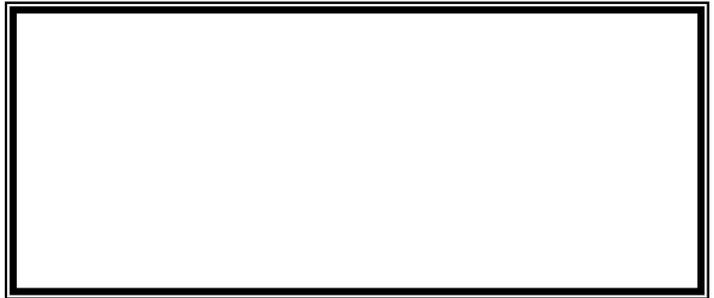




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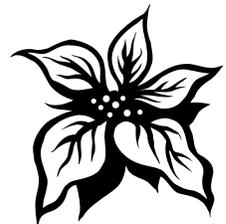
**Annual Christmas Party
&**

Installation of Officers

Date: December 7th 2019

Time: 1:00 pm – 4 pm - Potluck

**Place: Fairview Christian Church
1991 Pacific Ave, Rio Oso**



SUTTER BUTTES GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY

P. O. Box 269

MARYSVILLE, CA 95901

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2019

OFFICERS

(Area Code: 530)

President	Larry Baird	916-607-7734
Vice President	Tim Unruh	633-9623
Secretary	Inez Berg	633-4612
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Field Trip Chairman	Tim Unruh/Gerry Hill	633-9623
Show Chairman	Karen Horita	916-677-6696

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1-Yr Director	Lucy Baird-Clark	743-5561
2-Yr Director	Candi Baird	635-5167
3-Yr Director	Rebecca Heverin	743-3808

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Program Chairman	Tim Unruh
Membership Chairman	
Club Librarian	Inez Berg
Junior Director (Rock Stars)	Inez Berg
Publicity	Karen Horita
Historian	
Sunshine Chairman	Carol Nelson 673-2146
Hospitality Chairman	All Club Members
Web Site	sutterbuttesgemmin.org

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DUES: Single - \$20.00

Family - \$25.00

MEETING PLACE:

**Feather River Baptist Church
5400 Chestnut Road, Olivehurst, CA 95961**

**TIME: Executive Board, 4th Thurs, 7:00pm
Education Meeting 4thThurs, 7:30pm**

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Nov/Dec 2019

SUTTER BUTTES GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY

“An All-American Club”

FROM THE PRESIDENT’S PEN

Holiday greetings, everyone. We’re all recovering from our annual show. It was a lot of work. My personal thanks to all the volunteers, both members and especially the non-members - Al Horita, the ladies who worked taking money for the kitchen, Liz’s granddaughter Donna Foley & Jerry Breckerridge, Doug True for moving our trailer, just to name a few. My apologies if I missed anyone.

We are having our Christmas Party potluck at the Fairview Community Christian Church in Rio Oso on December 7, at 1:00 PM. Please bring your favorite dish. The map and information are posted on the website. We will be voting on and installing the officers for next year, so I urge all members to be present.

As a reminder, club dues are payable on January 1, 2020. To remain in good standing, you must pay your dues by March 31, 2020.

Have a wonderful Holiday Season and a great New Year!!

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Baird

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DATE TO REMEMBER

Dec 7 Christmas Party

Fairview Christian Church

1991 Pacific Ave, Rio Oso

Time: 1 pm – 4 pm - Potluck

UPCOMING SHOWS

Feb 15 – 16 Antioch Lapidary Club,
Contra Costa County Fairgrounds,
201 West 10th Street, Antioch, CA
Hours: 10 – 5 daily

Feb 22 – 23 Vallejo Gem & Mineral Society
Solano Co Fairgrounds, McCormack Hall
900 Fairgrounds Drive, Vallejo, CA
Hours: 10 – 5 daily

Mar 7 – 8 Ventura Gem & Mineral Society
Ventura County Fairgrounds
10 W Harbor Blvd, Ventura, CA
Hours: Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4

