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The President's Message

Dear SEARCHERS

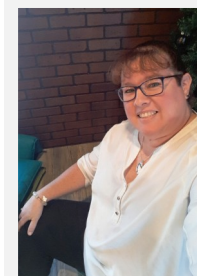
It's that time of year when school wraps up, where vacations are being planned, and there's extra time to get out and search for those rock treasures.

Please be safe when traveling around, but have fun taking pics of all the great treasures you collect. Please reach out to me, or any of the other board members, if you have any questions or concerns.

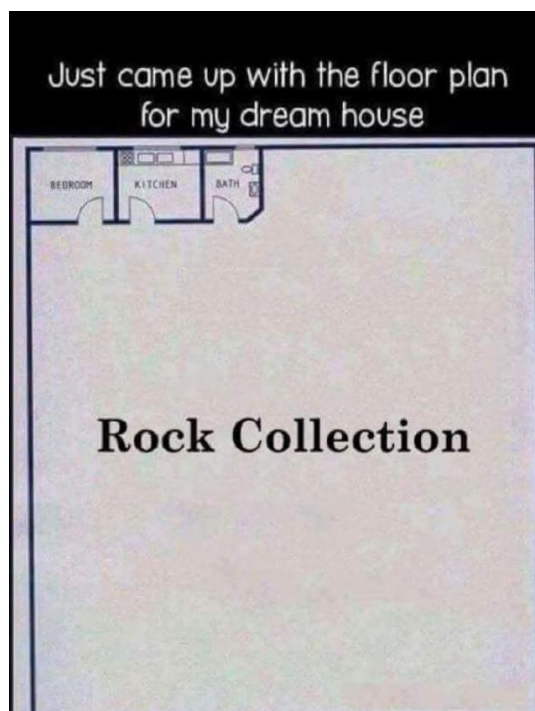
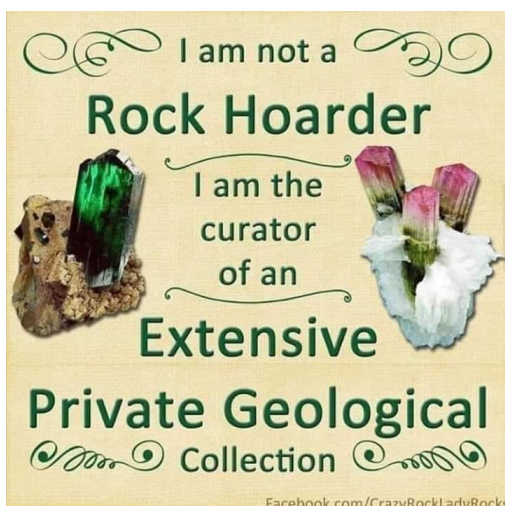
Happy Hunting Everyone!

