PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well, time is flying by. Only one more meeting then two months dark.

September we select a nominating committee, October a slate is presented, November we elect new officers, and December they are installed.

Jerry and I will be in the mountains from July 15 to August 15. Anyone who would like to come up for a few days can call us. Our phone number is 714-867-9120 or 867-2929. We would like to talk to people who would hope for several different programs to put together so anyone could present them when requests are made. A weekend in the mountains would be a good time to plan programs.

Russ Hughes has accepted chairmanship for NOC's 1993 Show. He will be getting chairpersons for the different committees; so if there is a job you want, contact him or me.

I apologize to Walt Messemer for forgetting his program report at the last meeting. He is doing such a good job getting us interesting and different programs. Forgive me Walt.

I hope you will be at the North Orange County Fair July 12 or 13. Try to be there for the parade even if you do not have a costume.

Ginny

**PROGRAMS**

**JUNE MEETING**

Date: June 9
Time: 7:30 p.m.
Place: La Habra Sr. Center
Assembly Room
Speaker: Mr. Frank Perry

Mr. Perry will present a program entitled Romance of Gem Stones. He is a lecturer and writer. This talk will be a humorous one, so come prepared to have a lot of fun -- and bring a friend!

Walt Messemer
Program Chairman
NOE CLUB ACTIVITIES

June -- Regular Meeting
Work Meeting at Club Warehouse
Meeting for Members Interested in Classes
Cabochon Class
Silver Crafting Class

June -- NOC Days at the Orange Co. Fair
July -- Potluck Swim Party at the Livezeys
Board Meeting
Picnic at Ralph B. Clark Regional Park

SHOES AND EVENTS
San Diego LS, 5654 Mildred St., San Diego
Rockatomics G&MS, 8500 Fallbrook Ave., West Hills
Faceters' Guild of SC, American Legion Post 3496
5938 Parkcrest Ave., Long Beach - "Mini-Show"
Wednesday Eve., 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
Orange County Fair, Costa Mesa Fairgrounds
Culver City R&MC, Veterans Men's Auditorium
Overland & Culver Blvd., Culver City
AFMS/MWF Show and Convention, Brunswick High School
Rte 303, Brunswick, Ohio
CFMS/Mineral & Gem Soc. of Castro Valley
Show and Convention, Centennial Hall, Hayward

SAFETY HINT

ABALONE -- The colors occurring on the inside of abalone shells arise from the interference of light waves by the laminations of nacre deposited by the abalone. The unattractive outer layer of the shell can be removed with nitric acid. After removal, the inside and outside of the shell will be similar in appearance. Nitric acid is very toxic. It should not be used indoors. When used outdoors, the work should be done so that the fumes are blown away from you. Wear rubber gloves. Apply the acid with a stick that has been pounded into a brush. To stop local action of the acid, dab the spot with household ammonia. To stop all of the acid's action, wash the entire shell with household ammonia, and then with clear water.

--from Mineralog via Pegmatite, 4/92
via the CFMS Newsletter May 1992

SHOP HINT

AMBER is easy to clean. Use alcohol. Immersion, where possible, is the best method for articles which have gotten very dirty. The alcohol will dry almost without a trace. If it leaves a thin, white deposit, rub the amber with a piece of chamois.

--from Boulder Buster
via American River Currents 11/90
REFRESHMENTS

Thanks Linda and Telmo for bringing delicious goodies to our May meeting.
Adele Huber, Refreshments

NOC CLUB SUMMER ACTIVITIES

ROCK LEARNING CONTINUES

Your field trip leader, program chairman, education chairman and a few members have been spending some late nights putting together some plans for your education, pleasure, and well-being for the summer of 1992. Please follow this calendar, maps, and information to participate in some great workshops, parties, picnics, fairs, etc. (That is if the Club approves our plans.)

June 9 - Come to our next meeting and ---

a) Check out a book from our library to peruse during the hot summer days or to lay on your coffee table to impress your visitors.
b) Check out a video tape to learn a new lapidary technique.
c) Sign up for one of our summer courses. (If they are approved.)
d) Learn of any changes in these plans.

June 13 - 9:00 a.m. work meeting at the warehouse, 901 S. Beach Blvd., La Habra. We need to move the equipment for our classes, and finalize equipment needs.

June 23 - 7:30 p.m. - All members interested in classes, please meet at La Questa, Leffingwell Rd.; park in the back and take the outside stairs. Healthy, able-bodied members should bring their own chairs. Exact location will be given at our next meeting.

June 24 - Faceters' Guild invites us to a "Mini Show." Let's go for an introduction to faceting.

June 24 - Wednesday Class - Cabochon classes will be on Monday and Wednesday nights at 15529 E. Woodcrest Drive. Walt Messemer will be our instructor. Sign up at the June 23 meeting.

