



From the President's Pen

A Tailgater is also known as a Rock Hound Rendezvous! It's a wonderful way to meet other club members and make connections (as well as see some of the wonderful finds they've found over their time as Rock Hounds. A Tailgater is a Rock Hounds' way to "De-Stash"!

You may be able to find anything you think a rock hound would want to buy or trade for. Essentially our member vendor area will be lined up, filling the parking lot around our Lapidary Shop. Official parking area is through the fence and in the parking lot back behind the Shop.

Many new rock hounds from other Clubs will be there as well as most of our usual great line-up. Looking forward to seeing you then! Saturday, May 14th 9 am - 2:30 pm.

— Teresa Johnson

Vice President's Corner

Buying Minerals on eBay

Buying things on eBay is nothing new, and there are a tons (literally) of rocks and minerals listed on eBay. But how do you find them? The obvious answer is to use the built in search feature if you are looking for something specific. If you want a plume agate slab, just search for it.

But if you are in the mood to just browse, use the Categories to narrow your browsing. First go to Collectibles and find the sub-category Rocks, Fossils & Minerals. This is where you want to be, but you could narrow it down to Crystals & Mineral Specimens, Fossils, Lapidary Materials, Meteorites & Tektites, and more. Even those sub-levels can be further explored.

The key to being a happy buyer though is to find an eBay dealer who specializes in what you are looking for. Some of my favorites (mineral specimens, of course) include pebblepeddler, rixrox (Rick Kennedy), scepterguy, open-adit, and jewels-fine-minerals. But the best minerals on eBay seem to come from mineral-man999. He starts every auction at \$0.99, but everything always ends up selling for hundreds and even thousands of dollars. His stuff is wonderful to look at, even if it is out of most people's price range.

If you haven't checked out eBay for your rock needs (and wants), this information should give you a good place to start. Enjoy!

— Matthew Stanley

Educational Program for May 10, 2016



Save your pennies, because the big event is here! It is time for the Annual Oral Auction! This event is fun for all involved, even more fun if you bid, and the most fun

when you win! Join us on Tuesday, May 10 and get your favorite items before they are going... going... gone!

**Special auction for Juniors comes first,
then General Auction.**

**See the list of all auction items
online at**

www.rockrollers.com/auction.html

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Reminder — the RRR By-Laws prohibit members from selling items during our Educational Meetings.

A member is welcome to bring an item to put out for display in the Show & Tell area. Displaying items for sale is not allowed. The venue for member sales is either via the Show or Tailgater.

MINUTES FOR ROSEVILLE ROCK ROLLERS EDUCATIONAL MEETING APRIL 12, 2016

Call to Order at 7:02 p.m. by President Teresa Johnson.

Flag Salute led by Junior Member Quentin Stanley.

Present: 66 Members, 2 Rookies and 11 Guests.

Introductions by Guests.

Sunshine – Greeter Nancy Hood is absent due to illness.

Juniors – Carole Kowalik said there were 6 Juniors at their meeting. Cannon Hansen gave a presentation on jade. For an activity they created a Tic Tac Toe game with X's & O's on rocks and the grid on the bag that holds the rocks.

Junior Rockhound of the Year Presentation – Quentin Stanley received his framed certificate and pin for the award he received in 2015.

Treasurer – Terry Yoschak stated it was too early to give a financial report on the show. She requested an auditor for the Society's financial records for 2015 and Kymberly Fiala volunteered.

Secretary – Florence Brady reported the membership was 264 and counting.

Vice President/Programs – Matthew Stanley reported the program for the May Ed. Mtg. will be our annual oral auction.

CFMS Director – was absent.

Vests, Tee Shirts, Patches – Jan Kessler reported she received the XXL vests.

Classes – Judy Osmundson reported the Crafty sessions would be on the 1st and 3rd Mondays. James Christian has offered to give a beginners class in carving.

Field Trips – Gordon Standlee reported he will be leading a field trip for agate in the River Pines area in Amador Co. on May 15th. Details to be in the May bulletin.

Librarian/Historian – Karla Shannon requested that members return checked out books.

Refreshments – please sign up on the Refreshments Signup Sheet. We will no longer be sending out e-mails requesting volunteers.

