



The **CULVER CITY ROCK & MINERAL CLUB**, located in Culver City, California, brings together persons interested in the earth sciences to engage in research and study, to assist members in the collection and preservation of rocks and minerals and in the study of lapidary and related arts.



JOIN US! **How to Create Your Own Website in an Hour – FOR FREE!**
Monday, November 12, 2018 @ 7:30 pm *Visitors Welcome!*

An illustrated presentation by professional speaker, consultant and trainer Mike Rounds.

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Monday, Nov. 12 @ 7:30 pm

Veterans Memorial Multipurpose Room

4117 Overland Ave., Culver City

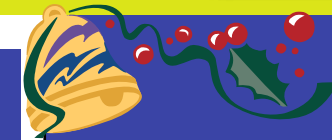
The Multipurpose Room is in the rear SW corner of the building, next to the park.

FREE admission FREE parking



Mike will supply basic handouts, and will also have copies of his book, "Fishin' with a Net" (10th ed.) available for purchase. The manual contains all of the information needed including FREE downloads of support software, videos of his presentation and instructions for creating your own Website.

Ken Rogers
Program Chair



SAVE THE DATE!

Annual White Elephant Holiday Party

Monday, Dec. 10, 2018

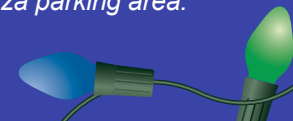
Culver City Rotary Plaza
5100 Overland Ave
Culver City, CA 90230

Members' Annual Holiday Party
Monday Dec 10, 2018 6:00 pm
6:30 pm Dinner, followed by
installation of officers and
White Elephant Gift Exchange

Please bring a side dish or dessert to share and a non-alcoholic beverage for yourself. Ham, turkey and utensils are provided.

Bring a wrapped gift to participate in the White Elephant gift exchange. Suggested value about \$10. Bring something you would want to receive.

Park in the street, not in the Rotary Plaza parking area.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This month is important for the voting at national, state and local levels. At the Club level, we have two issues scheduled for our next business meeting – prospective Club officers for 2019, which were published in the October Nugget, and a few changes to update our Bylaws, which are published in this Nugget. Please look them over and be ready to cast your vote.

Many thanks to Alexa Hunter for putting together a good slate of prospective officers for our election this month. And thanks to those members who have stepped up to help by making a commitment. Healthy and active clubs exist because of the efforts, dedication and imagination of their members.

And while I'm handing out thanks, I want to give a big thumbs up to Bob Brownlee on our Shop Committee for completing a major overhaul on the 18-inch slab saw, the two old Foredom flexshafts and for negotiating a great deal on our new 24-inch slab saw that should be installed soon.

Thanksgiving is upon us in just a couple weeks. For those looking for an interesting rockhounding trip to the desert, the CFMS usually has a nice one out to Wiley's Well for geodes. You can overnight in Blythe or camp out with a good crowd that gathers around the turnoff to the Hauser Geode beds. Look for announcements on LA-Rocks at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/LA-Rocks/> or on the California Federation of Mineralogical Societies website at <http://cfmsinc.org>.

Brad Smith
President

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Alexa Sinclair
Ria Soler
Nathanial Rowe
Mariah Lyon
Sarah Catherine Golden

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USED SAW FOR SALE



MEMBERS ONLY: The Club is selling a used 24-inch slab saw and would like to offer it first to members. It is in working order, has a constant pressure hydraulic feed, comes complete with a blade and was used as recently as late October. The saw is available for inspection at the Shop. If you are interested, please submit a sealed bid to the Shop Committee by November 30 via email at: ccrnc-shopcommittee@culvercityrocks.org.

FIELD TRIPS: Nov. 22 – 25

We have another (very exciting) field trip with the El Cajon Club from Thursday, Nov. 22 to Sunday Nov. 25.

