



SEARCHERS GEM AND MINERAL SOCIETY, INC.  
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The Searchers Gem and Mineral Society, Inc., meet on the third Thursday of each month at the Anaheim Cultural Arts Center, 931 North Harbor Blvd., Anaheim. 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 \$2.00 each.

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 first Thursday of each month at the Cultural Arts Center at 7:30 PM.

WORKSHOPS: Lapidary every Thursday except the third Thursday each month, 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM (ADULT MEMBERS ONLY).

Silversmithing each Wednesday, 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM and every Thursday, Noon - 4:00 PM.

Deadline for items to be included in the bulletin is the second (2nd) Thursday of each month. Please mail all items to: Marge Jordan, 12161 Bartlett Street, Garden Grove, CA 92645.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our 31st Annual Gem Roundup is now behind us. I congratulate the Searchers for another fine presentation. A quality gem show presentation (as ours is) requires a tremendous effort and YOUR many hours of work have provided results we can all be proud to be a part of.

Credit and a special thanks must be extended to the Anaheim Arts Council for their sponsorship; the Dealers that have supplied us with such a complete line of equipment and supplies; the Special Exhibitors for their contributions and, the Brookhurst Community Center Staff for all their help. THANK YOU ALL!

I would like to remind you that our June General Meeting is our Annual Awards Meeting and Potluck Dinner. Dinner will be at 7:00 PM with the meeting and award presentation following dinner. This is a family affair, everyone is welcome. Please plan on bringing a main dish, salad, vegetables or a dessert. The Club will provide dishes, eating utensils and cups. Punch and coffee will be available.

See you there.

Jim Williamson

SHOW DATES:

May 19 - 20 Yucaipa Valley Gem and Mineral Club  
Yucaipa Community Center  
Corner 1st and Avenue "B"  
Yucaipa, CA  
Hours: May 19 - 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM  
May 20 - 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Jun 2 - 3 Glendora Gems  
Goddard School  
859 E. Sierra Madre Ave  
Glendora, CA  
Hours: Jun 2 - 10:00 AM to 7:30 PM  
Jun 3 - 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

ORANGE COUNTY GEM AND MINERAL COUNCIL:

Saturday, May 5th the Searchers hosted the first meeting of the newly formed Orange County Gem and Mineral Council. Twenty-seven attendees represented eight area clubs. Eight Searchers were present, one representing the Faceters Guild of Southern California and one representing the Gem Carvers Guild of America. The meeting was held at the Brookhurst Community Center during our show. This meeting was held to establish 2 items:

ORANGE COUNTY GEM AND MINERAL COUNCIL - Cont'd

I. Set up Operating Procedures

1. Each club should have 1 representative and 1 alternate.
2. Membership was set (at least temporarily) at the Orange County and Speciality Clubs present.
  - a. Searchers Gem and Mineral Society
  - b. Santa Ana Rock and Mineral Club
  - c. North Orange County Gem and Mineral Society
  - d. Faceters Guild of Southern California
  - e. Gem Carvers Guild of America
  - f. Autonetics Gem and Mineral Club
  - g. Capistrano Valley Rock and Mineral Club
  - h. Orange Coast Mineral and Lapidary Society
3. The Council will meet quarterly.
4. Establish a meeting place (next meeting will be in 6 to 8 weeks).
5. A need to establish Club bulletin exchange among involved Clubs.
6. This group agreed on a temporary name.
7. Economics need to be determined.

II. Council Direction or Goals (All Clubs agreed the following items were of concern).

1. Extraordinary speakers (to talk on topics of interest)
2. Joint Field Trips
3. Interest younger people
4. Information dissemination
5. Support Fairs (Orange County and Youth)
6. Support Museums - Bowers and Orange County History
7. Identify Speakers from the Clubs able to talk to outside groups, etc.

These items are not all inclusive (only a starting point) and are not listed in order of priority.