Sincerely,

Monica Dekany-Beeker



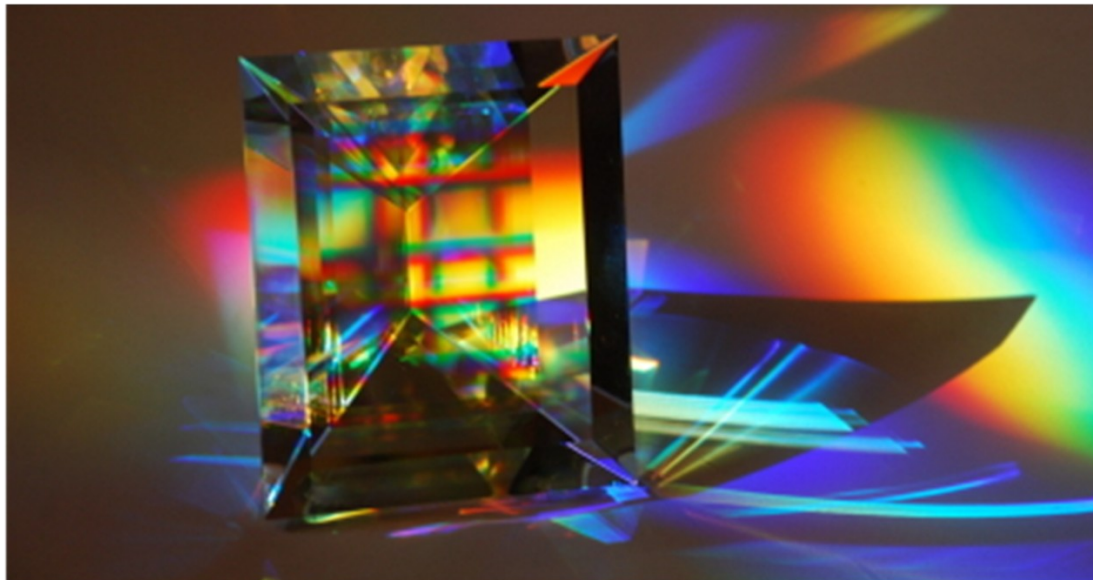
Some Fun



Searchers Club Meetings and Presenters

Board Meeting- Tues. June 4th at 6pm, Anaheim Community Center

Member Meeting- Tuesday June 11th at 7pm, Anaheim Community Center



Who is Kent Lauer?

Glass Craftsman Magazine says on Kent Lauer, Master Beveler.....

"Does art seek us out or do we create art? When a university educated geologist delves into stained glass and blossoms into artistic prominence that spans the globe and encompasses works commissioned by an endless list of Who's Who celebrities and heads of state, this simple question becomes a poignant statement."

Kent Lauer has been a lapidary, working with glass, for more than 44 years. What started as a fascination with glass soon became a career. Kent learned to bevel early on, and was determined to find out everything he could about pushing the limits of beveled glass. His work has since been seen worldwide, in important homes, and in historic buildings. Living in Southern California has given Kent the opportunity to work on glass for films and commercials. His work is sought after by notables and celebrities. He has been published in glass magazines and is currently working on a book entitled "Introduction to Coldworking".

He has been teaching beveling and dichroic glass sculpture both at glass shows and privately at his studio for over 30 years. His classes include: Faceted Dichroic Glass Pendants, Curved Faceted Dichroic Glass Pendants, Custom Hand Beveling, and Faceted Dichroic Sculpture.

Come meet and learn from this master of lapidary arts on Tuesday the 11th at 7pm. He has a fantastic presentation, which may open up a new world of lapidary material to you, and you can view his jaw dropping work up close and in person.

Please remember to bring a rock or slab for the Vets!

Field Trips

June Field Trip - Himalaya Mine Tourmaline

Date: 6/23/19 Sunday

Time: 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. Please arrive promptly at 10 so we can count attendees and get the best discount possible.

Leader: Lydia Pattison (714)453-8186

Details: The Himalaya Mine is giving us a great deal. The regular admission fee is \$75. If we have 20 attendees it is \$60 and if we have 30 attendees it will only be \$50.

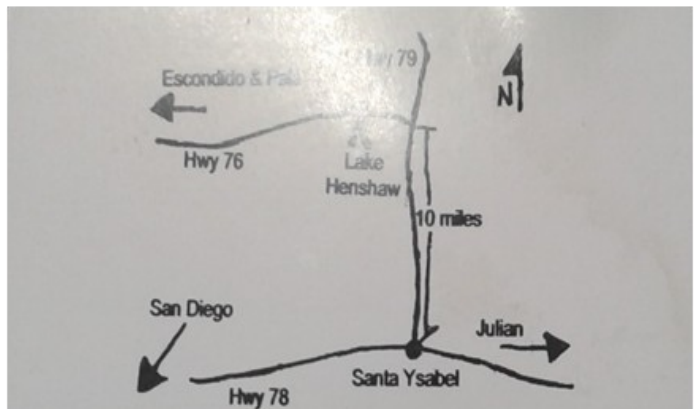
Tools are provided.

Bring 5 gal buckets.

We can bring easy-up shade, but be prepared to share.

Under 12 years is free.

**For field trip
information
contact:
Lydia
Pattison Field
Trips,
Searchers
Gem and
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Society,
lpattison@so
cal.rr.com**



Enjoy an entertaining and fun packed gemstone dig for beautiful tourmalines and other pegmatite crystals from the Mesa Grande Pegmatite District, near the scenic Lake Henshaw. (Approx. 1.5 hours NE of San Diego)
All tools are provided at no extra charge!

