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## ARTICLES

All articles and photographs *must be in before the last week of the month*. All photographs must have the owner name and address on the back so they can be returned.

## CLASSIFIED

Anyone wishing to use the Classified Ads must send in ads *as soon as possible* because space may be limited. Donations for advertising: Business Card, \$10, 1/4 page, \$25; 1/2 page \$50; Full page, \$100 – Per month.

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*This is your good luck pot of gold.*



# The Rock Slab News



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**Affiliations:** *California Federation of Mineralogical Societies American Federation of Mineralogical Societies*

**Regular Meetings** are held on the second Tuesday of each month on the basement level of the Anaheim Memorial Hospital Medical Office Building, 1211 West La Palma Avenue, Anaheim, CA. Meetings begin at 7:30 PM.

Visitors are always welcome.

**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 on the basement level of the Anaheim Memorial Hospital Medical Office Building. Meetings begin at 7:30 PM.

Members are always welcome.

**Membership Dues:** \$20 for adults, \$25 per couple and \$2 for junior members under 17 years in age.

**Field Trips:** Held on the published dates of each month. The trip maps, added activities, time changes and other pertinent information will be published in The Rock Slab News.

**Workshop:** 651 S. State College Blvd, Unit # 9, Fullerton, CA, 92831. Thursday 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM Telephone (714) 870-7625. Classes in lapidary, jewelry making and mineralogical lessons for novice and advanced students are available. Request class schedules from the workshop coordinator. (Adults and children are always welcome).

**Deadline for Articles:** Send to the editor before the last week of the month to insure publication for the next month. Mail to Richard Butler, 205 N. Western Ave. #118, Anaheim, CA, 92801-7005 or Fax to (714) 484-1949 or (E-mail) [Slabnews@aol.com](mailto:Slabnews@aol.com)

This society was formed for the purpose of banding together a group of congenial people for the study of mineralogy and the earth sciences. By associating with other gem and mineral societies, presenting public exhibits and other community programs, hosting field trips for exploration, study and collecting material, the society members will encourage interest in mineralogy and the lapidary arts among people of all ages. Members of the society will learn to collect materials, rocks and minerals and protect the public land and environment for future generations

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I am sure you have noticed a few more changes in the **Rock Slab News**. For one thing we now have ads. Personal ads, as always, are free to any Searcher. The other, paying ads, will help defray the cost of printing and mailing the News. If you know someone who might be interested in running an ad, talk to Richard Butler. He has all the pertinent information

We have also corrected an oversight on the cover page that stated no new members would be accepted after October. The club deliberately eliminated that provision when the **Standing Rules** were updated, reviewed and approved by membership vote in August of 1996. We just never got around to taking it off of our cover sheet until now.

We are also mailing the **Rock Slab News** to each member and advertiser by the first of each month. This responsibility has been taken over by Audrey Nichols. Roger and Janet Cole have done a great job handling the mailing for several years and have definitely earned a break. It is a demanding job and an important one that takes place quietly behind the scenes. We thank both Janet and Roger for their years of tireless dedication and we thank Audrey for taking over the responsibility.

We also have updated our membership application. The new version was in the February **Rock Slab News**. We are asking both old and new members to please take a few minutes to fill out a new application. This will help Milly Arvanitas to update information on all of our members. It has been many years since we reviewed our application and it was badly out of date. Milly has a supply of the new forms if you need one, or use the one in the **Rock Slab News**. Milly is another Searcher who works tirelessly behind the scenes. She handles the job of Membership Chairman expertly and uncomplainingly year after year. Please help make her job a little easier by getting your dues to her as soon as possible. Your dues must be paid for you to receive the **Rock Slab News** and to use the workshop.

Our Fortieth Anniversary Show is less than two months away. Be sure to get your name on at least one of the sign up sheets for whatever job you are interested in doing at the show. We will be circulating the

sign up sheets at our meetings or you can call a Show Committee chairperson. We still need one or two people to be responsible for the **Friday Night Dinner**. Let Jim Williamson know if you can help there.

