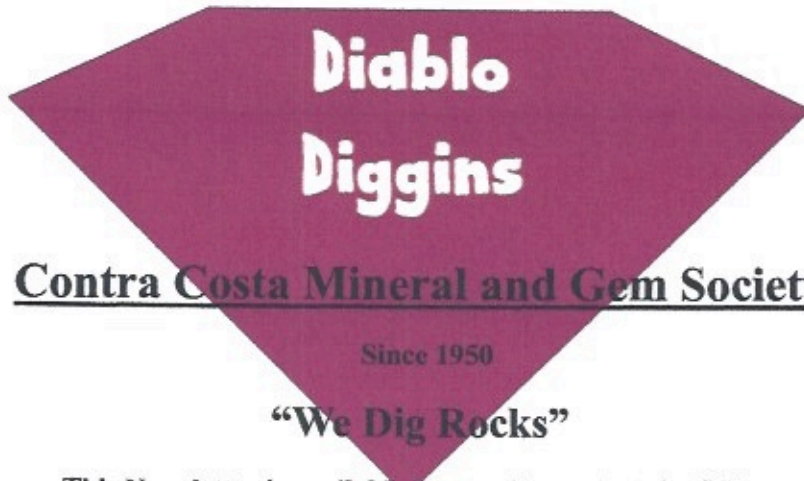




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**Contra Costa Mineral and Gem Society**

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**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**



Happy August everybody. I just knew August would come so quickly this year since our Annual Gem & Mineral Show was changed to the end of August to accommodate the Concord Centre remodeling. So by the time you get this message it will be just a few short weeks until Show time. Please support the club by volunteering a few hours of your time.

We have a good program for this August's General Meeting (I know, because I'm one of the presenters). You won't want to miss this month's meeting.

My Alaska trip is going well. The fishing is great and we were treated to a great site the other night. As we stood there in the Kenai River, a mother moose swam by with her two babies. It looked like a tourist brochure picture. Remind me and I'll show it to you.

**ITS SHOWTIME - AUGUST 29-30!!**

**NEXT GENERAL MEETING**  
**Monday, August 10, 7:30 PM**  
**Centre Concord**

**AUGUST PROGRAM**  
**Why go to Tucson?**  
Mary Hicks, Dennis Freiburger, Dave Kleessattel

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CCM&GS Program for August 10, 2015

## Why Go to Tucson? Unlimited Opportunities for Rockhounds

Say "Tucson" - and watch several Contra Costa Society members simultaneously bow their heads and clasp their hands in reverence. For 3 weeks every February, Tucson is transformed into the world's largest gathering of sellers, buyers and enthusiasts. Minerals, rocks, gemstones, fossils, beads and 100,000's of people. (I am not exaggerating.) "A lifetime of USA field trips will not compare to the international theme of Tucson." Dave Kleesattel. "Dollar apiece synthetic rubies next to \$280,000 matched Colombian trapiche emeralds." Dennis Freiburger. Should you go? Come to the presentation and decide for yourself.



Clockwise from top left: Tumbled rough, Uruguay amethyst geodes, Brazil included quartz spheres, Congo malachite



Dennis Freiburger, Program Chairman

### **Board Meeting**

**Wednesday, August 5, at 7:00 PM**

**New Articles for September *Diablo Diggins***

**Due Date, August 17, 2015**

## CCM&GS Board Meeting

July 15, 2015, 7:10 PM, at Dave's office in Concord.

Present: David Kleesattel, Mary Hicks, Mary Jernigan, Therese Clark, Terry Caskey, Harry Nichandros, Mary Hanjes.

Approval of minutes of previous BOD meeting. Mary Jernigan motioned, Terry Caskey seconded, all said aye. Bills not in the budget called for. Mary Hanjes explained the need to update the 2008 edition of our financial program. Two copies needed at \$75 each plus taxes and shipping, one for the Treasurer and one for the Secretary. Terry Caskey motioned, Mary Hanjes seconded, all said aye.

Secretary-Mary Hicks No mail to report. The mail box is checked weekly. Property Chair also has a key in case something is expected for the show.

Website-Harry Nichandros. Communications received about the show from dealers, Scouts, confirming new date, prior member for information about selling. It was stated that selling notices can be placed on the information board at the monthly meetings.

