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The Searchers Gem and Mineral Society, Inc. regular meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month on the basement level of the Anaheim Memorial Hospital Medical Office Building, 1211 W. LaPalma Avenue, Anaheim, CA. Meetings begin at 7:30 PM. Visitors are always welcome.

Membership dues are accepted January thru September. Adult Members: \$10.00 each, and Junior Members (under age 17) \$2.00.

Field Trips are usually held on the second weekend of each month. These are announced monthly. Trip maps, added activities, time changes and other pertinent information will be published in the bulletin.

Board Meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of each month January through October and the third Tuesday in November and December. The meetings are held in the basement level Boardroom of the Anaheim Memorial Hospital Medical Office Building at 7:30 PM.

WORKSHOPS: Workshops have been temporarily cancelled.

REQUIREMENT: Items for the Bulletin must be in the hands of the editor by the first (1st) Tuesday of each month. Please mail all items to: Marge Jordan, 12161 Bartlett Street, Garden Grove, CA 92645-1525.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

1996 is fleeting away, summer is here and the year is half over. Searchers activities this year have included well attended field trips, a wonderful show, fun meetings and community support activities - a very full and fun schedule so far. Whoever said that time flies when you are having fun was right on the money!

Upcoming events include a Searchers potluck this weekend, hosted by Mike and Michele Lee at their delightful home in Lake Elsinore. The Lee's potluck last year really was a lot of fun, so be sure you plan to attend this one. Another event before our next meeting will be the AFMS/CFMS "Diamond Days" show in Riverside, another don't miss event, and our August field trip.

The Searchers June meeting was terrific, due to the contributions of all attending, and especially due to Betty Henderson and her set up and clean up crew at the potluck dinner and all of you who brought your tastefully creative dishes.

The program also was especially memorable because of the entertaining video presentation on this years "37th Annual Searchers Gem Roundup" filmed by Dick Reed. He managed to catch almost everyone off guard and filmed most of the Searchers, display cases, booths, and dealers. His video provided all of us with quite a few chuckles.

I hope that you all have a great summer, and that Searchers activities continue to be so well supported and enjoyable. My thanks to all the board and committees for their diligence and support.

Herb Beckman

FUTURE CLUB ACTIVITIES:

July 13th Searcher BBQ/Picnic - Lee's Home - Lake Elsinore

July 18th Post Show Committee Meeting

July 23rd Board Meeting

Aug 9th thru 11th AFMS/CFMS Diamond Daze Show (Searcher Field Trip) Riverside

ITEMS FOR AUGUST BULLETIN:

Since I will be attending the AFMS/CFMS Show and Convention I must have all items for the August Bulletin NOT LATER THAN August 5th.

Marge

HIGHLIGHTS - JUNE GENERAL MEETING:

The meeting started at 7:00 PM to allow time for the potluck dinner and the presentation of trophies. Had a wonderful potluck. Two trophies were presented. a 15 year trophy to Connie Van Kampen and a 20 year trophy to Floyd and Margaret Neeley. Our short program was a video of our 1996 Gem Roundup.

Herb gave a summary of the extended field trip to Northern California and Oregon. It was well attended and those members who were able to make the trip found lots of nice material and some of the lucky ones stayed with the group all of the three weeks.

Mae Freedman stated that our application for our 1997 Gem Show is in the hands of the President of the Anaheim Arts Council.

Jim Williamson reported on the post show meeting. Only a portion of the offices were covered so he will be scheduling another meeting during July. Jim also reported on the Heritage Day Celebration at Oak Canyon NatureCenter June 2nd.

Herb reported that the Workshop Committee did not have a meeting in June but there will be onescheduled during July. He will be contacting committee members re time and place.

Herb asked for a volunteer to contact the person in charge of Gem and Minerals at the Orange County Fair to see if there was a work schedule or if volunteers would be needed. There were no takers. Anyone wanting to display a case at the Fair must furnish their own case and make their individual arrangements. No information was provided the Searchers from the Fair committee.

Audrey Nichols passed around letters she had received from a second grade class thanking her for rocks she had given them for use in their class.

Jay Cole announced that he was having a giant "Rock Hound Sale" on July 27th at his home. He and Marie will be mailing out flyers to each club member.

