

The Green Valley Rocker

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July Program

By Lee Peterson

Pebble Terrace (Colorado River) - Many of you have passed by the Pebble Terrace area while driving east along the I-10 (but may not have known it). Ever wonder what you may find along the Colorado River near Blyth? Frank and Patrice will give a talk on the fossils, petrified wood, and other material that can be found in that area. Pebble Terrace is often one of the side trips of the Wiley's Well field trips.

Other Upcoming Programs:

August Program – TBD

September Program – Salton Sea by Kathleen Springer, Curator, San Bernardino County Museum

October Program – Professor Richard Hughes, Crafton Hills College, will discuss the CHC Geology program and field trips and possibly glaciation.

November – Contest for the best bolo tie

December – Christmas party

July Display Theme

By Aimee Fitch

The display theme for July will be multi-colored rocks, defined as two or more colors on the same stone. Bring your favorite to be eligible for the prize!

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Upcoming Field Trips

By Frank Fitch

There are signup sheets for these trips in the shop. Please sign up or contact the leader of the trip if you are interested in going. Field trips may be canceled for apparent lack of interest.

July 19: South Cardiff State Beach

parking cost: \$8 per car

Material to find: agate, jasper, petrified wood, and shells. Location: 33.00252 -117.27796

<http://maps.google.com/maps?f=q&hl=en&geocode=&q=33.00252+-117.27796&ie=UTF8&ll=33.002689,-117.277958&spn=0.008728,0.017231&z=16&iwloc=addr>

Meet at the shop at 7:30, leave promptly at 8am

Led by Frank and ??? There are several flush toilets available. This is a kid friendly site.

Some folks from the Lake Elsinore club expressed an interest in joining us for this trip. We will meet them at the Lake Elsinore Wal-Mart off of Railroad Canyon Road, by the garden center. I still need a volunteer to meet folks at our shop, and lead them to Lake Elsinore.

Note: Additional field trip information is on pages 6 & 7.



Photo by Aimee Fitch

Luau Ladies (June 2008 picnic)



Federation Report

By Don Tracy

By the time you see this newsletter, the CFMS Annual Show will be finished and a fond memory (held in Ventura during the last weekend of June on Friday 27, Saturday 28, and Sunday 29). But I'm writing this one week before the events and plan to attend as your CFMS delegate for the Yucaipa club. I've been to past CFMS shows but this will be my first time as a delegate sitting in the convention meeting. One topic on the agenda will be increasing the required contribution for CFMS affiliation by around a dollar – not much considering the amount of price inflation occurring in the economy. The Yucaipa Board is waiting for outcome of the CFMS meeting but I know that the giant Tucson Club's dues are \$20 per year and the Searchers Club of Anaheim is raising their dues this year to \$25 per year per member.

Among the many benefits of our affiliation with CFMS, I've found another great service that our club members might want to check out. The CFMS organizes and maintains a list of "podium people" – individuals with expertise willing to stand at the podium and deliver a speech during the meetings for the monthly program. They usually have slide presentations and display samples along with a chance to ask all kinds of questions. There is a slight charge to cover the speaker's time and travel expenses that can run about \$50 to \$150. The topics range from Indian artifacts, flint knapping, meteorites, intarsia, gold prospecting, and just about all other rock collecting and lapidary subjects you can think of are

available. Most speakers need a couple months lead time due to demand and their own field trip time or day jobs. Go to the CFMS web site, look for the heading "CFMS Programs" and select "Speakers" to view the latest list. Let me know or ask any board member and we'll see what can be done to arrange your request. If you're really serious and have a group of friends all interested then please make a formal request in writing especially if scheduling a time not during the normal monthly meeting.

Internet Links

1. Go on the Internet and checkout the CFMS web site at www.cfmsinc.org. There are statewide items of geological and lapidary interests.
2. Subscribe to the BLM newsletter at www.newsbytes.com.
3. Checkout BLM's "Geology and Mining History Field Trips" at www.blm.gov/ca/st/en/fo/bakersfield/Programs/geology/fieldtrips.html.

