



Club Notes



General Meeting: Wednesday February 9th, 7:30 P.M. at Mt. Eden Presbyterian Church, 26236 Adrian Ave, Hayward (Next to Chabot College, behind Burger King). See map on back page.

Program: The February General Meeting is when our club's scholarships will be awarded to two California State University East Bay - Hayward campus geology students. Their professor always gives an interesting talk following the awards.

February Refreshments: Members with a last name starting with H-Q

New Members: Unless otherwise stated, General Meetings are on the second Wednesday of the month at the church at 7:30pm. You are invited and encouraged to attend! There is a silent auction and door prizes at every meeting.

Next Board Meeting:

Monday, February 7, 7:00 p.m. at the shop is the next Board Meeting.

Show Meeting: Thursday, February 17, 7:00 pm at the shop

MGSCV Annual Rock and Gem Show: February 25, 26 and 27, 2011

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General Information

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Submission deadline is the second Friday following the General Meeting (normally the second Wednesday of the month.) Anonymous contributions will not be considered for publication in the Petrograph; however, if requested at the time of submission, the contributor's name can be withheld. Members are encouraged to submit articles that may be of interest to the general membership. The bulletin editor reserves the right to edit any submitted articles or omit any submission from publication. Source must be cited for material quoted from other authors. Permission to reprint Petrograph articles is hereby granted provided properly cited.

2011 MGSCV Officers

Elected

President - Ron Miller	President@mgscv.org	
Vice President - Jim Ewing	VP@mgscv.org	
Secretary - Sheryl Cooper	Secretary@mgscv.org	(510) 589-8858
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3 rd Year Director - Mary Jane Holmes	Director3@mgscv.org	
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2011 Show Chairman - Ron Miller	ShowChair@mgscv.org	
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Appointed

Scholarship Chair - Mary Howell
Librarian - Mary Howell
Historian - Jamie McDonald
Purchasing Agent - Beth Farmer
Education Coordinator - Shirley Buschke
Field Trip Coordinator - Ron Hasemeyer
Parliamentarian - Doc Buschke
Reception/Hostess - Ann Vargas/Dan Gilson
Sunshine Reporter - All members
Door Prizes - Bonnie Andrade
Web Master - Tony Cooper

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Meeting Minutes

Board Meeting – Dec. 6, 2010

President Ron Miller called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. In attendance was Ron Miller, Mary Jane Holmes, Tony Cooper, Sheryl Cooper, Betty Milam, Larry Ham, and Jim Ewing.

Minutes: Betty Milam moved to accept the minutes for October and November. Larry Ham seconded the motion, it was unanimously carried.

Treasurer's Report: Betty presented the November report. Larry Ham moved to accept the treasurer's report. Mary Jane Holmes seconded the motion, it was unanimously carried.

Shop Manager: Beth is reminding everybody to please clean up after themselves.

Show Chairman: Larry Ham says everything is coming along.

Membership: There are 218 current members.

Old Business: The budget was presented for approval. Larry Ham moved to accept the budget. Mary Jane Holmes seconded the motion, it was unanimously carried.

The letter of agreement with the Newark Pavilion was discussed. We would like an agreement stating they will let us use the facilities on "these days" for "these times" through the year 2015.

We compared the price for security with other companies and found it would be about the same cost. We decided to use the same security for this coming show.

We will not pay for the electronic sign at the Pavilion this coming show.

New Business: Tony Cooper researched prices for changing our web hosting service and found we could save about \$100 per year. It was agreed to make the change.

The website content was discussed some. We decided to keep the calendar going. The hours need to be updated. Announcements would go out via the Google announcements list.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm.

General Meeting – Dec. 10, 2010

December's meeting was our annual Christmas party held at the Moose Lodge in Castro Valley. There were about 40 people at the party and plenty of food for all. There was turkey, stuffing, several salads and side dishes. We also had some wonderful pies, cakes, fudge, and breads for dessert.

We took a few moments for business items. Karl Churchill moved to accept the minutes for October and November. Mary Jane Holmes seconded the motion, it was unanimously carried.

Cheryl Gullak was presented a beautiful certificate of appreciation by Ron Miller.

Congratulations to Lyle Allen, the proud winner of this year's turquoise tree made by Doc Buschke for the raffle.

The evening concluded with the silent auction.

