



Club Notes



General Meeting: The next general meeting and Christmas party is on Tues. December 18th set up 5:00PM, dinner at 6pm.

Dec. food: If your name starts with A-f, bring hot side dish, G-P salad, Q-Z, bring a dessert.

New Members: Unless otherwise stated, General Meetings are on the third with Tuesday 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, Dec 10th, 7:00 p.m. at the shop is the next Board Meeting.

Next Show Meeting: Dec 6th 7:00 p.m. at the shop.



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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.

2012 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
Treasurer - Betty Milam	Treasurer@mgscv.org	
1 st Year Director - Mike McBride	Director1@mgscv.org	
2 nd Year Director - Norm Hodgson	Director2@mgscv.org	
3 rd Year Director - Mary Jane Holmes	Director3@mgscv.org	
Federation Director - Ron Hasemeyer	Federation@mgscv.org	
Shop Manager - Beth Farmer	ShopManager@mgscv.org	
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Membership - Tony Cooper	membership@mgscv.org	510-589-5292
Editor - Diana Cohoon	Editor@mgscv.org	
Past President - Bonnie Andrade	pastpresident@mgscv.org	

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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Publication Staff



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Meeting Minutes

BOARD MEETING -Nov.12th, 2012
Submitted by Sheryl Cooper

Ron Miller called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm. In attendance were **Ron Miller, Betty Milam, Sheryl Cooper, Bonnie Andrade, Mike McBride, Cathy Miller, Diana Cohoon, Beth Farmer, and Norm Hodgson**

Treasurer: We reviewed the July, August, September, and October treasurer's report from **Betty Milam**. **Beth Farmer** moved to accept the reports as presented. **Norm Hodgson** seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

Minutes: **Beth Farmer** moved to accept the July, August, September and October board minutes as printed in the Petrograph. **Betty Milam** seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

Shop: Two motors were replaced - one in a saw and the other in the sphere machine. Saw blades and Genie wheels have been ordered. We need to purchase a barrel of oil for the saws. There is concern over how much was used in such a short time. We will have to wait until next year to make the purchase. The building management is changing hands. As of Nov 1st PG&E switched us from a flat rate to time of use rates. We are getting new neighbors and the PG&E meter is partly shared with the neighbors. So Betty will monitor the bill online and see what happens.

Show: The Pavilion agreed to supply us with a copy the plans that are being submitted for the permit and a copy of the work to be

done, so they were given the check for the permits. We discussed the additional fees the Pavilion is asking for the actual work. Greg Burg is helping us interrupt the plans and the cost. Sally is working on the flyers, raffle tickets, and programs for the show. Most of the contracts have been delivered. The fluorescent dealers are asking for back tables.

Editor: Since the Petrograph has been emailed to the other societies and clubs we have been getting responses, questions, and information to include in our newsletter or post at the shop. **Diana** is enjoying all of the communications.

Education: There was a real nice opal class by **Ed Rigor**. **Diana** is holding lost wax classes. They are still working on getting another soldering class.

Elections: We discussed the slate of Officers for next year. The open positions are - director 2nd year and 3rd year. **Ron** would like to step down from presidency.

Budget: **Betty** presented a budget for next year and it was discussed. Norm Hodgson moved to accept the budget with a small change. **Diana Cohoon** accepted the motion and it was carried unanimously.

New Business: We talked about a pay pal account and **Tony Cooper** was appointed to look into it and set it up. He will also work on an electronic membership application to be used with pay pal. We discussed adding the feature of paying for classes through pay pal. It will need more discussion.

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The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

GENERAL MEETING Nov.20th, 2012

Submitted by Sheryl Cooper

Ron Miller called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm. There were 26 members and 1 guest. **Mike McBride's** grandson - **Jason** wants to collect and work on rocks.

Minutes: **Mark Montgomery** moved to accept the October minutes as printed in the Petrograph. **John Caudill** seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Program: We watched You Tube Videos on natures living gem stone - Baltic Amber.