I know many members won't be able to make it but for those who can, from what I have heard it is a very wonderful experience. Details are as follows:

- Rock hounding for Paisley Agate, Black Agate, Serpentine, Barite, Geode, Chalcedony.
- 4-5 hour drive. LOTS of info in the Meetup link below.
- GPS location of camp site: N 33.42381 W 114.91176

Thursday - Always a short day as we want to celebrate in the early evening. I think we go to the Psilomaline on Wiley's Well Road and then a hike to a new area I have for the Double Butte agate nodules which is accessed by a road from the Psilomaline. We could also hit the Paisley Agate and Chalcedony Roses at Coon Hollow. (We will have a potluck about 3:00 pm.)

Friday - Black Agate, Black Agate, Black Agate. Use

Jewelry Classes

Beginner to Advanced

Venice Metal Arts
18 N. Venice Blvd.
Venice CA

Day and Evening Sessions

email: VeniceJewelry@yahoo.com
phone: (424) 645-2150



Image from article by Delmer G. Ross in DesertUSA.com

GPS guide for these trips – in the same general area.

Saturday - Let's check out the Serpentine and Barite outcrops at the end of Potato Patch Road. There is supposed to be spectacular red coloring in the material and agate found there. We could also hit the Potato Patch, Cinnamon Beds, the Corn Field and Hausers that day.

Sunday - Straw Beds for geodes and black agate. Easy access in and out in case we want to leave early.

Full Trip details can be found here:

<https://www.meetup.com/El-Cajon-Valley-Gem-and-Mineral-Society/events/255890844/>

Website at <http://cfmsinc.org>.

Devon Lloyd
Field Trips Co-Chair

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OCTOBER 8 PROGRAM REPORT

Karl Stull, from the Pasadena Lapidary Society, discussed rock carvings from ancient Ohio. These dated from 100 BC to 400 AD and were produced by the native civilizations inhabiting the Ohio River Valley. They were mound builders, known as the Woodland civilization.



The early Woodland civilization, called Adena, built conical mounds and tube pipes. They were followed by the Hopewell civilization, who lived in semi-permanent settlements and practiced some

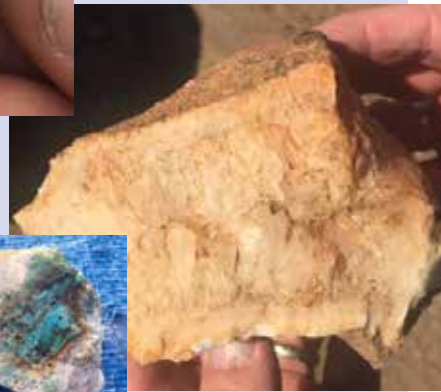
agriculture, thanks to the advent of pottery, which allowed them to store food. They built burial mounds and filled them with so many riches that they are viewed as the Egyptians of North America. Archeologists believe that only 25 percent of the Hopewell individuals received such burials and were all related. The Hopewell are also distinguished for long distance trading. Artifacts found in the burial mounds include human and animal figure carvings in mica and pipestone, often embellished with fresh water pearls, as well as items made of copper and minerals found in Canada and the Caribbean. The late Woodland civilization is known as Fort Ancient and employed bow and arrow.

It is not clear what caused the Woodland civilization to disappear. It could have been famine or disease. Archeologists speculate that corn may have played a role, as a much more stable food source, it may have thrown off the elites. The Woodland civilization was followed by the Mississippian civilization (700 AD), who settled in towns, practiced organized agriculture and built temple mounds. They were organized in a similar manner as today's urban societies.

Submitted by
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10/21 Acton Agate Field Trip Finds



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<https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/CCRM/info>

GOING BACK in time for the **HOLIDAYS!**

BUY WHOLESALE!

Culver City Rock and Mineral Club
members are invited!

Jewel Tunnel

Private Sale Event



Saturday, Dec. 1, 2018

13160 Spring St.

Baldwin Park, CA 91706

Located off the 605 fwy. in an
industrial park.