I feel this Council can not only benefit the Clubs involved but the general public as well. It will not be an easy challenge and will require a lot of dedication and work in order to be successful.

Jim Williamson

FEDERATION DELEGATE REPORT:

The Conejo Gem and Mineral Club are finalizing their plans and arrangements to host the "Pageant of American Gems" the combined AFMS/CFMS National Show and Convention to be held in Ventura, CA, June 28th thru July 1, 1990. The show will be held at the Ventura Fairgrounds which is located on the beach. This is a lovely setting and there are many things to do in this area. Camping is available but get your reservations in now.

Elmer Parsons

HIGHLIGHTS APRIL GENERAL MEETING:

Our program was on "Earthquake Preparedness" presented by Susan Herring of the Anaheim Fire Department's Division of Emergency Services. This was a slide presentation on the October '89 San Francisco earthquake and the surrounding areas and concluded by advising us of necessary items we should have on hand and placed in an emergency bag in the event of a major disaster.

Joel Swanson, 1990 Show Chairman, reported that everything had been finalized and completed and we're ready to proceed with our May show.

During our show there will be a meeting of the Orange County Council of Clubs for all the clubs throughout the county. This meeting will be held on Saturday, May 5th at the Brookhurst Community Center (in a separate room from our show) from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM. The meeting is open for all club members and everyone is invited to participate. Also, there was discussion of a joint venture gem show to be held in a local shopping mall in the fall (possibly October).

Our June field trip will be to Last Chance Canyon, June 23 and 24. July will be our annual picnic at Doheny Beach. The annual ice cream social will be held in August at Yorba Regional Park. The Thanksgiving trip will be to either the Chuckwallas or Wileys Well to be announced at a later date.

Walter Mroch reported that Crestmore is now open again (he had recently been there collecting crystals). Walter had some of his specimens to show at the meeting.

Todd Showalter, Supervisor for the Gem and Mineral Department of the Orange County Fair reminded everyone that the deadline date for those who are considering entering a case in the Fair will be June 6th. Also a sign up sheet will be circulated at our next two meetings for members who would like to sign up as host and hostess in the Gem and Mineral building during the Fair. Those who sign up will be provided with a free entry ticket and free parking for that day.

Marge

PROGRAM REPORT:

Harry Kuzmaul and Betty Garrett will be our guest speakers for the May meeting. Harry a graduate of GIA is a diamond cutter and faceter. Betty owns "B-G Jewelry". Gold alloys, solders and safe practices will be discussed, plus handouts.

Bill Keyes

SHOW REPORT:

Now that we have completed another successful show I would like to thank my Co-Chairman, Lowell Disney, all of the Show Committee Chairpersons, and all of you Searchers for making my job a lot easier than I thought it was going to be. I really didn't have that much to do once we got started setting up Friday morning. A great big thank you to all of you who helped.

Thanks to all the members who had cases in this year. They were the best I've seen in a couple of years.

I thoroughly enjoyed being your Show Chairman and I appreciated all of your help and hard work before, during and after the show. It's members like you who made my job easier. Again, a great big thank you. I hope that you will support next years Show Chairman as you have me. It will be appreciated.

Joel Swanson

CRAFTS:

A special thanks to all the Searchers who helped with crafts. First of all, thanks to the following ladies who worked since January to make our crafts so successful: Evelyn Klumb, Betty Henderson, Bev Erhart, Marge Jordan, Margaret Neeley, Marje Husby, Mary Jane Parsons, Doris Pelfrey, Joan Everitt and Elena Goldgorin. Thanks to Queenie Osborne, Doris Pelfrey and Millie Arvanites for all the critters and items they made at home.

To Jeanne Howe for doing the art work on our California Rock Collections and to Bruce and Bobbie Leith for doing the printing of these collections (they looked very professional) - thanks for a job well done. Also, a big thank you to the gal with the green thumb, Mary Jane Parsons, who coordinated all of our plants and did all of the selling during the show.

