



SEARCHERS GEM AND MINERAL SOCIETY, INC.  
Established June 20, 1958  
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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

With 1990 now underway all the activities so necessary to keep a great club like ours at its best have been set in motion. Last year we reached a new membership high. Dues are currently due and in order to be listed in the 1990 Roster and stay on the mailing list they must be received by March 1st (just two weeks away). I encourage all new members to attend our monthly meetings, become involved in the club's activities and find out what benefits are available.

I would like to remind all of you that our annual gem show is rapidly approaching, this is our primary fund raiser. It also provides us an opportunity to present our hobby to the general public. In order for this event to be successful everyone must do their part. Two key concerns will be addressed tonight:

(1) Donation Tickets -

These tickets provide the 2nd largest portion of show income. The Grand Prize is \$200.00 and there will be many other great prizes. These tickets come in sets of 3 and sell for \$1.00 a set. Each member will be given \$10.00 worth of tickets to sell. The tickets are available for pick-up tonight and also at the March General Meeting. If you are unable to attend either meeting you can help us save postage by asking a friend to pick up your tickets. REMEMBER the more you sell the more you help the club.

(2) Sign Up Sheets -

Our Show Committee Chairpersons need YOUR help. Sign up sheets for all the various jobs that need to be done will be available tonight. As hard as the show committee works at putting on a great show the bottomline is, its up to you the membership to pitch in and give them the help they need. Now is the time to sign up, let the committee know who is doing what and when they're doing it. All the prime choices are still available.

GET INVOLVED and see just how rewarding it can be.

Jim Williamson

DUES ARE DUE

REMINDER: I will need all items for the March Bulletin NOT LATER THAN  
8 March 1990.

Marge

SHOW DATES:

- Feb 24 - 25      San Fernando Valley Gem Fair  
Valley Plaza Recreation Center  
12240 Archwood Street  
North Hollywood, CA  
Hours: Feb 24 - 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM  
Feb 25 - 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM
- Mar 3 - 4      Monrovia Rockhounds  
Masonic Temple  
204 W. Foothill  
Monrovia, CA  
Hours: Mar 3 - 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM  
Mar 4 - 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM
- Mar 3 - 4      Ventura Gem and Mineral Society  
Ventura County Fairgrounds  
Ventura, CA  
Hours: Mar 3 - 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM  
Mar 4 - 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM
- Mar 17 - 18    Pasadena Lapidary Society  
Masonic Lodge  
2425 Seneca Street  
Pasadena, CA  
Hours: Mar 17 - 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM  
Mar 18 - 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

FEDERATION DELEGATE REPORT:

For any of you who are interested in attending the "Pageant of American Gems", AFMS/CFMS National Show and Convention in Ventura, CA (June 28 thru July 1st, 1990) I still have some advance registration forms, maps, lists of motels and restaurants. Camping is available but anyone planning to camp must make advance arrangements.

Anyone who is interested in attending the CFMS Earth Science Seminar at Soda Springs, Zzyzx Road, CA, April 1st thru 6th there is a registration form and information elsewhere in this bulletin.

Elmer Parsons

PROGRAM REPORT:

Our March 15th Program will be a standup demo of "Wire Wrap". This method of mounting rocks in all types of jewelry will be conducted by Mr Joel Haslam. Information as to tools, supplies and where to purchase will be available. Please attend and support your club.

Bill Keyes

MISSING FLATWARE???

Since the Thanksgiving campout some of us are missing serving spoons that match our sets. We would appreciate having them returned. Please check your flatware and IF you have them please bring them to a meeting.

SEARCHERS DO IT AGAIN!

On Saturday, January 27th, over 30 Searchers met at the Cultural Arts Center for our 3rd Annual Swap. Most brought rocks, stories and aluminum cans. The weather was good and the company great. Rocks and stories were swapped and a good time had by all.

Last year we were able to raise just over \$100 at our 2nd Annual Swap. Thanks to all those contributing, a total of \$282.20 was realized for our efforts this year. Success like this will surely bring a 4th Annual Swap next year. See ya there!

Congratulations Searchers for a nice job.

Jim Williamson

SHOW REPORT:

The 1990 show preparations are moving right along. We will be holding our 3rd Show Meeting on Thursday, March 8th, 7:00 PM at the Cultural Arts Center.

Our Committee Chairmen have been working hard and I would like to remind you all that they will need help from ALL members. They will have their clipboards available this evening so please sign up for various jobs. Please take the initiative to volunteer your time to help.

DONATION AWARDS: The Donation Award raffle tickets will be available for pickup at tonight's meeting. Also, Floyd and Margaret Neeley will need help in manning the Donation Ticket Sales table during the show.