Don't forget to put show information flyers on your bulletin boards at work, at your kids' schools, the library and at the cash register in restaurants and other businesses. Be sure to tell all your friends to do the same!

Also, remember that each one of us is responsible to sell or buy ten dollars (\$10.00) worth of drawing tickets for the annual show. Please pick up your tickets for the show drawing from Nancy or Jerry Norlund at the March meeting. If you need more tickets, they will be glad to provide them. The drawing tickets are one of our big money makers, and like the rest of the show income, help to make it possible for the Searchers to continue to support local activities such as the lapidary work shop at the Long Beach Veterans' Hospital, local youth organizations, the **OC Register** Campership Fund and scholarships, as well as the Anaheim Arts Council.

The more tickets we sell, the more the Searchers can accomplish. We always have many great prizes and winners don't have to be present. So sell lots of tickets.

We still need one or two individuals to coordinate refreshments for the monthly meetings. Please let me know if you can help with that.

*Betty Nelson*



*"Too pricey? Perhaps you wish to see something in macaroni and spray paint?"*

## The Rock 'n' Kids Corner

Hello kids and parents!

Our first Rock 'n' Kids outing was a huge success!

The January field trip to **Tick Canyon** was enjoyed by young (see picture) and old. In all, 11 kids and 13 adults attended. We all found plenty of Howlite, which we hope to cut and polish later this summer. We thank U.S. Borax Corp. for the experience!

Later in the day, some of us proceeded to the **Emma Mine**, close to the town of Acton. Max and Dottie Johnson were treated to a 4 wheel drive to the mine tailings at the top of the mountain. Malachite, chrysocolla and copper stained rocks were found in abundance.

Our **next outing** will be on **Sunday, March 28, 1999**. The location will be the town of Boron, which is between the cities of Mojave and Barstow, off State Hwy. 58.

Boron is having their **Gem and Mineral Show, March 27-28** at the Boron High School which I believe is close to Boron Ave. They will be conducting a field trip to the U.S. Borax Plant. Cars line up on Roberts St. at 8:30 am. and leave at 9: am. -sharp!-return at 12 noon). Cost is approx. \$1.00 per carload. The best plan would be to go on the field trip early and then enjoy the gem show in the afternoon.

The field trip includes a visit to the U.S. Borax open pit mine which is 1 mile long, 1 1/2 miles wide and 650 feet deep. There is a great overlook area. We will be able to collect minerals such as ulexite, calcite, colemanite, probertite and kernite.

Everyone will be required to wear solid toed shoes and safety glasses or goggles

Please note! There is a possibility that I may not be able to attend! If I am not there, please enjoy the trip!

**KIDS! A reminder! Let's TRADE ROCKS!** Bring rocks, minerals, and fossils that you have found, and trade them for other kid's gems! This can be done at all meetings and outings including this trip.

For more info call 949-786-4691.

Norbert Bernhardt  
Youth Chairman





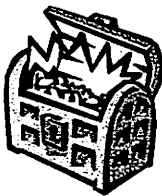
# Way\$ and Mean\$

The Ways and Means committee meeting was hosted by Audrey Nichols at her home on February 2, 1999. We missed several key members at the meeting; however, I was fortunate to run into a few of you at the Pow Wow show in Quartzsite and to discuss your ideas with you.

Several issues concerning "money makers" for the club were addressed at the meeting.

We liked the idea of selling rocks, minerals and other related materials at the upcoming Stoddard Wells tailgate party in March. A few committee members will be attending this event and will be gathering "saleable stuff" from the workshop and members.

tions that are bring them to the to limit the size since all materials dled and trans-remember that all help the Searchers for a Searchers' booth and come with an appetite; we'll be selling hot dogs and drinks. If you would like to help, let me know at the March meeting.