For gate code to access Gem Dig thru campground:

Lake Henshaw Resort
26439 Hwy 76, Santa Ysabel, CA 92070

Please Visit Our Website:
www.highdesertgemsandminerals.com

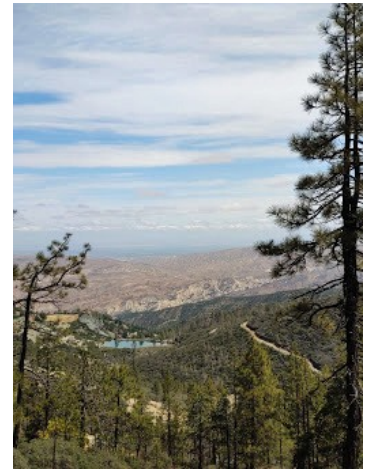
Or Call/Text:
(775) 772-7724 or (775) 225-4245 or (775) 830-5797

Diggers can also enjoy camping, cabins, and restaurant accommodations at Lake Henshaw Resort (please call 760-782-3501 for more information)

Field Trip Report—Clear Creek May 18-19, 2019

Winding roads into the backcountry of Coalinga led the Anaheim Searchers to the barren and sparsely grown hills of Clear Creek. Being one of the most mineralized areas of California, Clear Creek is home to more than 150 substances such as jadeite, termolite, and neptunite. After being closed for years, the Federal government reopened the land and newly dedicated it as a 'Superfund Site', an area speckled with harmful material such as serpentine asbestos and chromium rock; substances that our group was interested in collecting. The area that Andrew had selected to stay overnight at was the Jade Mill campground; a beautifully placed site atop secluded hills that were surrounded by sparse pine and oak trees. Members Andrew, Lindsey, Madison, Jimmy, and Esther ventured into these high elevations on Friday, May 17th with high hopes of sunny weather despite the rainy forecast. Andrew led everyone out to several sites along the Clear Creek bed to pick up the greenest of asbestos pieces and then went out to retrieve some plasma agate from a mine much farther up in the hills. The following day, other members had arrived and everyone went out to the same sites visited the previous day, led by Andrew Bloxom. Returning to the plasma agate mine, Andrew, Jimmy, and Doug pulled out a massive quartz druzy atop a beautiful agate boulder. They had rolled it down the hill and then proceeded to pickaxe it to pieces to share amongst the group. Bill, Margaret, and Ynez had a wonderful time picking up beautifully created agate pieces from this massive boulder. Adventuring down the hills to the creek once again, it began to intermittently rain upon everyone as we were ankle deep in water. The group had picked up some bright green uvarovite pieces and even some stunningly red cinnabar. By about 4pm, the Anaheim Searchers had enough rock-hounding for the day and returned back to the campsite. It had begun to rain a little harder as everyone shared their rock finds for the day over some curry stew and coffee. It was an extremely successful and satisfying time at the Clear Creek site.

Written by: Madison Vasquez



See page 9 for more pictures



The Searchers

Gem and Mineral Society

Logo Contest Submission

- Submission Deadline: **June 1st**
 - Submit by e-mail only: LPATTISON@SOCAL.RR.COM
 - Subject Line: Searcher's Contest
 - Attach document to e-mail
 - You may submit 2 logos
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- Each person will receive a prize for their submission.
 - The board will choose the top 5 submissions.
 - Each person in the top 5 will receive a prize
 - The top 5 plus the current logo will be presented at the June general meeting for a membership vote.
 - The winner will receive the grand prize. (Unless, of course) the current logo is the winner.)

Name: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Searcher's 2019 Show

First of all, the biggest thank you possible to the Show Committee and the volunteers who worked so hard to make our show a success! Every one of you made a big difference! Thank you to those who contributed display cases or loaned us items for the weekend. I think our show cases were stellar this year! We also appreciate all of the donated materials and prizes. Our demonstrators sparked a lot of interest in our club. We appreciate the Long Beach Veterans and young Miss Anaheim group for helping us out.