Amber has been used for years in jewelry, furniture, decorations, artwork and medicinal uses. The variance in color is due to trapped air bubbles. The more air bubbles the whiter the stone. Opaque and yellow amber are the most abundant. The rarest is transparent. Scientists are interested in the animals and vegetation that is encased in the amber. They have found samples from millions of years ago. We saw many beautiful examples of what you can be done with amber - from rings and pendants to artwork and large pieces of furniture. To check it out for yourself go to

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=huls7o5L9q8>

Baltic Amber is also used in healing. We saw part of a video on a teething necklace. Now this teether is not for chewing on but rather for wearing to alleviate pain and discomfort. You can see this video at http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aj9-D9L_zII

Shop: **Beth** is sad to report we are over budget this year in shop expense. She is frustrated over a missing gear puller. A barrel of oil for the saws only lasted one year instead of the typical two years.

Show: There is 3-1/2 months until the show. We need help with the spinning wheel, and sorting the club cases on Monday during the setup. Members are required to work a **minimum of 4 hours** at our annual show. This is how our club supports itself for the year. We need everyone to show up and volunteer. There are several non members volunteering and we deeply appreciate all of their help. This year **Mike Tice** is handling publicity. **Norm Hodgson** is the person to contact for the display cases. Signup sheets for shifts at the show will be the Christmas Party and at the shop. The next showing meeting will be Dec 6th at the shop at 7:00 pm.

Editor: **Diana** is looking for articles on trips you took, what you are working on, or anything you would like to share.

Library: The donated books have brought in \$500 between last year's show and at the shop. There is still many to choose from and most are 4 for a \$1. **Mary** has added two books to the library. Dana's Manual of Geology from 1880 and Christies Catalog about stone cylinder seals from 3000 BC. These are for reference only.

If you have books or magazines you would like to donate, please hang on to them and bring them to the show.

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Membership: We have 172 current members.

Juniors: There is a new junior starting this month.

Education: Look for a polymer clay class starting in December.

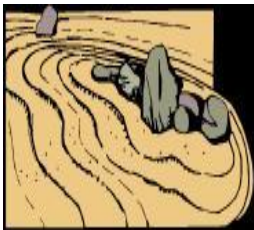
Announcements: The Christmas Party will be Dec 18th at the Church of Christ in Hayward, at 7:30. There will be two turkeys. The rest is up to everyone else to bring. **If your last name begins with A-F please bring a hot dish, G-P please bring a salad, and Q-Z please bring a dessert.** Doc is selling raffle tickets for the beautiful turquoise tree to be raffled at the party.

Drawings: The name pulled for the \$100 member drawing was **Mel Klas**, but they were not present to win.

Guest Tickets - **Jason** picked out a rock he couldn't resist.

Attending Member Tickets - **John Gullak, Diana Cohoon, Mikey, Beth Farmer, Angelo, Chris, Sheryl Cooper, Cathy Miller, Arland Stokes, Mike McBride, Bev Ewing, and Kamil Targosz.**

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm



ROCK RUMBLES Dec. 2012

By Shirley Buschke

ROCK RUMBLES Dec 12

We will miss **MaryJane Holmes**. She was so positive at our last meeting, but the cancer got her. Our sympathy to her family.

Turquoise tree time **Doc Buschke** has finished another tree. Tickets are on sale at the shop, at the December dinner. All proceeds to the club. Let's beat last year's total.

"A little dab will do you." And that's the truth. Too much polish is being used on the polishing wheels. Quantity doesn't polish faster. In most cases there is enough polish on the leather that a spray of water is all you need. Save the club money and get a better polish.

We sure do have travelers in this club. **Niki and Karl Churchill** just returned from a 28 day cruise to Hawaii with numerous stopovers on the way. They started with Disneyland, then San Diego, Tahiti and Hawaii and back. Wonderful time, won awards on board ship, read 15 books and took 37 thousand pictures. Another traveler was motorcyclist from San Francisco, **Lyle Schoeff**, who returned from London. And Moscow bound is **Pavel A. Kkozyrev**. It took him two days to get there because of delays due to the massive storm, Sandy. He is getting reacquainted with family members. He called his dad and told him he lapses into English mixed with Russian and confuses everyone. Pavel is the member who does that intricate filagree silver work of animals.

Lee Chavez invites all of us to the Native American Indian show in Spreckles (near Monterey) Dec 2-3. Interesting articles,

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and interesting food. Small but nice. So was the Livermore show. **Doc Buschke** exhibited turquoise. **Naomi Morgan** had even more intarsia on exhibit than at the Concord show. **Bonnie Andrade** and **Shirley Buschke** also exhibited.