Purchase from their extensive warehouse of mineral specimens, cabs and rock-related material at wholesale pricing. Bring your resale license or you will be charged tax.

A light lunch/refreshments will be provided so

RSVP is required by Nov. 20.

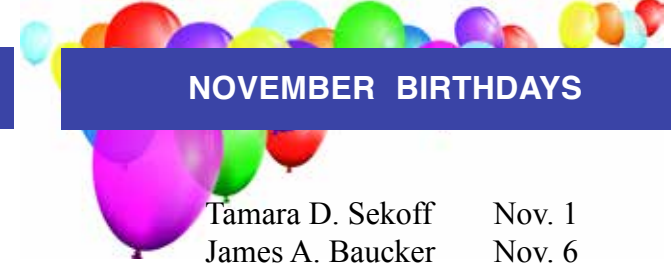
Email Fran at: effieacct@att.net with the number
in your party. You may bring a guest.

Jewel Tunnel Imports is a wholesale gem and mineral company that has been in business for 45 years. They operate from a 13,000-square foot showroom and warehouse in Baldwin Park and are one of the largest wholesale gem and mineral establishments in the US. You'll find an extensive selection of mineral specimens, gems, tumbled stones, carvings, balls, eggs, bookends, fossils, rough materials and more. Attendees will have a good selection of minerals and related natural history objects available on the market today and some insight to the importing, distribution and sales of such. During the rest of the year, they are a wholesale-only business.

This is a special invitation-only event and members cannot return to buy during the year without a Seller's Permit (resale license) issued by the California State Board of Equalization.

All sales are final.

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November 3 - 4: ANAHEIM, CA

American Opal Society
Business Expo Center, 1960 S. Anaheim Way
Sat 10 - 6; Sun 10 - 5 www.opalsociety.org

November 3 - 4: RIDGECREST, CA

Indian Wells Gem & Mineral Society
Desert Empire Fairgrounds, 520 S Richmond Rd
9 - 5 daily

November 3 - 4: CONCORD, CA

Contra Costa Mineral & Gem Society
Centre Concord
5298 Clayton Road
10 - 5 daily

November 10 - 11: YUBA CITY, CA

Sutter Buttes Gem & Mineral Society
Yuba-Sutter Fairgrounds, 442 Franklin Avenue
Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4
Website: <http://sutterbuttesgemmin.org>

November 18 - 19: LAKESIDE, CA

El Cajon Valley Gem & Mineral Society
Lakeside Rodeo Grounds, 12584 Mapleview St
Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4
Website: www.ecvgms.org

November 17 - 18: LIVERMORE, CA

Livermore Valley Lithophiles, At the "Barn"
3131 Pacific Avenue
Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4
WebSite: www.lithophiles.com

November 17 - 18: OXNARD, CA

Oxnard Gem & Mineral Society
Oxnard Performing Arts Center
800 Hobson Way Sat. 9 - 5; Sun. 10 - 4
Website: <http://oxnardgem.com>

December 1 - 2: BARSTOW, CA

Mojave Desert Gem & Mineral Society
Cora Harper Community Center
841 S. Barstow Road
10 - 5 daily
Contact: Danny Watts, (760) 373-1309
Email: dwwatts@msn.com
Website: www.mdgms.net

OCTOBER 8 GENERAL MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 pm by President Brad Smith.

The Pledge of Allegiance was made and a quorum was established.

The September General Meeting Minutes were approved as read in the October Nugget.

The following reports were provided:

Brad Smith reported that the Bylaws Committee had proposed changes to the Club Bylaws. The changes would be published in the November Nugget and put up for approval via membership voting at the November meeting. Brad thanked Janet Gampe for merging various documents containing the bylaws.

Brad Smith reminded that the 2019 officers slate election would take place at the November meeting.

Ken Rogers reported that the November program would be a tutorial on building a website for free.