Show – Jim Hutchings, Show Chair and Florence Brady summarized the show, the success we had in spite of it occurring on Easter weekend! All the Show Chairs were introduced and the audience showed their appreciation for a job well done.

Workers' Raffle Drawings – 1st prize, the amethyst geode was won by Mark Brady. Second, third and fourth winners were Judy Osmundson, Mike Hunerlach and Terry Yoschak. Judy and Mike each chose a vest with a RRR patch, Terry chose the family membership (for 2017). The following winners received a vial with picker gold nuggets, donated by the Motherlode Goldhounds and Jim Hutchings: Kim Lowe, Gloria Marie, Gina Malcom, Debi Roberts, Martha Nichols, Hugh Brady, Alyssa Meiszinger, and Brett Lawless.

Silent Auction – Hugh Brady reminded the members to bid on the items and he explained the upcoming annual oral auction held during the May Ed. Mtg. He is accepting donations along with donated gold.

Old Business – members were reminded of the Tailgater function which will be on May 14th. A space may be rented for \$10, contact Teresa Johnson.

New Business – Member Carla, LaFave summarized the tour of

the SC Museum, conducted by Charles Dailey. Dino Day will be May 1st, information is in the bulletin.

Drawings – winners were: Member, Judi D'Innocenti; Junior, Nick Kakoulli and Guest, Cameron Downey.

Program – Matthew Stanley introduced RRR Member Jim Hutchings who gave a power point presentation of Topaz Mt. in the Delta, UT area. He shared the tools he uses and the specimens he has collected.

Recess for Refreshments.

Adjournment – meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

MINUTES FOR ROSEVILLE ROCK ROLLERS BOARD MEETING APRIL 12, 2016

Call to Order by President Teresa Johnson at 8:28 p.m.

Present – 8 Board Officers for a quorum.

Membership Applications – a motion was MSA to accept membership applications from: Kathleen Beall, Cameron Downey, Kathryn Fair, Gail Finnegan, Suzette Jones, Mark & Sandy Lucas, James Marsh, Katie Marsh (Jr.), Moses Aguilar (Jr.), Karen Ramirez, Orlyn Torfason and Erin Wyner.

Adjournment – meeting was adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Florence Brady, RRR Secretary

MINUTES FOR ROSEVILLE ROCK ROLLERS BOARD MEETING APRIL 26, 2016

Call to Order by Vice President Matthew Stanley at 7:00 p.m. until Teresa Johnson arrived later.

Present: all officers except Kelley Ballard, Gene Doyle and Jim Hutchings. Guest: Nanette Johnston.

Minutes – a motion was MSA to approve the minutes for Bd. Mtg. March 22, 2016 and Ed. & Bd. Mtgs. April 12, 2016.

Treasurer – Terry Yoschak reported no unusual bills.

Correspondence – Florence Brady reported no correspondence.

Membership – 266 members.

Vice President – Matthew Stanley reported the May Ed. Mtg. will be our annual oral auction, June's Ed. Mtg. will be a presentation by RRR Member Michael Hunerlach on Roseville petrified wood.

Librarian/Historian – Karla Shannon had no report.

Bulletin – Terry reported the deadline is April 29th. The deadline for the June bulletin will be May 25th, the day after the Board meeting.

Field Trips – Gordon Standlee summarized the upcoming field trip to the River Pines area near Plymouth. It is for agate and possibly opal and druzy quartz. Easy drive, easy walk.

Federation Direction – Steve Smith stated he will bring applications for Camp Paradise to the May Ed. Mtg. He has been working with Al Bolshazy, PLAC Chairman for Northern CA and Nevada, and Nevada Representative with ALAA on a plan to work on getting rockhounds to write to the appropriate elected officials regarding a possible upcoming bill, S2568. Discussed was

having the information and writing materials available at an upcoming educational meeting. A motion was MSA to have Steve Smith share his information with the club members at the June Ed. Mtg. along with letter writing information.

Lapidary Classes – no report.

Show Chair – Terry reviewed the 5 year show financial records summary for expenses and income.

Lapidary Shop – the toilet needs a part replaced as it is not correctly filling up with water. Will need to get someone in to repair it.

Directors – Richard Kowaleski discussed the RRR scholarship offered to a Sierra College student who meets our criteria. Discussed was the procedure for reviewing the applicants. A committee consisting of Carole Lockhart, Karla Shannon and Richard will review the applicants and present to the Board to vote for a candidate.

