



From the President's Pen

I am writing you all from our Vrbo rental in Tucson, AZ. We are here having a wonderful time between the showers that have hit us this year, and the shows opening up. The pricing this year from the vendors has surprisingly not gone up as badly as I was expecting. The eating out every night at a restaurant has been a costly endeavor and eaten up a bit more of my expenses that I just ignorantly didn't plan for. I still stand by my previous statement, which if you have never made it out here to the Quartzite or Tucson Gem and Mineral shows you absolutely need to. Not all of the shows in Tucson require a business license so there is plenty to see and just be awestruck by the quantity, quality, size and color of the materials brought out here year after year. It should be on every rockhound's bucket list to come out here at least once and see the materials brought out of the Earth.

If any of the newcomers and repeat offenders that come out here to Tucson year after year haven't done any of the following I strongly recommend it. A very historical landmark and a beacon in the middle of the desert is Mission San Xavier del Bac. A beautiful mission still stands after being built in 1797 and still in use today by the local parishioners. The well-manicured grounds and architecture is something everyone should see and just admire.

The Pima Air and Space Museum is another awesome site to wander around and see each of the different aircraft and space vehicles in their inventory. Most everyone has a favorite plane, jet or rocket that they would just love to see up close and be awestruck by the size and design. There are even docents that have personal experience on some of the specific aircraft that can provide detailed information that one may never get or even know about unless they were part of a crew.

The last thing that I will talk about is the Tucson Botanical Gardens, with the butterfly exhibit. My personal love of all things cactus and succulent, this is an awesome garden to walk through and enjoy. There are cactus from all around the world at this facility that I just love to see time and again. The other really fun thing to do is look at the beautiful butterflies in the specially created atrium. The colors and grace of these things are just great to see up close and really easy to take pictures of too.

— Glenn Fiala

Vice President's Corner

This time of year, many of us think about or have made plans to attend the epic rock & gem events in Quartzsite and Tucson. However, don't forget about Valentine's Day, and your sweetheart... or you may find yourself sleeping on the couch, or out on the back porch!

Our speaker for the Educational Meeting on Tuesday February 13, 2024 will be Geology Instructor, Korey Champe. He will bring a geological perspective to the question of: Are the Sutter Buttes the smallest mountain range in the world, (as its local reputation has been labeled)?

March's presentation will be made by Gary Carter, this time without all the technical glitches we experienced at the January Educational Meeting.

As usual, bring a friend, or tell a neighbor, you just never know who else will get as excited as you!



— Vern Deck

Educational Program

February 13, 2024

This month's educational meeting will be @the Grounds in Roseville on February 13th at 7 PM in the Garden Room.

Join us for a presentation on Sutter Buttes Geology by Korey Champe, Professor of Earth Sciences.

Hope to see you there and as always, feel free to bring a friend!



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

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MINUTES FOR ROSEVILLE ROCK ROLLERS EDUCATIONAL MEETING JANUARY 9, 2024

CALL TO ORDER: Vice President Vern Deck called the meeting to order at 7:25 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE: Vice President Vern Deck led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ATTENDANCE: Present were 40 adult members, 7 juniors, and 4 guests. Guests from the Mountain Mandarin Festival introduced themselves.

BUSINESS MEETING:

SUNSHINE – Chair Heather Crane was absent, and no report was given.

JUNIORS – Juniors' Advisor Patty Holbrook was absent. Reported 9 juniors attended the meeting. Florence Brady gave a presentation on her fossil collection from Solnhofen Limestone Quarry in Germany. Looking for more volunteers willing to share their fossil collections. Next month, juniors will learn about Geologic Time and petrified wood.

TREASURER – Treasurer Kim Fiala reported the income and expenditures since last meeting on December 12th, 2023. Total income was \$1,376. Income included Club ID Items \$80, membership dues \$831, and donation \$465. Total expenditure was \$1,633.16. Expenditures included Garden Room rent \$150, Lapidary Shop rent \$700, utilities \$225, septic tank \$58.16, lapidary equipment repairs \$500, and Show venue deposit \$10,500.