Devon Lloyd informed he would be organizing a field trip to Acton for collection of agates.

Brad Smith described the Trona show experience; the 2018 show would take place the weekend of October 13.

Ken Rogers announced the Los Angeles Bead Society would be holding their bazaar on Sunday, October 14 at the auditorium; Club members displaying their badge would have free admittance. Ken also informed that the Woodland Hills Rock Chippers gem show would take place on October 20.

Brad Smith indicated help was needed to create a database of show attendee information provided on registration forms; members volunteered.

New business:

- Brad Smith reported that Bob Brownlee did extensive research on price quotes for a new 24-inch slab saw. A motion was made and approved to authorize the purchase of the saw. A discussion followed about advertising the sale of the old saw. There was also discussion about the separation between the shop account and the Club operations account.

The meeting adjourned at 8:03 pm.

Submitted by
Ana M. Strambi Guimaraes

OCTOBER 8 EXECUTIVE MEETING

Those present: Stephanie Dangott, Steve Dover, Jan Ferguson, Felice Ganz, Alexa Hunter, Darrell Robb, Ken Rogers, Brad Smith and Jette Sorensen.

The meeting was called to order by President Brad Smith at 6:53 pm.

The September Executive Meeting Minutes were approved as read in the October Nugget.

Club Bylaws - Brad Smith brought copies of the edited bylaws for the Board to review and explained the proposed changes. He indicated that two subjects were yet to be addressed in the bylaws: workshops and field trips.

November Voting - Brad Smith reminded that two items would be voted on at the November meeting: the new bylaws and the 2019 officers slate.

Shop Committee Report - Brad Smith reported that Bob Brownlee did extensive research on price quotes for a new 24-inch slab saw and arrived at a best quote. A motion was made and approved to authorize the purchase of the saw.

Membership Committee Report - Jan Ferguson reported she was updating the roster and there was an issue with new members not indicating whether their information could be published. Jette Sorensen committed to updating the membership form to explicitly provide an opt-out option for selection.

Treasurer Report - Darrell Robb presented a few options to invest the Club's funds. Further research was needed.

Publications Committee Report - Jan Ferguson reported she had renegotiated a better rate beginning March 2018 for the use of Adobe InDesign.

The meeting adjourned at 7:27 pm.

Submitted by
Ana Maria Strambi Guimaraes

SHOP INFORMATION

The shop is open to members in good standing over the age of 18 who sign an indemnification form. Junior members (13 - 18) must be accompanied by an adult. Instruction is available at all sessions. Practice slabs are available.

Location: 10866 Culver Blvd., Culver City (Behind the Boy Scout Club House, next to the paddle tennis courts.)

Shop Phone: (310) 836-4611

Hours:

Tuesday 7 pm – 9:30 pm - Rick Shaffer

Wednesday 10 am – 2 pm - By appointment,
email: shop-avail-appoint@culvercityrocks.org

Thursday 10 am – 2 pm - Brad Smith

Saturday Noon – 4 pm - Lynne Lukert

Sunday Noon – 4 pm - Jette Sorensen

If no one shows, the shop may close early. If you plan to arrive more than a half hour after the opening time, phone the instructor at (310) 836-4611.

THE NUGGET

Deadline for submissions is the 15th of every month. Articles or notes without a byline are written by the Editor. Permission to copy is freely given as long as proper credit is noted.

The Nugget accepts paid advertisements. The cost for an eighth of a page (approx. 2" high x 3.5" wide) is \$7 per insertion, payable in advance. Ad location is at the discretion of the Editor. Ads, copy, or business cards must be received by the 10th of the month.