Juniors' Advisor – Carole Kowalik reported the presentation for the May Rookies' meeting will be on smokey quartz, given by Quentin Stanley. The Rockhound badges have arrived and she will present them to the recipient(s) at the Juniors' meeting and also during the Ed. Mtg.

Old Business – discussion on the Tailgater (May 14th) and who will be able to help during this function. A motion was MSA to rent a porta potty for approximately \$160. It was decided to sell some of the extra grab bags left over from the show, for \$2.00. It was decided to send out an e-mail notice regarding the Tailgater, to the addresses we have for our 2016 show. Later it was decided not to do this e-mailing as the recipients were previously told the only e-mail they would be sent was for the RRR annual show.

New Business

Consideration of changes to the RRR By-Laws and Standing Rules – discussion on needed revisions. A motion was MSA to form a committee to review the By-Laws and Standing Rules. Members will be Florence Brady, Jim Hutchings, Nanette Johnston, Teresa Johnson and Matthew Stanley.

Discussion regarding when an e-mail can be sent out to our members for a RRR member who has a business and who would like to sell these items. It cannot be done unless the sale is a liquidation sale of the member's business.

New fencing is needed around the lapidary shop. A motion was MSA to allocate up to \$1,000 for new fencing materials and replacement of hand railing. Will contact Jim Hutchings for further information.

Next Meeting – May 24, 2016 starting at 7 p.m.

Adjournment – meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Florence Brady, RRR Secretary

May Board Meeting

The meeting will be held Tuesday, May 24, at 7:00 PM in the club Lapidary Shop at the Roseville Fairgrounds.

Welcome New Members:

Kathleen Beall
Cameron Downey
Kathryn Fair
Gail Finnegan
Suzette Jones
Mark & Sandy Lucas
James Marsh
Karen Ramirez
Orlyn Torfason
Erin Wyner

Welcome New Junior Members

Moses Aguilar
Katie Marsh

Rookie Rock Roller News



The rookies will meet in the lapidary shop at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 10, 2016. At our last meeting, we had a great presentation from Cannon on Jade. The junior advisor forgot to bring the samples that were donated for their collections. She will bring them to the May meeting. After our meeting, the juniors made a tic tac toe game out of rocks painted with X's and O's.

At our May meeting, Quentin will present Smoky Quartz. After this, we will have some fun. Be sure to make an appointment with the junior advisor to see if you qualify for a badge or two.

See you all at the meeting,

Carole Kowalik, Junior Advisor
916-705-2124 *home3004@gmail.com*

May Refreshments

Refreshments for the May 10th Educational meeting are to be provided by Duncan & Shirley Penman, Karla Shannon, Les Thomas, Jan Kessler, Kelley & Colleen Ballard, Lonnie Riggs and Kathy Fair. Thank you all in advance!

We would appreciate if each family would sign up and bring a refreshment once in 2016.

ORAL AUCTION 2016



As you are aware, the program for May is our annual oral auction. I've tried to set up a range of items and values. The list of items is now on our website at www.rockrollers.com/auction.html. The list is preliminary but I don't expect many changes. If you have a special interest in an item and need to have it moved earlier in the order, contact me (916) 961-6868 and I will try to accommodate you. A list of all the items will be available for pickup at the meeting.

I want to especially thank Don Tadlock for his donation of the beautiful amethyst crystal "tower". It measures about 10" wide, 8" high and 8" deep, has

great amethyst crystals and even a part which could be set up for special lighting. Don saved me from having to wrestle my son for the prize he won on the Workers' Raffle! The vial of gold is there as promised. Not properly reflected on the bidding list is Gloria's recent donation of both Virgin Valley opal as well as many Australian opal triplets and a donation from the Opal Man, dealer Jim Davidge of an opal cab. Thus, a first change is needed. I hope it is the last.

RULES: Generally we will proceed as a standard auction house auction. Our exception is that my assistants and I are allowed to bid. We are all volunteers and will need your help and assistance. If we have made a mistake, let us know ASAP.

When you arrive, be sure to sign for a bidding paddle number and pick up your bidding paddle. Without this you cannot bid! Before you leave, return your paddle and pay for your goodies. Our treasurer and assistant will accept cash or your check, payable to RRR.

