

From the President's Pen

For all of you that volunteered and provided your own time in support of the Roseville Rock Rollers, Gem and Mineral Show; thank you! After having a third show in the new venue we are starting to nail down the unknowns and having the show flow with little problems. We could not have succeeded without you all being there helping us setup, run and break down the show.

One of the many things I like to do whenever I am at any location other than home for a long period of time is search out if there just happens to be something near me to collect. Now this could range from rocks, minerals and even fossils. The most difficult thing I have found though is getting hold of the local club/society to find out just where to go collect something. That is where the internet has become very helpful in searching out these oddball places. So I thought I would share some of the random internet tools I have come across to find different material wherever you may end up yourself.

Here is one user friendly map that provides a general location of materials and what materials to be found. Even lists some in our own backyard!

https://rockhoundresource.com/rockhounding-near-you-2500-locations-with-guides-and-maps/

When it comes to fossils I have very little knowledge beyond that of a sharks tooth or an ammonite. However, I found this site very interesting when I searched out CA and found we have a lot of stuff in our backyard that we can collect if we wanted to. http://fossilspot.com/index.html

Hope you all enjoy the tools and again thank you all for your help this year at our annual show.

— Glenn Fiala

Vice President's Corner

Greetings RRR members and guests. Turning toward autumn, we look forward to the season changing and a different slate of daily activities with more mild temperatures. Most vacationers are back in town, and our September 12th attendance at the upcoming Educational Meeting should increase a bit.

Our speaker will be Sonya Patel, presenting a fascinating discussion about Amber. If you've had a curiosity, or a few questions, this could be your opportunity to put them to rest.

In closing, Be bold, and ask a guest, or two, to join you. We are here for our community, so let's make them welcome by invitation.

Vern Deck

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Educational Program

This month's educational meeting will be @the Grounds in Roseville on September 12th at 7:00 PM in the Garden Room.

Join us for a fascinating presentation on all things amber, given by Sonya Patel.



EDUCATIONAL MEETING LOCATION: @THE GROUNDS IN THE GARDEN ROOM 700 EVENT CENTER DRIVE, ROSEVILLE, CA

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IN MEMORIAM

Hugh G. Brady was a Lifetime Member (since 1996) of the Roseville Rock Rollers Gem and Mineral Society and was also a member of Fossils for Fun Society.

He passed away on July 20, 2023.

He served as a Director on the Board, and for many years, was in charge of the Society's Silent Auction during the monthly Educational Meetings. He started a new event, for the Educational Meeting after our annual show, he, along with his "assistants" Keith and Carole, held an Oral Auction. This was a job he clearly loved, as he spent hours selecting the items along with a numbered handout for the members. "Bid High, Scare the Other Bidders" and "Wake Up" were frequent statements during a rousing auction!

Driving their Hi-Lo Trailer, and accompanied by Florence and their cat, he went on many field trips for fossils, minerals, and petrified wood. Locally, he collected Roseville petrified wood from areas in Roseville and Granite Bay. Other field trips were in Nevada, Oregon, Utah and Montana along with several in California. He also was the field trip leader for several RRR Society and CO-OP field trips.

For several years, he donated walking sticks to the Silent Auction, which he usually made from dried cactus wood. He carved figures on them and put a cabochon on the top of the stick.

During his stay at Camp Paradise, he made his first of several wire wrapped jewelry pieces. But his real "rockhound" love was going on field trips looking for leaf and insect fossils and collecting rocks and minerals. Many slabs were cut using his 24" Highland Park saw, some were made into clocks.

Below are some photos from his "Rockhound Excursions"!

METAL DETECTING



Hugh at Emerald Creek, UT 2004



Getting ready to metal detect at Jim Hutchings gold claim



Searching in the NV desert

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RRR's Annual Show

Well, we did it! the 2023 show is packed up and put away. What a great showing of support from our Board, Show Committee, and members. I can only summarize the comments that came my way. Again, our visitors recognized the amazing quality, and variety of vendors that were offered at our show. Our vendors recognized the impact of inflation, and the return of all the other shows in our region, along with the CFMS show in June. This diffusion of buyers and their money is as it should be but cut into the vendors' sales totals. There were a lot of my "touch stone" vendors that stated that they did better than previous shows.

