



From the President's Pen

Folks, February is upon us and with it comes Valentine's Day! Although this is a Halmark holiday, it does have relevance for all of us to remember our significant other and just what they do for you and the family. And, along those lines we have a number of significant others that have stood up and ensure our society keeps moving forward during good times and bad.

So I would like to take this opportunity and recognize Vern, for stepping up and continuing to act as President in my absence of what is appearing to be a busy work year, while still acting as VP. And, Jacquelyn for taking on the task of learning the Secretary duties and shadowing Florence. There is also Kim F. and her willingness to shadow Terry and document all of the Treasurer duties, while being President of CFMS.

There are many others that have done marvelous things and ensure our society continues to function. I know I don't have enough room here in the bulletin to recognize you all, but please know you are appreciated. And thank you for all you do to ensure our society continues to function and prosper.

Take care folks and enjoy Valentine's day together and remember to thank a society member that has helped you out. They will really appreciate it too.

— Glenn Fiala



Vice President's Corner

The February Educational Meeting, on February 14th, Valentine's Day evening, will be a real "SWEET TREAT" for all who are able to come, and for the friends they bring as well. With the recent epic shows in Quartzsite and Tucson our video presentation will be an inspirational peek at the Tucson, Arizona Show and several venues there. Watching this presentation may be what gets you planning for the 2024 event! Arrangements need early planning, and asking other members who have made this trip for valuable insights!

In addition, we will continue a new Valentine's tradition; Denise Coyne is preparing a special box of RRR Valentine's Eye-Candy you will not be able to resist! Come ready to bid on this once a year opportunity to own "The-SWEET Treasure!"

-Vern Deck



Educational Program

A video by "The Mineral Explorer Way" will be presented that covers the Tucson, AZ Gem and Mineral Shows.



It is back the Mystery Valentines Heart.

What is in it?

It is full of fun and exciting, yummy gems and treasures. Perfect for you or your Valentine.

To be Auctioned off at the February 14th, educational meeting.

This will be an Oral Auction so make sure to bring some extra cash for this exciting collection of rocks and treasures!

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MINUTES FOR ROSEVILLE ROCK ROLLERS EDUCATIONAL MEETING JANUARY 10, 2023

Call to Order at 7:02 P.M. p.m. by Vern Deck, Vice President.

Flag Salute.

Introductions of Guests.

Present: Members, 53+; Juniors 4 and Guests 10.

Business Meeting:

Sunshine - a sympathy card was sent to Don Tadlock.

Juniors – Patty Holbrook reported 9 Juniors were at the meeting. They made salt crystals and were sent home with a Recipe and kit to make sugar crystals. They will study borax at the Feb. 14th meeting and geodes at the March 14th meeting.

Treasurer – Terry Yoschak was absent, no report.

Secretary/Membership – Florence Brady reported 199 renewals and counting and we had 265 members for 2022.

Programs – Vice President, Vern Deck reported the presentation for our Feb. Ed. Mtg. is to be determined.

CFMS Director – Meg Zbierski reported she attended the CFMS meetings and dinner in November. She has information on Camp Paradise which will be shared in the future.

Vests, Tee Shirts & Patches – Steve Todd asked if anyone wanted to place an order, as he hopes to order more vests.

Field Trips – Gene Doyle reported no field trips in January. In February he will lead a field trip to the Pillikin Mine near Folsom Lake.

Librarian/Historian – Karla Shannon reported she has a series of books on metal clay and the Smithsonian gem book along with rock and gem magazines. Thanks were given to John Cartwright for his donation of books.

Show – Jim Hutchings reported he has both business and post card size show flyers for distribution. He US mailed to Carole Kowalik all the show hourly drawing forms plus postcards. She is creating an updated data base for our 2023 show which is saved on flash drives. Show Committee first meeting will be Feb. 21st.

Lapidary Shop – Denise Coyne was absent, no report.

Lapidary Classes – Cathy Nelson reported she is working on some upcoming classes for silversmithing 3 in 1 along with a trial run on opal classes with Fran Todd.

Refreshments – we need more signups for the upcoming meetings.

Old Business – Past President Jim Barton mentioned the BLM hike on Jan. 28th which will include going to a geode dig area. The annual CFMS show in Lodi in June will need volunteers.