Great to see **Mike deBlasio** at the shop. He has had a rough time recently. His dad died and he had back surgery and is still undergoing physical therapy. He said it is nice to finally get around again. He and I discovered we go to the same physical therapy studio.

Remember last week **Jodi Minshall** donated several findings to the store. Now we have more from Bonnie Andrade and her mother to add to our supply. There is some nice stuff here. We will have it at the meeting. In the mean time it is available at the shop. Compared to today's catalog prices, there are some REAL bargains.

Great little Livermore show. Hope you did not miss it. Boy, are we lucky. Actually our members have worked hard to enable us to be lucky and to enjoy our shop everyday of the week. The Livermore club has a small shop that is open on Tuesday from 7-10 three times a month. One Tuesday a month the hours are 3-7. But it is spotless.

So volunteer to work for our club, clean up the shop, teach a class, pay for the coffee, pay for cutting rocks. Don't expect "George" to do it. And remember, certain tools and supplies are meant to be used AT THE SHOP. They are not on loan to you. So return them now. Because some oil disappeared, some saws will be out of

commission. Nothing left in the budget to replace the oil.

The Kleines have been absent from the Concord and Livermore show, and for a sad reason. Their laded truck was stolen from their driveway, contents removed and the inside of the truck stripped. The Kleines had customized the inside with shelves, etc, for their merchandise. Because of the storm, Sandy, they have been unable to replace their inventory. Insurance recovery was minimal. we miss them. Hope they are back in business soon.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

"The California Federation of Mineralogical Societies (CFMS) has sent an invitation to our members to join their 2013 Annual Show and Convention. The show takes place May 31-June 2, 2013 at the Ventura County Fairgrounds, 10 W. Harbor Blvd., Ventura, CA (just off 101 Freeway) The theme is California Rocks! Our members are being invited to install an exhibit showing minerals or fossils from California, or a display of our state rocks, or exhibit a collection that really rocks!

The advance registration form, the show directory, the non-competitive exhibit invitation, the competition entry & certification form, and information on the field trip will be available on the desk in our shop's office.

For more information visit www.cfms2013.com, show contact - (805)494-7734, show info@cfms2013.com

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One of our members **Owen Brand** is going to be demonstrating in Berkeley, and has invited any members interested to attend.

Friday December 14 1pm to 8 pm

Open House free admission

Silvera Jewelry School

1105 Virginia Street, Berkeley CA 94702

Soldering Jewelry with **Joe Silvera**

Enameling with a Torch with **Anat Silvera**

Lapidary - stone cutting with **Owen Brand**

for more information contact him at:

Owens email owen.brand@sbcglobal.net

Web site: <http://owenbranddesigns.com>

Volunteer needed:

Our club is in need of a volunteer willing and available to do classroom visits. A short 20 minute presentation will be given to you as a guide, as well as some materials for 'hands-on' by the students. There are enough rocks available at the shop, so don't feel you have to buy any. Normally it is the teachers of grades 2 thru 4 who contact us to schedule a visit. Contact **Shirley Buschke** at essyjab@aol.com

Or **Betty Milam** at solidcedar@comcast.net to discuss this program further. Educating the public is critical for the continuation of our non-profit status. Please consider this program if your days are flexible. Past volunteers share their experience and the pleasure they receive from these visits. Thanking you in advance."

Volunteers needed: "Your Volunteer Service is needed "Now is the time to

consider your 4 hours, minimum, volunteer service to our show, March 1st, 2nd & 3rd 2013. Our show depends on your volunteer service to be successful. You may volunteer by mail, by returning the club show questionnaire sent to you, or by signing into our show sign-up logbook at the shop and general meetings, or by calling our shop phone (510-807-9007) and leaving your schedule and phone number. We need chairpersons to help organize two areas: SPINNING WHEEL and ELECTRICAL SET-UP & TAKE-DOWN. We will have food trucks this year so there will be much less kitchen staff needed. We also have a new area, the GEODE CUTTER that will need volunteers. You may contact me directly at my e-mail: mikemacmcbride@comcast.net. Thank you for your time. - Mike McBride, Show Volunteer Coordinator

SHOW SCHEDULES

Mojave Desert Gem & Mineral Society

Dec. 1st & 2nd 10-5 daily

Cora Harper Community Center

841 S. Barstow Rd. (north of I-15)

Gene Haines

email@mdgms.org

Orange Belt Mineralogical Society

San Bernadino, Ca.

