

Pick & Shovel

San Geronio
Mineral & Gem
Society

President's Message

*"The Fair went Great.
Thanks Everyone!"*

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Our Mission Statement

The San Geronio Mineral and Gem Society is organized to disseminate knowledge of mineralogy and the Earth sciences, and shall endeavor to unite and associate those persons who are interested in the collecting of semi-precious stones and the study of minerals and sciences; to encourage and practice the study of the lapidary art; to provide field excursions to localities of interest; and for enlarging our fund of geological knowledge.

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February 20, 2024 - General and Board Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order 10:01 am at Riverside County Fair & National Date Festival

1 Thanks to everyone for joining the fair efforts today.

2 Recognition of Bert and Lee Grisham for their many years of service

3. Sunshine report

4. Correspondence CMS newsletter states, Club Rock Sale is 3/23/2024

Tracy will present a class to promote rock collecting to youth in Cabazon. Details to come.

5. Treasurer's report is tabled for next meeting 3/5/24

Old Business

6. Club Rock Sale will be Saturday March 23, 2024, 9 am -3 pm Promotion and help is needed.

7. Club Cel phone acquired for sales at Fair and at Rock Sale. Lance donated the phone.

8. General Meeting is Tuesday March 5. Dues are due. Bring unidentified specimens for experts to ID.

9. Upcoming class – “Make a Tree of Life” Gem Tree, April 13 9 am -12 noon.

10 Date Festival

11. Pass & Badges for the Fair was covered by Peggy.



12. Discussion was held to promote the recruitment of new members for the Club. Ideas included Scouts, merit badges, and promotion on news radio.

13. Field Trips
Fred reported Stoddard Wells March 9 where we can join Victor Valley Gem & Mineral Society
Vista Gem & Mineral Show April 6 & 7

Joshua Tree Gem and Mineral Show April 24-28

14. *Making Friends with Rocks*—two kids classes instructed by Tracy will be 3/12 Cabazon Library at 3:30 pm-5 pm, Club members are welcome to join as instructors or helpers.

15. Second class is at Cabazon Boys and Girls Club 3/20 1:30-5 pm. Members are welcome to join in as instructors. Each child goes home with an egg carton and specimens they learned about. Contact Tracy if you want to join in the presentations. Please donate specimens or empty egg cartons. Clear cartons preferred.

16. Please be prepared to pay your Club Dues if you have not yet.

Submitted by Jackie Misuraca, Secretary

Birthday Wishes to these Club Members!

March

Dennis Armatis on the 5th.

Tracy Albrecht on the 9th.



April

Bonnie Lynk on the 14th.

Robert Norberg on the 16th.

Tanya Sauer on the 19th.

Becky Dugan on the 22nd.

Sandra Hernandez on the 27th.

The Fair in Pictures!



March 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5 General Meeting	6	7	8	9 Shop Day 8-12pm
10	11	12 Kids Class, Cabazon Library 3:30-5:pm	13	14	15 Lucerne Gem Show thru 3/17	16
17	18	19 Board Meeting 6pm	20 Kids Class, Cabazon School 1:30-5:pm	21	22	23 Rock Sale at the Clubhouse
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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April 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 General Meeting 7pm, Potluck 6pm	3	4	5	6 Field Trip Hwy 40 with Vista Gem Club
7 Field Trip Hwy 40 with Vista Gem Club	8	9	10	11	12	13 Shop Day Jewelry Class 8-12pm
14	15	16 Board Meeting 6pm	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 Joshua Tree Gem	25	26	27 Shop Day To be
28 Joshua Tree Gem	29	30				

Jokes to keep you from hitting Rock Bottom!

1. *What did Mr. Rabbit give Mrs. Rabbit?*

14 Carrot Gold Ring.

2. *Where do you find the president of the jewelry company?*

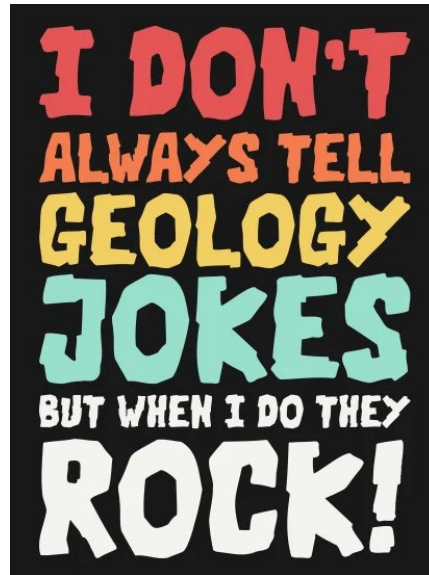
He's the one in the Opal Office.

3. *What do you call a can of soft drink found in a conglomerate?*

Coca-Cola Clastic.

4. *Why did the geologist take his girlfriend to the quarry?*

He wanted to get a little boulder.



5. *What do rocks use for personal hygiene?*

Geoderant

6. *Why are geologists so good in school?*

They take nothing for granite

7. *Which rock group is made up of four men who can't sing?*

Mount Rushmore

8. *Why was the ground concerned after the earthquake?*

Because it became the epi-center of attention.

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Field Trip Updates

March 9 Stoddard Wells
with Victor Valley Gem Club

April 6-7 Exploring Hwy 40

April 6
9 am Meet at Ludlow Cafe off
Hwy 40 Exit 50 for check-in
and trip briefing

Address is 68315 National
Trails Hwy, Ludlow, CA.
Gas available in Ludlow

9:15 am depart for site to
collect Thulite and Agate.

Primitive camping.

April 7

9 am Meet Hector Rd at Hwy
40 Exit 33 for check-in and
trip briefing.

9:15 depart for sites to collect
Jasper, Lavic Siding and view
Lava Beds.

Join one or both days. 2-wheel
drive vehicles okay with high
clearance.

Bring your collecting gear,
food and water, sunscreen, etc.

Contact Fred with questions
and to RSVP for camping 4/6.
Call (316) 519-8505



Thulite

Prime Cut Rocks
presents

Rock & Gem Show

Prime Cut Ranch Lucerne Valley

Friday, Saturday, Sunday
March 15-17 2024
9:00am - 5:00pm



13050 Syracuse Rd. 626-290-4795
Lucerne Valley, California

Come join us for a fantastic
sale featuring gems, minerals, & fossils
from the world over!

Multiple vendors showcasing their incredible
specimens.