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# The Rock Slab News

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## The President's Message

Greetings Searchers,

Thank you to all the members who came and supported the yard sale for Grant Miller's family. Steve Duncan, Charles Walker, Robert Burson, Linda Horn, Bill and Margaret Hogarth and Jimmy Peterson helped set up, identify specimens, and clean up.

The Gallery Display of Searchers' work is on! Watch for the display cases to fill with jewelry, lapidary, mineral specimens, bead work, and art work.

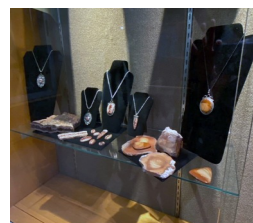
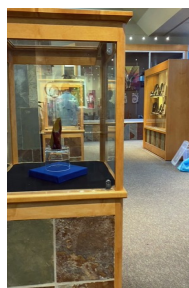
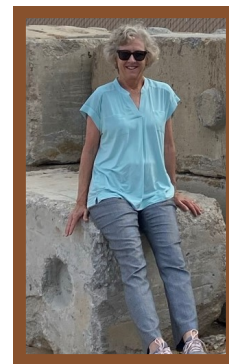
The Anaheim Public Library has invited the Searchers to have a table. This is a kid-friendly event, only 3 hours, on Saturday, March 26, 2022. The activity needs to blend math, science, technology and art. In the past, the club had volunteers to explain lapidary art, and make a ring from a polished stone chosen by the child. Won't you come out for an hour and bring one of your exceptional rocks, and share your rock knowledge?

Jason Badgley gave a presentation about how to find NEW places that have agates. Starting from geology maps, and Rock and Gem magazines, he discovers local places, such as at the Santa Monica Mountains, near the old, M\*A\*S\*H site. He had photos of what agates look like, with their weathered skins on, and without. He shares his knowledge on his Facebook page with live broadcasts.

Sincerely, Robin Larzelere welcomehomestudio@gmail.com

**A very big thank you** to these Searchers and helpers. They created a beautiful start for the Searchers display in the Anaheim Center. I wish I had taken photos of them working hard. Thank you, Robin

Thank you to Victor Wolf, Robert Burson, Dean Wanless, John Kline, Jamie Cassidy-Curtis, and Nancy Bird. A special thank you to two helpers, Melissa Meaux (signed up for a Searchers membership) and Kathy Haas. Steven Duncan, Inez Flaugh, Karen Kremer, Jimmy Peterson, Bill Hogarth and Margaret Hogarth are bringing the final pieces to fill in the remaining cases on Feb. 1, 2022. I hope this will be an annual Searchers event with members showing their work every year. Sincerely, Robin Larzelere



## Searchers Club Meetings and Presenters

Board Meeting- February 1st

Member Meeting- February 7th in the Anaheim Community Center

**Searchers board meeting January 4, 2022 via Zoom**

The meeting began at 6:20 PM. Robin Larzelere, Steve Duncan, Jenny Rohl, Nancy Bird and Margaret Hogarth were in attendance.

The membership application is being finalized and will be implemented in February, 2022.

The board is continuing to evaluate the SCC Gemology Association Workshop needs. We will discuss further at the February board meeting.

Searchers will have booth at the Anaheim Public Library STEAM event to make rings and show geology-based information. Event will be held in March and we will ask for volunteers.

Gallery Display of Searchers' work is being worked on with the Cultural Heritage Association.

The small slabbing saw has been adjusted and is working. Workshop storage room has been cleaned up and organized.

**Searchers Member Meeting- January 11, 2022 in the Anaheim Downtown Community Center**

The meeting began at 7:00 PM at the Anaheim Community Center. Thanks to all who helped make Grant Miller's rock sale a success. We will be going to Burro Creek in Arizona for the extended field trip prior to Quartzsite. It will be on January 14-17, 2022. Steve Duncan will be guiding the trip. Volunteers needed: for Anaheim Public Library's STEAM program in March. The event is for 3 hours. We need people to tumble rocks and donate prizes for the show.