Dec. 7th & 9th 9am to dusk daily

Western Region Little League park

6707 Little League Dr.

<http://OBMSrocks.yolasite.com>

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San Geronio Mineral & Gem Society

Indio, Feb. 15th -24th

Riverside Co. fair & National Date festival
46-530 Arabia St.

Bert Grisham 951-849-1674

Bert67@verizon.net

Mineral & Gem society of Castro Valley

Newark, Ca

March 1st -3rd, Fri. & Sat. 10-6pm, Sun. 10-5

Newark Pavillion

6430 Thornton Ave

Cathy Miller cdmiller59@gmail.com

www.mgscv.org

Monrovia Rockhounds

Arcadia Ca.

March 3rd & 4th 9-4:30 daily

The Arboretum & Botanic Gardens

301 So. Baldwin ave.

Jo Anna Ritchey 626- 359-1624

joannaritchey@gmail.com

www.moroks.com

Ventura Gem & Mineral Society

Ventura, Ca

March 2nd & 3rd Sat. 10-5 Sun. 10-4pm

Ventura county fairgrounds

10 W. Harbor Blvd.

Krishna Juarez 805-320-1094

Abaris2007@gmail.com

www.vgms.org

Salinas Valley Rock & Gem

Spreckels, Ca.

March 9th & 10th 10-5pm daily

Spreckle's Vets Hall

5th & Llano sts.

Karen Saloman 831-375-5233

Kcbakes27@yahoo.com

Lemoore gem & Mineral Club

Leemore, Ca

March 16th & 17th Sat. 10-6pm, Sun. 10-4pm

Trinity Hall

470 Chapman St.

Chris Wartenberger 559-309-3433

leemoregemandmineral@gmail.com

Vallejo Gem & Mineral Society

Vallejo, Ca

March 16th & 17th 10-5pm daily

Solano county fairgrounds

900 Fairgrounds Dr.

Dan Wolke 707-745-1816

South Bay Lapidary & Mineral Society

Torrance, Ca

March 23rd & 24th Sat. 10-5 & Sun.10-4pm

Ken Miller Recreation center

3341 Torrance Blvd.

Bill Sudduth 310-787-7851

Sudduth3@msn.com

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Field Trips

Rock Hound Field Trip Fanatics

Dec. 30th Area 54, Panoche Hills, Western Fresno county,, Ca

Meet @the Chevron Travel Plaza@ 8:30 am
Sun. more info @ <http://rockhound-field-trips.com/events>

Kris W. Rowe, organizer



GEM OF THE MONTH

Our member has belonged to the club for 16yrs. He grew up in Payson, Utah, and he grew up where they filmed Footloose. His dad and uncle got him interested in rocks, they took him to shows and the rest is history. He lives in Yucaipa between L.A. and Palm Springs, and is an Inspector for the state of Calif. in air conditioning. He teaches classes up and down the state in energy efficiency. He has been a scout master for 20 yrs. and teaches the kids about rocks and minerals. His wife and daughter make and create jewelry. He loves to work with wood and burls, and makes walking sticks. His first love is jade and opals. He donated some jade handled knives for our show auction a couple of years ago. He reports that he has been to a lot of clubs, in his travels, and says ours is the

best in the world. Can you guess who our Gem is? His name is **Roger Thornton**.

BRAD SMITH BENCH TIPS

OCHRE APPLICATOR

Yellow ochre is used when you want to be sure the solder will not flow onto an area of your piece while you're soldering on another area. The only problem with ochre is coming up with a good way to store and apply it. I like recycled nail polish bottles. They seal well and have a built-in brush. Just clean them out with a little acetone or nail polish remover, and they're ready to go.

"Bench Tips for Jewelry Making" is now available as an e-book for Kindle and Nook readers. Free apps allow it to be read on most phones, tablets, and home computers. The book can be found at several locations:

Kindle edition -

www.amazon.com/dp/BOOA5ELDRU

Nook edition -

www.bn.com/w/?ean=2040015848915

Print edition -

wwwcreatespace.com/3976439

Makes a good holiday present for friends who do jewelry.

SANDING/POLISHING IN TIGHT PLACES

Often you'll need to sand or polish an area that's impossible to reach with even a small wheel on a flexshaft. Other times it might be the bottom of a pocket or inside bottom corner of a box that needs to be finished. One trick for these nit-picky jobs may be

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left over from your last Chinese dinner - a chopstick.

