



SEARCHERS GEM AND MINERAL SOCIETY, INC.
Established June 20, 1958
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AFFILIATIONS: California Federation of Mineralogical Societies
American Federation of Mineralogical Societies

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 - Anaheim Cultural Arts Center
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

I want to open with a special thanks to Mrs Constance Cameron for a very interesting and informative program presentation last month on "Unusual Artifacts from Northern California." I've received several good comments from club members.

Over the course of the year, on numerous occasions, I've discussed the importance of membership involvement and support. This after all is what makes a club great or breaks it! The Searchers have, as long as I've known them, been GREAT! Again our involvement and support are called on;

- I direct your attention to this month's Sunshine Report, our support is surely appreciated here.
- The Club Nominating Committee is in need of membership involvement. If you are able and willing to get involved, please contact Jan Gillette.

In closing I would like to remind you this is an election year and you can make your opinion count, if you exercise your right to VOTE!.

Jim Williamson

SHOW DATES:

Oct 20 & 21

Whittier Gem and Mineral Society
Masonic Temple
7604 Greenleaf
Whittier, CA

Hours: Oct 20 - 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM
Oct 21 - 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Oct 27 & 28

Kaiser Rock and Gem Club
Juniper Community Center
16581 Filbert
Fontana, CA

Hours: Oct 27 - 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM
Oct 28 - 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Nov 17 & 18

Orange Belt Mineralogical Society
National Orange Show Grounds
Citrus Building - Arrowhead Entrance
San Bernardino, CA

Hours: Nov 17 - 10:00 AM - 6:30 PM
Nov 18 - 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM



HIGHLIGHTS OF SEPTEMBER GENERAL MEETING:

The nominating committee is having difficulty filling various positions. If they should call you please consider the job they are asking you to fill.

Regarding our Annual Show in May, Merle Howe is investigating the big charge for show security. Also, George Arvanites said the publicity for the show is well underway.

Jim Everitt reported that the VA Hospital now has three faceting machines and they are busy all of the time. One of Jim's pupils won a first place in the Art Contest.

Margaret Neeley announced that the Anaheim Arts Council held a membership meeting. Plans are now in progress for the Council's Annual Soiree.

The Orange County Gem and Mineral Council Meeting will be held on Sep 29th at the Orange County Fairgrounds at 10:30 AM. Walter Mroch will be representing the Searchers.

Jim Williamson announced that we have replaced all the oil in the shop saws with the new oil (no more smelly oil).

Bill Keyes announced that he would be able to purchase oil and grits in large lots at an advantageous price if the club wished to make purchases this way.

Our Annual Christmas Dinner will be Held December 15th.

Jeanne Howe



PROGRAM REPORT:

Mrs Constant Cameron, member of the faculty of C.S.U.F. and curator of the Anthropology Museum was our guest speaker in September. Her subject was artifacts discovered in northern Orange County. It was interesting.

Mr Joe Pierce of California Jewelers School will speak to us tonight on birthstones.

Our November meeting will be devoted to election of officers. December is the "no meeting" month and we will be celebrating the coming Christmas season with the Annual Christmas Dinner on December 15th.

Wear your badge - support your Club.

Bill Keyes

CHRISTMAS PARTY:

For the Club to pay \$5.00 on the Christmas dinner it must be voted on and I would like this to happen tonight, October 18th. Anyone with ideas and gifts to be given out at the party please see me.

Bill Keyes

IN MEMORIAM

It is with great sadness that I must tell you that our dear friend Roberta (Bobbie) Leith passed away October 4th after a short illness.

From the time Bobbie and Bruce became members they were both very active in the Searchers. Both of them became involved in our many functions and projects. Only last year Bobbie was the co-chairman of crafts for our annual show.

Everyone of us whose lives she touched will remember her vivaciousness, her wisdom and talent and, as a loving, caring lady and a true rockhound. The Searchers will indeed miss her.

We extend our deepest sympathy to her husband Bruce, her children, and her sister Geraldine.

Your editor

SUNSHINE:

Doris Pelfrey was in the hospital for tests but was released Friday. She is doing well and it was not a heart condition which was at first suspected.

George Ellis is very seriously ill and would appreciate cards.

Bert Conway has suffered a stroke and is in the hospital.

Beulah Lohmaier was returned to the hospital and is not doing very well.

George Shepard is recovering from a broken arm.

Marge

FIELD TRIP REPORT:

Our October Field Trip was to Hector Road in conjunction with the annual meeting of "World-of-Rockhounds Association, Inc." Many Searchers attended.

Our November Field Trip (Thanksgiving) will be to Wiley's Well (Coon Hollow area), November 21st through 25th. See map elsewhere in this bulletin.