Unfinished business-Dave Kleesattel will produce a few hard copies of the proposed revised ByLaws. The secretary will have a PDF copy to email to members on request. There will be a sign up sheet at the next two general meetings. Vote will be called for at the October meeting along with the vote on Officers for 2016. The Publicity Chair is still vacant. The post cards for the show need to be set up (clean up duplicate addresses, etc.) and mailed. No one is on hand to notify newspapers, Harry and Theresa are taking care of the show banner that gets put up in Orinda for the commuter cars traveling to our area from the Richmond area. More on communication needs at the Show Meeting on 7/21 at the Caskeys. Other show meetings will be on 8/11 and if needed 8/25. Program for next general meeting is about Why Go to Tucson. Presenters will be Mary Hicks/Connie Klein about beads, Dave Kleesattel about rocks and minerals, and Dennis Freiburger on gems. The subsequent meetings (September, October, November, December) will be at the City of

Concord's Senior Center at 2727 Parkside Circle, Concord, 94519, 925-671-3320. Parkside is off of Bonifacio, which is off of Port Chicago Hwy. There were 36 attendees at the last meeting. Dave asked for volunteers for the Nominating Committee. Harry Nichandros volunteered. The financial report was passed around. The club is in good shape. The change in signature card will be setup. (Dave Kleesattel, Mary Hanjes, Mary Hicks, Dennis Freiburger. Date to be announced. ) Terry Caskey, Editor, needs all items for the newsletter to be to him July 22. Get Terry any items for the show. Therese Clark on Property said Don showed her the show book. Mary Hicks sent new address for the trailer registration to DMV. Mary Jernigan will handle the cases assignments and case favors on Friday as Therese needs to work that day. Harry Nichandros, Show Chair, asked the board to approve adding three more dealers to his list. Mary Hicks provided the motion, Mary Jernigan seconded, all said aye. A few other items were talked about such as insurance, tables & chairs, raffle, staffing, calling members for help. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm. Next BOD meeting is on 8/5.

### PROPOSED REVISED BY LAWS AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW

About every 2 to 3 years the CCM&GS forms a committee to review the Club's By Laws and to propose changes as appropriate. The process to change our By Laws is very well planned. First the Committee reviews the By Laws in great detail, and provides the Board of Directors with proposed changes. The Board of Directors then reviews the proposed changes, modifies them accordingly, and approves the changes for subsequent review and approval from the general membership. This is where you come in. The process now requires that we announce that the proposed revisions are available for your review. You have two months for this review. At the General Meeting in October (October 12), we will vote on the proposed changes.

Copies of the By Laws will be made available electronically via email, or if you prefer, we can provide a paper copy at your request. If you would like to review the proposed By Law changes (and I hope you do), Please let Mary Hicks or David Kleesattel know.

Thank you for your help.  
David Kleesattel, 2015 CCM&GS President

## CCM&GS Educational Meeting

President Dave Kleesattel called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm at Centre Concord, Monday, July 13, 2015. Dave was back from a Wyoming business meeting for his company's anniversary celebration at which he gifted bolo ties to 15 co-workers. These were the first bolo ties Dave has made and he enjoyed doing so. Dave announced guest Tom Lewis who won the guest door prize, a piece of petrified wood. Members Mark Blackman won a mass of calcite and Richard Merrill won an agate. Dave announced the next BOD meeting on the following Wednesday at 7 pm, at his office in Concord.

Mary Jernigan, Membership Chair, announced new members, Laura & David Lopez, and son Michael. Member Greg DeFabio is going on a rock collecting trip to Black Rock Desert. If you want to join him, the dates are 7/26 to 8/1. This is a private trip.

Librarian Paul Black invited members to see him about checking out books or tapes. As temporary Display Chair, he asked members to see the displays and vote.

Harry Nichandros spoke about the Education Show coming up in August. He had new yard show signs on the back table. We need workers for setup lunch which is for the club members setting up the show on Friday. We also need sign-ups for the dinner Friday night which is for club members setting up, displaying and other jobs for the show and for the vendors. There are slots for kitchen afternoon preparations, serving and for clean up after dinner. There is a show meeting at the Caskey's on July 21, Tuesday at 6:30 pm.

Bonnie Eichler has arranged for a class in October on Rock Identification by Dave Kleesattel. Members who have not had this class get first priority. She is also working on a class on carving soapstone by Dick Dennis, more information on this in the future. For the good of the order-Dave Kleesattel is ordering food grade mineral oil for cutting saws. Call him if you are interested in getting in on this order.