Any member who will be contacting business people for donation prizes there are Donation Request letters (for requesting donation awards from local business establishments) and flyers and posters advertising our show available for pick up at the "show" table at the rear of the meeting room. We also need donation award prizes and please remember when selecting your donation please be sure the image we project is the one we are proud of.

HOURLY DOOR PRIZES: Marje Husby will need donations for the hourly drawings.

CHILDREN'S JEWELRY TABLE: Larry Richey will need the following for the children's jewelry making table:

<u>Bolo parts:</u>	Cords - 30 minimum	
	Tips - 40 pair - minimum	
	Slides - 75 - minimum	
<u>Chains:</u>	16 Inch Silver chains - 25 minimum	
	16 Inch Gold chains - 25 minimum	
<u>Bell Caps:</u>	Large Gold - 50	Larger Gold - 50
	Large Silver - 50	Larger Silver - 50

Joel Swanson

WHEEL OF FORTUNE:

I will need items for the Wheel of Fortune. If you have things such as toys, perfumed soaps, polished rocks, slabs, ceramics, key rings, pins, necklaces -- anything that is UNUSED -- if you would put them in a box and bring them to the meetings I will pick them up. Thank you for your help.

Lola Tapia

SUNSHINE:



I'm happy to report that this is the second month that we have not heard of any serious illness or medical problems about any of our members.

Doris Pelfrey

NAME TAGS:

Members (both new and old) who do not have name tags but would like one, I can have them made up for you. The cost is \$3.50. Everyone should wear their name tags to club activities (general meetings, workshop, field trips, etc.). Name tags will be necessary while working at our Annual Show. If you would like to order see me at the general meeting or give me a call at (714) 897-2407.

George Mitchum

THE LUNCH BUNCH (CRAFTERS):



Work days for crafts will be February 20th and 27th, March 6th and 13th at 9:30 AM at Jan Gillette's home. Please bring a dish to share for lunch.

We are off to a great start and could use more helpers and ideas. If any of you need flower pots to start plants contact Mary Parsons. Mary can supply some pots and answer any questions you might have.

Ladies come join us we have fun even though we are working. Remember, all proceeds from sales of craft items go into YOUR club.

Jan Gillette  
Roberta Leith

FOR SALE: Rose Enterprises 20" Rociprolap. Good Condition \$200.00. Please contact Wally Bagley (714) 521-8044. Photo of Rociprolap on table in rear of meeting room.

Wally Bagley

JANUARY FIELD TRIP

Our trip to Victorville/Stoddard Wells Tailgate Show was great. The weather forecast was for snow...nevertheless, some of the "die hard" Searchers headed out. When we arrived Friday afternoon there were only patches of snow where we camped but, the hills around us glistened with the white stuff.

Fifteen Searchers braved the cold cold nights but did enjoy the sunny warm days. One of our new members, Nancy, camped in her tent Friday night and Merle and Jeanne Howe ran out of propane during the night so ask any one of the three how cold it was and they'll tell you.

Our thanks to Carl Pitzler for the use of his truck to haul a lot of folks out to the "diggings". The rest of us found an easier way to get good material -- visit the tailgaters!

Merle and Jeanne tried their hand at selling -- did quite well. Another Searcher, Norm Hickman, did the tailgate bit.

We saw some old friends and met some new ones and all in all it was a nice field trip.

FEBRUARY FIELD TRIP

Our trip to Quartzsite, Arizona was a fun trip. Some Searchers arrived as early as January 29th and others arrived daily until the 9th of February. Altogether there were 16 rigs and 34 people. It was a good turnout and everyone that went had a great time.

Dave and Eleanor Homewood came over to visit several times since they were camped nearby. Also, Ted and Elaine Drake camped with us a few days. Was certainly good to see the Homewoods and Drakes, and not to forget Queenie and Alf Osborne. Seems these couples have been busy traveling the past several months so have missed some of our activities.

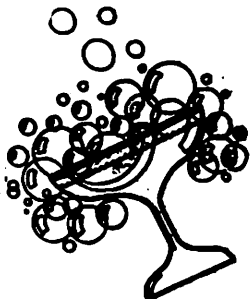
Needless to say everyone had their share of walking and shopping. Every evening it was "show and tell" and a display of all the purchased "goodies" which included the Husby's new RV Awning add-a-room (Norm's smoking room). The weather cooperated, warm sunny days and cold evenings.

MARCH FIELD TRIP

March 10th and 11th we will be going to Gem Hill out near Rosamond, CA. See map elsewhere in this bulletin.

