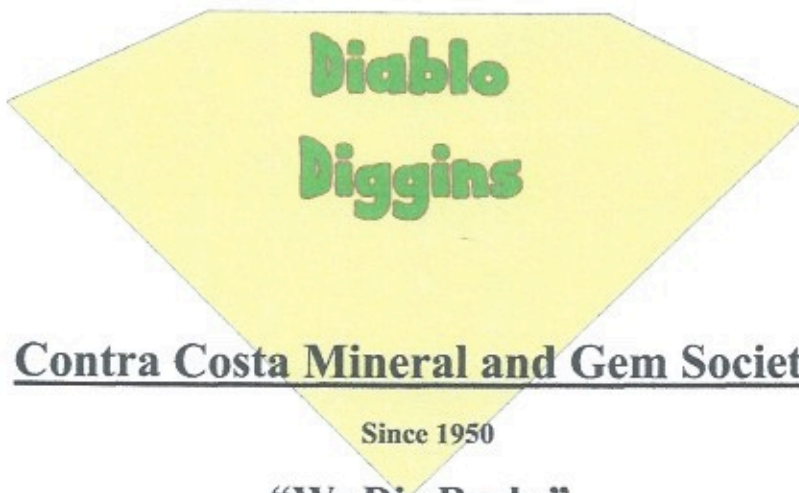




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### **PRESIDENTS MESSAGE**



It's October already and by the time you read this Newsletter, we will be less than one month away from our Annual Show. This time is critical in planning and preparing for our Show. We need everybody's help to make this successful. The popularity of our Show seems to increase every year; Harry Nichandros has done a great job making our Show fun and we have many repeat customers who make it a point to visit our Show. Unfortunately our membership has dropped off a bit over the years, and the number of helpers has dropped off too. It's essential for all member to contribute some time and effort. Please help Harry and your co-members prepare for the Show.

I think I finished up my 2016 field collecting last week. The snow and ice can't be far away. I picked up a couple of pounds of beach agates along the Cook Inlet in Alaska. I picked up quite a few different types of agates. Now this winter I'll give them a tumble to see which type tumbles the best, then next spring I can focus my collecting on the best type.

Hope to see you all at our October General Meeting and at our November Show.

Dave Kleesattel

## **IT'S SHOWTIME !!**

### NEXT GENERAL MEETING

**Monday October 10, 7:30 PM**

**Centre Concord**

### OCTOBER PROGRAM

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## Beading

### Turning Nature's Beauty into Wearable Art

Archeology historian recently told me at a convention that beads were man's first non-essential invention. Beaded jewelry of all styles and types has been around for thousands of years as an expression of what we are as individuals and as a culture. Traditional materials; such as mineral, gemstone, rock, fossil, wood, bone, and horn; are now enhanced by man created treatments and synthetics. The resulting jewelry just keeps getting more beautiful.

April Warren and Joyce Trowbridge of Just Bead It in Concord will present "Beading - Turning Nature's Beauty into Wearable Art." They will show us the spectrum of beads available for our jewelry creations, and the materials, techniques and skills required to make it happen. They will also provide advice for those of us who have never beaded but aspire to begin. As usual, a lively question and answer discussion is encouraged.



Dennis Freiburger, Program Chairman



### Board Meeting

Friday October 7 @ 7:00 PM

Mountain Mike's

New Articles for November *Diablo Diggins*

Due Date, October 17, 2016

**CCMGS Board Meeting-7:15 pm to 8:30**

pm, September 7, 2016

2520 Stanwell Dr., Concord, CA

Present: David Kleesattel, Mary Hicks, Bonnie Eichler, Therese Clark, Harry Nichandros, Dick Pankey, Terry Caskey, Mary Hanjes, Mary Jernigan, and Paul Black. Absent: Dennis Freiburger, Cheryl Morgan, Debbie Blevins, and Kelly Plumb.  
Reading and approval of August BOD minutes.  
Moved by Bonnie Eichler, seconded by Mary Jernigan, no discussion, all ayes.