Things will wrap up fastest if your cash is nearest the amount(s) you have bid. They will keep track of your purchases, but you should also keep your own record.

During the bidding, you can help us by raising your paddle. If we don't spot you, a polite HOO RAH should get our attention.

If you have questions, please ask. Bring your money, your bidding voices and let's all have fun.

— *Hugh Brady, your auctioneer*



Camp Paradise

It's almost time for Camp Paradise! There is nowhere else north of Camp Zzyzx where you can get steeped in top-notch earth science training, for a full week, at such a reasonable cost. For only \$400.00, you get a full week of food, lodging and training at the hands of experts in your choice of many of the crafts we enjoy. That comes out to only \$57.14 per day (plus the cost of any supplies you may need for specific classes).

Classes are provided from novice to advanced levels. This year's classes include beginning faceting, ming trees, lapidary, soft stone carving, lost wax casting, silversmithing, wire art, copper enameling, lampwork bead making, bead weaving, PMC3 clay and dichroic glass. Several of the instructors are master class show

competitors. They really know their stuff and will teach you their tricks of the trade.

CFMS offers two weeks of classes at Camp Paradise: Aug 28 - Sept 3, 2016 and Sept 4 - Sept 10, 2016. The camp is located at 12725 LaPorte Rd, Clipper Mills, CA 95930, a beautiful site up in the pines just north of New Bullard's Bar Reservoir. The time to sign up is NOW. I will have a supply of application forms at the next few educational meetings; the forms provide more detailed info about Camp Paradise.

Steve Smith
CFMS Director

Lapidary Classes

Lapidary Classes - Introduction to Shop Use & Cabochon making is \$10 per class for 5 classes or \$45 paid in full. Our Rock Hound Oasis is staffed Monday & Wednesday nights 5 pm - 9 pm! Learn more about the Lapidary Arts & Cabochon Making. A DVD is available for viewing at the Shop for Cabochon Making.

Regular \$5 per day or \$20 monthly rates apply for lapidary shop use after Orientation/Introduction classes.

Shop fee: Daily: \$5 or Monthly: \$20.

Large & Extra Large Saws: \$1 per slab for 18 inch saw & \$2 per slab for 24 inch saw for cutting large & extra large rocks.

Crafty Days - \$5 workshop fee. Bring whatever project you are working on and something to snack on for lunch! NO class fee, since this is not a class.

10 am-2 pm, each month on the 1st and 3rd Mondays.

Chain Maille Samples Class #2 with Judy Osmundson

The people taking these classes understand they are a series and all the people in this #2 class have taken the #1 class. Jumping in.. in the middle is not a huge problem, except the weaves can get harder as we go.

Friday, May 6, 9-12:30 Fee: \$25

Intro to Carving with Jim Christian

Bring Dremel with foot pad (if you have it), safety glasses, dust mask and apron. Fee \$40.

Sunday, May 15, 9 am—3:30 pm.



Mineral ID with Jim Hutchings

TBA Sign-up for next offering.

Learn the necessary tools, books & techniques of identifying rocks & minerals! Fee: \$25

Stereo-Microscope Workshop

TBA Sign up for next offering. Hands-on workshop on identifying gems and minerals, detecting flaws in lapidary material, and enjoying the beauty of smaller specimens. Scopes provided or bring your own. Fee: \$5

Remember - We ask that you sign up ahead of time for classes. For our classes listed as by appointment or TBA, we build the class based on sign-ups & instructors schedules. In other words, we make the date when we have sign-ups.

Shop Clean-up is something everyone does!

Use the full surface of the belts - to prevent premature wearing. A DVD is available for viewing at the Shop for Cabochon Making.

If you want to sign-up for any of the classes, email: classesforrockrollers@gmail.com

Work Party!

We have a need to bring the area around the Shop into compliance for the good of the Shop's neighbors.

Jim Hutchings will be heading up this effort. Please contact him if you can lend a hand.

jhutchings22@hotmail.com

Roseville Rock Rollers www.rockrollers.com

TAILGATOR ROCK SWAP

SATURDAY, MAY 14, 2016
9:00 AM - 2:30 PM at the Lapidary Shop
Placer County Fairgrounds

**Come to buy, trade, swap, & show
Equipment, rocks & rock related items,
Lapidary, fossils, crystals**

KIDS & FAMILY-FRIENDLY EVENT!