Board Meeting – Jan. 10, 2011

President Ron Miller called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm. In attendance was Ron Miller, Mary Jane Holmes, Sheryl Cooper, Betty Milam, Larry Ham, Beth Farmer, Bonnie Andrade, and Norm Hodgson.

Treasurer's Report: We reviewed the December reports prepared by Betty Milam. Beth Farmer moved to accept the treasurer's report. Larry Ham seconded the motion, it was unanimously carried.

Shop Manager: All of the acetylene bottles have been filled. One Genie pump has been replaced and a second one has been ordered. We received a donation of silver. It is available for purchase. Beth tried to replace the saw blade on the small saw, but both of the replacement blades were warped. She will order some more.

Show Chairman: Emails will go out to remind people that the show is just around the corner. The business license is done. The permits have been submitted. We cannot use the kiosks this year.

Editor: We need a new Petrograph editor. The budget, membership application, and show reminder will be emailed out to the members.

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Membership: There are 221 current members.

New Business: Joyce with Math/Science Nucleus in Fremont is excited about our club and annual show. They will be filling the three six foot cases on the stage at this years show. She would like to have an ongoing relationship with us.

Ed Rigor has donated a bunch of rough material. Some of it will be used for the silent auction at the general meetings.

We agreed to use the Moose Lodge for the 2011 Christmas party.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.



General Meeting – Jan, 12, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm, by club President Ron Miller. There were 26 members present.

Three new members joined us since our last meeting. Terry and Janice Goesch have been going to our shows, and have decided to join the club. Rose Tooney loves rocks and hiking. She looked for a local club and found us.

We had to be out of the hall by 8:30, so there was no program this month. Next month will be the presentation of the scholarships.

Shop Manager: Beth Farmer replaced two Genie pumps. The acetylene bottles have been filled. Two saw blades ordered last year were warped when she went to use them.

Librarian: Mary Howell is asking for book/magazine donations to be sold at the show. There will be two tables set up. Please bring the books to the show not the shop.

Pat Rigor donated six binders full of beading patterns. She has been collecting patterns from magazines for years.

Membership: We ended the year with 221 members. We have received 16 applications for the current year. Don't forget to renew your membership and pay your locker fees.

Junior Mentor: No juniors have been showing up recently, but Mark Montgomery has heard that some will be returning soon.

Field Trips: Check the binder at the shop and the Field Trips section of the Petrograph.

Scholarships: Mary Howell will check in with Jeff at Cal State. He is the head of the department and the one who selects the two scholarship recipients. They will each receive a \$500 scholarship.

Education: Diana Cohoon had a successful lost wax class with about 10 students. All of their projects were successful.

Mark Montgomery will be holding a how to cut a cabochon lesson. It will be about a 2 hour class.

Naomi will be starting intarsia classes on Wednesday mornings.

Faceting class is ongoing. The faceting class is a 6-8 week commitment and can only handle 4 students at a time. If you are interested in this class you need to contact the instructor, John Gullak.

Look on the faceting room door for sign up sheets for all classes.

Announcements: Doc Buschke thanks the membership for purchasing tickets for the turquoise tree raffled at the Christmas party. It brought in over \$400.

The club's annual show is coming the last weekend in February. Every member needs to work at least two – 2 hour shifts during the show, and any additional time you can donate will be greatly appreciated.

We need dessert donations for the snack bar, but Beth said "please no extra large pies or extra tall cakes." The large dessert portions will not fit into the containers we have purchased. Sheet cakes and regular sized (not deep dish) pies are preferred. There will be a collection can for cash donations for those who do not have time to shop or bake.

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This year the Fremont library gave us space in a small bottom case for our display. We use this to help advertise for the show. Someone will check in with the Castro Valley library also.

New Business: Norm Hodgson has been talking with Math/Science Nucleus in Fremont. They were formed by paleontologists and have a Warm Springs District fossil deposit site. They have opened an educational museum where you can look at fossils of saber tooth tigers, horses, mastodon tusks and more. The museum is in a 2 story building at the corner of Fremont Blvd. and Eggers Drive. They hope to open up tours of the dig site soon. They would like to maintain a close working relationship with our club. They have a meeting space that holds 70 people. Maybe we can have a display case there. They will be filling our 6 foot cases at the show this year.

Drawing Winners:

Membership Drawing: Tony Cooper's name was pulled, but he was not present so the free membership prize went back into the pot for next month's drawing.