Send materials to:

Culver City Rock and Mineral Club
Attention: Editor
P.O. Box 3324
Culver City, CA 90231

Elected Officers for 2018

President - Brad Smith
Vice President - Steve Dover
Treasurer - Darrell Robb
Recording Secretary - Vacant
Corresponding Secretary - Mia Quiles
Historian - Robert Brownlee
Parliamentarian - Johnny Hjorth

Committee Chairs

Education - Alexa Hunter
Federation Director - Rick Shaffer
Field Trips Co-Chairs:
Eyra Allen-Lucas and Devon Lloyd
Librarian - Andrea Fabian
Membership - Stephanie Dangott
Co-Chair - Jan Ferguson
Minerals Co-Chairs:
Eyra Allen-Lucas and Devon Lloyd
Photography - Pam Leitner
Programs - Ken Rogers
Publications Co-Chairs:
Barbara Fier and Jan Ferguson
Publicity - Janice Metz
Show - Hellena Jones Elbling
Shop Committee - President,
Vice President, Shop Instructors
Social Co-Chairs:
Joyce Watanabe and Laura Seffer
Sunshine - Felice Ganz
Trading Post - Gary Mitchell
Web Master - Jette Sorensen
Workshops - Brad Smith

Board of Directors:

2018

Rick Shaffer - Jette Sorensen

2019

Brad Smith - Grace Sato

2020

Ana M. Strambi Guimaraes - Bruce Mensinger

CCRMC Bylaws Changes Suggested for Approval at November 12, 2018 Meeting

Article III Section 4. Life Members

Current Wording:

“... Life membership may be conferred on the recommendation of the Executive Committee and supported by a two thirds vote of the members present and voting at a regular or special meeting of the membership. Election shall be by secret ballot. Life members will be active members with full voting and activity privileges but will not be required to pay dues. This status will be valid for said members’ lifetimes. Such members shall be entitled to a gold membership and shall be listed in the Roster.”

Proposed Wording:

Eliminate the underlined sections

Article III Membership

The following to be added as **Section 12**

“All members shall give 4 hours of time to the annual Fiesta Of Gems show. This time can be waived if a member is a board member in good standing.”

Article V, Section 1(amended 2011) Regular Meetings

Current Wording:

“The month of the show there will be no meeting.”

Proposed Wording:

Eliminate this sentence

Article V, Section 1

Current Wording:

“... The Christmas party in December shall constitute the regular December meeting on a date chosen by the Social Committee and published in the November Nugget”

Proposed Wording:

... The Holiday party in December shall constitute the regular December meeting on a date chosen by the Social Committee and published in the November Nugget”

Article VI, Section 3 (D) Duties

Current Wording:

“Preparation of statements and reports required by the Corporation Commission and State Franchise Tax Board.”

Proposed Wording:

Certify that the statements and reports prepared by the treasurer as required by the Corporation Commission and Franchise Tax board **have been submitted on time.**

Article VI, Section 3 (F) Duties

Current Wording:

Provision of a suitable seal containing the name of the corporation, which seal shall be in the custody of the chairman of the Corporation Board of Directors. **The seal of this Corporation must be affixed to all certificates of membership and other documents, contracts and papers as the Corporation Board of Directors may prescribe.**

Proposed Wording:

Eliminate the underlined sentence.

Article VI Section 3 (I) Duties

Current Wording:

“Notices of any special meetings of the Corporation Board of Directors shall be given by the chairman at least two days prior thereto **by written notice delivered personally or sent by mail or telegram to each director at his or her address as shown by the records of the Corporation**”

Proposed Wording:

“Notices of any special meetings of the Corporation Board of Directors shall be given by the chairman at least two days prior thereto **by email or telephone.**”

Article VII Section 1 Office Titles

Current Wording:

The officers of the Club shall include a president, a vice president, a recording secretary, a corresponding secretary, a treasurer, a parliamentarian, **a historian** and all elected committee chairmen

Proposed Wording:

Eliminate the underlined words

Article VII Section 5 (C) (4) Recording Secretary

Current Wording:

“keep a Roster of members, which shall be furnished by the Membership Committee”

Proposed Wording:

Eliminate current (C) (4) and change current (C) (5) designation to (C) (4)

Article VII Section 5 (E) (11) Treasurer

Current Wording:

(11) “maintain accountability of the Club’s contingency fund. Withdrawal from the contingency fund requires two thirds vote of members present at a regular or special meeting.”