Our speaker for the evening was Jason Badgley. He is a member of the Pasadena Lapidary Society and Del Air and Malibu Rocks as well as the California Agate Gallery. He has Facebook shows each Thursday and Saturday from 5 pm to 7 pm. [https://m.facebook.com/Malibu-Rocks-California-Agate-Gallery-808657825874854/?ref=page\\_internal&mt\\_nav=0](https://m.facebook.com/Malibu-Rocks-California-Agate-Gallery-808657825874854/?ref=page_internal&mt_nav=0) His talk was titled, "Why did I pick this up?"

Places to find rocks are found on the internet on a variety of sites. Jase likes to use Rockd for his searches (<https://rockd.org/>). He is very familiar with the Santa Monica Mountains for place to look for rocks. There are many publications that show polished agates with locations listed.

Malibu has agates. Jalama Beach has thunder eggs that have been tumbled. Palos Verdes has petrified wood AND whale bone can be found along the central coast.

Agates occur as amygdals in lava float and vein agates in cracks. Thunder eggs are warty in appearance. Sagenite is acicular calcite pseudo morphs in agate. Petrified wood occurs in rhyolite.

Good specimens are in hiding in plain sight. The surface can be covered in white oxidation. Purple rocks fade in sun light. Rocks can be covered in white caliche. All jade has a rind on it which disguises it. Desert varnish darkens the outside of rocks.

Take time to look at the material.

Look at broken edges - they can give clues to what is hiding inside.

Wet the rocks to better view the colors.

You have to check lots of rocks to find the good stuff!



## Searcher News

### Speakers



#### Speaker for February 8<sup>th</sup> Searchers meeting is George Rossman

George R. Rossman is Professor of Mineralogy in the Division of Geological and Planetary Sciences, at Caltech in Pasadena. He got a dual B.S. degree in both Chemistry and Mathematics from Wisconsin State University, Eau Claire. His Ph.D. was from Caltech in Inorganic Chemistry. His principal research interests deal with the use spectroscopic probes to study minerals. His work addresses questions relating to the origin of color in minerals; spectroscopic methods for phase identification; and the special role of trace amounts of water bound in nominally anhydrous minerals. He is also interested in the long-term effects in minerals from the exposure to background levels of natural radiation. He was the recipient of the inaugural Dana Medal, of the Mineralogical Society of America in 2001, the Richard P. Feynman Prize for Excellence in Teaching at the Caltech in 2004, the Friedrich-Becke Medal of the Austrian Mineralogical Society in 2005, and this year's Roebling Medal of the Mineralogical Society of America. He was also honored by having two new minerals of the tourmaline family named after him. He has more than 380 publications in the mineralogical and chemical sciences.

#### **A Visit to the Arkansas Quartz Mines**

The quartz crystal mines in the Ouachita Mountains of Arkansas are among the most productive in the world. For many years, these deposits have provided quartz for optical and electronic technologies as well as crystals for collectors and for jewelry. Dr. Rossman was invited by the owner of the mines to visit the mines, to see the specimens collected for displays in major museums, and to collect samples. There, high-grade, clear crystals are mined in fractures in steeply dipping fractures in sandstones. We will hear of some of the history and geology of these important mines and visit the workshop where crystals are processed after mining. Spectacular specimens of quartz were in abundance in the shop. The various mines are somewhat less glamorous than one might imagine, with heavy machinery and, after rain, a lot of mud. We will also see a nearby locality where the aluminum phosphate minerals, planerite, variscite and wavellite, occur.

Luis de los Santos will speak on agates in March.



**Check out our "new" Facebook page:**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/564049648337138>

#### **Saw Oil Available**

The club supplies saw oil at a good price. It is located at Jim Peterson's home. Bring your own 5 gallon container. The cost is \$60 for 5 gallons. Call 714 904-8573 and make a check payable to "Searchers"

## Upcoming Fields Trips

### February 12 & 13

The February field trip will be led by Doug Flaugh to Hector Hills and Hector Flats Feb 12&13, 2022.

The trip will be to North Hector for banded jasper and Hector Hills for various chalcedony. Additional sites may include Hector Flats for tumbling material and a side trip to explore the lava tubes and caves of Pisgah Crater.