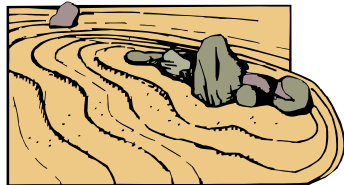
Members Tickets: George Kozakura, Mark Montgomery, Janice Goesch, Jamie McDonald, Eloise Murata-Rudiger, Rose Tooney, Les DeGross, Norm Hodgson, Mary Howell, Sheryl Cooper, Jodi Minshall, Terry Goesch, Lisa Lafferty, Shirley Buschke, and Betty Milam

Meeting Close: The General Membership meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Minutes submitted by Sheryl Cooper, recording Secretary

Rock Rumbles

by Diana Adams-Cohon



Calling all tumblers! We need to get a program going in the shop to start tumbling stones for use in next year's show. The tumbled stones we had to

purchase for this year's show are very expensive, and we can tumble the stones right in our shop. All we need is some volunteers to start the tumbler whenever they come into the shop, be responsible for checking the status of the stones, changing out the grit as needed, and turning off the tumblers when you leave the shop. Mark Montgomery is willing to show volunteers how to set up the tumblers and follow the process from start to finish. Even if you don't have much time to volunteer this is a process that is well worth learning how to do properly for anyone who wants to know about lapidary techniques. The shop supervisors can oversee turning the tumblers on/off during their shift, but volunteers are needed to set up the processing of the stones. We have several pounds of rock available for tumbling, so we can get started soon. Please contact Beth Farmer or Mark Montgomery if you are interested in participating in this program. We all need to do our part for the yearly show and this is one process that has to start a year in advance of the show.



Show Notes:

The raffle drawing for the beautiful Opal Pendant donated by club member Ed Rigor will be held at the club's show held at the Newark Pavilion in the Hall 1 lobby on Sunday February 27th at 4pm. See Diana Cohoon for raffle tickets to sell or buy. Each raffle ticket is only a \$1.00 donation. We all need to do our part to sell raffle tickets to ensure we have a good return on this event. The beautiful 12.2 ct. Opal is set in 15 Grams of 14k Gold with a 14K gold chain. The pendant is valued at \$1,800. Drawing will be Sunday, February 27, 2011 at 4pm (Need not be present to win.)



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Key Show Fund Raiser by Shirley Buschke

One of the key fund raisers at our annual show is the auction that is held at the show. We ask that all members to donate items to be used either for the auction or for door prizes during the show.

Our auctioneer for the last several years has been Rita Frazier. Rita was a member until she moved to Colorado where her husband had a new job. for the last two years she has flown here especially for our show and to be our auctioneer. Our members are really loyal. Several who live a great distance away come to help.

This year as of January 15 we have only 39 items in the auction case. The contributors to date have been Rita Frazier, John Gullak, Doc Buschke, Shirley Buschke, Jim Kennedy, Bernice Griffin, Ed Rigor, Annemarie Kochendorfer and her late husband Willy Kochendorfer, Paul Kenny, Horace Robertson, Jane Panico, Jamie de Spain, Lisa Nordstrom, Chris Pavel-Lignnon, Nicki Churchill, and Bill Luna. Obviously, if you do the math, some members have contributed more than one item. We have over 200 members, so where is your contribution? We all need to do our part to make sure the auction and door prize drawing cases are full.



Thanks For The Donation

by Diana Adams-Cohoon

A big thank you goes out to Annemarie Kochendorfer for the donation to the club of the remainder of Willy's wonderful rock collection. Thanks go out as well to Beth Farmer, Diana Cohoon, Lyle Allen, and Mark Montgomery for packing up and transporting the material to the club on January 17th. There are many blue/gray boxes near the roll up door at the shop for members to go

look through and pick out some material to purchase. The cost is 10 cents per pound. There are also several other boxes in the area that are sealed with tie-wraps. Please do not disturb those sealed boxes as they are not part of this collection and are earmarked for a different purpose. Also for the purposed of good shop housekeeping, please be sure to restack all the boxes after you have finished looking through them to keep the aisles clear. We have noticed the boxes have become a little spread out and are partially blocking the aisleways. Blocked aisles are a safety hazard, so please do your part to restack the boxes neatly. Thank you in advance for your efforts in keeping the shop tidy and safe.