If you have any dona-hobby related, please March meeting. Try and quantity donated will have to be han-ported by members; monies collected will general fund. So, look

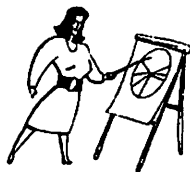
Other ideas discussed were the "Old Fashion Box Lunch", T-shirts and the "Progressive Dinner". At the Box Lunch event Searchers gals would create an exciting lunch to be auctioned to the highest bidder. This social event might best be held in a community park which sponsors "Concerts in the Park" during the summer months.

Searchers T-shirts will be ready to market at our annual show in-May in the Education/Video room along with some plants and crafts.

The "Progressive Dinner" is still brewing; look for this activity some time this Fall. Grab bags and an outreach letter to local business merchants was suggested along with a host of other great ideas.

The next meeting will be at the new Downtown Seniors Center at 250 East Center St. on Tuesday, March 2, at 7:00 P.M. If you have any ideas, suggestions or would just like to sit-in, please join us. Also, thank you Richard for providing-us with those wonderful desserts during our meet-ings.

Connie Van Kampen



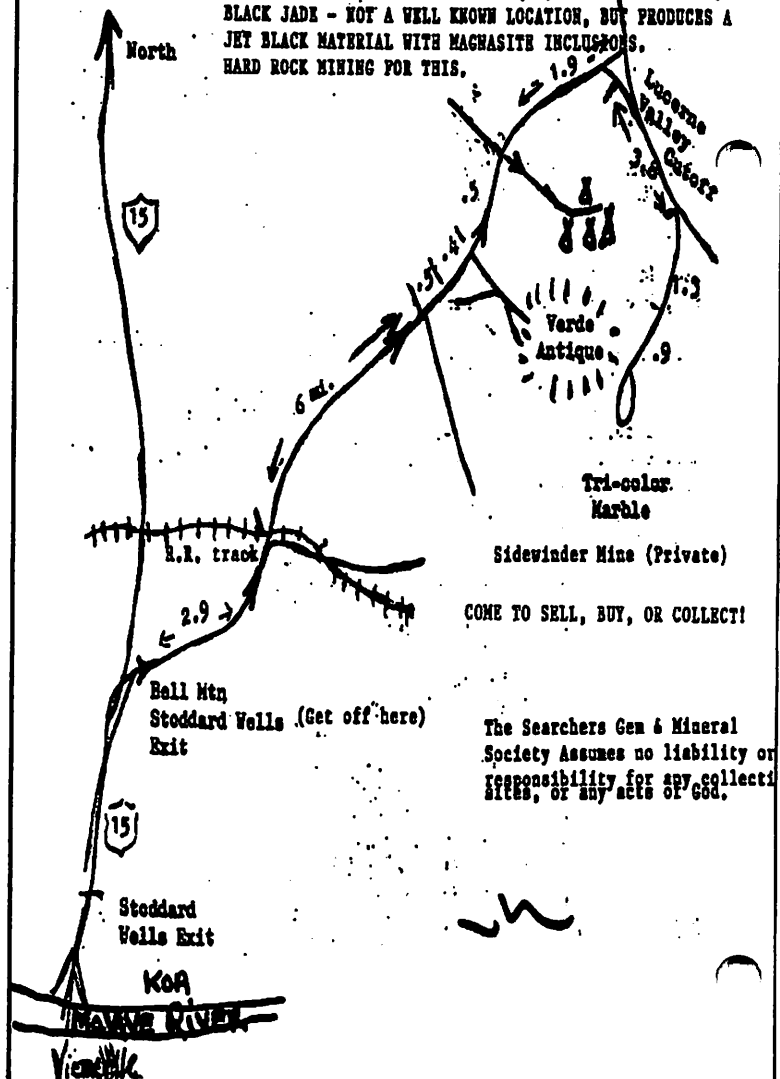
# Stoddard Wells

I know this is too late for many of you already headed to Tucson but here goes anyway. There will be a free tailgate on March 19th and 20th on Stoddard Wells Road, sponsored by the Victor Valley Gem and Mineral Club. This is a dry camp and there will be a free field trip for Verde Antique and marble, departing at 9 a.m. on Saturday. If anyone is interested in this trip northeast of Victorville, Calif., I can be contacted at [arnold@snowline.net](mailto:arnold@snowline.net)