Four wheel drive is recommended due to some long stretches of deep sand, however most high clearance vehicles will be able to make it if driven purposefully.

**Because of its proximity to Orange County this is a good trip for newbies, or people that cannot justify a whole weekend trip. It is certainly possible to drive out Saturday morning, collect all day and return to Orange County around dark. Google shows a travel time of about 2.5 hrs to the meetup location. Pack a lunch, grab some water and sunscreen and rock tools (a rock pick and a spray bottle) and join us. If you don't have a rock pick a generic hammer will suffice for now.**

The camping site is at Lavic Siding. Directions from Barstow, CA : exit at Hector Rd and turn right at the end of the off ramp, then turn left onto old Rt 66. Follow Rt 66 for 9.4 miles to where the road makes a sharp left turn to cross Hwy 40. Do not cross the freeway, instead turn right off the pavement onto Lavic Rd. Bear left onto the unmarked road and follow for 0.6 miles to the fork and turn left down the hill to the campsite. There should be Searchers signs marking the way. This is a dry camp, bring everything you need. Don't forget water, sunscreen, hats and rock tools. Minimum rock tools is probably a rock hammer and a spray bottle, the more serious may wish to bring geo picks, shovels, small sledge hammers, gads etc. We are again allowed to have fires so bring some wood for a Sat night fire, and we will also have a potluck Sat night for those who wish to partake.

Saturday and Sunday morning we will meet up at the junction of Lavic Rd and old Rt66, and the trips will leave from there. Rally time is 8:30 am. As usual people who don't have the right type of vehicle may try to arrange to ride with someone who does.

These plans are firm, contact Doug at [dwflaugh@aol.com](mailto:dwflaugh@aol.com) or 310 946 2487 for more details.

### **March 12, 13 Chuckwalla Springs**

There will be a field trip on March 12, 13 to Chuckwalla Springs (between Desert Center/Blythe). The trip will be led by Searcher Robert Burson. We will be collecting agates (plume, moss, fortification, and banded), and Jaspers of many colors. Sagenite is found here too. There are also agate filled geodes and amygdules.

This is a particularly beautiful spot. The spot itself is a reward. BE AWARE: **4 WHEEL DRIVE and high clearance** is what should be driven here. This is a challenging route with some tricky rocky parts. The Searchers are not responsible for damages to your vehicle, as usual we will sign waivers of liability. For people who come to camp without the right kind of vehicle there is always the possibility of carpooling with someone who does, as well as the possibility of a separate trip to a less challenging location. If you plan on coming on the trip and do not have the right vehicle let us know in advance and we can try to plan ahead.

The camp will be accessible by RVs and cars, although the last stretch of the road may need to be driven carefully. This will be a dry camp, bring everything you need. Don't forget sunscreen and hats, lots of water. It could be hot during the day and cold at night. Gas and simple supplies are available at Chiriaco Summit and Blythe has anything you could need, including motels. We will be having our traditional potluck on Saturday night, so bring something good to share. Telling tall tales around the campfire is also on the agenda, so bringing a little firewood is a good idea.

## Upcoming Fields Trips

We will leave the camp every day at 0830am. We will carpool as required. You will want to take lunch. Standard rock tools should suffice, rock pick, gloves, and a spray bottle. You may want a small sledge and gad, or a Geo Pick..

### Directions:

Take 91 freeway East to the 60 South. In Indio take 10 East travel to first exit past Desert Center. Take Corn Springs exit, which is 9.3 miles east of Desert Center. Take the old highway east 13.2 miles to Graham Pass Road. Turn right and go south for 5.9 miles to the Chuckwalla Springs Rd, there should be a sign here. We will put out some Searchers signs to help you find your way. Without traffic it is about 3 hours and 20 minutes from Anaheim to the freeway turn off.

If you have any questions about the trip feel free to contact Robert at 562 706 4892 or Steve Duncan at 714 724 7102. For people that like to motel it, rooms in Blythe are usually reasonable if you shop around ahead of time.