MEMBERSHIP – Secretary Jacqueline Parker reported a total of 189 members. Two new members joined since last meeting. 35 members renewed since last meeting. 82 members have not yet renewed for 2024. Accepting late renewals for 2024 membership. Renewal dues not paid by December 31st will be delinquent and will incur an assessment of \$5.

VICE PRESIDENT – Vice President Vern Deck reported he is currently drafting a list of presenters for 2024. The program for the September Educational Meeting may be a presentation by Wayne Mills on metal detecting.

CFMS – Federation Director Linda Thompson introduced herself. For 2024, Linda would like to educate members about CFMS, including its history and public land interests. She announced Rock & Gems magazine's discount for all American Federation Gem Society members, which includes RRR members. The Library's subscription for Rock & Gems magazine was interrupted and will resubscribe.

SOCIETY ID ITEMS – Chair Todd Smith reported Junior vests are now available for purchase.

FIELD TRIPS – Chair Gene Doyle reported field trips will resume in February, weather permitting. He is currently drafting a list of approximately 15 field trips planned for 2024 and will update the website once the list is finalized.

MINUTES FOR ROSEVILLE ROCK ROLLERS EDUCATIONAL MEETING JAN 9, 2024 cont'd

LIBRARY – Librarian/Historian Karla Shannon reported a variety of books on the topic of gold are available for checkout and encouraged members to visit the Library at the Lapidary Shop. Instructions for checking out and returning library materials were given.

SHOW – Chair Jim Hutchings was absent. Previously reported 2024 Show Committee meeting will be Feb. 20 at the Lapidary Shop, start time 7 p.m. Venue approval received for the Roebbelen Center, and a check for the deposit was sent to @the Grounds. Looking for a volunteer to take on the role of Secretary. Members who are interested can reach out to Jim or express their willingness during the Feb Show Committee Meeting.

LAPIDARY SHOP – Chair Sherri Collins was absent. Director Mike Hunerlach reported on Gary Hunt's large donation of lapidary rock and material. Starting next week, Mike will be collecting and transporting donated items to the Lapidary Shop and needs volunteers. Introduction to Lapidary Class Fee will increase \$5, making the fee for the class \$50.

LAPIDARY CRAFT CLASSES – Chair Cathy Nelson reported a need for volunteers to instruct classes. Lapidary Craft Class shop fee will increase \$5, making the fee \$10, plus the fee for the class.

OLD BUSINESS: The floor was opened; no items were raised.

NEW BUSINESS: An item was raised by Martha Nichols pertaining to a tailgater. Previous proposals to organize a tailgater at the Lapidary Shop had been rejected by @The Grounds administration. Martha suggested to attend the Carmichael Elk Lodge Annual Parking Lot Sale as a vendor and invite other rock related vendors to attend. An item was raised by Nancy Hood pertaining to her need for a volunteer who could serve as a substitute Greeter on evenings when she is unavailable.

REFRESHMENTS: Chair Christine Davis called for members to use the sign-up sheet on the Greeter's table if they would like to bring refreshments to future meetings.

DOOR PRIZE: Chair Nancy Hood announced door prize winners: Adult member Shirley Penman, Junior member Bo Breidenstein, and guest Ruth Goodfield.

PROGRAM: Vice President Vern Deck introduced Gary Carter who briefly outlined the key points and focus of his presentation. Technical issues prevented the slideshow, but Gary graciously offered to return anytime, expressing his enthusiasm for sharing insights on the topic.

SILENT AUCTION: Chair Holli Hinkle reported auction will close at 8:10.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jacqueline Parker, Secretary

MINUTES FOR ROSEVILLE ROCK ROLLERS BOARD MEETING JANUARY 9, 2024

CALL TO ORDER: Secretary Jacqueline Parker called the meeting to order at 8:20 p.m.