One thing that was consistent with all of them is that the Roseville show is the most organized, friendliest, and "fun" show they do all year. No vendor stated that they will not be looking forward to a contract for next year.

There are some real hero's out there, that stepped up at the last minute and took on huge responsibilities and became veterans in one show. Having been confronted with every possible issue that would challenge anybody, they pulled it together. I am not going to start naming them all, as our bulletin would run on for pages. The real hero is the collective effort and energy of the Roseville Rock Rollers Society!

Thank you to Paula Berg and Florence Brady for the powerful summaries of the lives of our long serving members, Terry Yoschak and Hugh Brady. These memorial cases captured the lives and interest of our members who passed this year.

Nobody died, nobody got hurt, and nobody quit! But did we make money? While we are not in the business as a gem and mineral society to make money, we must make money to stay in business. The Covid years beat us up financially, but we survived with enough funds to invest in the 2022 and 2023 shows. Yes, we did make money. I think the numbers will surprise us all when all the income and all the outflows are measured. There are still receipts being processed and reimbursements being made. Once we have a good number, we will reveal that number.

Our attendance was, once again, found to overcome the usual 2 to 300 that do not return to our show each year, AND increased by 125 over 2019 and 2022! History tells us that after three years of hovering around a static attendance, we make the jump to a new and significant higher number. This is our third year at around 3,000. Next year is the year for us to move forward and bring even more visitors to our show. Please plan to join us on the show committee next year, to pull off another exceptional show!

Jim Hutchings, 2023 Show Chair

Nominations During September 12, 2023 Educational Meeting

At the annual September Educational Meeting, three (3) RRR members shall be elected to serve on the Nomination Committee. They will select a Chairperson, that person will then call for candidates for each office listed on the white board provided. Below is listed the procedure in total. This can be also found on our By-Laws, listed under Membership on the RRR website: www.rockrollers.com

Nomination Committee for Slate of 2024 RRR Officers Procedure recently adopted in our By-Laws:

- The Nomination Committee shall consist of three (3) members, who shall have been members for at least three months and elected by a majority of the general membership at the September Educational Meeting.
- The Chairperson of the Committee shall be elected by the Committee members. The Chairperson will lead and coordinate the Committee's activities.
- The Chairperson will ask for nominations for open positions at the September and October Educational Meetings. Each Committee member will have his/her name and contact information published in the October Society bulletin. The deadline for accepting nominations will be during the October Educational Meeting.
- The Committee will review the qualifications of nominees, verify their eligibility and ensure they meet the qualifications set forth in the Society's By-Laws. Each candidate will provide consent to their nomination.
- After nominations are closed, at the October Educational Meeting, the Nomination Committee shall present its slate of nominees for each office, excluding Show Chairperson. The Slate of Officers will be published in the November bulletin.
- The election of officers shall be held at the November Educational Meeting. The Nomination Committee is dissolved after the elections. The election of officers, if there are multiple nominees, shall be by secret ballot at the November Educational Meeting. Installation shall be made at the December Educational Meeting.
- The newly elected officers, except Show Chairperson, shall assume their duties after the December business meeting and shall continue for one year, or two years in the case of Directors, or until their successors are elected. Both outgoing and incoming officers should attend the December business meeting.

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MINUTES FOR ROSEVILLE ROCK ROLLERS EDUCATIONAL MEETING AUGUST 8, 2023

Call to Order at 7 pm by President, Glenn Fiala.

Flag Salute.

Introductions by Guests.

Recess for Refreshments.

Business Meeting:

Show and Tell – following members participated: Paul Otto,
Debbie Bunn, Denis Stroud, James Madonna, Jim deBlanc and
Tim Unruh.