HOPE YOU CAN MAKE IT.  
Robert

### April

The April trip will be a combination rock trip led by me and a mineral trip led by Kim Strange. Dates are TBD, we will probably be going to the Marble Mountains for the mineral portion, and Siam siding for Chapenite for the rock portion on Sunday. Those who know Siam Siding know that this involves digging large holes in soft sand. This works best when we divide the group into digging "collectives" and work together.

The campsite will probably be the same location off of Cadiz Rd that we camp at when trilobite collecting.

This plan is still tentative at this time. We will firm up the details in the future. We don't try to collect mineral specimens often, so this trip should be a treat for you mineral folks.

### May

May trip is tentatively planned for May 14 and 15 at Lavic Siding Saturday and the Cady Mountains Sunday.

The Saturday portion at Lavic is specifically aimed at new or non-members that we recruit at the show. We will need some experienced rockhounds to join us, and we will try to pair up newbies with experienced rockhounds for educational purposes.

Sunday we can choose some Cady sites.

I will lead this trip, maybe I will wrangle a co-leader for the Cady's part.  
More details to come.

### June

Too hot.

Monthly Field trips should resume in September. We may look for a hot weather trip sometime during the summer. There are rumblings about a Utah/Idaho/Oregon trip?

**For field trip  
information  
contact: Steve  
Duncan  
mrsteveduncan  
2@gmail.com  
714 724-7102**



## January Burro Creek Trip Report

The Searchers had quite a good turn out for a trip as far away as Burro Creek. At one time we had 10 vehicles in our convoy. The trip was special because in addition to the usual suspects (Margaret, Bill, Jimmy, Steve, Marcia, Doug, Inez, Cary, Elaine, Dean, Joanne) we had Searchers Jim and Darshini Williamson join us from Pahrump, and long-time Searchers Jim and Donna McGeough joined us after being missing in action for several years. Rex from the Pasadena club came and brought his wife and 2 kids along. And Lorri joined us from Havasu for a couple of days. It was good to see everyone, and I may be able to talk Jim into leading some future trips, he is a good leader.



Day 1 we stayed west of Burro Creek Crossing, and collected the so-called blue agate from an ash bed, the material was very light blue, but may have potential. Only cutting will let us know for sure. We also collected some pink Pastelite, and found some orange Jasper along with more Pastelite at a different site.

Day 2 we went on a "death march" up towards the Bagdad mine to a purple agate site I "knew". Talking to people later at the Quartzsite PowWow I found out that the mine had become unhappy with rockhounds collecting there and bulldozed the site and then dumped other tailings on it. So the site really does not exist anymore. My apologies to everyone who went on that hot, thorny hike. After this we went to another Pastelite site which had some purple material. This was a good site, and folks collected quite a bit of good material.

Day 2 ended with a potluck, and as usual the Searchers outdid themselves with lots of excellent food. Jim Williamson also had made a gas run to Bagdad, and while he was there he managed to buy a birthday cake for Margaret, so we got to celebrate Margaret's birthday too.

Day 3 we went to a "purple agate in ash" dig site we found on an old map. After a couple of hours of hard work with several large holes dug we found a piece of purple agate and a lot of small crumbs of agate. This site has potential for the future. We then went North of the Bagdad gate and found another agate spot that was highlighted by lots of large rocks covered with botryoidal druzy. Everyone got some fine yard rocks, and some nice agates.

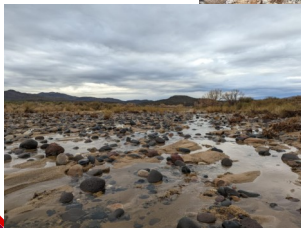
Day 3 ended with a small happy hour with enough appetizers that most people didn't need dinner.

Day 4 had a bit of light rain, and we drove south of Burro Creek to the Santa Maria river, searched for a while with minimal success, and then drove to the Stanton ghost town. This is a curious place, with a small ghost town which has been swallowed up by an RV site run by the Lost Dutchman mining association. We tried collecting near here, and Margaret found a small piece of what I believe will be a beautiful red jasper with brighter red stripes.