Calendar of CFMS Activities

- June 27-29 – CFMS Convention & Annual Show, Ventura, California
- July 13 - BLM field trip, Santa Maria, Carizo Plain, Cuyama Valley
- Aug 31-Sep 6 - Lapidary & Science Seminar, Week One, Camp Paradise, CA
- Sep 7-13 - Lapidary & Science Seminar, Week Two, Camp Paradise, CA
- Oct 13-15 - BLM field conference, Mother Lode III: Northern Mines
- Nov 7,8,9 - Fall Directors Meeting, Visalia, CA



Workshop News

by Hank Cobb

We have been having excellent attendance (typically 8 to 16 members) on most days that we are open, Sunday is sometimes low and Wednesday is sometimes low, you never know.

Those of you who come to visit please sign in so we have a grasp on who shows up, also please be aware of the members who pay their shop fees, they should not have to ask you to move out of the way when moving around the shop trying to get to a station or sit at a table to work on projects. We don't mind the visits, just be courteous to the paying members.

The equipment is having very heavy use these days, please take it easy on all the equipment. A 600 diamond wheel was destroyed in late June; it was only on the unit for 9 months (over \$200.). If you haven't been instructed by one of the WORKSHOP COMMITTEE MEMBERS don't use the equipment until you do, it's very hard to work with new members if the shop is crowded. New members: please ask if you haven't been instructed. It's very easy to destroy a piece of equipment because a lack of instructions.

We had members who did not show up for the beading class this last Saturday, please call the instructor if you can't make to the class.

We have sign up sheets for wire-wrapping classes, Saturday and Sunday, if you sign up you must call LaVone Ames and confirm with her.

Metal Detecting

by Phil Alford

There is still plenty of "Gold in them hills" as proven once again by Mike and Jamison Moses, who were very generous in telling club members where they made the latest discovery. (If you don't attend the meetings, you'll never find out).

Treasure Hunter, Gary Crabtree had a great month with artifacts found "over there", actually Gary also revealed the exact spot he found more than a dozen items including a 24 ct gold Elk watch fob, 1920-30's San Bernardino Deputy Sherriff's badge, ladies hat pin, tax token, and many other turn of the century items.

Phil Alford's personal best was a 1930's Chauffeur's license.

Our Guest Speaker, and member of the YVG&M, Bruce Smith, presented the member's with updated information on White's Metal Detectors. Bruce even revealed special information not available to the general public about the detector of detectors White's has developed. Bruce announced a special price for club members.

Don't miss the July 3rd meeting, It's time for Treasure Hunting at the Beach . We will focus on where, how, and when to find lost treasures on the beach. It has just come to our attention that one of our members is extremely knowledgeable in this field of detecting. We will try to get Walt Harrison to share his years of experience with us.

Bring your finds from June and share with the group. Have a great summer now get out there and find something!



2008 Show Review

by Bill Jochimsen, Show Chairman

The 48th annual Gem Mineral and Jewelry show was a success. By what means is it successful? Is it the funds the show brought into the treasury? The 2007 show had a net profit of \$5859 and the 2008 show had a net profit of \$6239. Monetarily the show was a success.

Is the Gem Mineral and Jewelry show a success by the quality of dealers attending our show? We had 16 dealers attending our show this year, which is about the maximum the location can hold. Fifteen dealers have returned from previous years and we added a new dealer, Andrew DeBoer, this year. Why do our dealers keep coming back year after year? An informal survey revealed because our members are very courteous and helpful. The quality of dealers made the show successful.

Is the Gem Mineral and Jewelry show a success because of the displays? This year our members created exceptional display cases. Each was different and well planned. If we gave a prize for the best display case, it would be very difficult to decide. I observed a great interest in the display cases by the public as they lingered to observe each case. This year we also had a very interesting display of stalagmites and stalactites. This was a real eye catcher as people walked into the room. The variety of displays made the show a success.

Is the Gem Mineral and Jewelry show a success because of our members? The assistance our members have provided from pre show functions to take down and put away is phenomenal. Our members put many hours into repairing and painting the display cases to rock cleaning and grab bag filling. The help setting up on Friday morning and taking down on Sunday evening was tremendous. Some of our

members came to help set up on Friday afternoon only to discover we were done by noon. During the show the members were courteous and friendly as they gave demonstrations or greeted the public with programs. The enthusiasm of our members is reflected in the success of our show.