New Business – Gina Malcolm, President of the CO-OP, invited members to attend the annual seminar and auction, March 4th. Details in the Feb. bulletin. She mentioned the “land grab” by the BLM in the Fallon, NV area.

General Announcements – upcoming show in Antioch.

Drawings – winners were: Member, Chris Davis; Junior, Deja Raine and Guest, Don Lindamood.

Presentation – VP, Vern Deck, introduced Rick Kennedy who gave a presentation on the mine in the Hallelujah Junction area.

Silent Auction – Sherri Collins & Holli Hinkle reported 10 more minutes until the SA is closed.

Adjournment – meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

MINUTES FOR ROSEVILLE ROCK ROLLERS BOARD MEETING JANUARY 10, 2023

Call to Order – by VP Vern Deck at 8:47 p.m.

Present – 10 officers, a quorum was present.

Membership Applications – a motion was MSA to accept the member ship applications from Jenny Cartwright, Leesa Dixey, Sterling Lifftring, and Isabelle Kauffman.

Adjournment – meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Florence Brady, RRR Secretary



MINUTES FOR ROSEVILLE ROCK ROLLERS BOARD MEETING JANUARY 24, 2023

Call to Order – by Vern Deck, Vice President, at 7:01 p.m.

Roll Call – a quorum was present. Glenn Fiala was present via phone, guests were Les Holbrook, Jacqueline Parker. Kim Fiala and Kim Loe via phone. Absent: Gene Doyle, Jim Hutchings, Martha Nichols and Terry Yoschak.

Minutes – A motion was MSA to approve the minutes as presented for: the Bd. Mtg. Nov. 22, 2022, Ed. & Bd. Mtgs. Dec.13, 2022 and Ed. & Bd. Mtgs. Jan. 10, 2023

Treasurer: Bills - Terry Yoschak was absent. Kim Fiala reported she will be receiving the financial records for the 2022 Show for audit.

Correspondence: Secretary, Florence Brady – reported none.

Membership: Florence stated we have 211 members. A motion was MSA to approve the membership applications from Don Lindamood and John Mendes. Discussion on which membership documents should be kept. (Florence has records from 2001. It was decided to just keep the membership addresses for 5-7 years and to shred the membership applications and renewal forms.

Vice President/Programs: Vern Deck reported the program for the Feb. 14th Ed. Mtg. is to be determined.

Librarian – Historian: Karla Shannon will be turning in a request for reimbursement of costs for new library materials (mainly the envelopes used for checkout cards.)

Deadline for Bulletin: Friday, Feb. 3, 2023.

Field Trips: Gene Doyle was absent. He sent a message regarding the field trip to the Pillikin Mine on Feb. 25th and how the carpooling will be arranged. Information to be published in the Feb. bulletin.

Federation Director: Meg Ziberski discussed our scholarship contest for a member to attend the annual Camp Paradise. Sign-up forms will be available on the CFMS website starting March 15th. The logistics for doing this were discussed. Jim Barton explained that the annual CFMS show in June, in Lodi, does not have a Society to be the sponsor. He discussed borrowing RRR exhibit cases along with their lights and signing up volunteers from RRR to help before, during and after the show. Discussion occurred, with the decision to discuss this request for the cases during the first RRR Show Committee Meeting on Feb. 21st and at the Board Mtg. Feb. 28th. Jim will also be talking to other societies in the northern CA area. Meg offered to help get volunteers, Florence will send the templates used for getting RRR volunteers to our annual show to both Jim and Meg. At the Feb. 14th Ed. Mtg. the request for volunteer signups will begin.

MINUTES FOR ROSEVILLE ROCK ROLLERS BOARD MEETING JANUARY 24, 2023 cont'd

Lapidary Classes: Cathy Nelson reported she is working on getting some classes.

Show: Jim Hutchings was absent. First Show Committee meeting will be Feb. 21st.

Lapidary Shop: Denise Coyne reported on needed parts needed for some of the equipment. Glenn Fiala will look into purchasing some of the needed saw blades while he is in Tucson. Denise will be changing the combinations on the two locks, appropriate members will be so informed. Probably the shop will be closed for a week, to allow the instructors to make the needed repairs. She still is working with the plumbing company regarding the hookup to the sewer line. She will try to get the drawing from Roebbelen regarding location of pipes. Septic tank is to be pumped out. She will donate a "candy heart" filled with donations of cabs, tumbled rocks, etc. to be on the Silent Auction table on Feb. 14th.