We would like to thank Alvina Huber, Bruce Leith and Anna (a friend of the Leith's) for the beautiful hand made afghans they made and donated to the Searchers for our Friday night raffle. Thanks to Dennis Van Kampen for the "Rabbit Family".

A great big thank you to Bruce Leith, Ken Landers, Bill Keyes, Les Klumb, Jim Everitt and Hal Pelfrey for their help with our wood projects, cutting slabs, tumbling stones and donating rocks.

Again, thanks to all of you we appreciate all you've done.

Jan Gillette  
Roberta Leith

FROM MARY JANE:

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to all of you who brought in plants. I truly appreciated everyone's help. It was a great show and fun.

Mary Jane Parsons

SHOW SECURITY:

To all the members who helped with the 1990 show security I would like to extend a great big thank you for a job well done...my feet and I thank you.

Paul Wesley

DONATION AWARDS:

We have several donation gifts unclaimed. Please check with me and if you know the party who has won or, you sold the lucky ticket, please pick up this item and pass it on to the winner or we (the Club) will have to package and mail the item. Thank you.

Margaret Neeley

VISITORS:

Apparently our Gem Show has become known nationwide. Two lovely ladies from the Wichita Gem and Mineral Society (WGMS) extended their trip to California two extra days so that they could attend our show. Not only did they visit us on Saturday but Sunday too.

Mrs Nola Nelson, Rose Hill, Kansas and Mrs Pearl Burden, Benton, Kansas are both very active in the WGMS. Mrs Burden is the present editor of their publication "Quarry Quips" and also past Vice President. Mrs Nelson is the Junior Leader and past Secretary. As the Junior Leader, Mrs Nelson is involved in passing on the virtues of our hobby through the "Pebble Pups" (an organization for the children of the WGMS members) and the 4-H Club Geology.

Several of our members had the opportunity to meet and chat with these delightful ladies and the Searchers are very pleased that they extended their trip to attend our show. A hearty thank you ladies and hopefully you will be able to attend a future Searcher Show. Happy Rockhounding.

Paul Wesley

REFRESHMENTS:

The following members will be serving refreshments in the coming months:

May 17th - Doris Pelfrey and Sharon Brill  
Jun 21st - Potluck/Awards  
Jul 19th - Virginia George  
Aug 16th - Trudie Reed  
Sep 20th - Betty and Bud Henderson  
Oct 18th - Lola Tapia  
Nov 15th - Mary and Ken Nelson

Joan Everitt



SUNSHINE:

Mary Reinert has been in the hospital for surgery - I'm sure she would appreciate cards from friends. She and Afton were hard working members for many years.

We extend our sympathy to Shirley Zech who's husband Dale passed away. Some of the Searchers remember Dale as an earlier member and Field Trip Chairman.

We would like to express our sympathy to Wes and Grant Miller whose Mother, Viona Miller, passed away Monday, May 7th. Viona joined the club in 1965 and was an active participating member until her health failed.

We missed you at the Show Tom Stacks, and we hope you are doing well.

Doris Pelfrey

THANK YOU:

Henry and I want to thank all the club members, dealers and friends that signed the fantastic card (by the one and only Hal Pelfrey). The wonderful messages were fun to read and we greatly appreciate your thoughtfulness and good wishes (and the jokes).

Also, thanks for the cards Henry received and the show flowers. We'll see you all soon!

Mae and Henry Freedman

RECEIPE REQUEST:

Several ladies requested the following receipe...here you are ladies.

INSTANT HAPPINESS CAKE (POPPY SEED CAKE)

- 1 Yellow cake mix (no pudding added)
- 1 teaspoon nutmeg
- 4 Eggs
- 1 Small Instant Vanilla Pudding
- 3/4 C Dry Pale Sherry Wine
- 3/4 C Poppy Seeds (add last)

Blend all ingredients except Poppy Seeds in a large bowl - beat for 4 minutes. Fold in Poppy Seeds, pour into a greased, floured Bundt Pan. Bake at 350° for 50 minutes. Cool - Sprinkle with powdered sugar if desired.