ATTENDANCE: A quorum was present with 10 board members attending.

MEMBERSHIP: A motion was MSA to approve the membership applications from Steve Hovie and Ruth Goodfield.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jacqueline Parker, Secretary

MINUTES FOR ROSEVILLE ROCK ROLLERS BOARD MEETING JANUARY 23, 2024

CALL TO ORDER: at 6:58pm

ATTENDANCE: Absent: Denise Coyne, and Jim Hutchings.

Via Phone: Leesa Dixey, Glenn Fiala, and Kim Fiala.

Guests: Sherri Collins, Les Holbrook, Martha Nichols, Steve Smith.

BSUINESS MEETING

Secretary Report (Jacqueline Parker) The minutes for January 9th Educational Meeting were distributed via email and approved. Current membership is 193. Memberships not renewed for 2024 was 77. No new membership applications. Correspondences with @the Grounds, Garden Room layout and contract documents were submitted for Educational Meetings. The Garden Room contract for Educational Meetings remains at \$150 per meeting.

Treasurer Report (Kim Fiala) Bills have been paid. Linda Thompson raised a question about reviewing the income and expenses, checks written, and the bank balance for Board approval. Glenn Fiala addressed the concern, explaining that the report was not prepared in advance for tonight. He further explained that monthly financial reports from the previous Treasurer is an issue discussed previously and with the assistance of the new bookkeeper, will be addressed. Recommendation by Linda Thompson for a Board Trainer to enhance the effectiveness of the board and ensure responsibility.

Program Report (Vern Deck) February's Educational Meeting program will be Sutter Buttes Geology presented by Korey Champe. Gary Carter may return for March's program. April's Educational Meeting program will be a presentation by Jim Hutchings. Glenn Fiala raised a question about including an oral auction and a brief discussion ensued, but more details are needed to finalize the decision.

MINUTES FOR ROSEVILLE ROCK ROLLERS BOARD MEETING JANUARY 23, 2024 cont'd

Juniors' Report (Patty Holbrook) Current junior membership is 16. Junior memberships not renewed for 2024 was 7. February Junior Meeting program will be Fossilized Opal, Petrified Wood, and Geologic Time presented by Mike Hunerlach.

Federation Report (Linda Thompson) Requested assistance in understanding the role of Federation Director. Two members volunteered to provide support and guidance. Change of Officers forms was submitted to CFMS. Upcoming CFMS Club's and Society's show will be updated on RRR website.

Field Trips Report (Gene Doyle) Traverse Creek, Stifle Claim field trip scheduled for February 17th. A list of ten field trips between February through November will be updated on RRR website. Jim Barton is working on a co-op field trip to Hauser Geode Bed, April 19th-21st, with BLM geologists. Reported new website for co-op field trips. Raised an issue of fees for Black Butte location. Due to difficulties in deciding how to cover the costs and to ensure equitable participation, Glenn Fiala suggested that the organization covers the costs. MSA for RRR to cover the costs of \$75 associated with field trip location. Glenn Fiala requested to reinstate field trip participants to bring back some materials collected for RRR.

Library Report (Karla Shannon) Will be looking to purchase new books for RRR at Tucson. Finalizing library list in preparation for RRR website. MSA for RRR to cover the costs of \$700 associated with specimens, polished rocks, and jewelry for the Show's Kids Junction.

Bulletin Report (Leesa Dixey) Deadline for February bulletin input is this Friday, January 26.

Website Report (Alexis Prince) Please send all requests for changes and updates to Alexis' email address, alexisprincedesign@gmail.com

Lapidary Craft Classes Report (Cathy Nelson) Bill Simpson Intarsia class is ongoing. Chainmail Class anticipated in 6 weeks.

Lapidary Shop Report (Sherri Collins) Saw blades repairs needed for the 10in, 8in, and three 6in. MSA for RRR to cover the costs of \$250 associated with saw blades repairs. Jacqueline Parker recommended a person of contact regarding repairs for the Lapidary Shop doors.