Directors: Holly Hinkle, reported she wants to get the equipment fixed before advertising for new students. Martha Nichols was absent due to illness. Cathy Nelson and Denise Coyne had no reports.

Juniors: Patty Holbrook – reported for the Feb. 14th meeting, the Juniors will discuss geodes and will be making crystals from borax. In March, Jim Hutchings will bring geodes to be cut for the Juniors. Discussed doing a presentation by the Juniors on the past year's meetings. This will be done at the April Ed. Mtg. along with a slide show. Patty asked if she could be reimbursed for the "bubble rocks" she wishes to purchase. Permission was given. Discussed making another area outside the lap shop to store Juniors' rocks, Les Holbrook will help with this project.

Past President: Jim Barton had no report.

Old Business – none.

New Business – It was announced Jacqueline Parker is learning the Secretary/Membership Officer position. Presently, "shadowing" Florence. She has received most needed docs, etc. Mailbox, discussion as to whether or not Jacqueline should get one of the 2 keys. It was decided that she will receive the 2nd key from Kim Fiala. Karla Shannon presently has the key and is frequently checking the mailbox and giving US mail to the proper persons (usually Terry or Florence).

It was announced Kim is shadowing Terry over the next year to capture all of the treasurer duties. This does not sink her into the job, but provides a path of knowledge transfer for after the year and when put up for a vote if anyone would like to step into the position and utilize the notes Kim has captured.

Meg Zbierski offered to be an assistant to Greeter Nancy Hood, for meetings Nancy can't attend. She will work this out with Nancy.

The May 9th Ed. Mtg. will be held at the Maidu Community Center. To be determined is a change to the requested hours/time which right now is 6:00 – 8:30 p.m. and what time should the Ed. Mtg. actually start?

Next Bd. Mtg. – February 28, 2023.

Adjournment – adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Florence Brady, RRR Secretary



A get well card was sent to Terry Yoshack, .

When you know of any member who is ill or has been hospitalized, please contact our Sunshine Chair, Heather Crane, at (818) 903-4433 or hmcrane7@gmail.com



February Show Committee Meeting

The show committee meeting will be held at the Lapidary Shop on February 28th, at 7PM.

All are welcome to join that are interested in supporting the annual Roseville Rock Rollers Gem and Mineral Show.

This is the kick off meeting for the annual show, so multiple topics will be covered and input received and reviewed.



February Board Meeting

The meeting will be held Tuesday, February 28th, at 7:00 PM in the club Lapidary Shop at the Fairgrounds.



Upcoming Gem and Mineral Show

Vallejo Gem and Mineral Society
February 25-26, 2023 – Vallejo, CA
Solano County Fairgrounds
McCormack Hall, 900 Fairgrounds Drive
Vallejo, CA 94589
Hours: 10 AM-5 PM

Gems, geodes, fossils, beads and minerals from around the globe. Discover lapidary and stone crafts from vendors and live demonstrations. Silent auction, geode cutting, and games of chance and discovery for kids!

Contact: (415) 254-1506
ddahonvgms@gmail.com
Go to website to get a \$1 off coupon
Website: <http://vjgems.co/>

Rookie Rock Roller News



The Rookies will meet in the Lapidary Shop on Tuesday, February 14, 2023, from 5:30 to 6:45. The entrance is located on Corporation Yard Road. We will be looking at our salt crystals that we made at the January

meeting. We will also be learning about geodes to get ready for our March meeting when Jim Hutchings will be bringing geodes for us to cut open. The activity for the February meeting will be making crystals from borax. We still need more jars, so if you can bring a jar to the February meeting that would be helpful.

The Junior/ Rookie 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 six.

Over the next few meetings, the Juniors will be working on the requirements for the Rocks and Minerals Badge. Juniors who attend most of the meetings should be able to earn this badge. I will make sure that there is enough repetition and review that it will not be necessary to attend all the meetings to earn the badge. The Juniors are also able to work on other 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 at www.amfed.org (on the homepage click on Kids Corner, then click on Merit Badge Program, and finally click on AFMS Badge Manual).