Proposed Wording:

(11) “maintain accountability of the Club’s investment funds. Withdrawal from the investment funds requires two thirds vote of members present at a regular or special meeting.”

Article VII Section 5 (E) (12)

Current Wording:

(12) “furnish a list of paid up members as of the close of the March meeting to the president, recording secretary, membership chairman, publications chairman, corresponding secretary and shop chairman”

Proposed Wording:

Eliminate current (E) (12)

Article VII Section 5 (E) (13)

Current Wording:

“in April, forward a list of the members and payment of per capita tax to the California Federation”

Proposed Wording:

Payment of per capita tax to the California Federation shall be paid when requested by the California Federation

Article VII Section 5 (G) Historian

Current Wording:

Historian – The historian shall:

- (1) keep a yearbook, collecting and arranging all clippings, information and pictures relating to Club activities.
- (2) give a brief report at each meeting
- (3) place a report in the Nugget dealing with Club history.

Proposed Wording:

Eliminate VII Section 5 (G)

Article VIII Section 1 (A) (7) Duties

Current Wording:

at their discretion, approve expenditures involving less than **\$300**. Expenditures in excess of **\$300** must be approved by the membership.

Proposed Wording:

at their discretion, approve expenditures involving less than **\$500**. Expenditures in excess of **\$500** must be approved by the membership

Article VIII, Section 1, (G) (1) Publications

Current Wording:

“publish and **mail** to the membership, one week prior to each regular meeting, a monthly bulletin, the Nugget, which shall contain minutes of the previous meeting, committee reports, articles of general interest to the members, and brief ads submitted for benefit of members only”

Proposed Wording:

“publish and **distribute electronically to the membership unless member requests copy by US Postal Service on their membership form**, a monthly bulletin, the Nugget, which shall contain minutes of the previous meeting, committee reports, articles of general interest to the members, and brief ads submitted for benefit of members only”

Article VIII, Section 1, (G) (2) Publications

Current Wording:

“compile and publish an annual membership roster.”

Proposed Wording:

Move roster requirement to VIII Section 1 (C) (10)

Article VIII, Section 1, (I), amended 2011 Trading Post

Current Wording:

“The Trading Post Chair shall conduct a “donation **award**” drawing at each regular meeting **and door prize drawing for members and guests**”

Proposed Wording:

“The Trading Post Chair shall conduct a “donation” **drawing** at each regular meeting.”

Proposed to Article VIII Section 1 Duties

Add sub section (P) as follows

Historian – The historian shall:

- (1) keep a yearbook, collecting and arranging all clippings, information and pictures relating to Club activities.
- (2) give a brief report at each meeting
- (3) place a report in the Nugget dealing with Club history.

Add sub section (Q) as follows

Education Chair– the Education Chair shall:

- (1) Act as representative of the Club with teachers in the Culver City school system.
- (2) Identify areas where the Club may be helpful in promoting earth science activities.

Add sub section (R) as follows

Federation Director – the Federation Director shall:

- (1) Represent the Club at all meetings of the California Federation of Mineral Societies.
- (2) Report to the Club all relevant issues and actions of the Federation that affect the club.

Article VIII Section 2 – amended in 2011 second paragraph Self Sustaining Committees

Current Wording:

“This money is Club funds and as such must be accounted for. Expenditures up to the major level can be used at such committee’s discretion. Any expense over **\$300** must be submitted for approval in accordance with the bylaws (Article VIII, Section 1, (A) (7)

Proposed Wording:

“... Any expense over **\$500** must be submitted for approval in accordance with the bylaws (Article VIII, Section 1, (A) (7)