Directors Report

1 Year (Cathy Nelson, Denise Coyne) No report

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MINUTES FOR ROSEVILLE ROCK ROLLERS BOARD MEETING JANUARY 23, 2024 cont'd

2 Year (Holli Hinkle, Mike Hunerlach) Holli reported the 800/1000 unit is operational, but needs fabricating repairs. Two members volunteered to assist. Mike reported on the Gary Hunt donations. Member volunteers were Sherri Collins, Gene Doyle, Mike Hunerlach, and Martha Nichols. Two trips to collect, totaling 3-4 tons of materials with another 3-4 tons still needing to collect. Gary Hunt donated lapidary tools, buffing laps, etc. Report on forming a Lapidary Shop Committee and a new business report scheduled for the next board meeting.

Show Report (Jim Hutchings) First Show Committee Meeting, February 20th 7pm, Lapidary Shop. Volunteer needed for Secretary position. First of three installments of \$10,500 (non-refundable deposit) for Roebbelen Center venue was deposited in December.

OLD BUSINESS

Jacqueline Parker reported amendments to the Standings Rules regarding the duties of the Treasurer and the addition of a Bookkeeper Chairperson position with outlined duties. MSA for adopting Standing Rules amendments with a vote of eleven in favor, two against.

President Glenn Fiala announced the appointment of Steve Smith as the Bookkeeper Chairperson and expressed confidence in Steve Smith's ability to assist the Treasurer and RRR moving forward.

Discussed the purpose and progress on the annual Tailgator. Martha Nichols recommended RRR and members to independently participate at the Carmichael Elk Lodge Annual Parking Lot Sale on Saturday June 1st. MSA for RRR to cover the fee of \$30 for two spaces to promote RRR. Martha Nichols will coordinate with interested members.

Steve Smith distributed the financial report and opinion summary of Lapidary Shop associated with CFMS Clubs and Societies for review. Provided a brief overview and requested discussion to be scheduled for the next board meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

MSA for RRR to cover the costs of \$250 associated with accounting software.

MSA for RRR 2024 budget with specific allocation amounts based on last year's expenses.

CLOSING REMARKS

Confirm the next Board Meeting, February 27th 7pm at the Lapidary Shop.

Adjournment at 8:41pm

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jacqueline Parker, Secretary

RRR Standing Rules Amendments

ARTICLE I – DUTIES OF OFFICERS

SECTION 4: DUTIES OF THE TREASURER ARE:

- A. To receive and deposit all cash for the Society in appropriate financial accounts, and maintain books and records thereof in accordance with the size and scope of the organization.
1. Exceptions to this may be allowed as directed and confirmed by the Board of Directors in the case of certain special events, i.e. annual show, tailgater.
 2. The appointed Chairperson of each such event shall be responsible and accountable for all cash received and disbursed with respect to such events.
 3. The Treasurer shall coordinate the proper accounting for each such event with the appointed Chairperson and record such transactions in the Society's books and records.
- B. To collaborate with appointed Chairpersons, including but not limited to the Bookkeeper, as needed, to ensure accurate financial records and compliance with financial policies.
- C. To disburse checks against the Society's accounts to pay liabilities and other amounts due as approved by the Board of Directors, and to record such transactions in the books and records thereof.
- D. To provide a Treasurer's Report of cash receipts, disbursements and account balances to the Board of Directors at each business meeting thereof.
- E. To perform such other duties pertinent to the Society's accounting and financial matters to assure compliance with Federal, State, and Local statutes and regulations, including supervision of the preparation and timely filing of an annual Federal Form 990 and other Federal, State, and Local filings as may be required.
- F. To periodically review the Society's property and liability insurance coverages, and report the same to the Board of Directors for their action.
- G. To participate in an annual review of the Society's books and records and annual show records, the results of which shall be presented to the Board of Directors by the independent reviewer(s).
- H. To lead the preparation of an annual budget for the Society.