Marie Cole
Secretary

PROGRAM REPORT:

Our program for June was a short video taken during our 37th Annual Gem Roundup. Thanks to Dick Reed.

Our July program will be a video on Lladro (porcelain - ceramic figurine) made of clay, color and firing. The video will show how and where it is made. Paul and Peggy Wesley will be doing this program.

Lola Tapia
Programs

REFRESHMENTS:

Bobbie Madsen will be serving refreshments this evening and Alice Lux will be doing the August refreshments.

Betty Henderson

LONG RANGE FIELD TRIP - FINAL REPORT (from Glass Buttes):

June 3rd we went on to Primeville for three nights and two days of rockhounding. While there Marvin Mog led us to three areas, one for pink limbcasts, Maury Mountain for moss agate and White Fir Springs (Wildcat Mountain) for Jasper filled nodules. The limbcasts were difficult to find but several good specimens were dug out. The moss agate was very scarce. The Jasper filled nodules were plentiful; the inside being mostly purple and yellow-very different. Again, the scenery was very nice. Lots of rolling hills with ranches and green pastures.

On June 6th three couples of our group headed to Sisters, OR to take in a rodeo while the next day the others went on to Richardson's Ranch at Madras, OR. On the 10th those of us that went to Sisters joined the earlier arrivals at the ranch. The camping at the ranch was nice with grass underfoot and apple trees overhead. They even had showers, all for free. First we stayed on the ranch and dug for thundereggs. As usual at the ranch everyone got all they wanted.

We then contacted some ranch owners in the Ashwood area. The town of Ashwood consists of a Post Office, a closed rock shop, a Grange Hall and ranches. These ranches are not small, the average is 6,000 to 7,000 acres. The Postmaster said the total population was around 40.

The ranch owners were very nice and offered different material for a fee per pound. We went to John Friends ranch first for Thundereggs. These were much larger than those at Richardsons. In a hour or so we had all we wanted. The next day we went to John Marstin's ranch for red and green petrified wood. Again we got all we wanted. Then that afternoon on to the McDonald ranch for brown-gray-black wood. There were stumps up to three foot through that he had bulldozed out of the ground. Once again we filled our bags.

On June 14th everyone left and went their separate ways ending the field trip. There were five rigs that stuck it out to the end.

In summary, the scenery was terrific, the weather outstanding and everybody's bumper was dragging. I'm sorry everybody that started the trip couldn't continue to the end or that others couldn't go with us, but there's always a next time.

Ken Nelson
Field Trip Chairman

JULY FIELD TRIP - JULY 13th - BBQ/PICNIC:

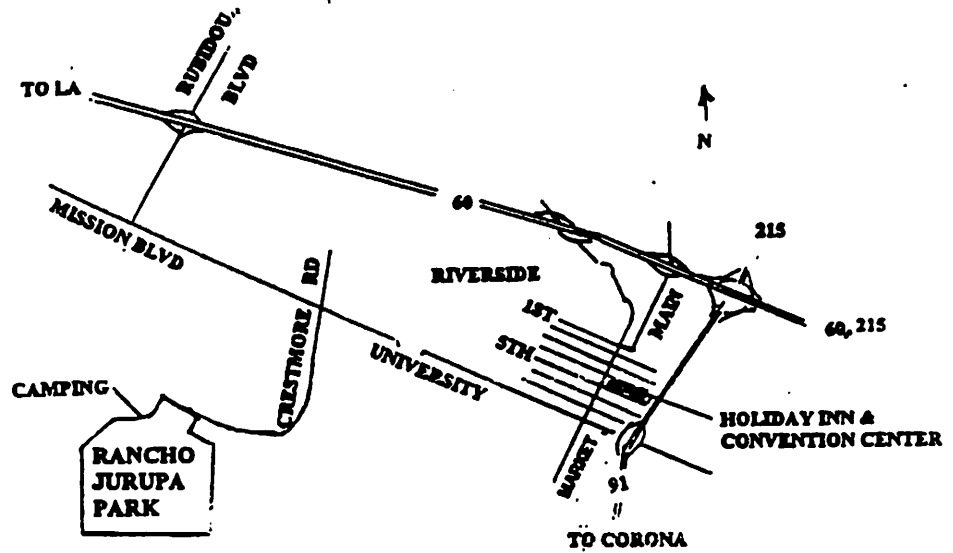
Mike and Michele Lee will host a BBQ/Picnic on Saturday, July 13th, at their home in Elsinore. This will be a BBQ/Picnic - POTLUCK. Please bring a dish to share and whatever you want to BBQ - steak, hamburgers, weiners, etc. Also, please bring folding chairs and a small table. The time will be 4:00 PM and we'll BBQ a little later. By 4:00 PM the weather should start to cool down some. Please see map on page 6.