Walter Mroch

TAKE HWY. 15 TOWARD LAS VEGAS (BUT DON'T GO THAT FAR!) TO VICTORVILLE. GO PAST THE MOJAVE RIVER AND YOU WILL SEE A KOA CAMPGROUND ON THE RIGHT SIDE. BE SURE TO TAKE THE SECOND OFF-RAMP, BELL MOUNTAIN ROAD/STODDARD WELLS ROAD AND NOT THE FIRST. AT THE BOTTOM OF THE OFF-RAMP, TURN LEFT AND JUST KEEP GOING ON STRAIGHT FOR APPROXIMATELY 12 MILES. YOU WILL DRIVE BY SOME HOUSES ON A BLACK TOP ROAD WHICH WILL END AND YOU WILL BE DRIVING ON A DIRT ROAD THE REST OF THE WAY. YOU WILL SEE CAMP AND THE MOTORHOMES PARKED ON THE LEFT SIDE AS YOU REACH THE END. THE CLUB USUALLY SENDS OUT PIT TOILETS. YOU WILL NEED TO BRING ALL YOUR OWN WATER AND FOOD.

COLLECTING MATERIAL: VERDE ANTIQUE, TRI-COLOR MARBLE, BLACK JADE - NOT A WELL KNOWN LOCATION, BUT PRODUCES A JET BLACK MATERIAL WITH MAGNESITE INCLUSIONS. HARD ROCK MINING FOR THIS.



## Secretary Updates

Regular Meeting 1-12-99

Meeting opened at 7:30 with the Pledge of the Allegiance,

Membership Report- Membership dues are due this month.

Youth Organized- Norbert Bernhart has many fieldtrips planned for the youth within the club

Ways & Means- Connie - She states that there are 9 people on the Committee They are looking for ideas for fundraiser in order to make the club more self-sufficient. Next meeting will be the 1st Tuesday in February at Audrey's house.

Veteran's Outreach - Larry gave a report

Welcome to Visitors:

Joe Vargas; Diane Bel Air, Jane Rockhold; Kaylee Serna; Jim & Sandy Mathews; Kurt Brennan; Brad Grover; Russ Thompson; Tarra Cain; Ross Measel

Christmas Party 99- Milt Green- Elks is reserved for 99 for December 17th Milt checked with Phoenix Club; must guarantee 75 attendees cost \$2500. Motion was made by Grant Miller to return to the Elks Club. Dotty Johnson 2d the motion - Unanimous vote to return to the Elks Club was made.

Editor Report- Richard- New Edition was mailed Advertisement will pay for printing and postage. Need pictures of field trips for the paper. Put name & address on the pictures.

Shop Report- \$125 deposit was required for the Downtown Community Center for the new shop. It will be available Thursday evenings and Saturdays. We will need to find additional storage. Move is expected sometime in April.

Program - Lothar Vallot from Rancho Santiago gave a slide show for identifying stones.

Show Chair- Jim Williamson - Show is scheduled May 1st & 2nd . Fliers are available. Larry Ritchey is Assistant chairperson. 1st meeting scheduled January 21", 1999. Signup sheet available for cases. February program should show a video of last years show.

Field Tri - Walt - Several field trip are planned for the future.

Treasures Report - Margaret Neely - Reported on income and expenses for the period.

