

# The Rock Slab News

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The Purpose of the Searchers Gem & Mineral Society  
*By-Laws, Article 1, Sec. 2*

This society was formed for the purpose of banding together a group of congenial persons for the purpose of studying mineralogy and the earth sciences by means of association with other mineralogical societies and with their members; presentation of public exhibitions, lectures, and similar programs; field trips for exploration, study and collecting of specimens; the encouragement of interest among young people and the fostering of interest in mineralogy and the lapidary arts; the procurement and maintenance of collections of minerals, mineral products and related pictures, writings and other information thereof; and all other means which are appropriate to the accomplishment of the primary objectives above set forth.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Norbert Bernhardt

I hope everyone had a fantastic Christmas Holiday! At this time, I would like to wish you all a Happy New Year. May it be especially full of good health.

Thank you to last year's President, Keith Droste, our board, and all the members who helped our club this past year. I look forward to working with our 2009 board and members. We have a fantastic club and I hope to make our club even better during the coming year.

Let's enjoy an upcoming year of great field trips, using our well- equipped workshop, and doing some fun promoting of our club so that more people can enjoy our hobby. In May we will have our 50th annual show and the Children's Art Festival and in June, Heritage Day. These have always been good ways to promote the Searchers. My goal this coming year is to promote our club at other locations and to advertise our monthly meetings thus increasing guest attendance and future membership.

Programs are already in the works to promote our club this coming year. A program at the Euclid Library in Anaheim is already planned for April, and Ana, my wife, has volunteered to be Youth Chairperson. She will be contacting some of the schools and existing youth members.

If we all help a little we can bring this club up to new heights!

Happy New Year to all and may the rocks be with you!

## MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE DUE

### NEW RATES:

Individuals \$25

Couples \$35

Children (17 and under) \$10

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Check our website for unexpected changes in schedule!  
[www.searchersrocks.org](http://www.searchersrocks.org)

**General Meetings:** 7 PM, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month,  
 Jan - Nov

**Board Meetings:** 7PM, Wed. after general meeting,  
 Jan - Nov

**Workshop:** Thursday, 6 – 10 PM, free wire-wrap class.  
 Saturday, 3 – 7 PM Free silver-smithing class 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays (schedule varies).

**No workshops:** January 1, 2009

**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](http://www.searchersrocks.org)

**Membership Dues:** Individual \$25  
 Couple \$35  
 Junior (17 & under) \$10  
 Valid Jan.1-Dec.31, not prorated

**Bulletin:** Submissions due 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month via e-mail to: [editor@searchersrocks.org](mailto:editor@searchersrocks.org).  
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**Charter Date:** April 20, 1958

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- California Federation of Mineralogical Societies
- American Federation of Mineralogical Societies

## SEARCHERS BOARD

### Officers

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Rock 'n' Kids	Ana Lorenzo	714-734-9665

**Sponsored by:**  
**Anaheim Arts Council**

# FROM THE WEBMASTER

By Walter Mroch

First off, congratulations to the new Board. Although I will not be on the Board for the first time in many, many years, I will still be active maintaining the club website and managing the dealers for the 2009 Show. All members are encouraged to start using the [www.searchersrocks.org](http://www.searchersrocks.org) mail addresses to contact the board and committee members. Please review the following list:

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 Walter Mroch  
 Larry Richey  
 Walter Mroch

All board and committee members should try and utilize our email accounts for correspondence.

## JANUARY PROGRAM

By Walter Mroch

The January program will be "The Beautiful World of Micromounting" which is pristine minerals that fit into a 1.25 by 1.25 by 1 inch cube also known as a Perky Box. This is a photo journey of minerals from around the world in a video projector presentation by Walter Mroch.