\$10 for a space — Free admission to public
To sign up, contact Teresa at 916-929-0701

Rocks sold BY THE POUND in our large ROCK PILE !

A ROSEVILLE ROCK ROLLERS "ROCK HOUND RENDEZVOUS" AT VIRGIN VALLEY, NV

TRIP LOCATION: Virgin Valley, Nevada.

WHEN: (Memorial Day Weekend Friday, May 27 – Monday, May 30).

MEMBERS' GUESTS: This is a private mining claim open to the public. Anybody may join us at the mine camp site. There are no organized outings scheduled for this trip. Mining at the mine **is not** required for camping at the mine and with the group. As it is a private facility, there are no insurance requirements for those attending. Should there be an organized, off site, trip for collection of other materials, those participating may be required to sign an informed consent and waiver. No contact with Leader is required. Just show up.

COLLECTION MATERIAL: opals, preserved and petrified wood, selenite, and opalite. Apache Tears, Carnelian, and colorful Agates and Jaspers are found in the region close by.

LEADER & CONTACT INFO: Jim Hutchings, 530-367-5108 or 916-995-7380 jhutchings22@hotmail.com prior to and at the camp if the Wi-Fi is up.

PROPOSED SCHEDULE: Fri. (or before), Arrive at the Royal Peacock mine, set up camp. Saturday, dig in bank or tailings at the Royal Peacock or bucket load and tailings at the Rainbow Ridge Mine. Sunday, the same. Monday. Depart for home. Drive time from Roseville is approximately 8 - 10 hours.

MEET: At the Royal Peacock Opal Mine and campsite. Lines for both opal mines start at 7:00 – 7:30 am. Rainbow Ridge requires ½ hour travel time from the Royal Peacock. Start times for tail digging is anytime. Go on-line to Virgin Valley and Royal Peacock -- <http://www.royalpeacock.com>. Or www.rainbowridge.com. Bank material at the Rainbow is delivered in a pile by the owner operators and reservations are recommended for a "Pile" well ahead of time for this busy weekend.

DIRECTIONS TO SITE/CAMP: From Hwy 80 at Winnemucca, go north on Hwy 95. From Hwy 95, go west-northwest on Hwy 140. Hwy 140 will make a sharp left west at Denio Junction. Just after topping out on the Dufferena Grade, watch for the Opal Mine signs and turn left. Driving on the dirt road for several miles, you will pass The Fish and Wildlife station and arrive at the old CCC camp and ponds. Continue on the main road turning right, take the right turn at the fork in the road and watch for the signs to Royal Peacock 13 miles. The roads are dirt and gravel but absolutely no challenge to 2 wheel drive and low clearance vehicles. An alternate path is from Reno North to Lakeview Oregon, and then East on SR 140 to Virgin Valley Road. Either way, gas up at Denio or Lakeview prior to heading into Virgin Valley if you plan on doing any exploring. Some folks stay in Winnemucca Thursday or Friday night and can expect a two hour drive from Winnemucca to the mines.

CAMP/FACILITIES: The Royal Peacock has been charging \$12 per night per person for dry camping, showers, and flush toilet. The Royal Peacock has several "minimalist" trailers and

a cabin for rent. However, you should make a reservation early. Keep in mind, they are not five star facilities.....There are RV hook-ups available. Ice is available until about Sunday afternoon on busy weekends. The "store" has water, soda, and snacks available. There is a one way pay telephone to the outside world, bring lots of quarters. No cell service in the valley. There is an outhouse up at the mine site, bring extra toilet paper. Wi-Fi is available at the Royal Peacock and some visitors have been able to get Verizon Cell service from the Rainbow Ridge Mine.

TOOLS: Small pick, garden rake, small shovel or trowel, screwdriver (or similar tool), 5 gallon plastic buckets (one for sitting on), gloves, water squirt/spray bottle, kneeling pad, rock hammer, chisel, sledge hammer, hat sunscreen, collecting bag. The Estwing (now a Kingsley North product) gad bar makes an excellent chisel for working in this material. Plastic bags or larger wide mouth plastic containers for keeping wet opals wet in water.