Magazine Subscription - Max Johnson -Gem & Mineral Get 2 years for the price of one for \$24.00. Deadline next meeting. Meeting Adjourned at 9:45 P.M. by Betty Nelson.

Sallie Rosenbaum

## 1999 Gem Roundup Show Report

Our show is just TWO MONTHS away! Your Show Committee is working hard to put together another great show this year. By the time you read this article, the Show Committee will have met for a second time. That Show Committee meeting was Thursday, February 25, 1999 at 7:00 PM. The meeting was again held at the new Downtown Community Center 250 East Center, Anaheim.

As you know, last month we were short four Committee positions from having a full Show Committee. The Committee decided to fill the Crafts space with another dealer. Connie Van Kampen volunteered to handle the slides and video presentation. What an outstanding job she did last year! The position that concerns me is that of Friday Night Dinner. Some new members may not know; after Searchers (and our dealers) spend all day Friday setting up the show they are provided a dinner (at Searchers expense). This dinner is a long standing tradition to celebrate the efforts of those involved. We usually feed between 90 and 100! If you can help plan and prepare this meal, please call me, your help would be greatly appreciated!

Our Show Committee Chairpersons need **YOUR** help! Sign-up sheets for all the various jobs that need to be done during the show will be available at March and April general membership meetings. As hard as the Show Committee works at putting on a great show, only the membership can make it happen! 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 (the jobs are scheduled in two hour shifts) are still available, be sure to make yourself a note of the activities and times you have volunteered for. If you are not able to attend a membership meeting, please call the Committee Chairperson responsible for the activities you are interested in and sign-up over the phone. A list of Show Committee Chairpersons is elsewhere in this newsletter. Get involved and see how fun and rewarding it can be.

Donation Award tickets provide the second largest portion of show income. The tickets come in sets of three and sell for \$ 1.00 a set. Each member is expected to sell at least \$ 10.00 worth. The tickets will be available for pick up through the Nancy or Jerry Norlund at the general membership meetings or anywhere else you are able to catch up with one of them. If you are unable to pick up your tickets in person, you can help us save the cost of postage by asking a friend to pick up the tickets for you. **REMEMBER THE MORE TICKETS YOU SELL, THE MORE YOU HELP THE SEARCHERS.**

At this time the third Show Committee meeting is not scheduled. The time and place will be announced when it is set.

Jim Williamson

# PROPORTION

As I have been reading the CFMS News-letter, a few points impressed themselves on me:

Ken Kruschke, CFMS President, reminds us in his message to support the groups and organizations which are fighting for our rights and privileges as users of the public lands.

The CFMS needs to know who our nominee for Member Recognition will be for 1999. The criteria for these special people include contribution to to community interest and growth in the study of earth sciences and artistic creativity with rocks. If you have someone in mind, write to me so I can present all the nominees to the board and the membership.

Kern County Mineral Society's "Petrified Wood Seminar" is April 16,17,18, 1999, in Bakersfield. The cost is \$40 per person, RV hook-up available for \$10.00/night. Let me know if you are interested.

The week long Earth Science Studies at Soda Springs (ZZYZX) will be April 11-18, 1999. This is a wonderful opportunity (I would LOVE to do it!) for us to have fun and learn. RV -no hook-ups, cabins, field trips, etc. The cost is \$220. per person, double occupancy., dorm room OR RV. More later.

Be sure to plan on attending the big show at Turlock, June 18-20. The displays sound superb. If you want to put in a display case, either for competition or exhibit only, I have applications and criteria for them. Next month, I will put in a brief article on display cases gleaned from several sources (maybe even an opinion from my brain.) The case deadline is May 1, 1999, so let me know and I will get you

an application.

Do you want to know how to contact the Federation committee chairs or officers, folks in other clubs all over the state? Just ask me or the Rock Slab News editor for names and addresses.