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**THERE WILL BE A SILENT AUCTION AT THE JANUARY MEETING. BRING SOME MINERALS, SLABS, ETC. FOR MEMBERS TO BID ON AND BENEFIT THE CLUB.**

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### JANUARY FIELD TRIP

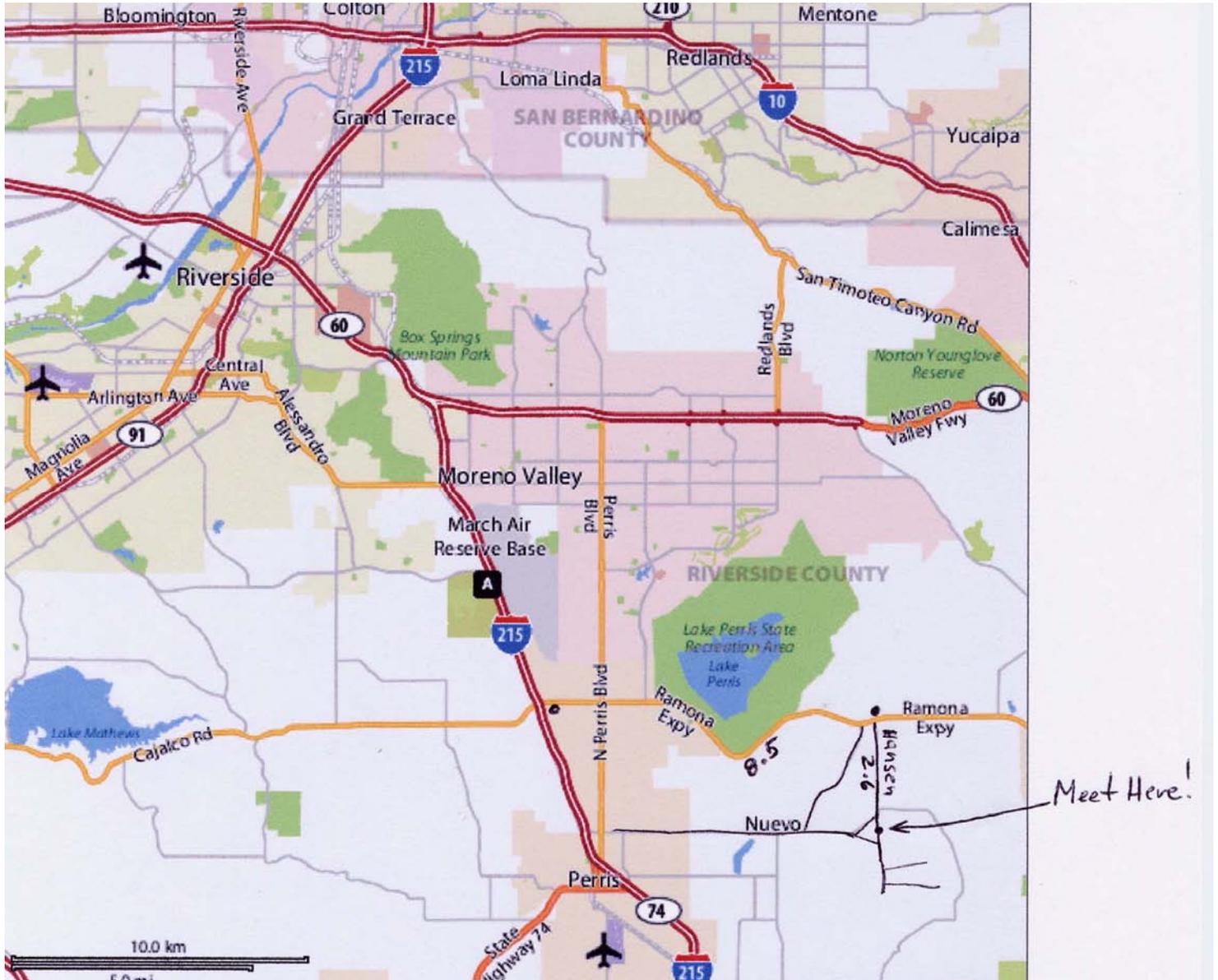
Nuevo Dump  
 Sunday, January 18, 2009

Meet at 9am on Hansen Ave., Nuevo, CA  
 Materials: Rose Quartz, Schorl, Clear Quartz and some Garnets  
 Bring shovels, light hammers, rake, gloves, hiking shoes  
 It is about a 500 foot walk from the car. 4x4 preferable.  
 Field Trip Leader: Norbert Bernhardt (714)904-2181