Jay Cole

MEMBERSHIP:

Please update the latest 1990 Roster by adding the following members:

ANDERSON, Andy
6591 W. Chapman Avenue
Garden Grove, CA 92645

LANDERS, Marie
1822 West Tedmar Avenue
Anaheim, CA 92804
(714) 535-5126

WEISS, Michele (Jr Member)
1822 West Tedmar Avenue
Anaheim, CA 92804
(714) 535-5126

BULATAO, Gregorio D. (Greg)
305/301 N. Ford Street
Fullerton, CA 92632

Please correct the following in your Roster:

MUISE, Marguerite
8217 Ginnis Green
Buena Park, CA 90621
(714) 994-5748

REFRESHMENTS:



Refreshments to be served at the November Meeting will be PIE. This is the Searcher's traditional Thanksgiving "Piefest". We would like to remind everyone to bring a pie.

Joan Everitt

SHOP HINT: One way to clean quartz and amethyst crystals is to cover them with fresh vinegar to remove carbonates such as calcite, barite and lime. Allow to stand overnight. Repeat if necessary, wash well, and place crystals in washing type ammonia for 8 - 12 hours. Remove, rinse, and wipe dry.

via Pasadena Bulletin 9/90; Rockhound Record
via Brecca 2/89 & North Orange County News 6/90

Orange County Gem and Mineral Council

Perceived Goals for OCGMC

1. Identify , and where possible, patent claims in Orange County or have them donated to the OCGMC to preserve collecting sites within Orange County.
2. Obtain commitments from various clubs/members for loans and/or donations of mineral specimens to the Orange County Museum of Natural History.
3. Create an intercounty field trip and contact guide for each county site.
4. Form an alliance with the Micromounters for access to their sites and contacts.
5. Determine the funding level necessary for annual commitments and publishing costs.
6. Contact San Diego Co. Council, Los Angeles Co. Council, Ventura Co. Council, San Bernardino Co. Council, Inyo Co. Council, Kern Co. Council, etc.... regarding collecting localities and accessibility.
7. Determine the scope and breadth of the functions to be performed by the OCGMC.
8. Create a video presentation regarding rock and mineral collecting and seek free time on public television. Cover all facets of lapidary and collecting, field trips, etc... and end with a listing of local clubs and contacts for additional information. Make video appeal to geologists, earth scientists, students, teachers, etc...
9. Contact local universities for potential club memberships in OCGMC clubs.
10. Contact the AFMS and CFMS to discuss their needs at the local county level of participation.
11. Contact the California Mining Association regarding access to active mine site dumps by OCGMC members under the supervision of mine employees.
12. Arrange for waivers approved by the CMA to be used at collecting sites under the supervision of CMA members.
13. Create identification badges and stationary for use by OCGMC members for use in their correspondence with various organizations.

Orange County Gem and Mineral Society Report - by Walter Mroch

The meeting was held at the Orange County Fairgrounds on 9/29/90. The Searcher's in attendance were myself, Jim Williamson, Nancy Kramp, Todd Schowalter and Clare Gagnon. Other Searcher's present in other capacities were George Shepard, Conrad Cone, and Ed Zinn who were all manning the VA booth. The issues and ideas discussed at the meeting included an idea list, proposed stationary and logos submitted by myself. Some discussion was made over the logo and how it would possibly be made into a pin or sticker, about nickel-size, which would be mounted on the club badges. Nancy Kramp said that she would come up with a color scheme for the badges or stickers for the logo design presented.

Clare Gagnon indicated that the Faceter's Guild has compiled a list of speakers on lapidary topics. A suggestion was made by Todd Schowalter that each of the club delegates poll their memberships for information on old and no longer accessible collecting sites and also if there are any members who currently hold lectures or would like to give presentations to other clubs. We also discussed getting other clubs such as the 49'ers involved so that our members could attend some of their prospecting trips and they in turn could attend some of the OCGMC club meetings and functions.

Todd Schowalter said that 125 referrals for new potential club members were received at the Orange County Fair. He also said that he would like to see all of the member clubs sponsor one or two demonstration days at next year's fair. The Orange Coast Mineral Society indicated that their Baja Trip would begin October 23, 1990 thru Sunday of that week.

The next meeting of the OCGMC will be on Saturday, January 19, 1991 at 10:30AM at the Plumber's Union Hall located at 3904 W. First Street in Santa Ana. Note that this is at a show location so you wouldn't be going out of your way to attend one of the meetings. We want your input!