Presentation and Approval of Bills. The trailer hitch was approved at \$160 for electric jack. Some discussion of a battery occurred. Mary Hicks moved and Paul Black seconded.

Communications. Mail Box. Mary Hicks reported she has made copies of the club's Status Letter (as a non-profit tax exempt organization) from the California Franchise Tax Board website. The club received the state postcard reminding the club the S-100 Status Letter is due for filing before the end of October. The Raffle Permit for 2016-2017 is already in process. Web Site. It was requested that passwords be sent out to the Board members.

Unfinished Business. Mary Jernigan, Nominating Committee Chair reported she is waiting for official response from Kelly Plumb for President. Following slate is in place. Dennis Freiburger for 1<sup>st</sup> V. President of Programs, Chuck Olson for 2<sup>nd</sup> V. President of Field Trips, Mary Hanjes Treasurer, Mary Hicks Secretary, Dick Pankey Federation Director. The SLATE FOR 2017 OFFICERS will be announced at the September General Meeting and nominations from the floor will be called for. The process will be repeated at the October General Meeting and then the voting will commence. Elected officers are sworn in at the December General Meeting. Website updates/access. Harry Nichandros will send out Passwords to the Board Members. 2016 Education Show. Meeting schedule upcoming. Location at Mt. Mikes Pizza or equivalent location (food and non-alcoholic beverages) was discussed. Also the need to support BOD meetings was discussed. A motion to approve a meeting site with

food and beverage expense of approximately \$80 was moved by Bonnie Eichler and seconded by Therese Clark. All ayes. Bonnie reminded the BOD she had submitted the name of a vendor/demonstrator located in Martinez. She gave the name to Harry and filed the information with the secretary.

New Business. BOD meeting on October 7<sup>th</sup>, Friday. The secretary will look for a meeting place that will provide food and non-alcoholic beverages for the October Board of Director's meeting. Locations and cost were the same as discussed for the Show Meeting. May expect up to 15 for attendance.

Reports of Committees. Mary Jernigan, Membership recommended approval of new member Georganna Archmedes. Dick Panky seconded. All ayes. Currently the club has 98 members of which 2 are juniors. Secretary will look for BOD meeting location. Mary Hanjes reports all good for club finances. Club Members need to ask Harry for their club website member area access password. Show Related-Harry had a new preliminary floor plan. New vendor in the first location, West Coast Mining has failed to respond. Waiting for Vendor contracts and checks to arrive. Low sign up for member support of Friday jobs. Many key people are not going to be available. Harry's truck can be used to move the trailer. The club needs experienced people to help coordinate workers. Mary Hicks volunteered to digitize the information attendees gave the club on cards at the last show. No property report. Dick Pankey reminded the BOD that the CFMS Show is in Placerville combined with the Gold Panning Championship, September 16, 17, 18. Paul Black the Librarian announced new stuff on hand. There are 4 seasons of the "Gold Fever" series. It is a 7 disc DVD set. Bonnie Eichler handed in a written report that stated that there is a Wire Wrap Class on Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> from 2-5 pm at Debbie Blevins home. 2 spaces are left open at this time. Currently there are 2 people interested in the Gem Carving class by David Marshall. The Education Chairperson needs to know if others want to have a class arranged. Possible future class: Tree of Life Pendants. If there is enough interest we may set up a class. Please contact the Education Chairperson if you have a class you can and will teach. Board Meeting closed at 9:05 pm.

## GCM&GS General Meeting

September 12, 2016.