Ken

AUGUST FIELD TRIP- AUGUST 10th and 11th:

The AFMS/CFMS "Diamond Daze" Gem and Mineral Show is being held in Riverside, CA, 10 and 11 August. This will be our field trip. Camping for those who take their RVs will be at the Rancho Jurupa Park. There are full hook-ups and the cost I believe is \$16. There will be transportation available from Jurupa Park to the Show at the Convention Center. Reservations may be made at Rancho Jurupa by calling 1-800-234-PARK. See map on page 4 of this bulletin.

Ken

Map - DIAMOND DAZE
SHOW

DIAMOND DAZE

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GEM AND MINERAL SHOW

Riverside Convention Center

3433 Orange St. Riverside, California

For Reservations, - Camping and Show Package Phone (818) 288-2896

SEPTEMBER BEACH GET TOGETHER - SEP 14th and 15th:

This September weekend get together will be held at Bolsa Chica State Beach which is between the "cliffs" at Huntington Beach and Sunset Beach. A suggested route is down Golden West, off the 405 Freeway, to the ocean and turn Right (West) for a couple of miles.

One Section is for overnight camping. The cost is \$14.00 per night (12.00 for Seniors). Reservations can be made by calling 1-800-444-7275. One person can make reservations for two sites only. Mary and I as well as the Everitts and some others will arrive Friday and stay thru Sunday night.

Those wishing to come out for the day may park in a day parking area adjacent to the camping area. The cost is \$5.00 per vehicle (\$4.00 for Seniors).

I have had a number of calls about this one so it looks like we may have a great turnout. Will have more details in the August bulletin about what to bring and what will be provided.

Ken Nelson

DIAMOND DAZE FIELD TRIPS (MINERAL COLLECTORS)

FIELD TRIPS

- Thursday, Aug 8 Crestmore Quarry - led by Kurt Forrester
7:00 AM
- Friday, Aug 9 Elizabeth R Mine, Fallbrook Gem & Mineral Society Museum,
9:00 AM and the Collector mineral shop in Fallbrook - led by
Peter Bancroft
- Saturday, Aug 10 Crestmore Quarry - led by Kurt Forrester
7:00 AM

Due to insurance and other expenses, there will be a \$5.00 fee per person for each of these tours. You will need to furnish your own transportation, and we will encourage car pooling. So let us know if you need a ride. You will need small containers for storing minerals, pick, small broom, and other collecting tools. Attire for these trips will be hats, gloves, sunglasses, hiking shoes and other dress for a summer field trip. Water is necessary.

Each field trip is limited to 25 people. Reservations may be made by contacting Isabella Burns, 1038 Bradshaw Ave., Monterey Park, CA 91754; (818) 288-2896.

The Crestmore Quarry, owned by the Riverside Cement Company, has been the topic of many papers and articles for books on calcite minerals. A magnesian calcite-aragonite-huntite crust on calcite-monticellite rock is a good source for rare micro-minerals. As over 150 calcite minerals have been found there, this is a great opportunity for mineral collectors. As the quarry is located near Riverside, this three-hour trip is planned for early morning due to the summer heat.

The Elizabeth R Mine is a tourmaline mine. Some collecting will be permitted on the dump, and a tour of the mine will be very interesting. This tour, led by Peter Bancroft, the famous lecturer and mineral collector, will be most informative. The museum of the Fallbrook Society will give mineral collectors a rare view of the famous collections. The Collector is a very famous mineral shop. This will be a day trip with a no-host lunch at a restaurant in Fallbrook.

Any of you mineral collectors who would like to attend please contact Isabella Burns (818) 288-2896 as soon as possible.