Walter Mroch

FOR SALE:

1 10" Slab and Trim Saw - \$75.00

Please call Ted Drake (714) 743-2939



"DESERT SHIELD" - THE OIL CRISIS:

Through the efforts of some of our members who work with the veterans at the Long Beach Hospital a cutting oil was developed.

This cutting oil was formulated by Dion and Sons to meet the Veteran's Hospital requirements of low toxicity, no odor and a high flash point.

In an effort to buy at a better price I phoned many distributors in Orange County. The distributors either had no knowledge of the "Amber Mineral Oil" or purchased it from Dion and marked up the price.

I was told, oil cannot be delivered to my residential address so I'm out of the oil business. Sorry I can't help.

If you want oil - call: Dion and Sons (ask for Mike)
 1569 W. 16th Street
 Long Beach, CA (local No. (714) 540-5535)

The oil is "Amber Mineral Oil"

Per Gallon	\$ 3.02
20 Gallons or more per Gal	\$ 2.82
55 Gallon Drum - per gal	\$ 2.52
Drum Deposit	\$20.00
5 Gallon Pail	\$ 5.00

5 Gals cost - $5 \times \$3.02 + \$5.00 + \text{Tax} = \$21.31$

Michaels Lapidary has Shell "Pella" cutting oil at \$3.25 per gallon. However, with the current "Desert Shield" situation the price changes every day.

Bill Keyes

ABRASIVES AND POLISHES:

In September I offered to price silicon carbides, rouge, oxalic acid and cerium oxide.

Only one person made any effort to learn more. The Fusco Company will not sell small amounts.

Silicon is in 100 to 300 pound lots - \$1.45 per pound to \$2.91 per pound. 45 - pound bags of cerium oxide run at \$2.35 per pound. Talk to me.

Bill Keyes

REMINDER: All bulletin items should be in NLT 7 Nov 1990.

GREETINGS TO THE SEARCHERS FROM KANSAS

During September we began to head West and covered more distance than normal.

Leaving Freeport, Maine and driving South thru Kennebunkport (President Bush didn't invite us to his vacation spot). Continued through the tip of New Hampshire then into Massachusetts. This was hilly country covered with trees so you can't see much driving down the highways.

Visited friends in Connecticut then on into New York state. Near Hyde Park we saw Franklin D. Roosevelt's home and museum. Not a real showplace but very interesting. Our next stop was Albany to visit friends and got to see the Capital and surrounding area.

It was only a short distance to Herkimer, New York. We stopped there for two days and I pounded rocks looking for Herkimer Diamonds. Found a good number of medium size. Some were loose in pockets in the rock while others were still partially attached. Bringing plenty of specimens back to show you.

Continuing West we stopped to see Niagara Falls which is spectacular. A continual cloud of mist hangs in that area because of the volume of water coming over the falls. Leaving that area we followed the highway by Lake Erie cutting through a corner of Pennsylvania. In Ohio we cut South to see several points of interest.

Our first stop was at Wrather Carvings in Dover, Ohio. Wrather was a master carver of 32-years who carved the history of locomotives in wood and ivory. His models worked as far as the wheels moving and they were done down to the minute details such as rivets in the boiler.

Our next stop was Cambridge, Ohio. Here we saw a glass factory. We were given a 30-minute film on how the glassware was formed etc. The color and shapes of the glassware was outstanding.

Continuing West we passed through Indiana and Illinois and stopped near St Louis, Missouri to see Meramec Caverns (Jesse James used the caverns as a hideout in his time). From there we continued on to Independence, Missouri where we visited the Harry Truman Museum and Library. This was interesting since he was involved in a lot of important issues during his time in office.

We are now in Kansas visiting relatives and friends before continuing West. We will try to get in some more rock collecting in Oklahoma and New Mexico. See you in November.

Marv and Jacque

REMINDER:

Remember to turn your clocks back on Sunday, October 28th. It is that time of year when we gain back the hour we lost in April.

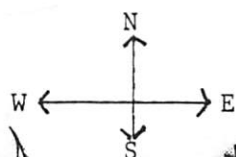
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SEARCHERS ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTYDate: Saturday, December 15, 1990Place: Marmac's Restaurant (714) 898-5645
12777 Knott Avenue (just South of Lampson)
Garden Grove, CATime: 6:30 - 7:30 - No Host Social Hour
7:30 - Dinner / 8:30 EntertainmentDress: Searcher's FinestCost: *Members - Prime Rib \$12.30 **Baked Half Chicken \$ 8.60**

*Non Members - Prime Rib \$17.30 Baked Half Chicken \$ 13.60

*Includes tax and tip ** Club pays \$5.00 balance

Christmas Tickets are available tonight and Nov 15th meeting after the program.