We would appreciate the following donations to help with the crystal experiments that we will be doing for the next few meetings. We need glass jars no taller than eight inches, food coloring, and craft pom poms. I can pick these up at the beginning of the adult meetings.

See you in February.

Patty Holbrook, Junior Advisor
916 834-3915 and pattyholbrook@hotmail.com

Lapidary Shop Hours and Instructors

The Lapidary Shop has three new instructors: Sherri Collins, Tom Collins, and Gene Doyle.

The three of them will be sharing a Thursday 11am to 3pm time slot for open shop time. Again, this is time set aside for members who have completed the Cabochon Instruction. Please contact via text (preferred) or phone call to book a spot.

THURSDAYS 11:00 am to 3:00 pm

Sherri Collins (916) 704-2682

Tom Collins (916) 704-6256

Gene Doyle (408) 605-9457

Thanks,



CO-OP Annual Seminar

CO-OP Annual Seminar Is Just Around The Corner!

Date: March 4, 2023,
Woman's Thursday Club
10625 Fair Oaks Blvd, Fair Oaks, CA. 95628

- We welcome our CO-OP Society members to attend!
- Check in is between 9:30 am 9:50 am.
 - Coffee and breakfast snack will be provided. Donation toward costs appreciated!
 - Guest are welcome to bring an Auction item if they so wish (our only fund raiser).
- Meeting to start right at 10:00 am.
- Our speaker will start around 10:15. (Jim Hutchings is the Speaker).
- The topic will be "Chemistry and Origins of Gold".
- We will then have a short break then the Live Auction!
- Business meeting after lunch. Open to guests if they would like to stay and attend.
- Field Trip Leaders Orientation followed by Business meeting.
- We please ask you to RSVP!
 - Please rsvp to mistywatsonc21@hotmail.com or text to (209)480-3176.
 - We have limited space at the facility and limited parking.

RRR Field Trip

A RRR FIELD TRIP TO PILLIKIN MINE, PILOT HILL, CA. FEBRUARY 25, 2023

- 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 rock hounding.
- Call the field trip leader beforehand to sign up and for further information
- A Consent and Assumption of Risk Waiver of Liability form must be signed upon arrival at meeting site.
- The use of intoxicating substances during the effective hours of this field trip are expressly prohibited.

TRIP LOCATION – Pillikin Mine in Pilot Hill, east side of Folsom Lake.

TRIP DIFFICULTY RATING SCALE:

Vehicle Access & Parking - #6 2 wheel, vehicle access or parking. We will carpooling to the start of the hike.

Collection or View Site - #7 – Moderate difficulty. Most of the trail to the sites has a very gradually increasing incline. The incline at the last part of the walk is steep but is not difficult if you pace yourself. The walk to our destination is 0.75 miles with an elevation gain of 150 ft. for the last 0.25 miles. Total walk is 1.5 miles. Due to overgrowth of the brush, we may have to climb 10 ft to the start of the trail.

WHEN – Saturday, February 25, 2023

SPONSOR CLUB – Roseville Rock Rollers Gem & Mineral Society

LEADER & CONTACT INFO – RRR Field Trip Leader, Gene Doyle, (408) 605-9457, contact before the date.

MEMBER'S GUESTS – Only RRR Club Members

COLLECTION MATERIAL – Collecting materials at the main mine sites will be uvarovite garnet, chromium minerals, common opal, dendritic opal, high quality serpentine, and more.

PROPOSED SCHEDULE – We will be hiking into the main workings area of the Pillikin chrome mines following the old haul road. With walking time and a couple of hours at the mine we should have about 4 hours of time devoted to this trip.

MEET - Meet at Steve and Fran Todd's house at 4641 Rattlesnake Bar Rd. at 9am. I will put a "Roseville Rockrollers" sign near the entrance to their place. We will carpool from their parking lot at 9:30am.

DIRECTIONS TO SITE – Take Rattlesnake Bar Rd. from Pilot Hill, off Hwy. 49, the east side of Folsom Lake (NOT from Auburn Folsom Rd. side). Follow Rattlesnake Bar Rd. for 0.5 miles. Turn left into 4641 Rattlesnake Bar Rd driveway (just before Animal Farm Rd).

VEHICLE REQ'S – 2 wheel vehicles is okay.