Is there room for improvement in the Gem Mineral and Jewelry show? Of course there is room for improvement and your input and suggestions are what make the show better every year. As an example we moved the Hostess area to the center of the room to allow a better traffic flow as people entered and exited the Gym. Another suggestion received last year was to sell the Grab Bags for \$1.00 if someone did not want to spin the Wheel. Let me know your suggestions. Another way you can help is to look for potential dealers for our show. When attending other shows keep in mind is this type of dealer for our show. If your opinion is yes, forward their business card to me. We give a priority to our returning dealers, but a waiting list is always good. This year a dealer was not able to attend our show at the last minute and because a back up list was available a new dealer was included.

Finally I want to thank all our members for your assistance and look forward to an even more successful show next year.

Bill Jochimsen
Show Chair.

Nancy Altimus, Security Chairperson: I would like to thank everyone who helped with security over the weekend. There were a lot of people who helped, and too many names to remember everyone, but rest assured that your help was greatly appreciated, whether you sat on the patio overnight or put on a vest and made yourself visible during business hours.



Duane Harms Memorial Scholarship Recipient

The 2008 Duane Harms Memorial Scholarship was recently awarded to Micah Bouie of Yucaipa. Mr. Bouie acknowledged the award by stating the following:

To whom it may concern:

I would like to thank you for considering me a deserving recipient of the Duane Harms Memorial Scholarship. I have and hold high expectations of myself and I refuse to not meet and exceed them. I pray I may one day repay your generosity.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Thank you for your decision and generosity. Above all, thank you for believing in me. I will not let you down.

Micah Bouie
06/03/08

San Bernardino County Museum Programs

By Lee Peterson

The following is a partial calendar of programs and activities sponsored by the San Bernardino County Museum that may be of interest to our members. Some of these may involve a fee and may have limited room. Please contact the Museum if interested. There are also many other activities at the Museum involving astronomy, birding, history, archeology etc. Please check with the museum for schedules and details at

<http://www.co.san-bernardino.ca.us/museum/calendar/current.htm>
or call (909) 307-2669

2008

July 6 - First Sunday - Free admission to the museum

July 6 - Lecture - Horses: America's Best Export - Ever! - Eric Scott

August 3 - First Sunday - Free admission to the museum

September 7 - First Sunday - Free admission to the museum

September 28 - Lecture - The Great California Shakeout - Kathleen Springer

October 4 - Travel - San Andreas Fault: Redlands to the Salton Sea - Kathleen Springer & J. Chris Sagebiel

October 5 - First Sunday - Free admission to the museum

October 26 - Lecture - Geology of the Salton Trough - Kathleen Springer

November 1 - Travel - San Andreas Fault: Redlands to Los Angeles County - Kathleen Springer & J. Chris Sagebiel

November 2 - First Sunday - Free admission to the museum

November 2 - Family Fun Day - Earthquakes

November 2 - Inland Empire Handweavers - Demonstration - Noon to 2:00 p.m.

November 12 - Reading Discoveries - Arctic Dreams by Barry Lopez - 7:30 p.m.

December 7 - First Sunday - Free admission to the museum

2009

January 4 - First Sunday - Free admission to the museum

January 11 - Lecture - The Tree of Life - J. Chris Sagebiel

January 25 - Lecture - Ice Ages Without Ice - Eric Scott

January 31 - Travel - Diamond Valley Lake - Eric Scott



President's Message

By Frank Fitch

I had a rare and very interesting experience this month that I had to share.

A friend invited me to help work at the Elizabeth R mine on Blasting Day. I was to help clear the road, and I would get to watch the blasting procedures, and possibly dig on the tailings.

They used a pneumatic drill that weighs about 90 pounds to drill holes over an inch in diameter about 2 feet into the rock face. A fuse and blasting cap was inserted into each hole. Then they used compress air to blow fertilizer into each hole. This was followed by a small tube of diesel fuel. The tube was a large version of those freezer pops, but not as tasty.

The funny part was the nonchalance after the fuses were lit. We calmly (ok, they were calm, I only tried to look calm) removed the remaining tools and lights. We moseyed on out of the tunnel. One fella counted the booms. After all the charges went off, we went up to the Oceanview for lunch.

After lunch, the dust was settled, and the fumes had been blown out of the tunnels.