The newsletter also contained some fascinating facts, from "The Rock Bag" via "The Agatizer", 1999:



## Did you know?

- ◇ It takes 42 different minerals to make a telephone handset
- ◇ Each of the many brilliant colors seen in fireworks displays is due to the presence of a particular metal
- ◇ Television sets contain more than 35 different metals.
- ◇ Face masks that astronauts wear are gold coated to protect them from the sun's fierce radiation.[And we on use paba spf stuff!]

This is fun to report, and in the future, I will have additional tidbits from the Federation to inform, amaze and amuse you.

Let me know if you want information on anything CFMS.

Beth Pelfrey 714-774-2754



# March 99 Classified



**3846 Mission Ave., Oceanside CA**  
**(760) 757-8977**

## WAY & MEANS

Our Way & Means committee is asking for your donations of hobby related stuff for Stoddard Wells. If you can be of help please bring your stuff to the March meeting.

## HOURLY DOOR PRIZES

Milly says to go through your jewelry boxes for NICE no longer used items to be given away at the Gem Show for the hourly drawings.

They need to be clean and in good repair. Bring items to the March meeting, please.

## For Sale

1991 Hawkins 33', 3116 Cat diesel, brown & white, twin beds, Gillig chassis, Goodyear tires 159, Allison transmission, Corian counter tops, 2 A/C HWH Levelers, backup Camera, 7KW generator, 2 solar panels, 2 - 12V TV's, VCR, A&E awnings, 2 AM/FM radios, CB, tire cover, Alarm, 73,000 miles, 75 tow car Saturn SL. Only \$68,000 or best offer.  
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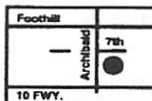
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## SUNSHINE REPORT

Our President, **Betty Nelson**, is recovering well from Carpal Tunnel Syndrome surgery. The stitches will come out just in time for her trip to Egypt in mid-March!

**Nancy Norlund** has had a dreadful bout of Bronchitis but is finally recovering; a card would be appreciated.

**Phil Martinez** will go into the Eisenhower Hospital in Rancho Mirage March 10<sup>th</sup> for back surgery. Send him cards and notes...send Joyce cards and notes. Good luck Phil; we miss you.

**Anton Bernhardt** will have hernia surgery the last week in February. His sister, **Natalie** was unable to attend the Junior field trip because of flu. They are both very active junior members and will enjoy cards. Get well quickly, kids!

I talked to **Betty Henderson** and she really appreciates our calls, good wishes and cards.

**Sue Hodges** always enjoys notes and calls from her old friends. Her address is:

423 Daisy Lane  
San Marcos, CA 92609

**Alf and Queenie Osborne** continue to appreciate cards and letters and update from old friends. Their address is

1192 Oakland Way  
Village Grove Park  
Corona, CA 91720

**Norm and Marje Husby** are here until April 1. They are camping at **Jay and Marie Cole's** RV park. Marje and Norm are new Grandparents.

The Sunshine chair's family has a new little ray: Grand-Nephew Samuel **Harold** Robert Dillon arrived in January to brighten **Doris and Harold Pelfrey's** lives.

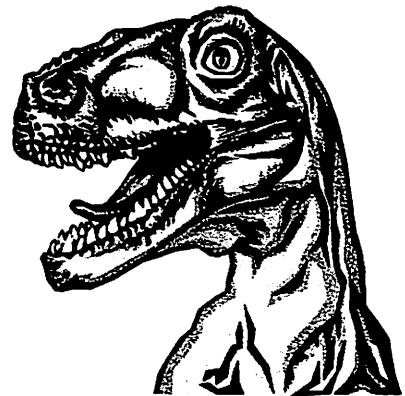
Our editor, **Richard Butler**, will find out soon just when he is to have knee surgery. Please wish him well.  
Doris Pelfrey

## MARCH PROGRAM

John and Corliss Rose, members from Tustin, of 2-Roses Studios, will present "Flash & Fire" featuring opalized ammonite, star sapphire, cats eye tourmaline and created opal. They will donate a created opal cab and a raffle prize.