CAMP/FACILITIES – No nearby facilities. The Lake is closed at this time of year.

TOOLS – Rock hammer, small pry bar, collecting bucket, small shovel

SAFETY CONCERNS – Please Note this trip is on private land and we must respect the owner's property. Please stay away from any equipment or property. This is an open pit mine – stay away from the steep walls and do not go near or in the cave mines for your safety. Stay on the trails, be aware poison oak has no leaves at this time of year.

CLIMATE/WEATHER – Typical February weather for this area.

CLOTHING - Wear hat, jacket/raincoat, and shirt with sleeves, long pants, boots, and gloves.

FOOD – Bring lunch/food and water.

OTHER REMARKS – Bring a camera if you want to take some beautiful pictures of the lake.

They last mined this area in the 1950's. Flagstaff Hill has been mined in several places and most rockhound trips to this area are to the pits nearest the road. We will explore the main mine site which is harder to get to but should provide for a better place for collecting.

Lapidary Shop News

Lapidary Shop: 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. **We now have new instructors and a new additional time for Thursday classes.** See Page 4 of this bulletin.

Still openings in the Wednesday evening class with Fran.

The schedule is:

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

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

Wednesdays: 5PM to 9PM Instructor is Fran Todd. Please call her to set up an appointment. (310) 987-0642

Thursdays: OPEN SESSIONS 11AM to 3PM. Instructors are Sherri Collins (916) 704-2682, Tom Collins (916) 704-6256 or Gene Doyle (408) 605-9457. Please call one of them to set up an appointment.

Thursdays: OPEN SESSIONS: 5PM to 9PM. 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

Denise Coyne, Shop Chairperson 714-393-0006



February Refreshments

Kimberly Fiala has volunteered to bring refreshments for the February 14th educational meeting.

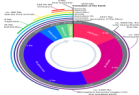
The generosity of the members that have brought refreshments without signing up in the past has enabled our educational meetings to be supplied with an abundance of evening snacks during our educational meetings. To prevent any shortages at the educational meeting, we request that you sign up so that we can notify you of the agreed obligation and ensure there will be enough refreshments available during the educational meeting.



Thank you for these donations

To John and Patty Dooley for a monetary donation

To John Cartwright for the donation of books to the RRR Library.



Did you know?

Here's an interesting way to think about the Earth's history:

Look at the geologic time scale and stretch your arms out to your sides away from each other. Your left fingers represent the formation of the Earth. The entire "Precambrian" (or Proterozoic & Archean Eons) represent everything in between your left finger tips to your right wrist.

That's 89% of the entire history of the Earth, a time when life didn't exist or was rather primitive. Then, life diversified like crazy starting from your right wrist to the base of your fingers (aka the Paleozoic Era). Then, the Mesozoic Era, or the age of dinosaurs, was across the first two segments of your fingers. Then, the Cenozoic Era, or the age of mammals (aka today), is the last third segment of your finger. "Humanity is the very tip of your right fingernail and can be erased by one swipe of a nail file."

NEW MEMBERS APPLICATION –

The application for membership in RRR can be down loaded from our website: <http://www.rockrollers.com/documents/RRR-Membership-Application.pdf>

This application can be brought to the upcoming educational meeting along with payment and given to the RRR Secretary/Membership Chair, Florence Brady.

Florence Brady, RRR Secretary/Membership Chair
 Terry Yoschak, RRR Treasurer
 Glenn Fiala, RRR President

CFMS volunteers

Hi Rockrollers!

Please consider helping the California Federation of Mineralogical Societies (CFMS) by volunteering for the CFMS show to be held in Lodi, CA at the Lodi Grape Festival Grounds. The dates for the show are June 22 (setup), 23-25 (show and takedown).

There will be a sign-up sheet at the Education Meeting on February 14th. Any time you can volunteer for will be greatly appreciated.



For questions, please contact Jim Barton, CFMS Show Co-Chair at 916-847-7321. Leave a message if I don't pick up, and I will return your call, or text me at this number.

Respectfully,
 Jim Barton
 CFMS Co-Show Chair



February 2023

Birthstone: Amethyst

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26	27	28	For questions about *** classes, contact: Cathy Nelson (925) 321-2024 Email: canelson2@netscape.net			
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