Betty Henderson



GREETINGS TO THE SEARCHERS FROM ARKANSAS

After leaving the Southern Texas area we stopped at Corpus Christi. I went on the Naval Station where I spent one summer as a Naval ROTC Midshipman during my college years. Also visited North Padre Island and Mustang Island.

Next stop was Houston. I have a fraternity brother who works for NASA. He got us passes to visit the future Space Station mockup, the Shuttle area where the astronauts trained and Mission Control.

San Antonio was our next stop. Of course, we saw the historic Alamo as well as an Omnimax show on the battle of the Alamo.

Leaving San Antonio we headed for the hill country around Fredricksburg. Beautiful country with lush rolling hills and lots of wild flowers. We visited the Admiral Nimitz Museum which was excellent and also saw the famous L.B. Johnson ranch nearby.

Waco area was our next stop where we saw the Texas Rangers Museum. They were a colorful group. The road cuts around Waco are loaded with sea life fossils. I collected some and am now trying to identify them. From Waco it was on to Dallas and Fort Worth where friends showed us around that big area.

Leaving Texas we headed for the Arkansas Crater of Diamonds State Park near Murfreesboro, Arkansas. It had been raining for many days and the place was muddy. It was a type of clay that clings. I hunted for two days without any luck. What few diamonds they are now finding average about 10 points.

We crossed over into Oklahoma and now back into Northwest corner of Arkansas. It has continued to rain. Sometimes 4 to 5 inches a day. You have probably seen some of the Oklahoma and Texas flooding on the news. We passed through the areas before it was so bad.

Our next stop is Kansas to visit relatives. We will skip next months travels. Hope the show went as well as it always has in the past.

Marvin and Jacque Mog

MEMORIAL DAY AND EXTENDED FIELD TRIP

Our Memorial Day trip will be to Copperworld at Cima Road and I-15 beginning May 25th. For those who do not have to return home and are planning to go on to Utah we will depart Copperworld Monday morning (May 28th for Beaver, Utah. We will be camping at the United Campground on the edge of Beaver for a few days before proceeding on to Delta, Utah (Topaz Mountain area). Some will spend a few days at Topaz Mountain and then journey on home while others will go on to other areas in Idaho and Oregon. Maps to Copperworld and Beaver elsewhere in this bulletin.

There will be a\*Rocktail Party/Potluck Saturday evening at Cima Road. Any questions concerning either area please contact George Lux (714) 992-2757.

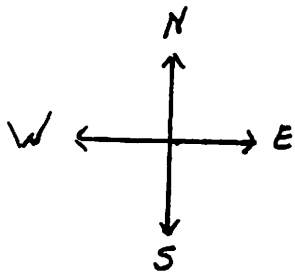
\*Rocktail Party (BYOB = Bring your own beverage).

Jay Cole

MEMORIAL DAY FIELD TRIP (Part 1)