Meet 2.6 miles from Ramona Expressway on Hansen Ave., Nuevo, CA

91 East to 215/60 towards San Diego/Escondido South, Exit Ramona Expressway and go East for approx. 8.5 miles to Hansen Ave., right on Hansen Ave and go 2.6 miles to meeting area.

Nuevo Dump GPS Location:      LAT. 33.785722 N or 33°47.140 N  
LONG. 117.127345 W or 117°7.334 W



# “THE ROCK ‘N’ KIDS ARE BACK!”

by Ana Lorenzo

Yes, the Rock’n Kids are back! We are looking for kids of all ages with the desire to have fun, learn a bit about gems, get involved in field trips, and learn how to make beautiful jewelry.

If you are one of these kids, don’t hesitate to e-mail me at [keki1026@gmail.com](mailto:keki1026@gmail.com) . You can also call (714)734-9665.

We will have a field trip on January 18, 2009. The location is Nuevo Dump. If you are interested, please call me for more information or see the information and map in the newsletter.

I am looking forward to a great and fun year with all of the Searchers Kids. If you have not joined our club yet, hurry and pay your dues so we can start having fun.

## JANUARY EVENTS

<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
1		Anaheim Downtown Center is <b>CLOSED</b>
8,15,22,29	6-10pm	Thursday Workshop (lapidary, wire wrapping)
3,10,17,24,31	3-7pm	Saturday Workshop (lapidary, silversmithing)
13	7-10pm	January General Meeting Program: “The Beautiful World of Micromounting” Presented by Walter Mroch
14	7-9pm	Board Meeting @ Norbert Bernhardt’s
18	9am	January Field Trip to Nuevo Dumps near Perris, CA
21-25		QIA Pow Wow and Gem & Mineral Show in Quartzsite, Arizona. Campsite: Texas Barbecue and the Golf Course (Greasewood Downs)

## FEBRUARY EVENTS

5,12,19,29	6-10pm	Thursday Workshop (lapidary, wire wrapping)
7,14,21,28	3-7pm	Saturday Workshop (lapidary, silversmithing)
10	7-10pm	February General Meeting
11	7-9pm	Board Meeting @ Norbert Bernhardt’s
21 & 22	8:30am	February Field Trip to Griffith Wash near Kingman, Arizona

## SHOW MEETING

A date for a 2009 Show meeting will be announced at the January general meeting and by an email special bulletin.

## SEARCHERS 50<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SHOW

### CHAIRMEN

1. Show Chairman: Jim Williamson 714-995-9080 [rockpick@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rockpick@sbcglobal.net)
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15. Hourly Door Prizes:
16. Donation Awards:
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18. Cases and Trophies: Margaret Neeley 714-535-2030
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26. Anaheim Arts Council: Margaret Neeley 714-535-2030

## SHOW DISPLAY CASES

By Margaret Neeley

Our 50<sup>th</sup> Show is coming soon. Now is the time to get those rocks you brought home cut, polished and ready for your display case. This is an opportunity for the Searchers to share with the community what we do. It is also a big part of our Show. Please let me, Margaret Neeley, know if you will be entering a case in our 2009 Show. See me at a meeting or call 714-535-2030.

If you need a case, I also have one standard show display case (42"x32") with lights and lock for sale.

## LAST MONTH'S PROGRAM

By Walter Mroch

December was our annual installation and holiday dinner held at Marie Callendar's in Anaheim to install our 2009 Board. We had terrific dinner entrees, desserts and drinks and then proceeded with the meeting. Walter Mroch, 1<sup>st</sup> VP of Programs, was the host in Keith Droste's absence. On behalf of the club Walter called the meeting to order and gave the official welcome to all the attendees.