Sunshine – a sympathy card was sent to the family of JR Evans.

Juniors – Patty Holbrook - We had 10 Juniors at the meeting. Four were visitors who were interested in joining. We did rock identification activities while playing Rock Bingo. Smokey quartz, quartzite, and other miscellaneous rocks were donated by Mike and Renee' Hunerlach.

Treasurer – Kim Fiala – financial results for the Show will be shared after all bills are submitted. All bills must be turned in by August 22nd.

Secretary/Membership – Florence Brady – 238, received 5 applications during the Show with more applying now.

Programs – Vice President, Vern Deck, - future program for the September Ed. Mtg. will be a presentation on amber, given by former member Sonja Patel. For the October Ed. Mtg. will be a presentation by Bob Rush on Stone Tools.

CFMS Director – Meg Zbierski – was absent.

Vests, Tee Shirts & Patches – Steve Todd – has available RRR apparel.

Field Trips – Gene Doyle – will not have a new field trip for August. For the Indian Springs field trip. he had 14 attendees. Nice material was obtained. He encouraged members to consider going on the Utah field trips.

Librarian/Historian – Karla Shannon – no report, but she asked members to returned checked out materials within 60 days.

Show – Jim Hutchings – reported it was a great show, well-funded. We had 123 attendees more than last year. We are working on developing a core of returnees. Will increase media ads next year. Discussed reasons why sales may have decreased for some vendors. The animals were a huge attraction. Vendors complimented the Society for putting on a great show! Thanks were given to all the volunteers. We need chairpersons for: Admissions, Secretary, Printing Coordinator and Demonstrators/Demo-Dealers. August 22nd is the Post-Show Committee meeting and in February 2024, we will hold the first Show meeting for the 2024 Show.

Lapidary Shop – Denise Coyne – was absent. The Lapidary Shop will be cleaned up on Saturday, in preparation for the Open House on Sunday. (Canceled Wire Wrap Class on Saturday.)

Lapidary Classes – Cathy Nelson – no classes in the future. **Refreshments** – we need sign-ups for the upcoming meetings. **Old Business** – none

New Business - none

General Announcements – See bulletin for upcoming Shows. **Drawings** – not done.

Silent Auction – Sherri Collins & Holli Hinkle reported 10 more minutes until closing.

Adjournment – meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Florence Brady, RRR Secretary

MINUTES FOR ROSEVILLE ROCK ROLLERS BOARD MEETING AUGUST 8, 2023

Call to Order – by President, Glenn Fiala at 8:30 pm.

Present – 8 officers, a quorum was present.

Membership Applications: a motion was MSA to approve the membership applications from Alan & Bobbi Metzger, Ellie Spillman, Michael & Ellen Covington; Jessica Pearce and Rita Temple & Isaac Temple, Jr.

RRR Name Badges – shared was a newly developed name badge that will be permanently colored (green and yellow) made by "Rocky Five" (Frank Mullaney). The cost per name badge increased from \$4.50 - \$6.00. Added to each shipping invoice are 9.38% taxes and \$4-5 shipping/handling costs. A motion was MSA to increase the name badge fee to \$10. Each person applying for RRR membership must pay the name badge fee.

Adjournment – meeting was adjourned at 8:38 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Florence Brady, RRR Secretary



Roseville Petrified Wood Oral Auction

In memory of Hugh Brady, we will hold an Oral Auction during the RRR Educational Meeting on September 12, 2023.

As the Silent Auction Chair for RRR in the 2000's, Hugh would hold an Oral Auction after the annual Show, so the volunteers for our show would have a chance to bid on something special.

Here is the procedure which will be followed: Interested members must sign up and take a bidding card number.

Bidding will start at \$50.

Subsequent bids will be increments of \$5.

Winning bidder gets the Roseville Petrified Wood!

Please return your bidding "paddles" at the end of the meeting.







September Board Meeting

The meeting will be held Tuesday, September 26, at 7:00 PM in the club Lapidary Shop at the Fairgrounds.