June 25 - Thursday - Silver crafting classes will begin each Thursday at La Questa. Al Hermosillo will be our instructor. Sign up at the June 23 meeting.

July 12 & 13 - NOC Days at the Orange County Fair. Host, Hostess and Demonstrators are needed. The Fair opens July 10 and runs through the 26th.

July 23-26 - AFMS Show and Convention, New Brunswick, Ohio. See Izzie Burns for details.

August 1 - Annual Potluck Social and Pool Party, 1722 Virginia Place, Placentia, at 4:00 p.m. Don and Jane Livezey will be our host and hostess. Bring your favorite dish and your own service. We furnish drinks and dessert. The pool is great so bring your bathing suit.

August 21-23 - CFMS Show and Convention at Hayward. There is camping, a convention meeting, several workshops, banquet, and Editors' Breakfast at the Cal State University near by.

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NOC NEWS

August 30 - Picnic at Ralph B. Clark Regional Park, 8800 Rosecrans, Buena Park.

Potluck barbecue at 1:30. Bring your own meat - hamburgers, hot dogs, steak, etc.; and one other dish - salad, hot dish, or dessert. We will have a planned tour of the museum and a ranger to explain the geology of the area. There is a $2.00 fee to enter the park. As this is a first come first served park, the Burnses will arrive at 7:00 a.m. to reserve a spot; so come join us at any time.

September 8 - Regular Meeting - Toy Sato, former CFMS President, will be the guest lecturer.

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

Those celebrating their BIRTHDAYS in June, July and August are:

June — Jerry Conley, 6/7
Roger Loest, 6/11
Harry Howe, 6/12
Russ Hughes, 6/13
Ellen Peterson, 6/27

July — Virginia Page, 7/4
Adele Huber, 7/8
Chuck Lortz, 7/18
Walt Messemer, 7/19
Rose Loest, 7/27
Norberto Elicker, 7/29
Walt Abramson, 7/31

August — Eileen Weins, 8/1
Hazel Loest, 8/3
Walton Wright, 8/7
Telmo Baida, 8/8
Bob Berg, 8/12

September 25-27 — Field trip to Castle Butte and Boron Dry Lake. Roy Foerster will be our guest leader. More information in September.

October 9-11 — Lake Havasu Club has invited us for another interesting collecting trip.

If Walt and Betsy Messemer, Don and Ofelia Warthen, and Bill and my dreams come true, we will see our classes grow to 20 to 30 members attending regularly. We will be able to lease a building with an option to buy where we could hold our classes and meetings.

Izzie Burns
MEMBERS IN THE NEWS (Continued)

Dear Nockers,

The spray was beautiful and so unexpected -- various shades of pink with white daisies.

Thank you again and again for thinking of me.

I do miss you all and want you to know that I am determined to get back to the meetings - real soon. Until then, I am affectionately yours.

Bonnie Renner

CLUB NEWS AND MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Please add the following new members to your Roster. We welcome you all to our happy group.

Peter, Kay & Marty Young
1415 Hacienda Blvd.
La Habra Heights, CA 90631
Phone: (310) 691-7707

Kenneth Barrett & Robbi
7741 Comstock Ave.
Whittier, CA 90602
Phone: (310) 696-8903

Norberto Elicker
12512 Hayford St.
Norwalk, CA 90650
Phone: (310) 921-1298

REGULAR MEETING, May 12 - Winners for the drawing were Jerry Conley, Telmo Baida, Esther Reyes (our guest speaker), Loretta Inforzato, Linda Driscoll; and Russ Hughes won the grand prize - a handy scout knife.

We were happy to welcome the following guests to our meeting: Bruce Bains, Chuck Pierce, Ray Rees and Cheryl Stevens. We enjoyed having them and hope they join our club.

Adele thanked Linda and Telmo for the refreshments they brought.

Izzie gave her Education report. She talked about the interesting displays members brought. Next month the subject mineral will be Apatite. Ophelia and Don will do the write-up.

Izzie announced plans for having our own workshop. She will go ahead with arrangements, and is asking for lots of help and participation from NOC club members.
CLUB NEWS AND MEETING HIGHLIGHTS (Continued)

Bill Burns gave his field trip report—a review of the great trip to Owl Hole, and where we can expect to go during the coming months.

Jane Livezey gave us CFMS information concerning the August show in Hayward. She has all the forms. Please see her at our June meeting or call her for information.

Todd Schowalter talked about the Orange County Fair gem and mineral exhibit. We need to sign up to help as soon as possible in order to get free parking and admission passes.

Ginny was happy to announce that Russ Hughes will be our 1993 NOC Show Chairman. Let’s show him our appreciation by pitching in and helping all we can.