Jay Cole

CONGRATULATIONS:



Our hearty congratulations to Sue Arnold Hickman (Mrs Norm Hickman) on her recent appointment to the California Desert Advisory Council by Secretary of the Interior, Manuel Lujan. We're proud of you Sue and know you will do a great job helping us rockhounds pursue our hobbies.

Marge

SECURITY PRECAUTIONS FOR OUR HOBBY

Facets Gem and Mineral Gallery: Newport, OR

A report has been received from Oregon Coast Agate Club members who were burglarized of their gems, minerals and other valuables. We all want to enjoy our hobbies and treasured items. THINK about it. How many people are aware of your treasured hobbies and where these items are kept? It has become necessary to keep a low profile. We are concerned and offer the following suggestions to collectors and dealers.

When making purchases of gems, jewelry, stamps, coins, guns, etc., consider the use of Travelers Checks, cash or credit cards. The use of personal checks provides the dealer with your address where these items could be kept. If he loses or should be robbed of your check, the thief has all of that information to his use.

Consider using a Post Office Box (away from the house) on your checks, bank statements, credit cards and all HOBBY RELATED newsletters or magazines. REMEMBER THIS for your club membership renewal, as this information will be published in the Federation Directory!

Your listing in the telephone directory does not require the address be listed. USE DISCRETION.

When making travel arrangements, ALWAYS give your business phone number and address or a Post Office Box (use the same identification on your luggage) and consider the above procedure for payment. DO NOT tip off the newspaper people by having the newspaper stopped, have a valued friend or neighbor pick it up and ask them to park a car in your driveway to give that "lived in" look. Using timers on lights and radio inside the home is an additional deterrent. A financial consideration to the valued friend could be cheap insurance.

Insurance companies state that the improper use of the answering machine is an invitation to the prospective burglar. They recommend having a MAN's voice saying, "You have reached 265-0000, please leave your name and telephone number after the tone", leave NO FURTHER INFORMATION on the tape.

Be aware that home maintenance crews are often informers to the burglar of what and where valuables have been seen. DO NOT leave these items nor hobby related newsletters or magazines visible to these people.

Let us remember to be SECURITY MINDED by having an extra person for team work, while setting up and dismantling our displays at a show. NEVER leave your display unattended while it is unlocked.

Any inquiries regarding a display owner should be directed to the Show Display Chairman, who will relay the name and telephone number of the inquired to the display owner. This procedure eliminates any possibility of divulging an individual's residence address to any potential burglar.

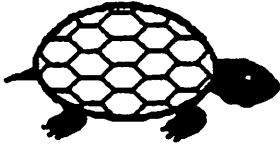
Let us all be more security conscious and share these tips thru your clubs and newsletters to all our friends. By doing so, it would allow us all to enjoy our hobbies and treasures longer.

Via Northwest Federation Newsletter  
and C.F.M.S. Newsletter



# CFMS Earth Science Studies

April 1-6, 1990 — Soda Springs, ZZYZX Rd., Calif.



A CFMS Earth Science Seminar will be held at Soda Springs (ZZYZX) which is located 50 miles northeast of Barstow on Zzyzx Road, April 1-6, 1990.

These desert study classes will offer lectures on fossils, minerals and flora & fauna of the area; field trips to old mines and rock collecting areas; and instructions in our hobby crafts. Our main goal is to provide a place to learn in the midst of good comradeship.

The facilities are very rustic. They are dormitory style, beds and mattresses and a desk; each person is responsible for cleaning their own room. Restrooms and showers are provided in a separate building. Electricity which is provided by wind and sun generators is available from sunset to 10:00 pm each evening. As this is a desert studies area, no pets are permitted.

You may register for this fun, interesting, five days by completing this form and mailing it with payment in full by March 1, 1990.

Isabella Burns--CFMS Coordinator

**SUBMIT LOWER PORTION WITH FEES**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

I belong to \_\_\_\_\_ society, a CFMS member.

Please check the activities that interest you:

**Field trips**

- Old mines and boom towns  
 Rock collecting  
 Mineral collecting  
 Fossil collecting

**Lectures**

- Minerals  
 Fossils  
 Flora & Fauna  
 Geological Formations

**Workshops (no electricity is available)**

- Bead stringing  
 Silver smithing  
 Sculpturing  
 Wire fabrication

**Fees:** Room assignment will be on a first payment bases. Fees will include three meals each day, rustic lodging, and instructions. There may be a small additional fee for materials used in the workshops.