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Rookie Rock Roller News



The Juniors will meet in the Lapidary Shop on Tuesday September 12, 2023, from 5:30 to 6:45. The entrance is located on Corporation Yard Road. At this meeting we will be using our rock identification kits to identify rocks. We will also complete our Rocks and

Minerals badge. Juniors who have attended most of the meetings in the last year will earn the badge.

The Junior Program is designed for children 8-17 years of age. I am finding that children younger than that need extra support to do the activities. They need help following directions and completing the activities. I do not want to turn younger children away if they are interested in the program, so I am asking that parents stay with children under seven.

In October, we will start working on the Fossils Badge. I am looking for people who would be willing to share their fossil collections with us at our scheduled meeting on the second Tuesday of the month. Please let me know if you are interested in sharing your knowledge and collections. The Juniors may work on badges on their own. Just let me know when they finish a badge, and I will go over it with them. All the information to complete these badges is in the Future Rockhounds of America Badge Program (on the homepage click on Kids Corner, then click on Merit Badge Program, and finally click on AFMS Badge Manual).

See you in September, Patty Holbrook, Junior Advisor 916 834-3915 and pattyholbrook@hotmail.com



A Big Thank You From Your Silent Auction Co-Chairs

Thank you to our wonderful volunteers!

You worked hard, from beginning to end, to make this year's Silent Auction happen, and you pitched in to help, when it was needed the most! Our sincere apologies if we forgot anyone. Please know that if you helped in any way, you are very much appreciated!

Jim HutchingsDuncan PenmanLes HolbrookDavid HaggertyVern DeckMike HunnerlachJames MadonnaSteven BruceJudith HerrmannLisa Pimentel

Isaiah

(We were unable to get a last name for Isaiah, in time for the bulletin)

Thank You For Your Donations

Fran Todd - Brazilian opal, turquoise specimens Mike Hunnerlach - slabs, misc.

James Madonna - simulated faceted blue topaz, box of misc. Paul Otto - mineral specimen

Nevada Gem and Mineral - Nevada petrified wood

With Very Special Thanks to:

Florence and Hugh Brady:

For the gift of many wonderful fossils, rocks, minerals, Roseville petrified wood, and Wyoming Blue Forest petrified wood.

Frank and Terry Yoschak Family:

Lapidary equipment, polished cabs, rocks, specimens and minerals.

Carole Lockhart and Keith Lindholm:

For their expertise in fossil and petrified wood identification, and the many pieces of amber with bugs. Jim and Robin Ford Collection - 2022

You made this year's Silent Auction a great success, and we could not have done it without you!

Nancy Hood * Eugene Doyle * Lindy Summers - Bair Your SA co-chairs



Thank You For Your Donations

A big thank you to James Madonna for donating a faceted glass teardrop. And a warm thank you to Hugh and Florence Brady for their generous donations to the Show Silent Auction and Raffle

The Raffle chairpersons - Denise, Chris & Sherri - would like to offer a huge thank you all our vendors and club members that donated to the Raffle and Hourly Drawings. And also those that volunteered at the show, without you it wouldn't be the success that it is.

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Lapidary Shop News

<u>Lapidary Shop:</u> Things are hopping at the shop; classes are filling up. Make sure to call if you want to get into the Cabochon Class. We have a wait list for the daytime class.

Still openings in the Wednesday evening class with Fran.

The schedule is:

<u>Mondays:</u> 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM. Instructor is Vernon Deck. Please call him to set up an appointment. (805) 598-3206

<u>Wednesdays:</u> 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Instructor is Holli Hinkle. Please call her to set up an appointment. (916) 579-8011

<u>Wednesdays:</u> 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM. Instructor is Fran Todd. Please call her to set up an

appointment. (310) 987-0642

<u>Thursdays: OPEN SESSIONS</u> 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Instructors are Sherri Collins (916) 704-2682, Gene Doyle (408) 605-9457. Please call one of them to set up an appointment. These open shop times are for those who have completed RRR's introductory cabochon class*****).