President Dave Kleesattel opened the meeting at 7:35 pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Betty Pankey announced Birthdays and Anniversaries and there was a Get Well card for former club President Donna Albrecht on the back table. Bonne Eichler announced class information. A Wire Wrap Class is planned and she asks for interest in a possible class to make a Tree of Life pendant. See newsletter for a scholarship to the Mt. Diablo Adult Education Lost Wax Jewelry class (for members). Mary Jernigan assembled a slate for the club's 2017 Officers. President Kelly Plumb, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President of Programs Dennis Freiburger, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President of Field Trips Chuck Olson, Treasurer Mary Hanjes, Secretary Mary Hicks, Federation Dick Pankey. Nominations from the floor were called for. None were heard. This process will be repeated at the October 10th meeting followed by an election. Harry Nichandros announced the club's annual Education Show is getting close. Setup is on Friday November 4th, show November 5th and 6th, and teardown on Sunday after 5 pm. Friday activity for setup is supported by a lunch for the crew. Then volunteers are needed for Friday dinner that evening for the setup crews, participants setting up their cases or providing other support. The dinner is open to the vendors too. The teardown participants on Sunday get treated to a pizza dinner. There is still accepting Display Case participants. Displays are a fun activity that allows the opportunity to share your craft, collection or interest to other club members and to the attendees of the show. We need more members to sign up for the activities such as front door, Friday lunch and/or dinner, desserts for Saturday and/or Sunday, set up signs, make phone calls and others. Contact Harry to discuss what you can do. All members are expected to support the show in some manner as this is how we pay our expenses. The first SHOW PLANNING MEETING is scheduled for September Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> at Mountain Mikes Pizza (5358 Clayton Rd., near our regular meeting location) at 6:30 pm. Pizza dinner provided. Dennis Freiburger announced the evenings program the Annual Auction. The auctioneers this year were Cheryl Morgan and Lee Jacoby. They did an indefatigable job this evening and we had fun and the

variety of items were a delight. The club coffers were enriched by \$1247, this topping our last auction total of \$898. I personally picked up a second can for my tumbler. Attendees enjoyed the member provided snacks. Next General Meeting is on October 10<sup>th</sup>. Mary Hicks, Secretary

### GET YOUR YARD SIGNS FOR THE SHOW IN OCTOBER!!

I will be bringing the yard signs to the October General Meeting. These signs go up on the Sunday or Monday before the show. If you can't make the meeting they will be at my home just let me know how many you need and I will have them ready for you to come pick up when you can.

We have lots of signs and they help get our customers to the show. If you can distribute them or banner signs let me know. Banner signs can go up now. Yard signs can go up just after Halloween.

Therese  
Chair of Almost Everything

### CASE LINER MATERIALS AVAILABLE

One again I have been able to obtain free Styrofoam sheets for our case liners. These sheets are a perfect size to cut up for case risers. Each is about 2 inches thick and between 1 ½ and 2 feet on a side. I will have them with me at the October meeting. I will also bring them with me to the wire wrap class I am teaching on October 15<sup>th</sup> from 2 to 5 pm at Debbie Blevins' home and to the set up day for the show Friday, November 4th.

Kelly Plumb  
Demonstrator Chairperson

## Desserts For Fun & Profits

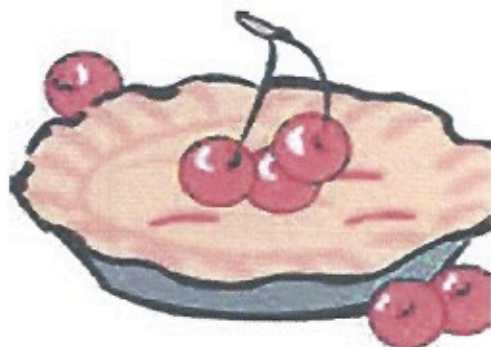
### *Bring a Dessert To the Show*

The World Famous Diablo Dan Cafe will be open and ready for business again this November at the CCM&GS Gem Show. Sherry and I, and family and friends man the store -- and make a little profit for the club along the way.

But the real profit comes from you, and the desserts donated by our members. Guests to our show love the home made pies and cakes from our members. Each year you bring us 60 or so desserts, and each year we sell all we get. They are one of the top sellers at the cafe

So, keep your contributions coming. Drop of your creations anytime during show hours. We need your help -- couldn't do it without you.