After the Burro Creek portion of the trip many folks went down to Quartzsite to check out the Desert Gardens show, and the PowWow, both of which were worth seeing.

The trip, as usual, was really fun with an excellent cast of characters, and we had a lot of fun collecting, and a lot of fun socializing around the campfire. If you haven't been taking advantage of the field trips the Searchers run you are missing out.

Steve Duncan



### Burro Creek Trip report Con.



## Rockhounding Apps

Check out useful rockhounding and travel apps recommended by Currently Rockhounding at <https://currentlyrockhounding.com/useful-apps/>

For geological information Currently Rockhounding recommends the Rockd app <https://rockd.org/>. This is the app that Jason Badgley recommends, also.

"The Rockd app gives you a mobile friendly version of the Macrostrat site which offers geologic maps from around the world and at numerous scales that have been homogenized into a single database. As you zoom in and out of the map, scale-appropriate geologic maps are shown, and clicking on the map reveals primary data about each unit...The only real downside to using the Rockd app is that it requires a data connection to load the maps which can be a problem in the field with a limited connection."

For navigation, Currently Rockhounding recommends GaiaGPS. There is an affiliate link that allows you a discount to the paid premium annual membership.

For overland travel and camping Currently Rockhounding recommends TheDyrt (<https://thedyrt.com/>) and Overland Bound (<https://www.overlandbound.com/>). Check it out!

Indiana Geological & Water Survey, Indiana University, Bloomington

Lesson Plans and Activities and GeoNotes. These activities are geared for middle and highschool students, but well worth a look. Beautifully illustrated and described, these geological lessons will teach you things you didn't know you knew.

[https://igws.indiana.edu/lessonplans/?fbclid=IwAR2-ke9Ys8Yb44Ue669agl4vPJio\\_5Mhi2D9jg8HUxy5MuwTJWkddYRRILU](https://igws.indiana.edu/lessonplans/?fbclid=IwAR2-ke9Ys8Yb44Ue669agl4vPJio_5Mhi2D9jg8HUxy5MuwTJWkddYRRILU)

Kentucky Geological Survey, University of Kentucky, Virtual Field Trips

<http://www.uky.edu/KGS/geoky/fieldtrip/index.htm>

These resources "are virtual field trips and published geology field guides. Included in each is a map of the field-trip area, a discussion of the general geology of the area, and pertinent references that can be used to help explain the geology of the trail route or road. Field trip guidebooks were written for official field trips of geological associations in Kentucky. They are intended for audiences with a geologic background. Virtual field trips are intended for the general public. Some of the virtual field trips are keyed to trail maps. Others are photo albums of sites visited during one of the official field trips. Virtual field trips can be used to visit parts of the state you are unable to visit, or can be used as a trip planner, to help teachers and trip leaders better explain the geology that can be seen, when they make the trip themselves. In addition to the field trips and guidebooks listed below, geologic field guides and charts for Kentucky's interstate and major state highways, which were not part of official geologic field trips but which explain the geology of rocks seen in roadcuts along the roads, can be seen at Roadside geology."





**Saturday, March 26, 2022**

**Anaheim Public Library – Science, Tech, Math, Art**

**An afternoon for kids.**

**Come join the fun, bring a rock collection to share your knowledge, craft a polished stone ring for a child**



What the club needs:

- 1) A volunteer to organize Searchers and respond to the library. The library will provide the table.
- 2) Bring the materials to make rings, the bin is in storage.
- 3) Find Searchers to fill the 3 hour commitment on Saturday. Two Searchers per hour.
- 4) Contact Robin Larzelere by February 7 [welcomhomestudio@gmail.com](mailto:welcomhomestudio@gmail.com)

My name is Katrina Ford. I am a Senior Librarian with the City of Anaheim. I have also been a lurking member of the Searchers for the past several years. I love your emails by the way! I am part of the Anaheim STEAM Co-Op. Our group seeks to promote science, technology, engineering, the arts, math (STEAM) to children and youth of Anaheim and the surrounding area. One of our flagship events is our hands-on STEAM event for children and their families. This event normally draws 1500-2000 residents from all over the area.