ARTICLE II – DUTIES OF COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS:

SECTION 14: DUTIES OF THE BOOKKEEPING CHAIRPERSON

- A. To maintain, under the direction and control of the Treasurer, the books and records of the Society in accordance with the scope and size of the organization.
- B. To report to the Treasurer and Board of Directors, as requested, insights into projected and historic budget balances at prescribed intervals.
- C. To support the Treasurer in the preparation and filing of the Society's annual Federal form 990 and other Federal and/or State tax filings on a timely basis.
- D. To support the Treasurer in financial and accounting research and reporting as may become necessary.
- E. The Treasurer may serve as the Bookkeeper Chairperson in the event of an absence in this position.

Rookie Rock Roller News



The Juniors will meet in the Lapidary Shop on Tuesday, February 13, 2024, from 5:30 to 6:45. Mike Hunerlach will be the guest speaker. He will be teaching about petrified wood and will have samples to give to the Juniors of opalized wood. He will also help the Juniors to understand the Geologic time scale.

I am still 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 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.

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



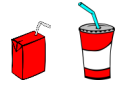
Thank You For Your Donations

A big thank you to Gary Zang for his donation of ocean theme wine glass markers, made using sterling silver charms and 18 gauge sterling silver wire

We greatly appreciate the continued generosity of members.

Nancy Hood, Greeter

Refreshments



A big thank you to Steve Smith and Kandra Muallem for signing up to bring refreshments to the Educational Meeting on February 13.

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 for the meeting.

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.



Volunteer Needed

Our Educational Meetings are a cornerstone of our community, and we need your help to keep them running smoothly! We are on the lookout for a volunteer to step in when our Hostess Chair, Nancy Hood, is unavailable.

Key Responsibilities:

- Welcome guests at Educational Meetings
- Assist with member and guest registrations
- Record door prize winners
- Provide a brief report to the Secretary after the meeting

If you're available and willing to contribute to the success of our gatherings, please consider taking on this part-time role. Your assistance will make a significant impact on the overall experience for our members.

To express your interest or recommend someone, contact our greeter, Nancy Hood at (916) 547-9997.



February Show Committee Meeting

The show committee meeting will be held Tuesday, February 20, at 7:00 PM in the club Lapidary Shop @the Grounds.

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.

Volunteers are needed for Secretary and Facility. To express your interest, please contact the Show Chair Jim Hutchings at (916) 995-7380.



February Board Meeting

The meeting will be held Tuesday, February 27, at 7:00 PM in the club Lapidary Shop @the Grounds.

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 Introductory Cabochon Class. We have a wait list for the daytime class.

Still openings in the Wednesday evening class with Fran.

The schedule is:

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

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

Wednesdays: 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM. Instructor is Fran Todd. Please call her to set up an appointment. (310) 987-0642

Thursdays: OPEN SESSIONS 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****).**

Thursdays: OPEN SESSIONS: 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



February 2024



Birthstone: Amethyst

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Stifle Claim RRR Field Trip	Happy Presidents Day Lapidary Shop: 5:00 - 9:00 PM	Show Committee Meeting 7:00 PM in the Lapidary Shop	Lapidary Shop: 11:00 AM - 3 PM 5:00 - 9:00 PM	*** Lapidary Shop: 11:00 AM - 3 PM 5:00 - 9:00 PM		
25	26	27	28	29		
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*** Thursday Classes:

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

Roseville Rock Rollers Field Trip

Stifle Claim RRR Field Trip - Near Georgetown February 18, 2024

- 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
- 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 – Stifle Claim (Traverse Creek Special Interest Area) off of Highway 193 near Georgetown.

TRIP DIFFICULTY RATING SCALE:

Vehicle Access & Parking - # 3 - 4 vehicle access and parking good for all vehicles and RV's, no specific handicap parking.

Collection or View Site - #5 – 1/2 mile to site with moderate difficulty.

WHEN – Sunday, February 18, 2024.

SPONSOR CLUB – Roseville Rock Rollers Gem & Mineral Society.