Many thanks  
Scott & Sherry Pevahouse  
Diablo Dan Cafe



## LAST CHANCE FOR A DISPLAY CASE – GET YOURS NOW!

Our annual show is coming very soon. There are some display cases that need an interested and excited caregiver. If you are interested take the plunge and call me to reserve your case, (925) 348-3919. We will have lots of sparkly cases, educational cases, memorial cases, and general rock displays. Almost anything goes.

Therese Clark  
Display case & Property Chair



## Show Demonstrators Wanted!

It is that special time of year again! Planning is in full swing for the annual CCM&GS show. Every year we have a great show of support from the many members who pitch in to make this a fantastic event! As the years pass those of us already working on the show learn more and (hopefully) do a better job. Unfortunately the passage of time also means that some of us move away, drop out or just age and cannot take on as strenuous a roll as in past years. There is always a lot that needs doing to keep our show to its high standards. There will be sign-up sheets at the October general meetings. I encourage each and every one of you to sign up to do something. It does not need to be more than a few hours of your time and means so much to the future of our club. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year and we all know that our dues barely pay for the newsletter postage, much less our hall rents, speaker fees, class fees paid by the club, Christmas party and other activities, so let's make this a big success!

As Demonstrator chairperson I am personally asking any of you that have a skill you can share to come forward and volunteer to "strut your stuff" at the demonstrator tables. Although many of our old favorites will be there, some need to do only one day, some are in poor health and others cannot be reached. Even a break for the regulars so they can get out and see some of the show will be appreciated. I will be asking for sign-ups at the next meeting. Don't be afraid that you "are not good enough" or that people will not want to see the kind of thing you do. We are all unsure at first and people will be fascinated! Right now we are still looking for a sub (give breaks or take one of the two days) for the cabbing and beading demonstrators. I have not yet filled the wire wrapped cab slot and could use someone who knows dichroic or slumped glass. You don't have to do the whole process on the spot, just show the stages to be done. I am looking forward to working with some of our new talent. I cannot find the words to express my gratitude for the gracious support of our long time super troopers!

Kelly Plumb

## CRITTER MAKING DAY - 2016

We will meet at Connie Klein's House on Saturday, October 8 from 1 PM to 4PM, To make the critters, we provide rocks galore, paint, brushes, decopage, glue, glue guns, and fake eyes, large and small. We also have books on how to paint on rocks.

For our new members; for the Wheel of Fortune prizes for our show, we offer more than "just" rocks and trinkets. We dress our rocks with paint, decoupage, false eyes and tails to resemble critters - some recognizable, some whimsical. Come join us, have some fun and meet a fun crowd, and you will help us create prizes for the Wheel at our November Show. Kids and friends welcome. They do not have to be a member to take part. Sign up for Critter Day at the general meetings or come on over to Connie's .

Hazel Woolsey,

Wheel of Fortune Chairman

**Refreshments**

Refreshments and Snacks for the General Meeting.  
Thank You to the Club Members that bring snacks to our General Meeting.

If you are not able to attend the meeting, contact another member and trade snack responsibility. You can also call the Refreshment, Hospitality, or Membership Chairpersons and let us know if you are not attending this month. Vickie Hotopp is in charge of our refreshments and she really appreciates sharing your delicious snacks at the meetings.

Thank you!

Mary Jernigan- Membership

**October Refreshment List**

- Connie Klein
- Kim & Jon Marangoni
- Shannon & Richard Merrill
- Rana Miller-Owen
- Naomi Morgan
- Cheryl Morgan
- Bruce Newton, Jr.
- Sharon Newhauser
- Harry Nichandros
- Therese Clark
- Karen Oliver
- Chuck Olson
- Betty & Dick Pankey



**October Birthdays**

If you are a current member and do not see your birthday or anniversary listed, please drop me a note so I can update my record.