SAFETY CONCERNS: Protection from sun, rattlesnakes, wild burros. There are some mosquitoes depending on wind and temperature. The same goes for no-see-ums! You will want to spray your hair with DEET to prevent these rascals from biting your scalp. This is a kid-friendly site. As always, children should be well supervised. Those digging in the bank should pay close attention to instructions regarding undercutting. Those who do not cave their wall so as to avoid undercutting will be asked to leave the bank. The BLM and MSHA visit the site and will shut the digging down if the mine operators do not seriously enforce this safety procedure.

CLIMATE & WEATHER: Variable, desert area. It may rain, snow, or be unbearably hot this early in the season. This year's weather patterns are consistent with years past when the weather was cool at night but warm during the day. This may be a great year without snow or ice temperatures at night. It is recommended that you check Weather Channel or Accu-Weather for local weather at Denio prior to travel to make sure you are prepared. The desert winds can be strong, if you are tent camping, make sure you bring solid stakes and tie downs or your tent will end up in Wyoming! Bring firewood!!!

FEES: prices may go up for 2016 and are not known at this time. Last year fees were: digging at the bank at Peacock is \$180, tails at around \$70. Bucket loads at Rainbow Ridge were \$500 for up to three persons, and \$70.00 for tails. There are no obligations to dig at either mine while camping at the Royal Peacock and the region surrounding the opal camp is a treasure trove for mineral collectors and rock hounds. High clearance vehicles and slow speeds are recommended when traveling on any of the dirt roads outside of the Virgin Valley mining camps.

REMEMBER TO BRING: Bug spray, extra water, tent stakes, sunscreen, carpet or foam pad to sit on, plastic rain poncho for momentary sprinkles or showers, camp fire wood, camp chair, Wampum Sticks if you have one, adult beverages are allowed at the campfire. Howling at the moon is required.

A FIELD TRIP TO RIVER PINES, CA

TRIP LOCATION – River Pines, CA near Plymouth in Amador County.

TRIP DIFFICULTY RATING SCALE

Vehicle Access & Parking - #1, 2 - vehicle access and parking to include busses, RV's, handicap vehicles, handicap parking is available.

Collection or View Site - #3 - flat ground, unpaved sections, handicap access with some help.

WHEN – Sunday, May 15, 2016.

LEADER & CONTACT INFO – Gordon Standlee: 209-643-9847.

MEMBER'S GUESTS – Allowed.

COLLECTION MATERIAL –Agate, opal, miscellaneous minerals.

PROPOSED SCHEDULE – This is a newly discovered collecting area with plenty of material in float. We are still discovering different areas of various agates and common opals. This is a fairly easy 1/2 mile hike uphill to the collecting site. If you are a beginner or an experienced Rockhound, you will be successful in finding great material. Look for some examples at the May educational meeting.

MEET - Cal Fire parking lot - Address: 15035 Hwy E-16, River Pines CA, 95675 at 9:00 A.M.

DIRECTIONS TO SITE/CAMP – Hwy. 49 to Plymouth and then north on E-16 to River Pines or South from Pleasant Valley on E-16 to River Pines.

VEHICLE REQ'S – Any.

CAMP/FACILITIES – No camping areas nearby.

TOOLS – Buckets, Rock Hammer maybe a small shovel. Material is in float.

SAFETY CONCERNS -We will be collecting near steep outcroppings. There are open shafts to mines in the area and should be avoided. Be aware that snakes can be out this time of year and they are in the area.

CLIMATE/WEATHER – May is changeable weather. It can get very hot or start out cold. Wear layers of clothing as weather allows.

CLOTHING - Wear layered clothing and hat, boots or hiking shoes. Need protection from the sun.

OTHER REMARKS - This is the perfect trip for someone just getting started in collecting rocks in the field. You will find quality, rare, material in an area of great geologic interest. **Bring plenty of water.**

FEES –NONE.