Private room (no private bath)	\$120.00 per person ___
Dormitory room	\$120.00 per person ___
R.V. Parking (limited number)-NO HOOK-UPS	\$120.00 per person ___

Make checks payable to CFMS.

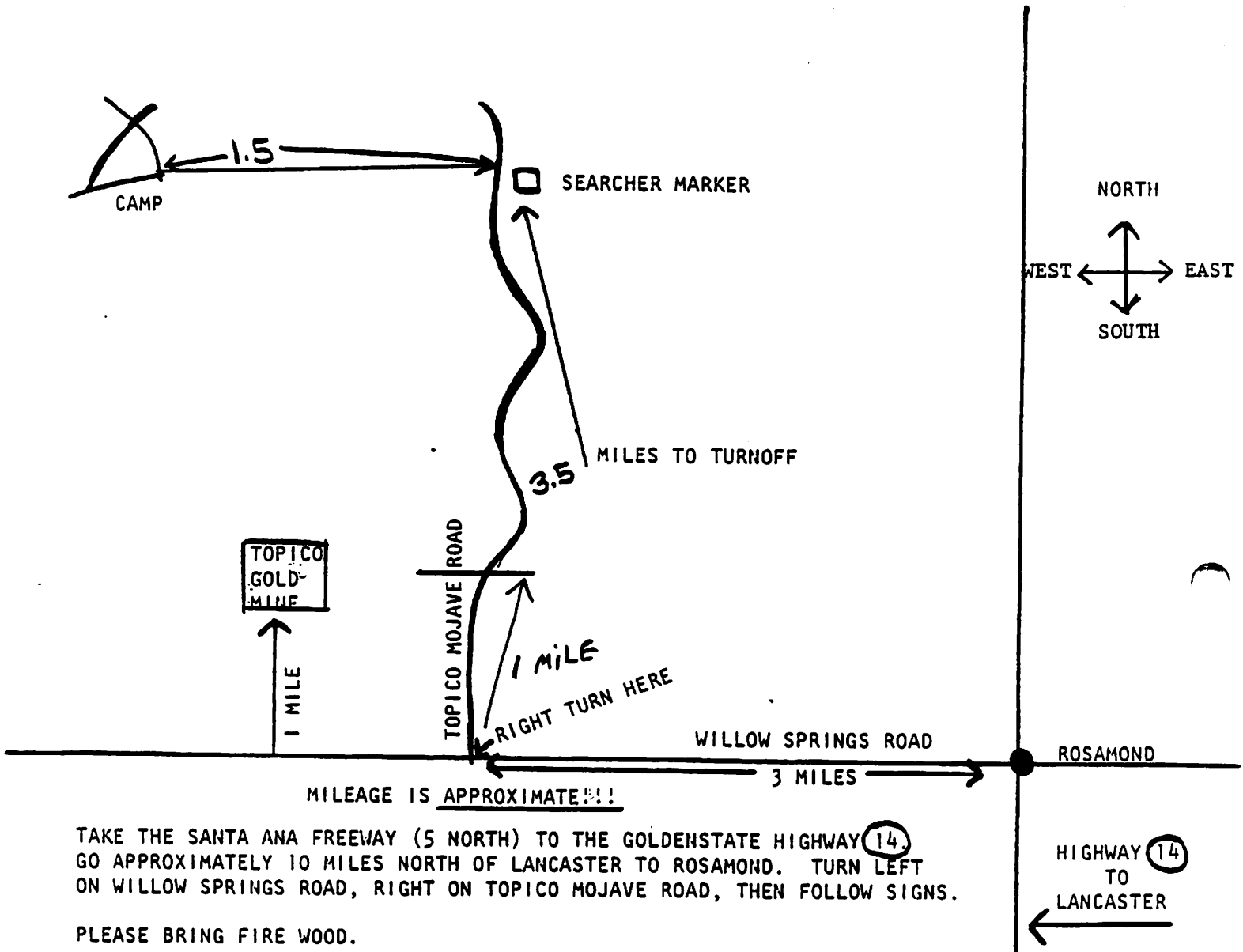
Total: \_\_\_

Send this form and payments to:

Nora Hawkins, CFMS Earth Science Registrar  
 40 Lucky Drive  
 Greenbrae, CA 94904

**Reservations will be taken until March 1, 1990  
 No cancellations after that date unless there is a replacement.**

MARCH FIELD TRIP  
GEM HILL  
10 & 11 March 1990



TEAR OFF AND TAKE ALONG

The Searchers Gem and Mineral Society assumes no responsibility for any injuries or property damage due to accidents, carelessness or acts of God. Searchers and guests assume all risks during club activities.

For further information  
call Jay Cole 639-7983