Vice President Dennis Freiburger introduced the evening program at 8:00 pm.

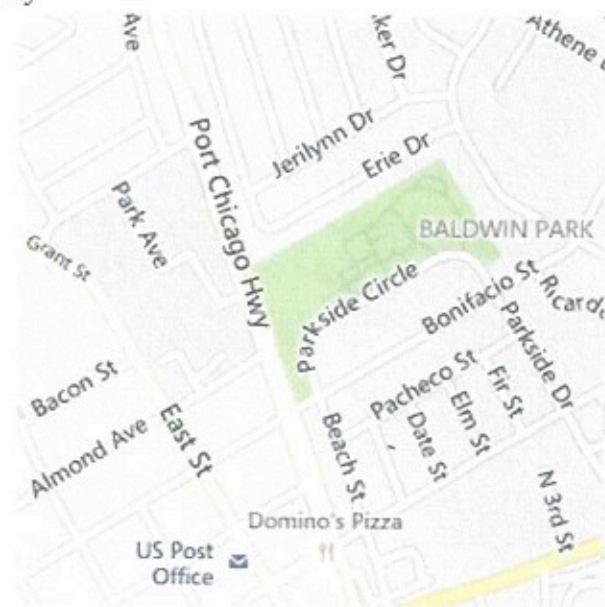
But before the presentation we were reminded that the **September** meeting will be at the Concord Senior Center in Concord located in Baldwin Park. There is a map in this newsletter for this location. In October we will have an auction, bring good items and bid on items. Then Dennis introduced the club member who did the presentation, Patty Wintroath. Patty and Dennis went on a trip to Tanzania. She enjoyed the scenery and the animals. She visited mines and even did a little on site sorting for gems. The area produces sapphires, garnets, rubies and more. The program ended at 9:00 pm and items from the trip were on display on the front table. Refreshments were enjoyed.

### Change!!

Starting in **September**, we will be meeting at the Concord Senior Center.

**2727 Parkside Circle  
Concord, CA 94519**

This is Off Bonifacio which is off Port Chicago Hwy



## **Please Welcome our New CCM&GS Members-**

Michael & Janelle Hopkins and their son, Andrew have joined our CCM&GS . The Hopkins family live in Concord and share interests in field-trips, fossils, geology and mineralogy.

Tom Lewis lives in Martinez and is interest in many aspects of the Rockhound hobbies. Please invite our new members to join in more Rockhound activities.

~Rock On~  
Mary Jernigan- Membership

## **Donate**

### ***Raffle Prizes Wanted***

Our Raffle is a big deal for many of our guests. They enjoy the spirit of the contest and the chance of winning an excellent item – for a dollar.

That's where you come in. Your donation of a nice prize will make their day. We are looking for a rock or mineral specimen, jewelry, or rock related things like books, memorabilia, and even fun things for kids.

Bring your item to the August General Meeting. Or give me a call if you want to participate, (925) 852-1133

Mary Jernigan  
Raffle 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. This year we have a new property chairperson and a new exhibitor chairperson due to the past chair persons moving out of the area. Although both past chairpersons have graciously volunteered to assist their replacements there is still a lot that needs doing to keep our show to its high standards. There will be sign-up sheets at the general meeting and 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 have passed on in the last few years or 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 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, 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 will have demonstrator sign-up sheets at the next meeting. I am looking forward to working with some of our new talent as well as being thankful for the gracious support of our long time super troopers!

Kelly Plumb



## Display Report

There are four competitive categories each month. Everyone is invited to vote on the entries in each category. The winner in each category receives a prize of five dollars, and the person who has won the most competitions for novice cab during the year will advance to "pro" status and be awarded a Diablo Dan silver pin.

**Novice Cabs** – No entry this month

**Pro Cabs** -Four entries

A- Barrie Bieler - Travertine

B – Mary Bufton – Agate with crystal vug

C – Paul Black – Poppy Jasper

E – Joe Yarbrough – Picture Jasper (winner)

**Shape of the Month – Freeform** - Three entries

A – Barrie Bieler – Petrified Wood

B – Paul Black – Pink & Green Jade (winner)

C – Mary Bufton - Opal

**Faceted Gems** – No entry this month

### 2015 Shape of the Month Cabs

January – Irregular (Freeform or any cut not mentioned in the rest of the year)

February - Heart shape

March - Oval

April - Round

May - Pear (Teardrop)