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

MEMBER'S GUESTS – Open to RRR Club Members, family, and friends.

COLLECTION MATERIAL – We will be looking for Vesuvianite, Clinocllore, and Grossular Garnets.

PROPOSED SCHEDULE – We will be hiking from the parked location at 9:30 am to an area where we will look for the Collection Material. With walking time of 10 to 15 minutes. We should allot a minimum of 3 to 4 hours of time for this trip.

MEET - Meet at Traverse Creek Special Interest Area. Meeting time is 9:00 am. The parking is on the left side of Bear Creek Rd road.

DIRECTIONS TO SITE – Take I-80 east to 49 south out of Auburn. At Cool turn left on 193 towards Georgetown. Turn left off of 193 onto Bear Creek Rd 1.7 miles after Georgetown Main St. Drive 1.3 miles on Bear Creek Rd to Traverse Creek. Parking is on your left.

VEHICLE REQ'S – Any vehicle is okay.

CAMP/FACILITIES –No bathroom facilities available at this location.

TOOLS – Rock Hammer, collecting bucket, rake or small shovel.

SAFETY CONCERNS – Stay out of the water. Watch out for rattlesnakes and poison oak.

CLIMATE/WEATHER – Typical February weather for this area, cold to moderate, and wet.

CLOTHING - Wear clothing that will protect you from the cold and possible rain such as a hat, long sleeves shirt, pants, coat, and comfortable shoes.

FOOD – Bring plenty of water. You can bring snacks and/or lunch. There are places to eat nearby for lunch (Georgetown).

OTHER REMARKS – There are additional hiking trails if you want to explore more of the park on your own after the field trip.



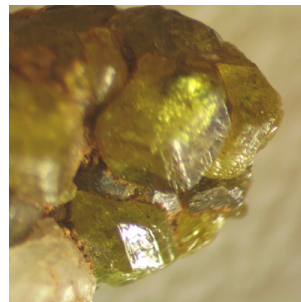
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Stifle claims, Meadow Brook, Georgetown District, East Segment Mother Lode, Mother Lode Belt, El Dorado Co., California, USA



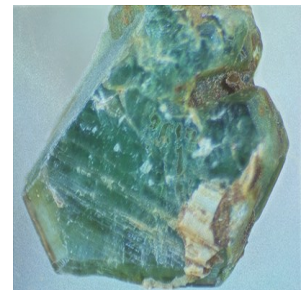
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Stifle claims, Meadow Brook, Georgetown District, East Segment Mother Lode, Mother Lode Belt, El Dorado Co., California, USA



Clinocllore

Stifle claims, Meadow Brook, Georgetown District, East Segment Mother Lode, Mother Lode Belt, El Dorado Co., California, USA

Photos above: *Mindat.org*, <https://www.mindat.org/loc-69060.html>.

Upcoming Gem and Mineral Shows

CO-OP News

February 17-18, 2024 – Antioch, CA

Antioch Lapidary Club
Contra Costa County Fairgrounds
1201 West 10th Street, Antioch, CA
Hours: Saturday 10 AM – 5 PM, Sunday 10 AM-5PM
Jewelry, Gems, Findings, Supplies, Auctions, Grab Bags, Exhibits and hands on projects for kids. Admission \$6.00, Children 12 & under, scouts in uniform and Active Military Free. \$1.00 off admission with show flyer.
Contact: (510) 693-9075, kellyplumb900@yahoo.com
Website: <http://antiochlapidaryclub.com>

February 24-25, 2024 – Vallejo, CA

Vallejo Gem and Mineral Society
Solano County Fairgrounds
McCormack Hall, 900 Fairgrounds Drive, Vallejo, CA 94589
Hours: Saturday and Sunday 10 AM – 5 PM
Vallejo Gem and Mineral Show: We host vendors offering gems, geodes, fossils, raw rocks and minerals, carved stone animals, beads, findings and minerals from around the globe. The Vallejo Gem and Mineral Society invites you to discover lapidary and related crafts through our educational displays and live demonstrations. There is something for everyone, for crafters, jewelry lovers and science enthusiasts. We have a silent auction, geode cuttings, drawings for beautiful hand-crafted pieces and games of chance and discovery for kids!
Contact: (415) 254-1506, dduhonvgms@gmail.com
Website: <https://vjgems.com>