Marge

OOPS! TROPHIES and RIBBONS FOR SHOW EXHIBITORS:

I have found out that I missed one of our member's display cases. Connie Van Kampen informed me that Robert and Ana Gabourel had their display for our Annual Show located in the video room. My apologies to you Bob and Ana.

Ken Despain

OUT AND ABOUT!!

Great news...our own Stacy Williamson has gone and gotten herself betrothed! The lucky guy? Kevin Hickam. No immediate plans for a wedding but a tentative date of September 1997. Congratulations Kevin and Stacy. And, what did Dad Jim say? "Wow, oh Wow".

marge

MEMBERSHIP:

It appears a lot of us have had our zip codes changed beginning July 1st, 1996. To date I have these changes from members:

Milly L. Arvanites 92620-2061

Ben L. Byland 92866

David I. Gough 92833

Marge Jordan 92845-1525

If your zip code has changed please let me know so that I can change your record card and update the roster. We need to be correct for future rosters. Thanks.

Milly Arvanites

SLABS FOR VET'S:

Remember we can always use more slabs for the Veteran's Lapidary Shop. If you have old slabs you're not using, or you're running that saw - cut one for the Vets.

I will have a box available at all of our General Meetings - back by the coffee. Just drop them in the box marked "Searchers Slabs for Vets".

Larry Richey



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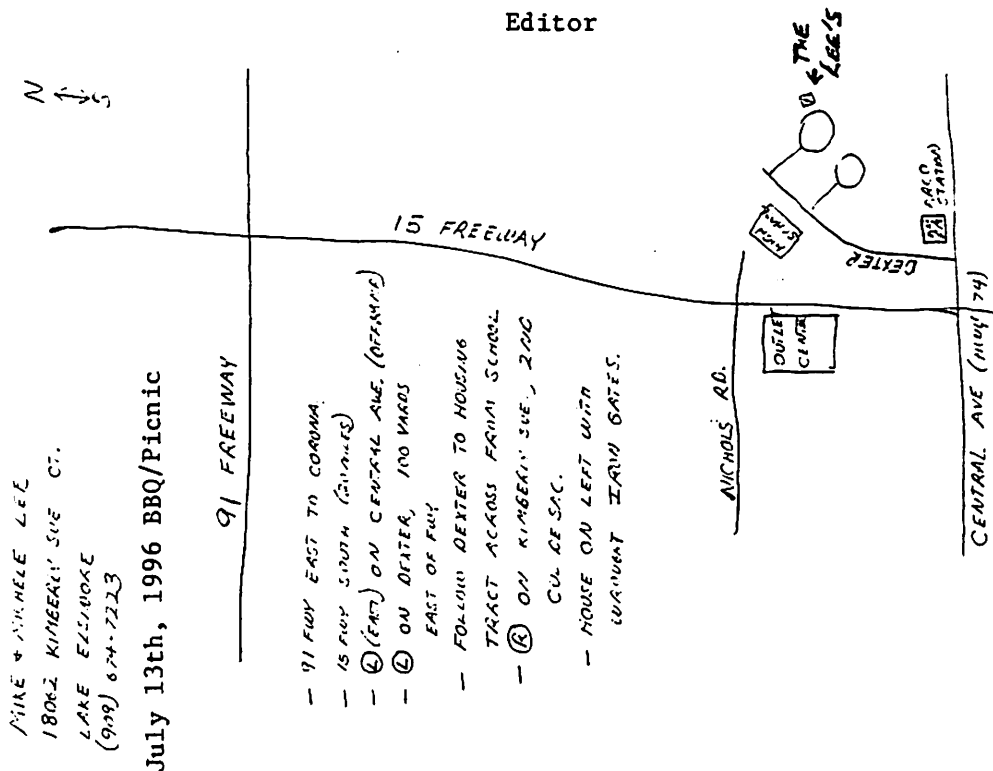
with the Machine. Makes great cabs.

4 Ft Wide and 5 Ft Long - Everything on 1 table. Self

contained water flow. Old Machine and hasn't been used much

Asking \$300 or best offer. Please call Chuck Downs (714) 537-7191 for more information. 9862 Belfast # 4, Garden Grove, CA.

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 July 13th, 1996 BBQ/Picnic

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