June – Rectangles & Squares

July - Freeform

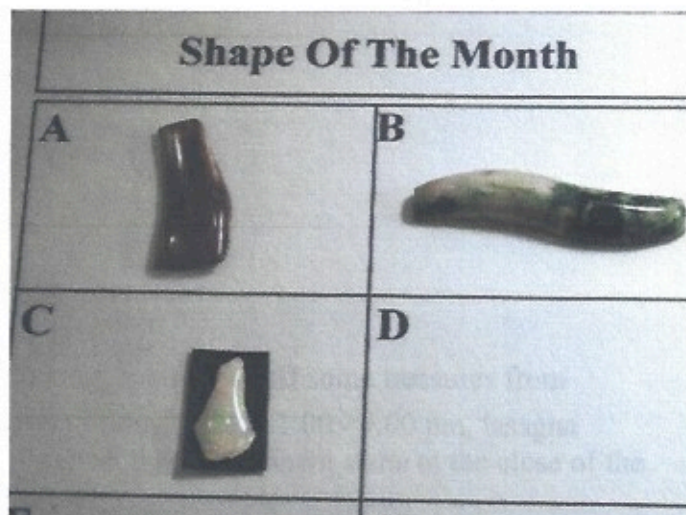
August - Triangle

September - Marquis (Cat's eye)

October – Auction Night (no displays)

November - Oval

December - No competition (Holiday party)



**ROCKHOUNDS ON A ROLL!**

The Dog Days of Summer are here!!



What better way to beat the heat than to spend a few hours at the end of this month volunteering indoors at the CCM&GS show. It is less than a month away on August 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>. As you are reading this I have just returned from another marathon vacation in Colorado hunting for amazonite, smoky quartz, blue agate, epidote, fossils, and topaz. We found some of each. Don't forget to check out the silent auction. I will be

assisting Donna and Cheri. That means I will be able to tell you exactly which pieces I brought back.

I have had no response about a date for the field trip to Capitola for fossils and whale bone. I have checked the tide tables for days with a low tide on a Saturday or Sunday at hours we can reasonably expect to be there. Therefore I am picking September 13<sup>th</sup>. Call, text or email me at (510) 693-9075, [kellyplumb900@yahoo.com](mailto:kellyplumb900@yahoo.com). I will have a sign-up sheet at the next meeting. If no one signs up maybe we have to consider if this club actually needs a Field Trip Director.

The Antioch Lapidary Club is hosting a Field Trip to Graveyard point on 9/26/2015 through early October. They will be camping at Riverview campground on the Snake River. There are no hotels in Marsing. You can break up the long drive by staying overnight in Winnemucca. See Cheri Elliot for details or to sign up. CCM&GS members are welcome!

**Shows****August 7 - 9: NIPOMO, CA**

Orcutt Mineral Society, Santa Maria  
Nipomo High School  
525 North Thompson Avenue  
Hours: Fri & Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4  
Contact: Wes Lingerfelt, (805) 929-3788  
Website: [www.omsinc.org](http://www.omsinc.org)

**August 14 - 16: TEHACHAPI, CA**

Tehachapi Valley Gem & Mineral Society  
St. Malachy's Church  
407 West E. Street  
Hours: 9 - 5 daily  
Contact: Chuck Overall, (661) 821-4650  
Email: [luckydogs5433@aol.com](mailto:luckydogs5433@aol.com)  
Website: [www.tvgms.org](http://www.tvgms.org)

**August 22 - 23: SAN FRANCISCO, CA**

San Francisco Gem & Mineral Society  
San Francisco County Fair Building  
9th Avenue & Lincoln Way  
Hours: Sat. 10 - 6; Sun. 10 - 5  
Contact: Ellen Nott  
Email: [ellen\\_nott@yahoo.com](mailto:ellen_nott@yahoo.com)  
Website: [www.sfgms.org](http://www.sfgms.org)

[Show](#)[Page](#)**August 29 -30: CONCORD, CA**

Contra Costa Mineral & Gem Society  
Centre Concord  
5298 Clayton Road (near Ygnacio Valley Rd.)  
Hours: 10 - 5 daily  
Contact: Harry Nichandros, (925) 289-0454  
Email: [show-c@ccmgs.org](mailto:show-c@ccmgs.org)  
Website: [www.ccmgs.org](http://www.ccmgs.org)