Thanks, Mary Jernigan



**Happy Birthday!!**

Louise Gilley	10/4
Alan Kilpatrick	10/4
Christine Henningson	10/5
Richard Dennis	10/26



**October Anniversaries**

Kimberly & Jon Marangoni	10/19
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## Federation Director's Report

By Dick Pankey, Federation Director

Typically the CFMS Show and Convention is held earlier in the year (May or June), but this time it was held in September at the El Dorado County Fairgrounds hosted by the El Dorado County M&GS. This show was held in conjunction with the World Gold Panning Championship which was a big and very interesting event. There were at least 600 competitors from over 30 countries from all around the world. Unless you see it for yourself it is hard to describe the competition -- the pageantry, the process and the excitement. There were even cheers and cheerleaders to excite the crowd and competitors. But the CFMS had a lot going on, also; we had a full, active weekend. Betty and I arrived at the Fairgrounds on Wednesday morning and parked and set up our trailer in the new, expanded camping area. There were 46 camper flying flags from around the world. By any measure this was a BIG show: 72 dealers, 80+ exhibit cases, 10 demonstrators, more than 15 kid's activities, silent auction, rock sale tables, geode cutting and a big selection of food vendors. The EDCM&GS did an outstanding job of planning and putting on this wonderful show. The CFMS Directors' meeting was held on Saturday morning. There were 52 societies represented. In addition to the usual business of minutes and treasurer's reports, there were over 30 written or oral committee reports given.

### Meeting highlights:

A quorum was established -- 52 Directors, over 30 Committees, and 5 Officers. The Federation is made up of over 100 clubs and societies. Unfortunately, many Federation Directors don't attend our meetings; therefore their club's voice and opinions are not heard. The Federation is working to improve attendance and participation in Federation meetings and activities.

Two societies are delinquent and most probably will be dropped from the Federation.

Kim Campbell-Erb, 2nd VP and Louisa Cary, Secretary resigned their positions on the CFMS Board and were replaced by Shirley Leeson and Jenifer Haley, respectfully.

Ten Past Presidents attended. The past presidents remain active on committees and attend shows and meetings. There were 8 new first time directors. The 2017 show will be in Ventura in June.

The Education Through Sharing Recognition was changed to Rockhound of the Year. This is the same as the AFMS recognition that was changed several years ago. Only 8 societies have participated this year including CCM&GS recognizing Gary Casillas. (So sad. A missed opportunity to recognize the efforts and contribution of one of our members). The application for All American Club Award has been updated. Only one society from CFMS participated this year. This is a great and rewarding program the CCM&GS should participate in. All we need is someone to lead and organize our entry. If you like to brag about/promote CCM&GS this is an activity for you. Contact me for information and details.

AMFS Marion Roberts from the Mother Lode MS is the outgoing president and submitted an excellent, detailed report. There are 50,460 from the 7 federations. CFMS has 6535 members, down from over 10,000 members just a few years ago. CFMS Endowment Fund -- is conducting the Silent Auction at the show. 2 societies presented checks to the Fund.

AFMS Endowment Fund -- Is conducting a raffle again this year, many items. I will have tickets available at our meetings. 2 societies presented checks to the Fund.

The Golden Bear Awards to people that have given outstanding service to the Federation. This year two awards will be presented at the Banquet.

The Nominating committee is soliciting nominations from the societies for 2016 CFMS officers.

The Scholarship Committee is soliciting nominations from the societies for Scholarship Honorees to select schools and undergraduate candidates for \$2000 scholarships. There is plenty of money available for undergraduate CFMS Scholarships, but they can't be given out if our societies do not nominate honorees to select schools and recipients. Only two honorees and therefore only two scholarship this year. 2 societies presented check to the Fund.

Pat LaRue our Tax Advisor reminds all societies to file their "e-post cards" to prevent loss of their tax status.

I presented 2 small shopping bags of stamps to Debbie Bunn who gives them to Easter Seals in Sacramento. 3 other societies also presented stamps. Thanks to all of you that have participated and given me stamps.



The slides in the Visual Program Library are being converted to digital format.