On behalf of the Anaheim STEAM Co-Op, I would like to personally extend an invitation to you and your company to join us for our Spring into STEAM event. This event will be held on Saturday, March 26<sup>th</sup>, from 11 AM – 2 PM at the Anaheim Central Library. The Anaheim Central Library is located at 500 W. Broadway, Anaheim, CA 92805.

In order to participate, please email [kford@anaheim.net](mailto:kford@anaheim.net) or call 714-765-1746 AND fill out the registration link below:

<https://forms.gle/M5neYAcLeqKiFLQJA>

We ask that all groups participating provide a hands-on STEAM related activity for children in elementary school to complete. For this event you are not allowed to sell anything, but you are allowed to promote your business/group/nonprofit.

If your company/group is interested in sponsoring the advertising/printing costs or donating prizes for those that are attending this event, please contact Katrina Ford – [kford@anaheim.net](mailto:kford@anaheim.net) for a further discussion.

Thank you so much for the consideration in joining us for this meaningful community event in bringing hands-on science and art to the children in Anaheim!



## February Show News

We are planning on holding our annual show April 30-May 1, 2022 with the caveat that we don't know how the COVID pandemic will affect things. If anything changes we will be sure to let you know as soon as we can. In the meantime, continue making prizes and saving quality materials for the Silent Auction and for Wheel of Fortune prizes.

There will be a Searchers Show Committee Meeting on Saturday, Saturday, February 5, 2022, 1-2:30 p.m. at the Anaheim Community Center, in one of the meeting rooms.

Saturday, March 5, 2022

Saturday, April 2, 2022

Saturday, April 23, 2022 (during shop hours)

### Fairy House Making Sessions

Join Searchers for fairy house making for prizes. These sessions will take place during Saturday shop hours (2:30-7:00 p.m.) on the dates below. It's more fun if we create together!

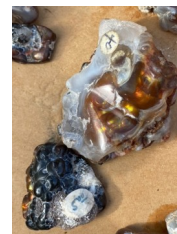
Saturday, February 5, 2022

Saturday, March 5, 2022

Saturday, April 2, 2022

If you would like to attend, contact Margaret at [hogarth.m@gmail.com](mailto:hogarth.m@gmail.com) so I have enough bases.

### Searchers doing what they do best at a sale of Grant Miller's collection.



For a more complete listing of shows go to web-site: [www.cfmsinc.org](http://www.cfmsinc.org)

## Upcoming 2022 CFMS Gem Shows

### 2022 Shows

#### February 26-27, 2022 – Vallejo, CA

Vallejo Gem and Mineral Society  
McCormack Hall, Solano County Fairgrounds, Vallejo, CA  
900 Fairgrounds Dr., Vallejo, CA  
Spring Bling 2022  
Hours: 10 AM – 5 PM both days  
Contact: (415) 254-1506, [dduhonvgms@gmail.com](mailto:dduhonvgms@gmail.com)  
Website: <http://vjgems.co/>

#### March 5-5, 2022 – Ventura, CA

Ventura Gem and Mineral Society  
Ventura County Fairgrounds, 10 W. Harbor Blvd., Ventura  
Hours: Saturday 10 AM – 5 PM, Sunday 10 AM – 4 PM  
Gems and Minerals, fossils, jewelry, healing stones, silent auction, exhibits, dealers, kids activities, lapidary arts demonstrations, raffle, flea market, plant sale. A successful and valued South Coast show since 1963. We are happy to be back again after COVID!  
Website: <http://www.vgms.org>

#### March 12-13, 2022 – Arcadia, CA

Pasadena Lapidary Society  
"Inspiration Unearthed", 62nd Annual Tournament of Gems  
Arcadia Masonic Center, 50 W. Duarte Rd., Arcadia  
Hours: 10-5 Daily  
Contact: Ellen Ferrell 1-727-512-0381  
Email: [ellenbf2007@aol.com](mailto:ellenbf2007@aol.com)  
Website: <https://www.pasadenalapidary.org>

#### March 12-13, 2022 – Turlock, CA

Mother Lode Mineral Society  
Stanislaus Fairgrounds, 900 N. Broadway in Turlock, CA 95380  
Hours: 10 AM – 5 PM daily  
55th Annual Rock, Mineral & Jewelry Show!