<u>Thursdays: OPEN SESSIONS:</u> 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM. Monitor is Holli Hinkle. Please call her to set up an appointment. (916) 579-8011. These open shop times are for those who have completed RRR's introductory cabochon class.

Mineral ID: with Jim Hutchings. Please call him for an appointment. (916) 995-7380

Sherri Collins , Shop Chairperson 916-704-2682





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Birthstone: Sapphire Sunday **Monday Tuesday** Wednesday **Thursday Friday** Saturday 1 2 3 5 7 8 9 6 Lapidary Shop: *** Lapidary Shop: Lapidary Shop: 11:00 AM - 3 PM 11:00 AM - 3 PM 5:00 - 9:00 PM 5:00 - 9:00 PM 5:00 - 9:00 PM 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 Meetings: *** Lapidary Shop: Lapidary Shop: Rookies 5:30 PM 11:00 AM - 3 PM Lapidary Shop: 11:00 AM - 3 PM Club 7:00 PM 5:00 - 9:00 PM 5:00 - 9:00 PM 5:00 - 9:00 PM 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 *** Lapidary Shop: Lapidary Shop: Lapidary Shop: 11:00 AM - 3 PM 11:00 AM - 3 PM 5:00 - 9:00 PM 5:00 - 9:00 PM 5:00 - 9:00 PM 24 25 27 28 29 30 26 *** Lapidary Shop: Lapidary Shop: **Board Meeting** Lapidary Shop: 11:00 AM - 3 PM 11:00 AM - 3 PM 5:00 - 9:00 PM 7:00 PM 5:00 - 9:00 PM 5:00 - 9:00 PM *** Thursday Classes:

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These open shop times are for those who have completed RRR's introductory cabochon class

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A "CO-OP MEMBER" FIELD TRIP FOSSIL DISCOVERY CENTER OF MADERA COUNTY

- 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 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.
- 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 LOCATION -FOSSIL DISCOVERY CENTER OF MADERA COUNTY

A new hands-on science museum displaying Ice Age Fossil like mammoths, saber tooth cats, sloths, camels and horses. Located in Chowchilla Ca.

WHEN - September 23, 2023 11 AM.

SPONSOR CLUB – Fossils For Fun

LEADER & CONTACT INFO – Debbie Bunn, (916)798-3362 PLEASE call her ahead of time so she can let them know how many are coming.

MEMBER'S GUESTS - Allowed and encouraged! Great for kids of all ages!

WHAT YOU'LL SEE - Discovery Center features fossils from the Middle-Pleistocene 780,000 years ago, Mammoths, Smilodon, Sloth, Dire wolf, Camels and Horses.

MEET – September 23rd . 11 am Fossil Discovery Center 19450 Avenue 21 1/2, Chowchilla, CA 93610. About 3 hours from Sacramento area.

DIRECTIONS - Take Highway 99 south, take exit Avenue 21 ½ you will go to the west to19450 Avenue 21 1/2, Chowchilla, CA 93610 to the Center.

CAMP/FACILITIES – Motels in the area.

CLIMATE/WEATHER - indoors FEES - \$15 a person for Docent lead tour. Additional \$4 for kids mock fossil dig.

NEAR BY - Valley Pistachio Country Store www.californiavalleycountrystore.com 20865 Ave 20, Madera, CA 93637 (559) 674-0020



https://www.maderamammoths.org/exhibits.html

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Upcoming Gem and Mineral Shows