[Show](#)[Page](#)**September 19 - 20: CHICO, CA**

Feather River Lapidary & Mineral Society,  
Oroville  
Silver Dollar Fairgrounds  
2357 Fair Street  
Hours: Sat 9:30 - 5 daily  
John Scott, (530) 343-3491  
Email: [jweazel@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jweazel@sbcglobal.net)

Website: [www.featherriverrocks.org](http://www.featherriverrocks.org)

[Show](#)[Page](#)**September 19 - 20: REDWOOD CITY, CA**

Sequoia Gem & Mineral Society  
Community Activities Building  
1400 Roosevelt Avenue  
Hours: 10 - 5 daily  
Contact: Carol Corden  
Email: [cordencarol@yahoo.com](mailto:cordencarol@yahoo.com)  
Website:

[www.sequoiagemandmineralsociety.org](http://www.sequoiagemandmineralsociety.org)

[Show Page](#)**Field Trips:**

All you field trippers, please check in with me at the meeting. I have several dates in mind for another Capitola trip for fossils and whale bone. I need to see which date works for the most people. Thanks!

**Editor's note:** This has been a fun, successful day trip in the past and it is a good trip to get together and have a great time. Let's all support the club for this one.



## Show Chairman Message

### The Home Stretch

Looks like we are on the way to another terrific Gem & Mineral Show starting Friday morning August 28.

The Setup and Tear Down teams are doing well, but we will need more volunteers Friday morning. So even if you haven't signed up, give us a hand. Friday morning is critical to the success of the show. We really need everyone we can get – especially at 6:30 am (Or 7:00 if you must – better 7 than never). With a good team, we can get the bulk of the work done by noon. It's a good feeling.

This year we are short on staffing for the Friday Lunch (11-1pm) and Dealer Dinner, (3-7 pm ). There is very little cooking here – mostly tossing salad, and organizing plates. Please volunteer for this. The chefs need help! If we don't get volunteers, our fall back is deli plates and fruit cups.

The Front Door tables are nearly fully staffed, as are the Silent Auction and the Membership tables. Most demonstrators and display cases are lined up, but there are still a few available. If you are interesting in demonstrating or preparing a display, call Kelly, (510) 693-9075, for demonstrations and Therese for display cases, 348-3919 [thereseclark{at}sprintmail.com](mailto:thereseclark@sprintmail.com). Do it while we still have spaces available.

We have specific openings for the tasks below. For these, please give me a call at 674-7055 [nichandros\[at\]juno.com](mailto:nichandros@juno.com).

- Ballon pickup Friday
- Kitchen help Friday afternoon and evening for the Worker Lunch and Dealer Dinner
- Directional Sign placement Saturday morning

And of course we always have need for more desserts and more raffle prizes. Both these help considerably with our show profits. Contact Mary Jernigan to donate a raffle prize, 852-1133.

We are less than one month from show time, and it sure would be reassuring to see everyone signed up for a volunteer job. Last time to pickup flyers and yard signs and volunteer for assignments is the Monday General Meeting, August 10.

Better yet, give me a call or email.

Harry Nichandros  
Show Chairman

## Desserts For Fun & Profits

### Bring a Dessert To the Show

The World Famous Diablo Dan Cafe will be open and ready for business at the August 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 homemade pies and cakes from our members. Each year you bring us 60 or so desserts, and each year we sell all we get. It is one of the top sellers at the café. . Sign up at the August general meeting

But most importantly, even if you did not sign up, *bring a dessert!* Our sign-ups are down this year, so *we really need your help.* Bring your cookies, cakes, pies, brownies, cobblers and all your favorites.

Drop off your creations anytime during show hours. We need your help -- couldn't do it without you.

Scott & Sherry Pevahouse  
Diablo Dan Cafe



## Show Meeting

### HELP PLAN THE 2015 EDUCATIONAL SHOW

This years show is just around the corner.

Come help us plan for a fun and successful time.

If you have ideas for a better show, you can help now.

August 11, 6:30 PM

Joanne and Terry's house

925 689 2119



The Annual Gem & Mineral Show of the Contra Costa Mineral & Gem Society

## Exhibit & Display Case Application

Friday–Sunday, August 28 – 30, 2015 (show dates)

### Show Location & Display Times

- **Location:** Centre Concord, 5298 Clayton Road, Concord, CA (map)
- **Setup:** Friday 2:00 pm – 8:00 pm and Saturday 9:00 am – 10:00 am
- **Show Hours:** Saturday and Sunday, 10:00 am – 5:00 pm (both days)
- **Removal:** Sunday 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm

**Submission & Acceptance:** Submit *ONE Application Per Case* to the address below. If you do not receive a response within 10 days, please email or phone (your application may not have been received/accepted).