It was amazing to see how much material was removed in such a short time. We poked around the freshly exposed wall. Then they fired up the unloader and the mini dump truck, and removed all the fresh tailings. *Much* better than slogging five gallon buckets of tailings!

In the end, I was able to search the dumps a little, dig in the mine a little, and watch the blast prep work. And, of course, stand outside and watch the blast.

If you ever get the opportunity to observe blasting in a mine, do whatever it takes to do it. It was an awesome experience to see just how those tailings we love so much are generated.

Potential Future Field Trips: Tourmaline Mines

At the last meeting, there was some interest expressed in going to a fee mine in the Pala area of San Diego County.

Oceanview <http://www.digforgems.com/>
The facilities are great. There is a covered picnic area with misters. There is a cement block bathroom. Also, some mineral specimens are available for sale. The cost is \$60 per person, with no discounts available. It would require some degree of coordination because of their policies for reservations.

Himalaya Mine
http://www.highdesertgemsandminerals.com/html/himalaya_mine_digs.html

This one is \$75 per person, but the tailings are very rich. I've contacted them regarding a club discount, and am awaiting a reply. I've not visited their site yet, but site information is included on their web page.

Cryo-Genie <http://www.cryo-geniemine.com/>
This one is a bargain at \$30 per person. However many of the minerals are coated with cokeite, which is difficult to remove. The tourmalines found are generally very small.

Summary: If there is interest in doing a club trip to any of these sites, I would be happy to arrange one. Drop me a line at frank.fitch@gmail.com if you are interested. I will have an assortment of specimens from some of these sites at the next meeting.



Field Trip Reports

By Frank Fitch

Mount Baldy Lapis Exploratory Trip

On Wednesday, June 18, David Dickinson took Jim W from the orange belt club and me to Mount Baldy to look for lapis.

David warned us that it is the wrong time of year, and it's a rough trip anytime of the year. We should have listened...

Quite frankly, it was brutal. It was so steep than some portions required using a rope. The brush was very thick with lots of thorns. Jim said it best: "It's like Viet Nam, but the bugs are smaller". We left the cars around 9am, and returned at 6pm. We climbed from around 2500 ft to almost 5000 ft. At some point, I became too tired to take pictures!

We did find some lapis, though.

Only the hardest hikers should attempt this trip. It is not suitable for a club trip, do to the difficulty and danger involved. This bears repeating. Do not attempt this hike unless you know for sure you are up to it! I would not do it again for love nor money.

Thank you David for taking us to find California lapis. It is something I am glad I experienced.



David and Jim on the Mt. Baldy hike



Breaktime



Cascade Canyon

All photos provided by Frank Fitch



**Interesting
Outcrop
Patterns on
Mt. Baldy**



YVGMS GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 12TH 2008

By Rainy Baldwin, Secretary

CALL TO ORDER: President Frank Fitch called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Rainy Baldwin.

MAY MINUTES: Accepted

GUESTS: Frank and Rita Kazer, RoseAnn Wise, Nathan, Keith, Sidney Shabution, Tina Lewer, Frank Heiser, Joseph Montgomery, and Fay and Jeff Noble. Keith won a nice rock from South Carter State Beach.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Given by Henry Cobb.

CORRESPONDENCE: Card from Hope and Rachelle Royal thanking us for a very nice show. We received a filer from the Crafton Hills College, Alumni Relations on the Roadrunner Report bulletin. We received a donation of the San Andreas Fault Field Guide on CD Rom from Mike and Denise Reason, for our library. We received a stack of books from Doris Iles, also for our library. If anyone would like to help organize our library, we could use some help.