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RECAP TIME

MAY PROGRAM

Esther Reyes and Carl Ortega gave us an interesting program May 12 on fluorescent minerals. Their set-up showed minerals in gorgeous colors of greens, reds, etc. They told us what caused the beautiful colors to be revealed by the ultra violet light. As each mineral was displayed, Esther explained about it and where it came from. The speakers are from the Ultra Violet Co.

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MAY FIELD TRIP

NOC members who joined CFMS on their trip to Wiley Wells, May 22-25, were Don and Ofelia Warthen, Bob and Joan Henry, and Isabella and I. It was great to see Joan and Bob. The field trip leaders, Don Pomerence and Doc Holiday, kept things lively and productive, and even provided pleasant temperatures with a few showers.

We took two trips to the Hauser Beds and did a little scouting on our own. As we desired to see my daughter, Pat, receive her masters degree, we returned on Sunday. The group was going to dig fire agate that day.

You know Isabella has been a loyal CFMS leader this year. Our anniversary was during the Petrified Wood Seminar in Bakersfield last February, and her birthday was Saturday, May 23. She thought that everyone had forgotten. She was really surprised after the program Saturday night when Don W. stepped up to the mike and said, "At the NOC trips we have sing-a-longs and I would like for you to join me in Happy Birthday to Izzie." As they sang, Don P. brought out a birthday cake.

For once I did not dig the biggest geode. The prize went to a San Diego member who dug a geode that was at least 2-1/2 feet across and weighed over 300 pounds. My hat goes off to him!

Bill Burns,
Field Trips
FOR SALE

NOC member, Frances Troemmler, has a number of items for sale. Among them are a Gem-Tec Diamond Polisher, a 6" Trim Saw, a 6" Horizontal Gem Maker, and lapidary supplies. Please call her if you are interested in buying equipment and/or supplies. Her number is (714) 993-0818.

CFMS NEWS

Joe Hafeli, Chairman, CFMS Field Trip (North), has requested anyone familiar with collecting sites to let him know the current status. If there are recent closures or an area that has reopened, he would like to know so he can pass the information on via the CFMS Newsletter. His address is: 457 Seymour Street, Napa, CA 94559.

It would be a good idea to let Don Pomerenke, Field Trip South Chairman, know this information too. His address is: 2344 Calle Alucena, Thousand oaks, CA 91360.

AFMS NEWS

An article appeared in the May issue of the AFMS Newsletter entitled BLM Proposes No Collecting in Wilderness Areas.

Keith Corrigall, BLM Chief, Branch of Wilderness Resources, said his agency will propose new regulations which will ENTIRELY prohibit hobby collecting of any type in "wilderness" areas. This will probably be proposed within the next 6 months. Cranston's S-21 would add 8.4 million acres of our California desert to BLM wilderness.

Mr. Corrigall said his department would be happy to modify or drop such a proposed regulation if there was significant negative response. Anyone wishing to respond to this proposal can write to:

Keith H. Corrigall
Chief, Branch of Wilderness Resources
Bureau of Land Management
Room 3360 Main Interior Building
1849 C Street N.W.
Washington, DC 20240

New Senate Bill


The U.S. Senate now has the choice ... S-21 or S-2393.

-- from CFMS Newsletter 5/92
A CFMS Earth Science Seminar will be held at Camp Minaluta in the Mother Lode Country, located four miles north of Nevada City. There will be lectures on gold, fossils, minerals, flora and fauna of the area; field trips to old mining areas and instructions in our hobby crafts. Our main goal is to provide a place to learn and have fellowship with other rockhounds.

The rustic facilities are at a Campfire Girls Camp. The cabins are small with cots and mattresses provided. Each camper is responsible for cleaning his/her cabin. Showers and flush toilets are provided in a separate building nearby.

To register for these fun-filled, interesting seven days, complete this form and mail it with payment in full of $200.00 per person by August 11, 1992. A small fee will be charged for materials used in classrooms.

Reservations will be taken until August 1, 1992. No cancellations after that day unless there is a replacement.

Ray Meisenheimer, Chairman

Send this form and payment to:
Florence Meisenheimer
101 N. Wake Forest Avenue
Ventura, CA 93003

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO CFMS

Name(s) ___________________________ Phone: ( ) ____________
Address __________________________________________

(City) ___________________________ (State) (Zip) ___________________________

I belong to ___________________________ Society, a CFMS Club.

Please check the activities that interest you:

Field trips: ___________________________ Lectures: ___________________________
__ Old mines and boomtowns
__ Rock collecting
__ Mineral collecting
__ Fossil collecting
__ Gold panning
__ RV Camping (no hookups), length and type ___________________________

Workshops: ___________________________
__ Faceting
__ Gold panning
__ Cabbing
__ Carving
__ Wire trees
__ Rock pictures

___ Cabin lodging, or ____________ Number at $200.00 per person

FEE: ________ TOTAL $ _________