May Calendar

Birthstone: Emerald



Sun	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1	2 Crafty Day 10-2 Lapidary Shop 5:00-9:00 pm	3	4 Lapidary Shop 5:00-9:00 pm	5	6 Chain Maille Samples #2 9 am-12:30 pm	7
8	9 Lapidary Shop 5:00-9:00 pm	10 Meetings: Rookies 5:30 pm Club 7:00 pm	11 Lapidary Shop 5:00-9:00 pm	12	13	14  Tailgater 9 am—2:30 pm
15 Intro to Carving 9-3:30 River Pines Trip	16 Crafty Day 10-2 Lapidary Shop 5:00-9:00 pm	17	18 Lapidary Shop 5:00-9:00 pm	19	20	21
22	23 Lapidary Shop 5:00-9:00 pm	24 Board Meeting 7:00 pm	25 Lapidary Shop 5:00-9:00 pm	26	27 Virgin Valley Rock Hound Rendezvous	28
29 →	30 	31	For more class information, contact Class Coordinator: Teresa Johnson 916-929-0701 Email: classesforrockrollers@gmail.com			

Co-Op and Other Field Trips

General Rules:

- These trips are open to all rockhounds who agree to abide by the AFMS Code of Ethics, the directions of the field trip leader and practice safe rockhounding.
- Call the field trip leader beforehand to sign up and for further information.
- Remember to wear your name badge and **sign in and out** with the field trip leader.
- Consent and Assumption of Risk Waiver of Liability form must be signed upon arrival at meeting site.

SCHEDULE for 2016	
May 15	River Pines for Agate, opal, miscellaneous minerals. Roseville Rock Rollers. Contact: Gordon Standlee: 209-643-9847.
May 21—22	Yerington/Mason Pass, NV, for turquoise, chrysocolla, copper related minerals, quartz crystals, blue quartz. El Dorado County MGS. Contact: Thaleia Georgiades thaleia@thaleia.com 530-957-3800
May 27—30	Virgin Valley, NV, for opals, preserved and petrified wood, selenite, and opalite. Roseville Rock Rollers. Contact: Jim Hutchings, 530-367-5108 or 916-995-7380 jhutchings22@hotmail.com.
Aug 2—6	Prineville Oregon Area for Petrified wood, some blue vug agate, geodes, thunder eggs and jasper. Contact: Doug True - dtruefossils12@yahoo.com & local contact Debbie Bunn 916-929-6665
Aug 7—9	Condon, Oregon for John Day Fossil Beds National Monument and Condon Paleo Museum. Fossil leaf fee dig. Fossils For Fun. Contact: Debbie Bunn – 916-929-6665



Great invention for field trips — *via Telephone City Crystal 6/10*

Upcoming Northern California Shows

May 7 - 8: JACKSON, CA

Amador County Gem & Mineral Society
Kennedy Mine
12594 Kennedy Mine Rd (off Hwys 49/88)
Hours: 10 – 4 daily
Contact: Gaylene Lichty, (209) 245-5388
Email: mountaingirl@volcano.net
Website: www.amadorgemandmineral.org

May 7 - 8: RENO, NV

Reno Gem & Mineral Society
Reno Livestock Event Center
1350 North Wells Avenue
Hours: Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4
Contact: Daniel Ellis, (775) 229-4420
Email: sailondan55@aol.com
Website: www.renorockhounds.com

August 13 - 14: SAN FRANCISCO, CA

San Francisco Gem & Mineral Society
San Francisco County Fair Building
Hours: Sat. 10 - 6; Sun. 10 - 5
Contact: Ellen Nott, (415) 564-4230
Email: ellen_nott@yahoo.com
Website: www.sfgemshow.org



On Straightening Wire

Have you ever pulled out your silver wire and found that it's all bent up? The easiest way I've found to straighten it out is to stretch it a bit.

Simply put one end in the vise and grab the other end with a pair of serrated tip pliers. Pull just enough to feel the wire stretch like a rubber band. This works best on smaller wire diameters, up to about 16ga. If you're working on thick wires and pulling hard, be sure to brace yourself in case the wire breaks or pulls out of the pliers. ... *Brad Smith*

Grab each end of your wire with a pliers, and drag it back and forth over the corner of your bench pin, or any other handy block of wood. The technique looks similar to the buffing technique employed by a corner shoe-shine professional, only you go nice and slow, and it takes about 3 strokes. I guess another analogy would be "similar to the technique we use to curl Christmas wrapping ribbon".

The nice thing about this technique is that you don't need to re-anneal the wire after straightening. ...*Thomas Clark*

Via Pasadena Lapidary Society Newsletter 2/11

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