FEDERATION NEWS: The CFMS show will be in Ventura this year.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: A. Membership-Velesca Dwyer introduced 20 new members: Susan and Mike Aparicio, Frank Heiser, Durward and Dulce White, Larry and Lynda Robertson, Ramona and Mark Etheredgo, Dan and Janna St.Clair, Frank and Rita Kaser, Ted Scofield, Virginia and Ginny Stone (Spouce-Harry) Leland and Robin Croohran, and Al Ineichen. We are up to 182 members! **B. Show:** Bill Jochimsen- Our show was very successful, thank you to everyone that helped out. The show went very smooth, and Henry Cobb won 2nd place for selling 137 tickets. His prize was a \$25.00 gift certificate for the Electric Company. The first place winner was Velesca Dwyer for selling the most tickets. She won \$100.00 gift certificate from Rio Grand. We had several compliments from the vendors and the public that our show was very nice. From Linda Metcalfe- there were two people that won a prize but did not put down their phone number, #167- Nicole Kiely and # 173 R. Miller. Please come and claim your prize. **C. Shop Report-**Dan Norcross-We still have almost a full sheet of people coming to the shop each day. We are looking for a 30-inch saw for the shop. We may put some heavy equipment on wheels so

it's easier to move around. On Friday we are going to have a shop day if anyone wants to come and help clean and organize things at 9:30 a.m. till noon, and next Friday also. Margaret Thielemann will be teaching a Lazy Stitch Beading class at the Mosley Museum on June 21st. at 10 a.m. till 12:30. **D. Fieldtrips-**On Saturday June 28th, there will be a trip to the CMFS show in Ventura, approx. 3 hrs. driving time. There is a small fee, \$6.00. You may stay overnight if you want. There is another trip to the South Cardiff State Beach near San Diego Saturday, July 19th. The Ellsinore Club is invited. It will cost \$8.00 to park. This area will have agate, Serpentine, limestone shells and more. If you fill your car, it's only \$2.00 a person. If you beat the surfers, you can park on the street for free. Meet at the shop at 7:30 A.M. A volunteer is needed to organize people at the shop for this trip. There is a trip planned in late July to Big Bear. Plans are not final yet. There may be another trip in August to the La Brea Tar Pits in LA. Plans are not finale yet. If club members want to go to a fee mine, let Frank Fitch know. LaVone Ames has some rocks in her back yard she would like to get rid of. She has collected these rocks for about 40 years. There will be a show at Jade Cove, about 35 miles above San Simian the first weekend of October. There is Jade, Volcanic rock, agate, and serpentine in this area. More information to come. **E. Metal Detecting:** Henry Cobb- one of our members found a third ounce of gold in Rattlesnake Canyon. The meetings are the first Thursday of the month at 6:00 P. M. in the Mosley Museum. Walt Harrison will discuss beach mental detecting soon. **F. Refreshment Committee-** Patrice Copeland- We need people to sign up to help with refreshments for our meetings so we'll have lots of goodies to eat.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

ROCK OF THE MONTH: Next months rock will be multi colored. Winners this month were Shop- Geneva Lucas, Badge drawing-Tony Deliso, Display case-Leona Chouiniere, Mini Raffle- Aimee Fitch won the pink heart, Geneva Lucas won the turquoise, and KT won the sphere.

PROGRAM: Given by Steve Mains. "Mammoth Undertaking".

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

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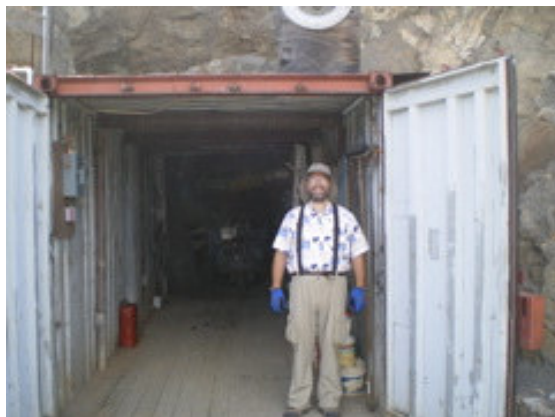
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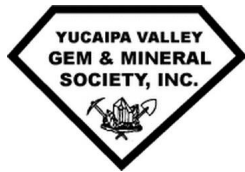
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Frank at the Elizabeth R Mine



Frank and the Unloader



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The specific purpose of the Yucaipa Valley Gem & Mineral Society, Inc. is to promote the earth sciences, paleontology, and the lapidary arts within the community. The objectives are to have educational meetings, earth science field trips, and exhibitions with members and the community invited.



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California Federation of Mineralogical Societies
<http://www.cfmsinc.org/>



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<http://www.amfed.org/>

REGULAR MEETINGS

Meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. on the second Thursday of the month at the Mousley Museum, on the corner of Bryant Street and Panorama between Date Street and Oak Glen Road.