Be there or be square!

Milt Green



## PALEONTOLOGICAL DITTY

The first rockhound was a lizard,  
His rock collection was in his gizzard.  
Now they say there is no question  
These rocks helped with his digestion.  
But the motive I discover  
He was just an old rock lover.  
Since he did not have a shelf  
He kept them all inside himself.  
This was years ago, I guess,  
Hundred million, more or less.  
Still they find these polished stones  
Intermixed with dino bones.  
This is proof of his affection  
For his private rock collection.  
Rockhound haven't changed too far  
From that ancient dinosaur.  
Only difference I can spot  
Is the gizzard we ain't got!!!

By Gerald Clark, Gems of the Rogue  
Via E. Bay Nodule 12/93  
And Petrograph 2/99

# Membership Report



Even though the weather wasn't all that great for driving, we had a very good turn-out at our February 9, 1999, meeting. We took in six new members whom we would like to welcome to our club.

They are as follows:

Shaylee Smith  
2557 Glenhaven  
Anaheim, CA 92801  
714-827-1263

Christine Acox  
5319 East Rosebay St.  
Long Beach, CA 90808  
562-421-1323

Sharon Holly  
2701 Lathrop Court  
Tustin, CA 92782  
949-240-5243

Keith and Chris Droste  
Michael Droste - Jr member  
4812 Hamer Dr  
Placentia, CA 92870  
714-577-0113

Joyce L. Gilbank  
5795 Highland Ave.  
Yorba Linda, CA 92886  
714-528-8228

This brings our total to 118 members. All other information on these new members will be printed in the new Club Roster, available at the March membership meeting.

Tim and Gayle Davis  
32176 Avenue 'D'  
Yucaipa, CA 92399  
909-794-5504

Milly Arvanitas

# ANAHEIM ARTS COUNCIL

The Anaheim Arts Council is a volunteer board operating with funding raised through the annual efforts of the Business Committee for the Arts and a public-private partnership of in-kind services from the City of Anaheim.

The Anaheim Arts Council holds its General meeting at the Downtown Community Center the first Thursday of each month. Social time is at 5:30 and the business meeting at 6:00 PM. Visitors are welcome. Each month a different member organization presents a delightful program.

The AAC acts as an advisory body on all matters relating to the fine arts and any other items specifically referred to it by the city of Anaheim.

April 1-26 The Searchers will provide items relating to our hobby to be displayed in a case at City Hall. It is a very good opportunity to advertise our show. How about volunteering to exhibit.

April 17-May 2 *Imagination Celebration*: This is a county-wide celebration and kick-off activities will be April 17 at Pearson Park, Noon to 5:00 PM. The Daily papers will have more information later.

April 25-25 The Orange County Art and Jazz Festival will be at Pearson Park. For more information, call 714-541-2787.

May 15 The AAC presents *Caribbean Canvas*, the 26th Annual Soiree including an elegant dinner and silent auction. Monies raised from this event are allocated to member groups for arts and cultural projects which enrich the community. The Searchers have supported this event for many years: for the auction we have donated fine pieces of jewelry and purchased a full table for dinner. We also volunteer to be on a committee to help set up and help with the auction. This we have been asked to make a poster sized illustrated story board about our organization.

May 22 The Anaheim Childrens Festival, sponsored by the AAC and the City of Anaheim, is a hands on event which will allow children the opportunity to experience art in various ways. Organizations may purchase a booth for \$25 and exhibit educational materials. This is another opportunity for Searchers to participate in the community. The festival location is the downtown Center Street Promenade.

Call Margaret Neely at 714-535-2030

# The Norlund Report

**WELCOME & MONTHLY DRAWING** - We had 14 visitors and 32 members who signed in at our February meeting. Our door prize tickets were drawn by one of our Jr. Searchers, Anton Bernhardt, and posted for the lucky winners. One lucky person even received three prizes. Beth Pelfrey won the member drawing and took home a beautiful specimen of Epidote from the Calumet Mine in Colorado, donated by Steve Knox. At our March meeting don't forget to sign in so you are eligible to win our member door prize.