This year the club made \$6,984.21; last year the club made \$9,625.74. Some expenses were higher this year as we upgraded worn items, replenished some year-to-year supplies and had some extra costs including table and trailer rentals, but, generally, earnings were lower. Here are some earning details:

Grab bags: \$284.20

Raffle: \$507.00

Silent Auction: \$2,512.42

Wheel of Fortune: \$77.00



Raffle Item	Ticket Count
Jimmy's sphere	104
Vibratory lap	99
Fish fossil	88
Exacta Cabber	87
Lasco Agate carving set	87
Tony's gift basket	56
Vulcanizer/Wax Injector	52
Meteorite	50
Botryoidal Hematite	19
Boulder holder	19
Total tickets sold	661

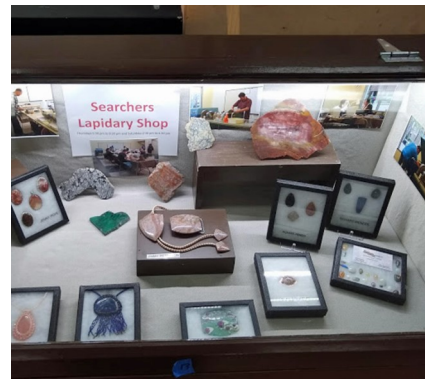
Raffle 2019 Total \$507

Average cost per ticket \$0.77



The Show Committee is reviewing feedback and the show reports and will work at improving our show for next year. We heard from several dealers that attendance is down at shows generally, so we will strategize how to best advertise in 2020. The quality of the silent auction materials makes a big difference in the bottom line, so keep that in mind as you gather materials for next year. If you have comments or suggestions, be sure to let any Show Committee person know and we'll add it to our feedback.

Thank you again for your hard work and support!



Upcoming 2019 CFMS Gem Shows

For a more complete listing of shows go to web-site: www.cfmsinc.org

JUNE

June 7, 8 & 9: LA HABRA, CA
North Orange County Gem & Mineral Society
La Habra Community Center
101 W. La Habra Blvd.
Hours: Fri 5 - 8; Sat 10 - 8 & Sun 10 - 4
Contact: Armando Perdoza, (909) 598-2456
Email: forestandsun@yahoo.com
Website: www.nocgms.com

June 8 - 9: GLENDORA, CA
Glendora Gems
Goddard Middle School
859 E. Sierra Madre Avenue
Hours: Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4
Contact: Bonnie Bidwell, (626) 963-4638
Email: ybidwell2@aol.com

June 29 - 30: CULVER CITY, CA
Culver City Rock & Mineral Club
Veterans Memorial Auditorium
4117 Overland Blvd
Hours: Sat 10 - 6; Sun 10 - 5
Contact: Janice Metz, (310) 850-4398
Email: culvercityrocks35@gmail.com
Website: culvercityrocks.org [Show Page](#)

June 29 - 30: ESCONDIDO, CA
Palomar Gem & Mineral Club
California Center for the Arts
340 N. Escondido Blvd.
Hours: 10 - 5 daily
Contact: Michele Shephard
Email: pgmcshow@palomargem.org
Website: palomargem.org [Show Page](#)

AUGUST

August 2, 3 & 4: NIPOMO, CA
Orcutt Mineral Society
Nipomo High School
525 Thompson Avenue
Hours: Fri-Sat 10 - 5, Sun 10 - 4
Contact: Wayne Mills, (805) 481-3495
Email: wwmills50@hotmail.com
Website: omsinc.org

August 3 - 4: SAN FRANCISCO, CA
San Francisco Gem & Mineral Society
San Francisco County Fair Building
9th Avenue & Lincoln Way, Golden Gate Park,
S.F. County Fair Bldg.
Hours: Sat. 10 - 6; Sun. 10 - 5
Contact: Ellen Nott
Email: ellel_nott@yahoo.com
Website: sfgems.org

SEPTEMBER

September 21: LONG BEACH, CA
Long Beach Mineral & Gem Society
Expo Arts Center
4321 Atlantic Avenue
Hours: 10:00 - 5:00
Contact: Carol Kron and Karin Alvarez, (562) 577-9044
Email: lbmineralgemsociety@gmail.com