Walter thanked all the members in attendance and recognized them as important contributors to the club. Then he thanked our outgoing 2008 President Keith Droste for taking on the challenge of being a club president without hesitation. The club members all gave a round of applause since they know that it is a tough job.

The club members were then reminded that we are about to embark on our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gem Show and that all members should take flyers and help us to make it a success. Walter also reflected that the club's first Show was the first venue to take place at the brand new Anaheim Convention Center which was the joint AFMS/CFMS Show. Thousands of visitors attended back in 1972.

Walter also mentioned the Searchers website which should be considered a resource for all members. Check it out at [www.searchersrocks.org](http://www.searchersrocks.org).

The many VA helpers like Jessie Garza, Larry Richey, Clare Gagnon, Karl Norton, Sarah Harris and Burt Fortin were acknowledged. Herb Beckman and Jimmy Peterson were thanked for all their hard work keeping the club lapidary workshop going strong. The workshop is an important asset to the club and members who use it are urged to cut an extra slab or two for the Long Beach Veterans Hospital lapidary program.

Then we were on to the real business of the evening. Walter introduced the 2008 Board: President Keith Droste (in absentia), Walter Mroch as 1<sup>st</sup> VP Programs, Steve Duncan as 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Field Trips, Virgil Talbott as CFMS Delegate, Pat Lynch as Treasurer and Kathy Clark as Secretary. He then stated that the new Board is pretty much the old Board. The only changes were Brian Kussman as 1<sup>st</sup> VP Programs and Norbert Bernhardt as our 2009 President.

Walter then read Keith's message to the club stating that he enjoyed being president and wished Norbert great success in 2009. A new gavel was presented to Norbert to rule 2009. Norbert gave a short acceptance speech, Steve Duncan spoke about some of the upcoming field trips, and Walter spoke about the January program which he promised would be entertaining and informative.

Twenty-three members participated in the White Elephant gift exchange. The most interesting and undoubtedly appropriate gift went to our 2009 President Norbert Bernhardt which was a special official Executive Briefcase comprised of a pair of underwear with a unique wooden handle attached. It is doubtful it would hold anything for any length of time, but it resulted in a huge roar from the crowd.

The meeting was closed with a wish to everyone to have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

## FEBRUARY FIELD TRIP

Griffith Wash  
February 21 & 22, 2009  
By Steve Duncan

The February field trip will be led by Jimmy Peterson, to Griffith Wash near Kingman, Arizona. This is a trip for quartz crystals, and it is a strenuous trip requiring an approximately 1 hour scramble up the side of a boulder strewn ridge. The incline could be as steep as 45 degrees. The top are 3 quartz-filled veins running across the top of the ridge. A pick and a small shovel are required for digging. You will also need a backpack to carry out your crystals, as well as newspaper to wrap them. This same pack can carry your water and a lunch on the way up.

This will be a dry camp: bring what you need. Don't forget lots of water and sunscreen and hats. On Saturday night we will have our traditional potluck, so bring something to share. The trip to the ridge will start at 0830 California time. The road is rough, but should be passable for most cars. For those that don't want to try the climb there are garnets in schist to be collected.

The plan for Sunday has not yet been determined, but we will leave at the same time from camp, 0830 CA time.

Directions to the camp: Take I-40 to Needles and continue into Arizona. Take exit 37 off of I-40, about 13 miles south of Kingman. Turn east on Griffith Wash Road, and go approximately ¼ mile until Griffith Wash Road deadends into the railroad frontage road. Turn left, go ¼ mile, turn left again and you will see the Searcher signs. At this last turn there is a gate if you were to turn right instead of left. You can use this for a landmark. When we go to the site we will go through this gate and continue for approximately 7 miles.