September 16-17, 2023 - Monterey, CA

Carmel Valley Gem & Mineral Society Monterey Fairgrounds, Monterey, CA

Hours: 10 AM - 5 PM

Contact: (831) 801-5887, susieharlow@gmail.com

Reno/Sparks Convention Center, 4590 S. Virginia St., Reno

Website: http://cvgms.rocks

September 16-17, 2023 - Reno, NV

Reno Gem and Mineral Society

Hours: Saturday 10 AM – 5 PM, Sunday 10 AM – 4 PM
The Jackpot of Gems has been held in the Reno area for over 50 years. The show is put on to educate people who have an interest in minerals and gems that are so abundant in our State. RGMS members display over 30 cases of rocks, gems, and minerals. There are demonstrations showing how to make some of the beautiful things shown in the Display Cases. There is a booth high-lighting fluorescent features of some minerals that has been called "nature's light show". Expect to learn something new about rocks and minerals in the State of Nevada. It is a fun hobby to learn

about and the Show is enjoyable for the entire family. There will be raffle tickets available for fabulous prizes. The Wheel of Fortune is a special place for children who spin the wheel to win fun rock and gem specimens. We also have a new Kids Corner with rock painting and a scavenger hunt. There are great bargains available in beads and minerals in the silent auction held every thirty minutes. Come join us!

Contact: (775) 229-4420, sailondan55@aol.com

Website: www.renogms.org



https://cfmsinc.org/shows-2/

September 16-17, 2023 - Chico, CA

Feather River Lapidary and Mineral Society
Silver Dollar Fairgrounds, 2357 Fair St, Chico, CA 95928
Hours: Saturday 9 AM – 5 PM, Sunday 9 AM – 4 PM
15th Annual Rock, Gem, and Jewelry Show at the Chico Silver
Dollar Fairgrounds. Adults - \$5, Kids 16 & under - FREE
First 200 KIDS through the door receive a FREE necklace!
Website: featherriverrocks.org



https://www.featherriverrocks.org/

October 7-8, 2023 - Grass Valley, CA

Nevada County Gem and Mineral Society

Nevada County Fairgrounds, 11228 McCourtney Rd., Grass Valley 95949

Hours: Saturday 10 AM - 5 PM, Sunday 10 AM - 4 PM 57th Annual Earth's Treasurers Show: 25+ vendors, gem and mineral exhibits, Gold panning, lapidary arts demonstrations. Kids Corner, food and ice cream trucks. Admissions - Adults \$4, Children ages 12 and under free with a paid adult, Military with an "active military" I.D. Free, FREE PARKING

Contact: 4vanclan5@att.net

October 14-15, 2023 - Redwood City, CA

Penninsula Gem and Geology Society AND Sequoia Gem and Mineral Society

Redwood City Community Activities Building, 1400 Rosevelt Ave., Redwood City, CA 94061

Hours: 10 AM - 5 PM

Contact: (650) 575-3144, cci@pacbell.net

Website: http://sequoiagemandmineralsociety.org

October 21-22, 2023 - Santa Rosa, CA

Santa Rosa Mineral & Gem Society

Santa Rosa Veterans Memorial Building, 1351 Maple Ave., Santa

Rosa, CA 95404

Hours: Saturday and Sunday - 10 AM - 5 PM

Annual show featuring 35 vendors, gold panning, florescent mineral display, children's activities, raffle prizes, on-going silent

auction, member displays. FREE Parking

Contact: (707) 849-9551, jolene4srmgs@gmail.com

Website: http://srmgs.org

October 28-29, 2023 - Sacramento, CA

Sacramento Mineral Society

Scottish Rite Masonic Center, 6151 H St., Sacramento, CA 95819 Hours: Saturday 10 AM - 5 PM, Sunday 10 AM - 4 PM

The Sacramento Gem, Mineral, and Jewelry Show is the annual fundraiser for the Sacramento Mineral Society and features a wide variety of vendors, exhibits, and demonstrations. There is a great raffle with over 50 different prizes (including a Large Amethyst Cathedral grand prize), games, and a variety of fun activities for all ages!

Admission is \$8.99 for adults, children 12 and under get in free with a paid adult. Parking is free!

Contact: (916) 662-5819,

webadmin@sacrementomineralsociety.org Website: http://www.sacgemshow/com



https://cfmsinc.org/shows-2/