September 21 - 22: CHICO, CA
Feather River Lapidary & Mineral Society
Silver Dollar Fairgrounds
2357 Fair Street
Hours: Sat 9:30 - 5; Sun 9:30 - 4
Lori Millard, (530) 533-2968
Email: lorimillard58@yahoo.com
Website: www.featherriverrocks.org

September 21 - 22: MONTEREY, CA
Carmel Valley Gem & Mineral Society
Monterey Fairgrounds
2004 Fairgrounds Road
Hours: 10 - 5 daily
Contact: Janis Rovetti, (831) 372-1311
Email: janis12@sbcglobal.net
Website: cvgms.rocks

September 28 - 29: LODI, CA
Stockton Lapidary & Mineral Club
Lodi Grape Festival Grounds
413 East Lockford Street
Hours: 10 - 5 daily
Contact: Mike Mathis, (510) 301-3612
Email: mmathis@nwp.org
Website: stocktonlapidary.org [Show Page](#)

OCTOBER

October 5 - 6: GRASS VALLEY, CA
Nevada County Gem & Mineral Society
Nevada County Fairgrounds
11228 McCourtney Road
Hours: Sat 10 - 5, Sun 10 - 4
Contact: Mitchell Frank Van Hecke, (530) 575-4252

Email: 4vancian5@att.net
Website: ncgms.org [Show Page](#)

October 12 - 13: TRONA, CA
Searles Lake Gem & Mineral Society
Trona Gem Building
13337 Main Street
Hours: Sat 7:30 - 5:00; Sun 7:30 - 3:00
Contact: Jim & Bonnie Fairchild, (760) 372-5356
Email: slgms@iwvisp.com
Website: iwvisp.com/tronagemclub

October 19: WEST HILLS, CA
Woodland Hills Rock Chippers
First United Methodist Church
22700 Sherman Way
Hours: 10 - 5
Contact: Virginia Rotramel, whrc@rockchippers.org
Email: whrc@rockchippers.org
Website: rockchippers.org [Show Page](#)

October 19 - 20: PLACERVILLE, CA
El Dorado County Mineral & Gem Society
El Dorado County Fairgrounds
100 Placerville Drive
Hours: 10 - 5 daily
Contact: Debbie Winterson
Email: info@rockandgemshow.org
Website: eldoradorocks.org [Show Page](#)

June Birthstone: Pearl, Moonstone, & Alexandrite



Searchers Gem & Mineral Society

General Information



Check our website for unexpected changes in schedule!

www.searchersrocks.org

General Meetings: 7 PM, 2nd Tuesday of each month, Jan - Nov

Board Meetings: 6PM, 1st Tuesday of each month, Jan - Nov

Workshop: Thursday 5:30 to 9:30 PM and Saturday 2:30 to 6:30 PM

Location: Anaheim Downtown Community Center
250 East Center St.
Anaheim, CA 92805

Mailing Address: Searchers Gem & Mineral Society, Inc.
P.O Box 3492
Anaheim, CA 92803

Website: www.searchersrocks.org

Membership Dues:	Individual	\$25
	Couple	\$35
	Junior (17 & under)	\$10

Valid Jan.1-Dec.31, not prorated

Bulletin: Submissions due 3rd Friday of the month via e-mail to: editor@searchersrocks.org.

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Searchers —Linda Horn Editor

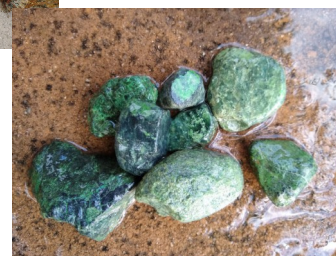
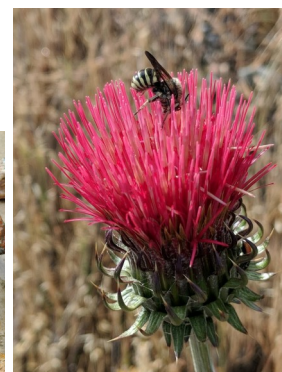
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