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TICKETS CAN BE ORDERED BY MAIL

Name: _____ Number of Tickets: _____ Member: _____
Non-Member: _____

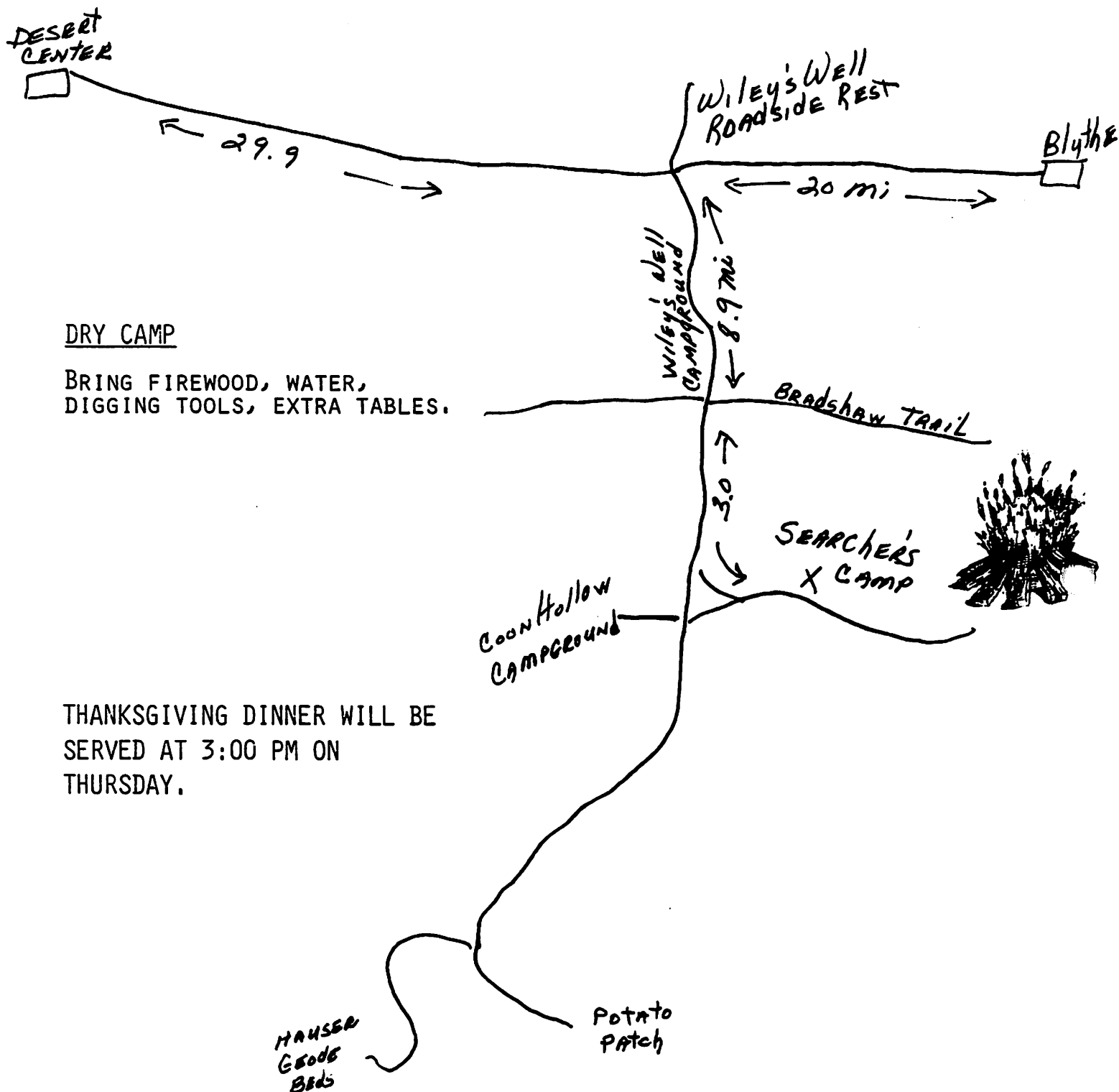
Entree: Prime Rib: _____ Baked Half Chicken: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

Please send to: William L. Keyes by Dec 1, 1990

Make Checks out to Searchers
by Dec 1, 19901814 E. Willow Street
Anaheim, CA 92805
Phone: 535-1484

THANKSGIVING FIELD TRIP
WILEY'S WELL (COON HOLLOW AREA)
November 22nd thru 25th



DRY CAMP

BRING FIREWOOD, WATER,
DIGGING TOOLS, EXTRA TABLES.

THANKSGIVING DINNER WILL BE
SERVED AT 3:00 PM ON
THURSDAY.

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.