March 1-3, 2024 – Newark, CA

The Mineral and Gem Society of Castro Valley
Newark Pavillion
6430 Thornton Ave., Newark CA
Hours: Friday 11 AM – 5 PM, Saturday 10 AM – 6 PM, Sunday 10 AM – 5 PM
75th annual Mineral Gem and Jewelry Show and sale. 40+ dealers selling everything used in the lapidary arts, exhibits, demonstrations, minerals. Live auction on Saturday
Website: <http://mgscv.org>

March 9-10, 2024 – Turlock, CA

Mother Lode Mineral Society of CA
Stanislaus County Fairgrounds, 900 North Broadway, Turlock, CA
Hours: Saturday and Sunday 10 AM – 5 PM
Mother Lode Mineral Society presents the 58th Annual Turlock Rock & Gem Show. Our theme this year is JADE.
Also featuring Mizzie the Velociraptor, Rocks, Minerals & Fossils, Gold Panning, Big Fluorescent Room, Touch and See Table, Kids Activities and shopping from the wonderful Vendors. Admission \$8 – 12 and under free with paid adult. Free Parking.
Contact: see web site
Website: <http://www.turlockgemshow.com>

March 16-17, 2024, San Jose, CA

Santa Clara Valley Gem & Mineral Society
Santa Clara County Fairgrounds, 344 Tully Road, San Jose, CA
Hours: Saturday and Sunday 10 AM – 5 PM
Educational exhibits, rocks that glow in the dark, how to make arrowheads and other demonstrations. Free to active duty, retired military, military dependents and first responders with valid ID. Children under 12 free with adult. Adults \$8. Save \$2 when you buy on-line at <http://www.scvgms.org>. Free parking.

“The CO-OP “Field Trip Chairman’s Association” has elected its officers for 2024. Gina Malcolm President, Gene Doyle VP, Misty Watson Secretary and Janet Steigerwald Treasure. Misty Watson as Field Trip Coordinator and Historian. New Associate Director Kevin Kirschman MLMS. Thank you for your time and efforts to bring great field trips to our Societies! We are looking for a Webmaster to help finish up our new website and maintain the site please contact Misty at mistywasonc21@hotmail.com if you or someone you know would like to help.

We have voted to have the 3 remaining Camp Paradise scholarships awarded this year. We have now given out scholarships to all the original CO-OP societies in support of Camp Paradise. These 3 are the final ones. They are awarded to Calaveras Gem & Mineral Society, Stockton Lapidary & Mineral Club and Mother Lode Mineral Society.

We are working on getting a database of over 600+- field trip locations set up as electronic documents and a file system for access. The Field Trip Coordinator will be responsible for requests and sending the field trip leaders the files on the locations they wish to visit. Stay tuned!

Our CO-OP society members hosted 11 field trips in 2023. Thank you to the field trip leaders for hosting them! We look forward to many more trips in 2024 making new friends, finding new locations and having fun! We are celebrating 52 years of hosting great trips!

We are looking forward to hosting our Seminar Meeting at the Sacramento County Extension Building 4145 Branch Center Rd. Sacramento CA. SUNDAY March 3rd, the day will be different than our usual Saturday as no Saturday are available. The location is free, and the room is much larger. Open to all CO-OP member society members. We hope to have more society members attend our meeting. We will be holding our annual “Live Auction” for our fund raiser. We had a record-breaking auction last year! Thank you to our Donors and Bidders! Our host society will be Calaveras Gem & Mineral Society. Stay tuned for more information!

Sincerely,
Misty Watson, CO-OP Secretary



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