That Time Of Year by Diana Adams-Cohoon

It is that time of year again. Club dues and locker fees need to be paid. We have our show coming up at the end of February, and we need all the money we can collect to put on a great show. We have always had a wonderful show and will continue to do so with the help of all the members. Speaking of which, at our last show meeting it came to our attention that we might be short handed for the set up and take down of the show booths. Any of you who have teenagers in the family, bring them and their friends along to help out. Teenagers are energetic and strong and their help would be greatly appreciated. All extra hands will be needed at the show this year. Please consider volunteering for more than the required four hours. For more information please contact Ron Miller, Mark Montgomery, Betty Milam, or Beth Farmer. We can all pull together and make this our best show yet!



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Calling All Club Members by Betty Milam

Mark the show dates, Friday, February 25, Saturday, February 26, and Sunday, February 27 on your 2011 calendars. The location of our 2011 show will be at the Newark Pavilion, at the corner of Thornton Avenue and Cherry Street in Newark.

All club members are required to give 4-6 hours of their time volunteering during the Annual Show, preferably 2 hours on 2 days of your choosing...and more if you can manage it. Many positions are still available, so there are lots of opportunities to volunteer. The sign-up board for the show workers is at the shop and at the General meeting in February. You can also call into the shop at 887-9007 and have someone fill in your name on the board. Sign up early to get the job you'd most like to do. If it isn't possible for you to personally put in your 4-6 hours of volunteer work during the show weekend, then volunteer a willing and able-bodied relative or friend to work those hours for you.

Soon a club member will be calling to ask for your volunteer help. Please respond with enthusiasm. The positions are many and varied:

- Friday the 25th, escorts are needed to guide the nearly 1,000 school children around the show. The children's tours are between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.
- The Spinning Wheel must be staffed all weekend. If you like kids, you'll love this job.
- Security requires many, many workers all weekend. Volunteers wear the yellow jackets and roam up and down the dealer aisles and station themselves at the entrances.
- Admissions and Hospitality are our face to the public. Their positions are by the front door.
- Food services cannot survive without your volunteer help in the big kitchen, small snack bar, and at the cash register.
- Setup is a group effort during the week leading up to the show.
- Take down is another important group effort that begins after the show ends Sunday evening at 5 p.m.
- And last - but not least - **we are in need of an Auctioneer** !! for our annual auction which is held

Sunday at 2 p.m. this year in the Demonstration Room

See you all at the show!



Thank You Feb 2011 by Shirley Buschke

If you missed out on the yard sale at Annmarie's, you can get a second chance at the shop. Annmarie has donated the rest of Willy Kochendorfer's rock estate to the club and you may purchase the rocks for 10 cents per pound. All proceeds go to the club. Thank you Annmarie.

We have another generous and artistic member in our club. That Rigor family is not only talented but very generous too. Pat is famous for her beautiful bead work, and has collected or designed hundreds of bead patterns over the years. She has donated a binder full of designs and they may be copied by club members for the cost of copying. Thank you, Pat.

And speaking of donations--you can do your part to help the club. Our Librarian Mary Howell asks you to bring books and lapidary magazines to the gem show at the Pavilion for sale. Please don't bring them to the shop we don't have enough room to store them until the show. Thank you for thinking of us.

COMING ATTRACTIONS By Shirley Buschke

There will be another opal class soon, on a Tuesday night. There is a sign up sheet on the door to the faceting room.

In March Mark Montgomery will offer a seminar and demonstration on the art of making cabochons. This will be a 2-3 hour program on a Sunday afternoon.

Suggestion: At the shop open house after the show we can hold a silent auction. Please donate an item, to be sold for the benefit of the club. I would like to suggest a value of \$5.00 to \$20.00. Think of an item appropriate as a Mother's day present.

Diana Cahoon will offer a lost wax class again soon, watch for more information.



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Shop Schedule (For members only)

- Monday **10AM to 1PM**, Lapidary
7PM to 9PM, Beginners only
in lapidary
- Tuesday -Need Daytime Supervisor!
7PM to 9PM, Lapidary,
lost wax & beading.
- Wednesday **-9AM to 1:30PM**, Lapidary,
intarsia & beading.
Library open 10AM to noon.
6PM to 9PM, Lapidary
- Thursday Need Daytime Supervisor!
4PM to 9PM, Lapidary
- Friday Need Daytime and Night Supervisors!
Temporarily closed
- Saturday **9AM to 5PM**, Juniors, adults
w/supervisor's approval
Library open 10AM to noon.
- Sunday **9AM to 2 PM**, Lapidary

SHOP NOTICES:

None at this time...

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