May 26, 27 & 28, 1990

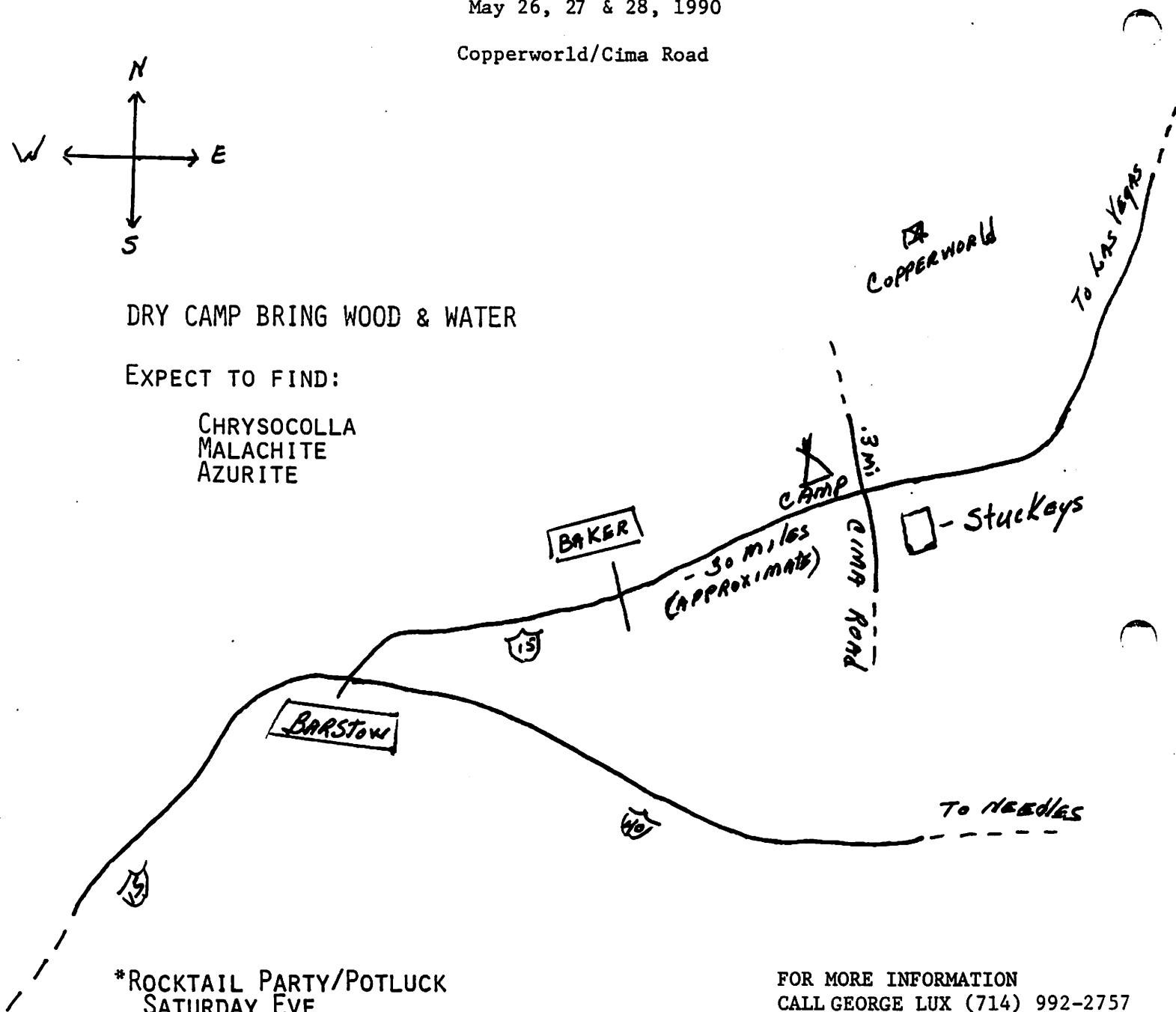
Copperworld/Cima Road



DRY CAMP BRING WOOD & WATER

EXPECT TO FIND:

- CHRYSOCOLLA
- MALACHITE
- AZURITE



\*ROCKTAIL PARTY/POTLUCK SATURDAY EVE

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL GEORGE LUX (714) 992-2757

\*BRING YOUR OWN BEVERAGE

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MEMORIAL DAY EXTENDED FIELD TRIP

