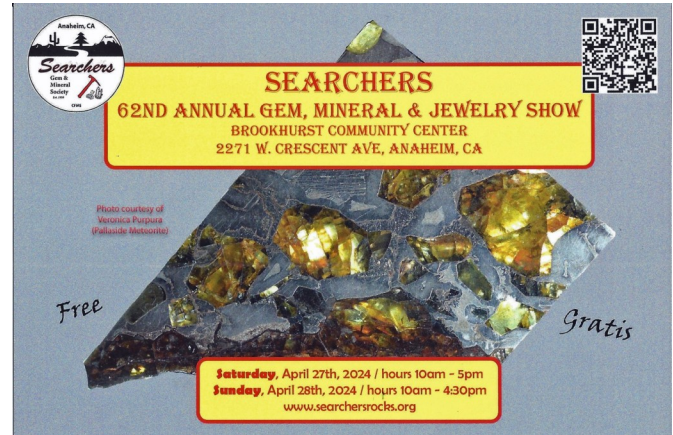
I am excited about our geode/nodule cracking activity and our new gum ball machine that will have polished rocks for 25 cents. We will also offer enhanced \$5 grab bags that are full of treasures! We prepared 150 goodie bags for children coming to the show; kids sure love the dinosaur eggs. We will have our treasure hunt activity, too. Cal State Fullerton Geology Club will be helping us with ring making. The Searchers Sale table has new display items so be sure to sign up to sell slabs, rough, specimens or your rock-related creations. Also sign up to sit at the table, so everyone can look at the show in addition to working the show.

If you have tech skills, sign up to run Square at Membership or at Geode Cracking. We have all of the equipment. We need you!

Remember, our club is non-profit and run by volunteers. The show is our main source of income and that income supports the workshop, scholarships, and outreach. Be sure to help. Sign-up sheets are available at the general meeting or by emailing Robin or Margaret.

See you at the show!

Margaret Hogarth, hogarth.m@gmail.com, 909-815-3045



Searchers Gem and Mineral Society
Free Admission & Parking! ¡Entrada Libre y Aparcamiento!



Door Prizes
Gemstones-Minerals
Silent Auctions
Demonstrators
Exhibits
Gold Panning
Dealers
Children's Activities



Brookhurst Community Center
2271 W. Crescent Ave, Anaheim, CA



Premios
Piedras Preciosas
Subasta Silenciosa
Demostraciones
Exposiciones
Lavado de Oro
Vendedores
Actividades para Niños

Quality Rocks Needed for Silent Auction at the Show

Most of you know that the Searchers put on an excellent show and that we are justifiably famous for our Silent Auction. Here is your chance to do something to support your club. The Silent Auction needs donations of quality materials. You can bring donations to Robin at either the monthly meetings or at the shop. If Robin is not at the shop Caleb will take the material. You can also bring material directly to the show if that works better for you.

The key word here is **quality**. I know that when I return from a collecting trip and am reviewing material there are always a couple of pieces that when I look at them I go "Sheesh, I wonder what I thought I saw in this one?" These are the ones that become yard rocks. These are **NOT** the ones we need for the Silent Auction. They can stay in your yard. We would much rather have one or two nice pieces than a 5-gallon bucket of yard rocks. So...look through the rock pile, pick out a couple of sweet pieces, and donate them for the auction, please. Needless to say, 5-gallon buckets of fine material are happily accepted.

Upcoming 2024 CFMS Gem Shows

2024

For a more complete listing of shows go to web-site: www.cfmsinc.org

April 6-7, 2024 – Vista, CA
 Vista Gem and Mineral Society
 Antique Gas and Steam Engine Museum,
 2040 N. Santa Fe Ave., Vista, CA 92083
 Hours: Saturday 10 AM – 5 PM, Sunday
 10 AM – 4 PM

Come on out to our Annual Gem and Mineral show at the Antique Gas and Engine Museum. This is an outdoors event with lots of gem and mineral dealers as well as an artist's alley with finished jewelry and other related items. We have a food truck so you can make a day of it. This is a free event. Check out our raffle and see our awesome vendors we have.

Contact: info@vistarocks.org
 Website: <https://vistarocks.org/>

April 13, 2024 – Lake Elsinore, CA
 Lake Elsinore Gem & Mineral Society
 32097 Corydon Road, Lake Elsinore, CA
 92530
 4th Annual Lake Elsinore Spring Rock &
 Craft Show

Hours: Saturday 10 AM – 4 PM
 Contact: (909) 208-6956, berylman50@aol.com

April 13-14, 2024 – Mariposa, CA
 Mariposa Gem and Mineral Club
 Mariposa County Fairgrounds, 5007
 Fairgrounds Rd., Mariposa, CA 95338
 Hours: Saturday 10 AM – 5 PM, Sunday
 10 AM – 4 PM

We'll have a great selection of vendors with all sorts of gems, minerals, fossils, rough lapidary material and many other rock-related items, a fabulous raffle, silent auction, geode cutting, and, of course, food...

Website: <http://mariposagemclub.org>

April 13-14, 2024 – Placerville, CA
 El Dorado County Mineral and Gem Society
 El Dorado County Fairgrounds, Placerville,
 CA
 Hours: Saturday 10 AM -5 PM, Sunday 10 AM
 – 4 PM
 Contact: (530) 676-2472, office@edcmgs.org
 Website: <http://edcmgs.org>

April 20-21, 2024 – Thousand Oaks, CA
 Conejo Valley Gem & Mineral Club
 Borchard Park Community Center, 190 N.
 Reino Rd., Thousand Oaks, CA 91320
 Hours: Saturday 10 AM – 5 PM, Sunday 10
 AM – 4 PM

"Pageant of a Thousand Gems" – 47th Annual Show

The event is FREE – no charge for parking or entry

The Show includes: members' display of personal collections or projects, demonstrations of skills and tools used in lapidary arts, vendors selling specimens of minerals, rocks, gems and jewelry, activities for kids to enjoy and learn from with prizes, a silent auction with a selection of specimens, door prizes and a plant sale.