The quartz crystals found here are normally very clear, and small clumps of crystals are not uncommon.

We hope to see you all there. If you have any questions feel free to contact me, Steve Duncan, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Field Trips, at 714-724-7102 or [wsd@iteris.com](mailto:wsd@iteris.com).

## THE QUARTZSITE EXPERIENCE

Warm weather, Shows, rocks, gems, minerals, and swap meets! Located in the southwest corner of Arizona 17 miles east of the California-Arizona line on either side of Interstate 10, Quartzsite at the height of its show season (November to March with the main shows in January and February) is one of those places Rvers should visit at least once in their travels. Yes, it is crowded and traffic is horrendous, but to join the throngs of Rvers out in the desert and experience the shows is a phenomenon not to be missed. There are World Famous Gem Shows, the Largest Swap Meet in the World, RV Trailer Parks with full hookups or dry camping and thousands of acres of BLM areas to accommodate the Rver, prospector and ATV enthusiast. Established as a stage stop on the site of old Fort Tyson in 1866, Quartzsite is now internationally famous for its annual Rock and Mineral Shows. The Quartzsite Improvement Association started it all in 1967 with the first "POW WOW" Rock & Gem Show helping to build Quartzsite to its status of "World Famous Rock & Gem shows." Today they have more than 10 themed shows with thousands of vendors of rocks, gems, minerals, fossils and everything else imaginable to create one of the world's largest open air flea markets which attract a million and more visitors each winter. Eight major gem & mineral shows as well as vendors of raw and handcrafted merchandise peddle their wares to snowbirds, collectors and enthusiasts, making Quartzsite "the place to be" the first 2 months of each year. (borrowed from "Winter in Quartzsite" by Jaimie Hall and an article by Hitchhitch.com)