BOARD MEETINGS

Board Meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of the month at the Workshop, 34861 Yucaipa Blvd, across from Del Taco, between Second and Third Streets.

MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

An applicant must file an application which can be obtained from the Membership Chairman. Annual dues are required: Individuals - \$15.00
Families - \$25.00

WORKSHOP

Workshop is located at 34861 Yucaipa Blvd, across from Del Taco, between 2nd and 3rd Streets.

Workshop Hours:

Monday, Wednesday and Friday 6pm to 9pm
Saturday 9am to 1pm & Sunday 1pm to 5pm.
Workshop committee meetings are at the workshop on the 3rd Saturday of each month at 2:00 p.m.

METAL DETECTOR GROUP

Meetings are held at 6:00 p.m. on the first Thursday of the month at the Mousley Museum, on the corner of Bryant Street and Panorama, between Date Street and Oak Glen Road.

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JULY 2008

		1 BOARD MTG 6:30PM	2 SHOP: 6 - 9PM	3 METAL DTCTG MTG 6:00PM	4 SHOP: CLOSED FOR JULY 4 TH HOLIDAY	5 SHOP: 9AM- 1PM
6 SHOP: 1PM- 5PM	7 SHOP: 6 - 9PM	8	9 SHOP: 6 - 9PM	10 REG MTG 7:00PM	11 SHOP: 6 - 9PM	12 SHOP: 9AM- 1PM
13 SHOP: 1PM- 5PM	14 SHOP: 6 - 9PM	15	16 SHOP: 6 - 9PM	17	18 SHOP: 6 - 9PM	19 SHOP: 9AM- 1PM Field Trip: South Cardiff State Beach
20 SHOP: 1PM- 5PM	21 SHOP: 6 - 9PM	22	23 SHOP: 6 - 9PM	24	25 SHOP: 6 - 9PM	26 SHOP: 9AM- 1PM
27 SHOP: 1PM- 5PM	28 SHOP: 6 - 9PM	29	30 SHOP: 6 - 9PM	31	ANNIVERSARIES July 6 – Mike & Margo Oliver July 15 – George & Carmella Watson	

BIRTHDAYS

July 1 – Shirley Hill
July 3 – Linda Metcalfe
July 5 – Dan Norcross

July 7 – Harry Stone
July 8 – Marita Rutledge
July 15 – Tony D'eliso

July 20 – Jaminson Moses
July 24 – Scott Hawkins
July 28 – Lisa Coonrod

July 31 – Claire-Marie Teeters

July Birthstone: Ruby (red variety of corundum). All colors of corundum other than red or white are called [Sapphire](#). The red color in ruby is caused by trace amounts of the element chromium. The best shade of red for ruby is often given the name "pigeon blood red", but ruby can be any shade of red up to almost pink. Oriented [rutile](#) crystal inclusions cause a six-rayed-star light effect (called asterism) to form the popular Star Ruby.



Upcoming Shows and Events

July 12-13 2008, Culver City, CA, Culver City Rock & Mineral Club, Culver City Veteran's Memorial Auditorium, 4117 Overland Avenue, Hours: Sat. 10 - 6; Sun. 10 – 5, website: CulverCityRocks.org, Phone: (310) 391-8429, Email: maryellenandrick@aol.com .

August 1, 2 & 3 2008, Nipomo, CA, Orcutt Mineral Society, St. Joseph Church, 298 S. Thompson Ave., Hours: 10 - 5 daily, Wes Lingerfelt (805) 710-1983, E-mail Rocks4u@proigy.net, website: <http://www.omsinc.org/>

August 2 - 3 2008, San Francisco, CA, San Francisco Gem & Mineral Society, San Francisco County Fair Bldg, Ninth Ave. & Lincoln Way, Hours: Sat. 10-6 Sun 10-5, Ellen Nott (415) 564-4230.

August 29 - Sept. 1 2008, Fort Bragg, CA, Mendocino Coast Gem & Mineral Society, Town Hall, Main & Loral, Hours: Sat. & Sun 10-6; Mon. 10-4, Don McDonell (707) 964-3116, E-mail mailto:ejwebb@mcn.org.

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