I have copies of the meeting packet and reports if anyone is interested.

The next CFMS Meeting will be in November in Visalia. If anyone is interested I have a copy of all of the written reports.

In the afternoon following the Directors meeting, as a Past President of CFMS, I attended the Long Range Planning Committee meeting. The purpose of the LRP Committee is to study and make recommendations for projects which will further the programs of the CFMS and report the results to the Directors. The committee is made up of all living Past Presidents of CFMS and the current Executive Committee. Currently we are focusing on expanding leadership for the Federation and the local societies, Federation/Society relationship, and defining, clarifying, and communicating The duties and function of the Federation Director.

Saturday evening was the awards banquet: The 2 CFMS Scholarship honorees and their 2 students were introduced, trophies for the competitive case winners were presented, the Golden Bear awards were presented, the All American Club award was presented and the Show chairman and host society was recognized and thanked for the great show and convention..

### Rockhound Raffle Needs Your Donations for the Annual CCM&GS Show!

Do you have an interesting item that you could offer for our Rockhound Raffle case set-up on November 4th?

Could you inspire more people with your field trip donations? Most definitely!!

"Silver-pick-purchased" items are also very popular.

Donations of crafted Jewelry items, Rock & Mineral specimens, Books and Rockhound Treasures are greatly needed for our Rockhound Raffle. Share a specimen from a field-trip & share the story. Your donations are greatly appreciated and admired!

Please bring your Rockhound Raffle items to the October 10th meeting, or let me know where I can pick-up your donations.

Thank you!

Please contact me about your Raffle donations.

Mary Jernigan - Membership & Raffle

## Volunteers Needed Now!

### Show Positions Available

In case you have not had a chance to sign up to volunteer for show activities, now is a good time to give it a shot. Following is a list of show positions available.

Starting this week Mary Jernigan and her team will be calling you all to encourage you to volunteer. Get a jump on her and select the job you would like from the selection below. Email or call her at (925) 429-2748 (m10jernigan@yahoo.com).

Remember, all members are required to take part in the show. All the services you receive including classes, this newsletter, and our monthly programs are provided through the show proceeds. Please do your part.

Front Desk: Take money, Give out tickets

- Saturday 10-12
- Saturday 2-4
- Sunday 12-2

Kitchen: Slice tomatoes, lettuce, Plate lasagna and dessert

- Friday 11-1:30
- Friday 3-7

Entrance Signs: Take out to street entrance; return signs after show

- Saturday morning 9-10
- Monday 4-5

Street Signs: Place directional signs at street corners and sidewalks

- Anytime beginning Sunday before the show
- Pickup after show

Balloons: pickup from Safeway

- Saturday morning

Thanks for your help. See you at the show.

Harry Nichandros

Show Chairman

(925) 674-7055

## ROCKHOUNDS ON A ROLL!



Only one month Left! The CCM&GS annual show is coming on November 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>! Don't forget to volunteer to fill in one of the many positions that are needed to make this a success. All it takes is a few hours out of your weekend (of course if you want to be there all weekend that is even better.) Once again this year I will be providing free

styrofoam to those of you who want it. I will bring it in to the October meeting the wire wrap class at Debbie Blevins' and to the show setup day November 4<sup>th</sup>. If possible please call or email to let me know how much you want. This may be the last year I can get it so stock up! If anyone wants instructions on setting up a case I am more than willing to help.

Have you been enjoying field trips this year? Did you remember to bring back extra rock to donate to the Silent Auction, grab bags and the Spin-a-Wheel game? Are you cleaning out, or downsizing your collection or just changing your special interest? Please consider donating your extra rocks, fossils, specimens to the club to support these activities. All of these activities count on YOU to provide the items that get new Rockhounds interested in the hobby.

Alan and I were lucky enough this year to attend the Denver shows. Including the club show there were at least six different shows specializing in minerals, fossils, gem material beads and other rock related specialties. Each show had between 30 and 150 dealers (I am not trying to be exact here, but this should give you an idea how big this was.) Alan called the experience the "thousand dollar an hour rock show." I'm not sure which hurt the most afterward, my wallet or my feet. Now I have to save up for the goodies at our show!