Mar 28-29 Roseville Rock Rollers
Fairgrounds,
800 All America City Blvd, Roseville, CA
Hours: Sat 10-5; Sun 10-4

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

AND

HAVE A HAPPY NEW YEAR

BIRTHDAYS FOR**NOVEMBER**

Birthstone: Topaz – Flower: Chrysanthemum

4th – Wanda Oliver 16th – Joan Hoskins
 6th – Donna Folley 30th – Joanie McAfee
 10th – Evelyn Witwer & Patty Clark

The name Topaz comes from a Sanskrit word meaning "fire." And, in ancient lore, it could be used to control heat. It was said to have the power to cool boiling water, as well as excessive anger.

Topaz occurs in a range of magnificent colors – blue, pale green, varying shades of yellow, pink, red, brown, and even black. Pure topaz itself is a colorless stone. Red and some pink topaz get their colors from chromium that is substituted for aluminum in the crystals. Some colors are unstable and can fade away; for example, brown topaz mined in Siberia can be bleached by sunlight. In other stones, color changes can be enhanced by heating. High energy irradiation and moderate heat treatment of colorless topaz can transform it to blue gemstones.

This gem with its lively fire, clarity, beautiful colors and hardness is ideal for jewelry. Because of its rarity, topaz is an expensive gem. The most valued and rarest color is red. Imperial topaz – sherry colored varieties of brownish-yellow, orange yellow and reddish brown – are the most popular topaz stones and command high prices, as do pink colored stones. Brazil is the largest producer of topaz, the most notable source being the Minas Gerais region. Gems are also found in Russia, the Ukraine, Pakistan, Scotland, Japan and Sri Lanka. In the United States, the gemstones have been found in Colorado and California.

DECEMBER

Birthstone: Turquoise – Flower Narcissus

1st – Barbara Brown
 24th – Charlie Brown

The Turquoise is one of the earliest and most-used gemstones. It brings posterity to the wearer and symbolizes success and good fortune. The name of the stone in Iran (the source of the finest stones) is piruzeh, and was first introduced into Europe by Turkish merchants, hence, the name "turchesa." The name used today is the French version "Pierre turquoise" (stone of Turkey).

It is a soft, porous, opaque stone, and a copper and aluminum combination makes it blue, while a combination of copper and iron will result in a green color. The principal source of Turquoise is in the desert lands of Iran and the American Southwest, though it has been found in Egypt, Tibet, and Australia. The oldest pieces of jewelry in the world are four turquoise bracelets found in the tomb of Queen Zer who ruled about 5500 BC.

The Iranian stones are the most highly-prized because of their rare and desirable sky blue color. The deposits in the American Southwest were mined by the American Indians long before the Spanish, and have long been the favorite of the Indians, especially the Navajos. Even the perspiration of a wearer, when absorbed by the stone, can change its color and make it fade. It can sometimes be brightened by washing in ammonia.

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SHOW KITCHEN HELP – THANK YOU – THANK YOU!!!

I can't say it enough – a huge **THANK YOU** goes out to **ALL** the members who helped with the kitchen during the show and also who brought items in to sell. Friday, potatoes, onions etc., were peeled for the stew we served that evening. On Saturday and Sunday members helped make sandwiches, dished out stew and chili, made hotdogs, etc., thanks for your endless help!! We had member volunteers who spent hours as cashiers Saturday and Sunday. I am not going to name people because I don't want to forget somebody who helped – everyone was so much help and again **'THANK YOU!!!'**.

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MINUTES, EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING, October 24, 2019

The meeting was called to order by President Larry Baird There were 10 Board members present.

SECRETARY: It was moved, seconded, and passed to approve the minutes of Sept. 26th, as printed in the bulletin.

TREASURER: Karen handed out printed reports.

SHOW: Final fees were paid to the fairgrounds. Karen will pick up a key to Franklin Hall on Thursday about 11:00-11:30. She was reminded that hot foods have to be kept at 165 degrees. The signs will be up the next two weeks. Larry will record an announcement for our local radio stations.