**Address:** Therese Clark, Display Chair, 2119 Gill Dr, Concord, CA 94520, (925) 348-3919,  
ThereseClark@sprintmail.com, **Website:** ccmgs.org/contact\_us

### EXHIBITOR INFORMATION

Exhibitor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Member of CCM&GS \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_, or Dealer \_\_\_\_\_, or Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Material to be displayed:** Crystals \_\_\_\_\_, Minerals \_\_\_\_\_, Lapidary \_\_\_\_\_, Fossils \_\_\_\_\_, Jewelry \_\_\_\_\_, Faceting \_\_\_\_\_, Carving \_\_\_\_\_, Fluorescents \_\_\_\_\_, Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Case Theme:** Memorial \_\_\_\_\_, Educational \_\_\_\_\_, Novelty \_\_\_\_\_, Fluorescent \_\_\_\_\_, Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Display Features:** Background color: \_\_\_\_\_, Display items out of case: \_\_\_\_\_

**Placement request:** Your ideas to help us place it at its best advantage in the display area: \_\_\_\_\_

**Multiple Cases:** If display case space is limited, this case is my First \_\_\_\_\_, Second \_\_\_\_\_, Third \_\_\_\_\_ priority

**Dinner:** Number of people to attend the complimentary Friday Night Dinner (about 5:30 pm): \_\_\_\_\_

**Do You Need a Case?** (If so, please initial below)

\_\_\_ **NO, I Have My Own Case:** Description of your case: Width: \_\_\_\_\_, Height: \_\_\_\_\_, Depth: \_\_\_\_\_, Case Front (Upright or Slant): \_\_\_\_\_, Wattage: \_\_\_\_\_, Is it locked? \_\_\_\_\_ If locked, provide alternate contact for keys: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ **YES, I Need to Use a Club Case:** The club has a limited number of cases to loan, on a first come basis. The club does not provide liners or risers. Club cases are standard 4' x 2' x 2' (whd). Inside dimensions are 46-1/4" x 22-3/4" x 22-1/4" (whd) and 23" deep at top (due to sloping front). The case sides and back are a finished light-colored wood. Two 100-watt floods illuminate from the top. **NO TAPE, STAPLES, TACKS, DRILL HOLES, OR OTHER ALTERATIONS ARE TO BE MADE TO THE CASE OR LIGHTING. Please confirm your understanding: Initials** \_\_\_\_\_

### AGREEMENT

Exhibits are not to be removed until Sunday after the show closes at 5:00 pm. Once the show has started you are not to open your case without the exhibit or show chairman's authorization (This protects your exhibit.). If the exhibit is not removed by 8:00 pm Sunday, Show staff will remove it, but its return or condition cannot be assured. Club cases are not to be altered in any way. CCM&GS assumes no responsibility for loss or damage to exhibitor's property or items displayed at the show.

**REVIEWED** By \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved \_\_\_\_\_, Approved, if space avail \_\_\_\_\_, Declined \_\_\_\_\_

Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

I agree to the above and wish my display case to be considered for presentation at the CCM&GS Show.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature*

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

P0 Box 842, Concord, CA 94522

General Meeting: Second Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m. (*Third Monday of the month in June*)  
 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

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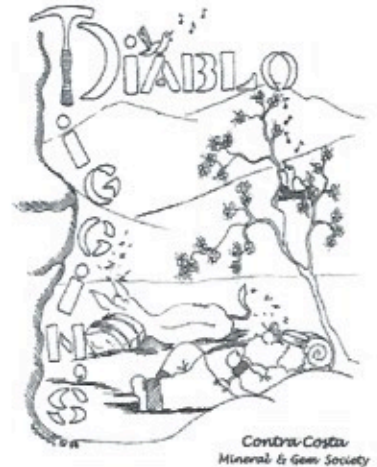
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**NEW LOCATION FOR MEETINGS IN  
SEPTEMBER, OCTOBER, NOVEMBER AND  
DECEMBER - (SEE PAGE 4)**

Member of American and California Federation of  
Mineralogical Societies  
**First Class**

Contra Costa Mineral and Gem Society  
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Visitors are welcome, bring a friend.