Contact: (805) 209-3173, conejogemandmineral@gmail.com
 Website: <http://www.cgamc.org>

April 27-28, 2024 – Santa Cruz, CA
 Santa Cruz Mineral and Gem Society
 307 Church St., Santa Cruz, Ca 95060. Corner
 of Church and Center Streets
 Hours: Saturday, 10 AM – 5 PM, Sunday 10
 AM – 4 PM

Our Spring show has a large variety of vendors selling finished jewelry, gem stones, lapidary supplies and rough stone, fossils, mineral specimens, stone carvings and many other things of interest to 'rockhounds'. In addition, there is a rock identification table, display cases containing examples of items collected or made by club members, geode cutting, Pick-Your-Prize opportunity drawing, and a Treasure Wheel. Admission is \$7. \$1 off with show advertisement. Scouts in uniform free. Children under 12 free with paying adult.

April 27 – 28, 2024 – Anaheim, CA
 Searchers Gem and Mineral Society
 Brookhurst Community Canter, 2271
 W. Crescent Ave., Anaheim, CA 92801
 Hours: Saturday 10 AM – 5 PM, Sun-
 day 10 AM – 4:30 PM

This show features displays of members work, demonstrations by Searchers (and some of our friends) of lapidary work, stone carving, jewelry making, wire wrap, faceting and many other rock and jewelry related skills. There is a children's jewelry area where children can make a piece of jewelry and take it home, and a wheel of fortune. There are many dealers with their rock and jewelry related wares, and the best silent auction around.

Contact: nancybird68@gmail.com
 Website: <https://www.searchersrocks.org>

April 27-28, 2024 – Paradise, CA
 Paradise Gem & Mineral Club

475 Pearson Road, Paradise, CA 95967
 NorCal UNEARTHED – Paradise Gem and Mineral Club's 68th Annual Gem and Mineral Show. Come and join us for a weekend full of prizes, auctions, raffles, a kids zone, food vendors, demos, geode cracking and shopping! This year is going to be our BIGGEST show yet!! You won't want to miss this...please invite your rock loving friends and family. . We can't wait to see you.

Vendor Contact: paradisegemmineral@gmail.com

April Birthstone – Diamond



Joshua Tree

GEM & MINERAL SHOW

Rocks

Fossils

Gemstones

Slabs

Equipment

Cabochons

Crystals

Spheres

Jewelry

IN OUR NEW LOCATION

JOSHUA TREE LAKE RV & CAMPGROUND
 2601 SUNFAIR ROAD, JOSHUA TREE

APRIL 24 - 28

WEDS. - SAT. 9 to 5
 SUNDAY 9 to 4

LOTS OF VENDORS
 SELLING ITEMS FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY.
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 DISCOVERING THE EARTH'S AMAZING
 WONDERS!

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STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

This Searchers Gem and Mineral Society was formed for the purpose of banding together a group of congenial persons for the purpose of:

- Studying mineralogy and the earth sciences by means of association with other mineralogical societies and with their members.
- Presentation of public exhibitions, lectures, and similar programs.
- Field trips for exploration, study, and collecting of specimens.
- The encouragement of interest among young people and the fostering of interest in mineralogy and the lapidary arts.
- The procurement and maintenance of collections of minerals, mineral products and related pictures, writings, and other information thereof.

All other means which are appropriate to the accomplishment of the primary objectives above set forth.

To help achieve our purpose, The Searchers Gem and Mineral Society is committed to providing a social environment in which all members and guests are treated with respect and dignity. Each member has the right to attend meetings, club functions, club programs, and to interact with other club members in a non-threatening professional atmosphere that promotes equality and prohibits discriminatory practices, including harassment. We expect that all relationships among members and non-members who interact with our club will be business-like and free of bias and harassment. The activities listed below are not supportive of the Searchers purpose and are therefore strictly prohibited. Any member or guest who exhibits any of the behaviors listed below may be subject to consequences, including termination or denial of club membership.

1. Abusive or threatening language towards a member or guest.
2. Rude or offensive actions or language directed to a member or guest.
3. Verbal or physical harassment of a member or guest.
4. Actual or threatened violence toward any individual or group.
5. Conduct endangering the life, safety, health or well-being of others.
6. Hate speech, bullying or taking unfair advantage of any member or guest.
7. Bringing into a Searchers event dangerous or unauthorized materials such as explosives, firearms, weapons or other similar items.
8. Verbal or physical disruption of Searchers meetings or events.
9. Theft of Searchers property.

Failure to follow the Searchers Bylaws or Standing Rules.

All Searchers members should report prohibited behaviors as outlined above to the Searchers Board of Directors. Upon receiving any such report, the Board will promptly investigate and take appropriate action.

Searchers Gem & Mineral Society

General Information

Check our website for unexpected changes in schedule!

www.searchersrocks.org



General Meetings: 7 PM, 2nd Tuesday of each month, Jan - Nov
Board Meetings: 6:30 PM, 1st Tuesday of each month, Jan - Nov
Workshop: Thursday 5:30 to 10:00 PM and Saturday 2:30 to 7:00 PM

Location: Anaheim Downtown Community Center
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 Anaheim, CA 92805

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Website: www.searchersrocks.org

Membership Dues: Individual \$35
 Each additional household member is \$10

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