**SILENT AUCTION** - At our March 9th meeting we will have a wide selection of rock materials, geodes, selenite roses, epidote, quartz crystals, Brazilian slabs barite roses, jewelry and other items for your silent bidding. Some items will have an opening bid to start and minimum bids are increased by only 25 cents. If you have anything you would like to put in the silent auction, please bring it to the meeting and fill out a bid-slip with description, opening bid and other information. Home baked goodies are also a great auction attraction.

We will have the bidding tables set up, so when you come in you can start bidding and adding your items to the table. Bidding will stop when our meeting starts and open again during our break after which we will close the bidding and you can have your items totaled and pay the Treasurer, Margaret Neeley. This will be a fun evening for members and visitors. Please don't hesitate to bid over someone else's bid if you want the item!

**A SPECIAL THANK YOU** to the members who have been graciously donating items to the monthly drawing and silent auction.

Jerry & Nancy Norlund

**DONATION DRAWING for 1999 SHOW** Tickets have been printed, bundled in \$10 packs ready to be picked up at our March meeting. This year we have added a small location map on the ticket so this should make the ticket a great mini-flyer which your buyers will keep. They are 50 cents each or 3 for \$1.00 donation. This year we added a \$65 and \$35 cash prize to the top prize of \$200 cash. We are hoping you can help us out by getting donations of dinners for two, oil changes, passes to theaters, gift certificates and so on. We are looking forward to your creative hand crafted items. Please help our club by volunteering to sell tickets. This can only be a win-win situation for our club.

**WHEEL OF FORTUNE for 1999 SHOW** - Lucky, lucky winner on number 3! This table is a joy for kids and adults at our show. Only 3 spins for a dollar. Well, this takes a lot of your help to fill the board with prizes, so we are looking for your donations of tumbled rocks, rough rock, kids jewelry, kids stickers, quartz crystals, small geodes and anything else you feel a kid might like. Dig around in your yard for those leftovers from past field trips.

**AT THE MARCH MEETING WE WILL BE PASSING AROUND OUR SIGN-UP SHEETS SO YOU CAN VOLUNTEER TO HELP US WORK THE TABLES AND DONATE MATERIALS.**

Nancy and Jerry Norlund

## VISITORS MEMO

There were 13 visitors at our February meeting and we would like to welcome them and encourage them to become members:

Welcome to: Keith Droste, Chuck Edmonds, Dottie Whiteside, Tim Davis, Chris Acox, Sharon Holly, Curt Behrens, Sarah Fuersteau, Joyce Gillbank, Mark and Debbie Sumrow, Joan Macomber and Shaylee Smith.





THE ROCK SLAB NEWS

MARCH 1999

GIVE YOUR HBD'S TO:

- Richard Butler the 1st
- Fay McDowell the 11th
- Sharon Holly the 17th
- Dorothy Barlow the 20th
- Kristen Madsen the 20th
- Robert Dixson the 21st
- Bruce Leith the 23rd
- Robin Madsen the 30th

HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2  Way and Means	3	4  Workshop 6 to 10 PM	5	6
7	8	9  General Meeting Starting at 7:30	10	11  Workshop 6 to 10 PM	12	13  Workshop 9 AM to 7 PM
14	15	16	17 	18  Workshop 6 to 10 PM	19 Stoddard Wells Tailgate 19-20	20 
21	22	23  Board Meeting Starting at 7:00	24	25  Workshop 6 to 10 PM	26	27  Workshop 9 AM to 7 PM
28	29	30	31  Show Committee On the 25th			



EDITORS NOTE

We need help on our  
COMMITTEES  
Can you help?