### October Shows:

**October 1 - 2: BORON, CA** Mojave Mineralogical Society  
Boron Recreation Park, 26998 John Street  
Hours: Sat 9 - 5; Sun 9 - 4, Contact: Bruce Davies, (760) 338-8829  
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**October 1 - 2: VISTA, CA**, Vista Gem & Mineral Society  
Antique Gas & Steam Engine Museum, 2040 North Santa Fe Avenue  
Hours: Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4, Contact: Ray Pearce, (760) 726-7570  
Email: [raysrocks@cox.net](mailto:raysrocks@cox.net)

**October 8 - 9: ANDERSON, CA**, Shasta Gem & Mineral Society  
Shasta District Fairgrounds, 1890 Briggs Street  
Hours: Sat. 9 - 5; Sun. 10 - 4, Steve Puderbaugh, 530-604-2951  
Email: [kelly13@shasta.com](mailto:kelly13@shasta.com), Show Website: [www.shastagemandmineral.com](http://www.shastagemandmineral.com)

**October 8 - 9: GRASS VALLEY, CA**, Nevada County Gem & Mineral Society  
Nevada County Fairgrounds (Main Building), 11228 McCourtney Road  
Hours: 10 - 5 daily, Contact: Todd Lawson, (530) 305-9212

**October 8 - 9: TRONA, CA**, Searles Lake Gem & Mineral Society  
SLGM Show Building, 13337 Main Street  
Hours: Sat 7 - 5; Sun 7 - 4  
Jim and Bonnie Fairchild, (760) 372-5356  
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**November 5 - 6:** The CCM&GS annual Gem & Mineral Show is the biggest rock and mineral show in the county.

**Save the weekend.** Come to the Show!

Twenty-five Dealers will be showing and selling rocks, minerals, fossils, precious and semi-precious stones, settings, beads, and equipment. Over fifty displays tell the stories of the earth, the minerals and its gems, and the history of our explorations. Highly skilled craftsmen will be demonstrating their techniques in wire wrapping, faceting, cabochons, stone carving, and more.

One of the *must see* displays is the fluorescent room where hundreds of rocks and minerals glow in the dark and seem to vibrate in space under the activation of ultraviolet light (black light). Kids love it! For a preview, check out the virtual fluorescent display.

Gourmet food and soft drinks are available at the world-famous *Diablo Dan Café*.

The CCM&GS Gem & Mineral Show is open to the public. Admittance is reasonably priced, and children under 16 with adult are *free*. The whole family can have an afternoon of entertainment and fun for \$12. That's less than a movie! Plus, check our web page or contact a club member to receive a discount voucher to save even more.

Join us the first weekend in November. Doors open at 10:00 am Saturday and Sunday. Closing time is 5:00 pm each day. See our location map on our web site, [www.cfmsinc.org/shows/cfmsshow.htm](http://www.cfmsinc.org/shows/cfmsshow.htm), and get directions from your home.

## Display Report

### 2016 Shape of the Month Shapes

- October – Marquis (Cat's eye)
- \* November – Oval
- December - No competition (Holiday party)



**CONTRA COSTA MINERAL & GEM SOCIETY [www.ccmgs.org](http://www.ccmgs.org)**

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General Meeting: Second Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m. Centre Concord, 5298 Clayton Rd, Concord,  
(Clayton Fair Shopping Center, about 0.2 miles northwest on Clayton from Ygnacio Valley Road) Cross street  
Balhan Drive, next to Clayton Valley Bowl, free parking

Membership Fees: Initiation \$5; Regular Member \$10, Junior \$1  
VISITORS ARE WELCOME! BRING A FRIEND!

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10	11	12	13	14	15	16
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
					Wire Wrap Class	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
Halloween					Show Setup	First Day of Show



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