### BULLETIN

**If you are planning a trip to Quartzsite, please take some of our 2009 Show flyers.**

**Club members will be camping behind Texas Barbecue and the Golf Course (Greasewood Downs) on January 21-25, 2009.**

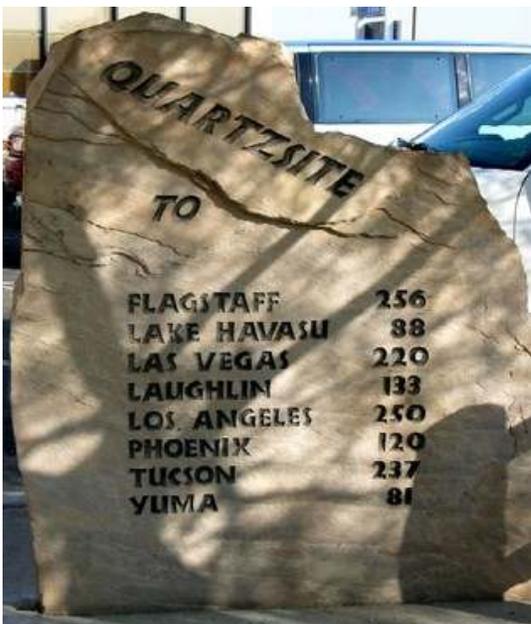




Looking north toward Tyson Wells Sell-A-Rama and “downtown” Quartzsite

## QUARTZSITE EVENTS

Prospectors Panorama – 4 Shows, Nov 1- Feb 15  
 Rice Ranch “Yawl Come” Show, Nov 1-Feb 28  
 Desert Gardens International Rock, Gem, Mineral & Jewelry Show, Jan 1-Feb 28  
 Tyson Wells –Rock/Gem/Mineral Show, Jan 2-11 9-5 daily - [www.tysonwells.com](http://www.tysonwells.com)  
 Tyson Wells Sell-A-Rama, Jan 16-25 9-5 daily  
 Tyson Wells Arts & Craft Fair, Jan 30-Feb 8  
 Quartzsite Sports, Vacation & RV Show, Jan 17-25  
 The Main Event, Jan 10-25 – General Swap meeting/Rocks/Gems/Arts/Crafts/Hit & Miss  
 The Main Event, Jan 23-25 – Steam Engine Show – [mainevnt@rraz.net](mailto:mainevnt@rraz.net)  
 Annual QIA Pow Wow, Jan 21-25  
 Hobby, Craft & Gem Show, Jan 28-Feb1 - [www.quartzsiterivshow.com](http://www.quartzsiterivshow.com)  
 Rock & Roll Classic Car Show, Jan 28-Feb 8  
 6<sup>th</sup> Annual “It’s Chili in Quartzsite” Chili Cook-Off & State Salsa Championship, Feb 28 -  
[www.qzchamber.com](http://www.qzchamber.com)  
 Hi Jolly Daze Parade, Jan 3 - [www.quartzsitetourism.us](http://www.quartzsitetourism.us)  
 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Willpower/Pawpower ATV Parade, Feb 7  
 Tyson Wells Bluegrass Festival, Feb 27-Mar 1  
 Stage Coach Swapmeet 1-928-927-8161  
 Totem Swap Lot 1-928-927-8433  
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**TO SEARCHERS EVERYWHERE,**

**HAPPY  
NEW YEAR!!!!**

**Here’s to a wonderful 2009!**

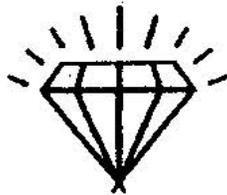
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And don't forget the Route 66 Gold Miners at [www.route66goldminers.org](http://www.route66goldminers.org) and the GPAA at [www.goldprospectors.com](http://www.goldprospectors.com).

**Happy Birthday to all those Searchers' members who celebrate their birthdays in  
January!!!**

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## Membership Application

**PLEASE PRINT**

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name (1): \_\_\_\_\_

Name (2) \_\_\_\_\_

Jr. Member (1) \_\_\_\_\_

(2) \_\_\_\_\_

(3) \_\_\_\_\_

(4) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate your field of interest by checking any/all of the following:

Mineralogy ( ) Geology ( ) Paleontology ( ) Lapidary/Workshops ( ) Field Trips ( )

Other ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

How did you become aware of the Searchers? Friend/Relative ( ) Member ( ) Internet ( )

Other ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

The Searchers Gem & Mineral Society, Inc. is a non-profit organization and we rely upon volunteers within our club to serve on our committees as well as our board members. This field is optional and only serves as future information. Making a checkmark in any area in no way obligates you to volunteer or serve in any of the positions or on any of its committees.

**Please mark any/all fields you may be interested in, or have a special expertise in:**

Anaheim Arts Council ( ) Club Historian ( ) Librarian ( ) Webmaster ( )

Phone Comm. ( ) Membership Chairman ( ) Monthly Drawings ( )

Newsletter Editor ( ) Sunshine ( ) Hospitality ( ) Annual Show ( )

Veteran's Workshop ( ) Silent Auction ( ) Rock'N'Kids ( ) Workshop ( )

**Annual Dues: Individual: \$25 Couple: \$35 Junior Members (17 & under) : \$10**

Valid Jan. 1 – Dec. 31, not prorated. *Subject to change.*

**Please make Check payable to: "The Searchers Gem & Mineral Society, Inc."**

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## JANUARY BIRTHSTONES

There are twelve different stones listed as birthstones for the calendar month of January, or as Sun/Star, Planetary, or Talismanic stones for the Zodiac sign of Capricorn or Aquarius. Birthstones for the calendar month of January are garnet and emerald. The Zodiac signs of Capricorn (December 22-January 20) and Aquarius (January 21-February 18) include ten stones: ruby, agate, garnet, lapis lazuli, onyx, amethyst, jasper, moss agate, opal, sugilite, and turquoise. Emerald is the mystical January birthstone. Onyx is the talismanic stone for Capricorn and Jasper is the talismanic stone for Aquarius.



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