#### EDUCATIONAL FAMILY EVENT!

Rocks, Minerals, Fossils, Jewelry, Beads, Fluorescents, Children's activities, and More! Learn to make beautiful jewelry out of natural rocks and gemstones from our demonstrators.  
Admission: \$6 adult, children 12 and under free with paid adult.  
Contact: Bud & Terry McMillin (209) 484-4416, [terry.mcmillin@yahoo.com](mailto:terry.mcmillin@yahoo.com)  
Website: <http://www.turlockgemshow.com>

#### April 1-3, 2022, Vista CA

Vista Gem and Mineral Society  
Vista Gem and Mineral Show  
Antique Gas and Steam Engine Museum, 2040 N. Santa Fe Ave., Vista, CA 92083  
Hours: April 1 & 2, 10 AM – 5 PM, April 3, 10 AM – 4 PM  
Come on out for a fun-filled weekend at the Vista Gem and Mineral Show April 1-3, 2022. Held outdoors at the Antique Gas and Steam Engine Museum. All proceeds go to support our non-profit school and you do not need to be present to win.  
Contact: [info@vistarocks.org](mailto:info@vistarocks.org)  
Website: <https://vistarocks.org>

#### April 9-10, 2022 – Mariposa

Mariposa Gem and Mineral Club  
Mountains of Minerals  
Mariposa County Fairgrounds, 5005 Fairgrounds Road, Mariposa, CA 95338  
Hours: Saturday 10 AM – 5 PM, Sunday 10 AM – 4 PM  
Contact: [mgmc@sti.net](mailto:mgmc@sti.net)  
Website: <http://mariposagemclub.org>

#### April 30 – May 1, 2022 – Anaheim, CA

Searchers Gem & Mineral Society  
Hours: 10 AM – 5 PM  
Website: <https://searchersrocks.org>

#### May 6-7-8, 2022 – Lancaster, CA

**CFMS Gems, Minerals, Fossils & Jewelry Show**  
Antelope Valley Fairgrounds, 2551 W Avenue H, Lancaster, CA 93536  
Hours: Friday, Saturday 9 AM - 5 PM, Sunday 9 AM – 4 PM  
Gems, Minerals, Fossils, Jewelry, Demonstrations, Exhibits, Dealers, Kid's and Family Activities. Free parking and Free Admission.  
Contact:  
Bob Backus (661) 526-3564, email: [lbackus@aol.com](mailto:lbackus@aol.com)  
Susan Chaisson-Walblom (661) 406-0143, email: [slchaisson@yahoo.com](mailto:slchaisson@yahoo.com)  
More information coming!!

#### June 11-12, 2022 – Escondido, CA

Palomar Gem and Mineral Club  
Palomar Gem and Mineral Show  
California Center for the Arts, 340 N. Escondido, Escondido 92025  
Hours: Saturday 10 AM – 5 PM, Sunday 10 AM – 4 PM  
Faceted gems, Slabs, Cabochons, Unique custom jewelry, Rare and common minerals, Fossils, Rough, Beads, Crystals, exhibits, Demonstrations, prizes.  
Contact: (425) 281-6218, [tonifloyd41615@gmail.com](mailto:tonifloyd41615@gmail.com)  
Website: <http://palomargem.org>

## February Birthstone: Amethyst



# Searchers Gem & Mineral Society

## General Information



Check our website for unexpected changes in schedule!

[www.searchersrocks.org](http://www.searchersrocks.org)

**General Meetings:** 7 PM, 2nd Tuesday of each month, Jan - Nov

**Board Meetings:** 6:30 PM, 1st Tuesday of each month, Jan - Nov

**Workshop:** Thursday 5:30 to 10:00 PM and Saturday 2:30 to 7:00 PM

**Location:** Anaheim Downtown Community Center  
250 East Center St.  
Anaheim, CA 92805

**Mailing Address:** Searchers Gem & Mineral Society, Inc.  
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