NEW BUSINESS: Nominations for 2020 were discussed. The slate will be presented and voted upon at the November meeting. Installation at the December meeting. The November meeting will be held Thursday, November 14th. December meeting is tentatively scheduled for December 7th. Larry and Candi are looking into restaurants to hold the meeting. Otherwise, Karen has offered to have a potluck at her house.

There being no further business, motion to dismiss was moved, seconded, and passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Inez Berg, Secretary

MINUTES, EDUCATION MEETING, October 24th, 2019

The meeting was called to order by President Larry Baird. He then led the flag salute.

SECRETARY: Motion to approve the minutes of the meetings of Sept. 16th as printed in the bulletin, was made by Liz, and seconded by Candi.

GUEST: Juanita Pardun. She is a member of RRR and recently moved to this area.

SHOW: Set up tables and showcases Thurs. November 7th, 11:00-11:30. Showcases to be filled on Friday, kitchen set up. Tear down will be Sunday night. All hands are needed each day.

NEW BUSINESS: November meeting will be Thurs. November 14th. Installation dinner is scheduled for December 7th, either at a restaurant or a potluck at Karen’s house.

NOMINATIONS: See list elsewhere in newsletter. Nominations will be voted on in November.

There being no further business, motion to dismiss was moved, seconded, and passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Inez Berg, Secretary

PROGRAM: Tanzanite film, presented by Tim Unruh

Tanzanite is a blue stone, sometimes with shades of violet or ruby, found in Tanzania in the largest volcanic crater in the world. The miners are dropped by bucket into the deep mines. It is necessary to move tons of stone to find pockets of Tanzanite. Tanzanite is found as a brownish crystal which is then heated to 500 degrees Celsius to bring out the color.

Inez Berg

NOMINATIONS, 2020

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| President, Larry Baird | Show Chairman, Karen Horita & Assistant, Liz Foster |
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MINUTES, EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING, November 14, 2019

The meeting was called to order by President Larry Baird. There were 9 Board members present.

SECRETARY: A vote on the minutes of the October 24th meeting was postponed until after the minutes are printed.

TREASURER: Printed reports for October and preliminary reports for the show were handed out. Show report will change when cleaning refund is received from the Fairgrounds. It was moved, passed, and seconded to send a check to the church for use of their facility for the year.

SHOW: Skirting for vendors was discussed. Next year’s application will include a note that they can use their own skirting, but we will provide skirting if they do not have it. There was a discussion about replacing show case lights for LED lights. Dealers have suggested we charge a \$2 admission fee. It was felt, if we do not charge a fee, “we do not have anything of value”. Show dates for next year were discussed. November 1, 2020 is a Sunday. Is the second weekend actually Nov. 7 & 8 or 14 & 15? Suggestion to see when the Sikh Festival is, so we do not use the same weekend and lose possible attendees. A week later was discussed, early in December, January, March, and October, were also discussed. Discussion about where we could get more help with the heavy lifting for set-up and tear-down. No votes were taken.

NEW BUSINESS: Membership was discussed. Our web site is hooked to others on-line. Discussion about setting up a booth at the Peach Festival, other festivals, and parades, to hand out club information. Discussion about membership lack of participation in club activities, meetings, shows, etc.

DECEMBER INSTALLATION/CHRISTMAS PARTY MEETING:

December 7, 2019, 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm. It will be held at Fairview Community Christian Church, 1991 Pacific Avenue, Rio Oso. A map is on the web site. The meal will be potluck.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Inez Berg, Secretary

MINUTES, EDUCATION MEETING, November 14th, 2019:

The only members attending were Board Members, so no Education Meeting was held.

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2020 DUES ARE DUE

Yes, it’s that time of the year again – time to pay your 2020 Membership Dues
Dues are due by January 1st, and must be paid no later than March 31st to remain a member in good standing
and be listed in the 2020 Membership Roster

NAME: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

___ Single Membership (\$20.00)

ADDRESS: _____

___ Family Membership (\$25.00)

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or bring it to the next meeting