May 28, 29 and 30, 1990

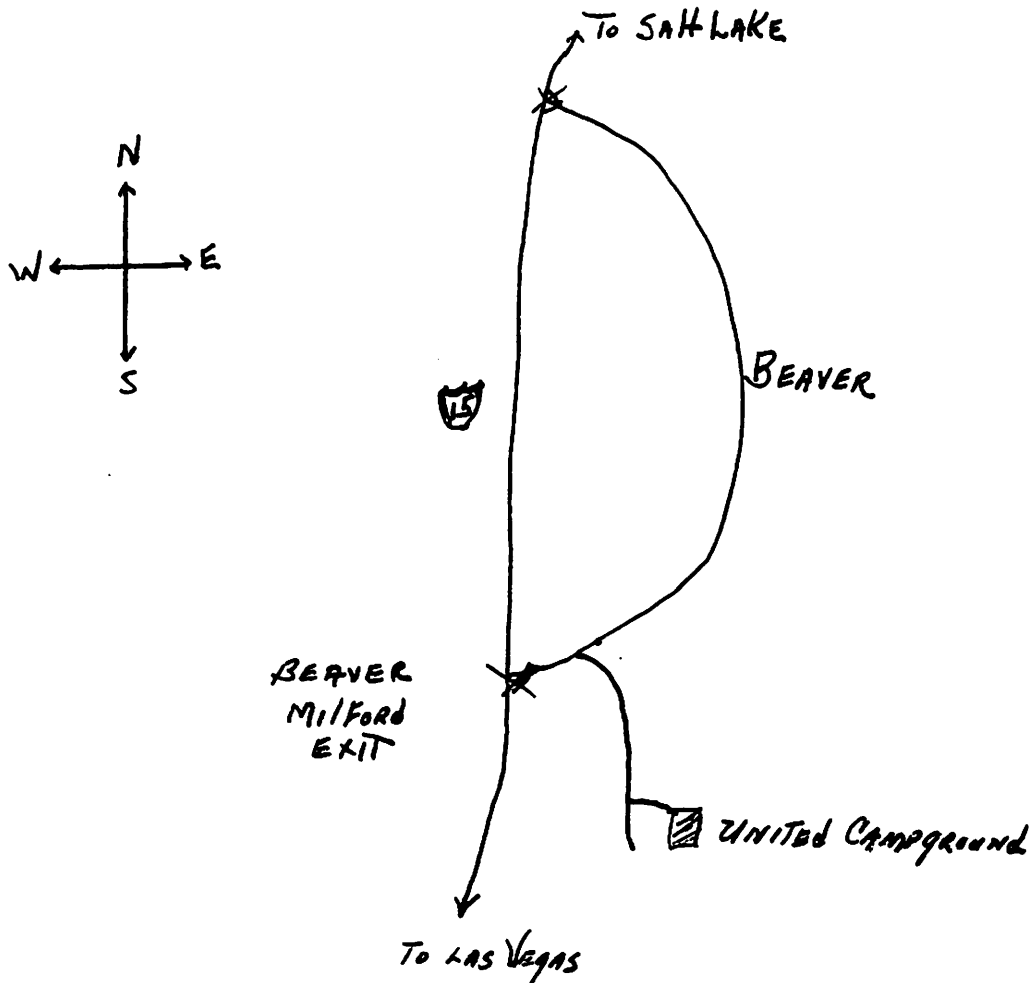
Meet at United Campground - Beaver, Utah

Reservations made for Searchers.

Field trips have been arranged. Dutch BBQ Tuesday evening - United Campground  
(There will be a \$10.00 charge per person)

Beaver is 6,000 feet in elevation so be prepared for all types of climate.  
Actual miles from Las Vegas to Beaver - 225 miles.

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FIELD TRIP LAST CHANCE CANYON

June 23 and 24, 1990

After you leave Red Rock Canyon about 2 miles more or less, you will cross a cattle crossing painted across the highway... about 100 yards turn Right on Red Rock Inyokern Road. This is a graded gravel road. Campsite is about a half mile on Right side. We will collect colorful yellow and red jasper, black agate and wood (if you want to dig 6 ft or more).

We will explore beautiful Last Chance Canyon and Burro Schmit's tunnel through the mountain.

Carl Pitzler

DRY CAMP BRING WOOD & WATER

For more information call  
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