I've found quite a few uses for these in the shop. Prepare the tip by simply sawing it off at a 45 degree angle. Then apply whatever abrasive grit you will need for the job or hold a strip of sandpaper around the end. Loose grit can be held onto the tip with a bit of Vaseline or oil. Tripoli or rouge can be just rubbed onto the end of the chopstick.

More Bench Tips by Brad Smith are at [facebook.com/BenchTips/](https://www.facebook.com/BenchTips/) or [yahogroups.com/group/BenchTips/](https://www.yahogroups.com/group/BenchTips/)

KIDS KORNER

We will be back in January.

In Memoriam

Dear Friends of Mary Jane Holmes:



It is with the deepest sorrow in my heart that I write to share the sad news that I lost the love of my life Tuesday night, Nov. 20. Mary Jane died after a sudden turn for the worse, ending a long, valiant struggle with cancer. Her two sisters were able to visit her on Tuesday and, with their spouses and one of her nieces, joined me for Mary Jane's final moments of life.

Despite our grief, I want to share Mary Jane's spirit as she faced the end of life. Recently, we attended a reunion with her fellow Peace Corps volunteers with whom she served as a teacher in Western Samoa in the

1970s and each of whom knew about her battle with cancer. She reminisced about those Peace Corps days, her life traveling after the Peace Corps, her teaching career in Fremont, California, our marriage, her stepsons and our grandchildren, concluding: "It's been a wonderful life. I've had a great life." We had been planning a Celebration of Life event for Sunday afternoon, Dec. 2, but had not gotten word out as far and wide as we had hoped because of her declining health. She had very much wanted to be present. We are planning to proceed with that event starting at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 2, at Montclair Presbyterian Church, 5701 Thornhill Drive, Oakland, California. You are invited to join us.

There is no wish for flowers. A memorial fund or donation source is being worked on and there will be word on that later.

I have had created a guestbook page at the Albert Brown Mortuary in Oakland where you may share thoughts and memories. They will be treasured by me and the rest of her family. Go to the link <http://tinyurl.com/Holmes-Guestbook> and then enter her name in the Search box to reach the Guestbook.

Love to all of you from me and from Mary Jane.
Tom Debley



MERRY CHRISTMAS

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Shop Schedule (All shop sessions members only)

- Monday** 10AM to 1PM, Lapidary
6PM to 9PM, Beginners only in lapidary
- Tuesday** 9:30AM to 12:30PM, need daytime supervisor
6PM to 9:00 PM, Lapidary,
- Wednesday** 9AM to 12:00PM, Lapidary
Library open 10AM to noon.
5:30 - 8:00 PM Lapidary
- Thursday** 10:00AM to 1:00 PM, Lapidary
7PM to 9 PM, Lapidary
- Friday** 9-1 PM Lapidary, Faceting (experienced only)
- Saturday** 9AM to 3PM, Faceting Class 9-12, Juniors,
w/supervisor's approval, lapidary
Library open 10AM to noon.
- Sunday** 9:30AM to 12:30PM, Lapidary

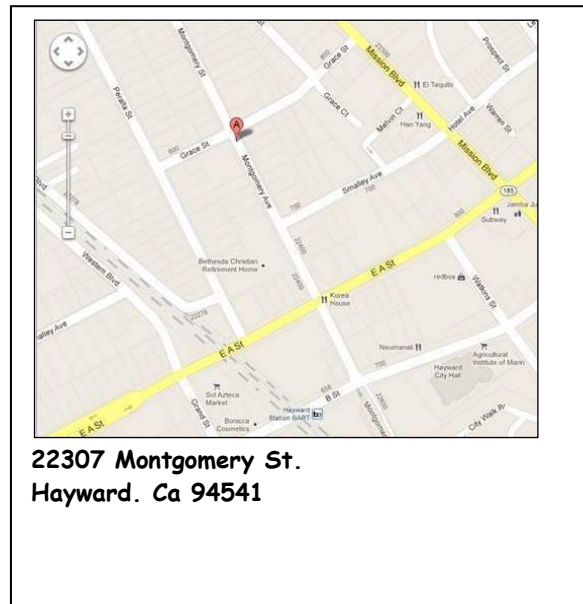
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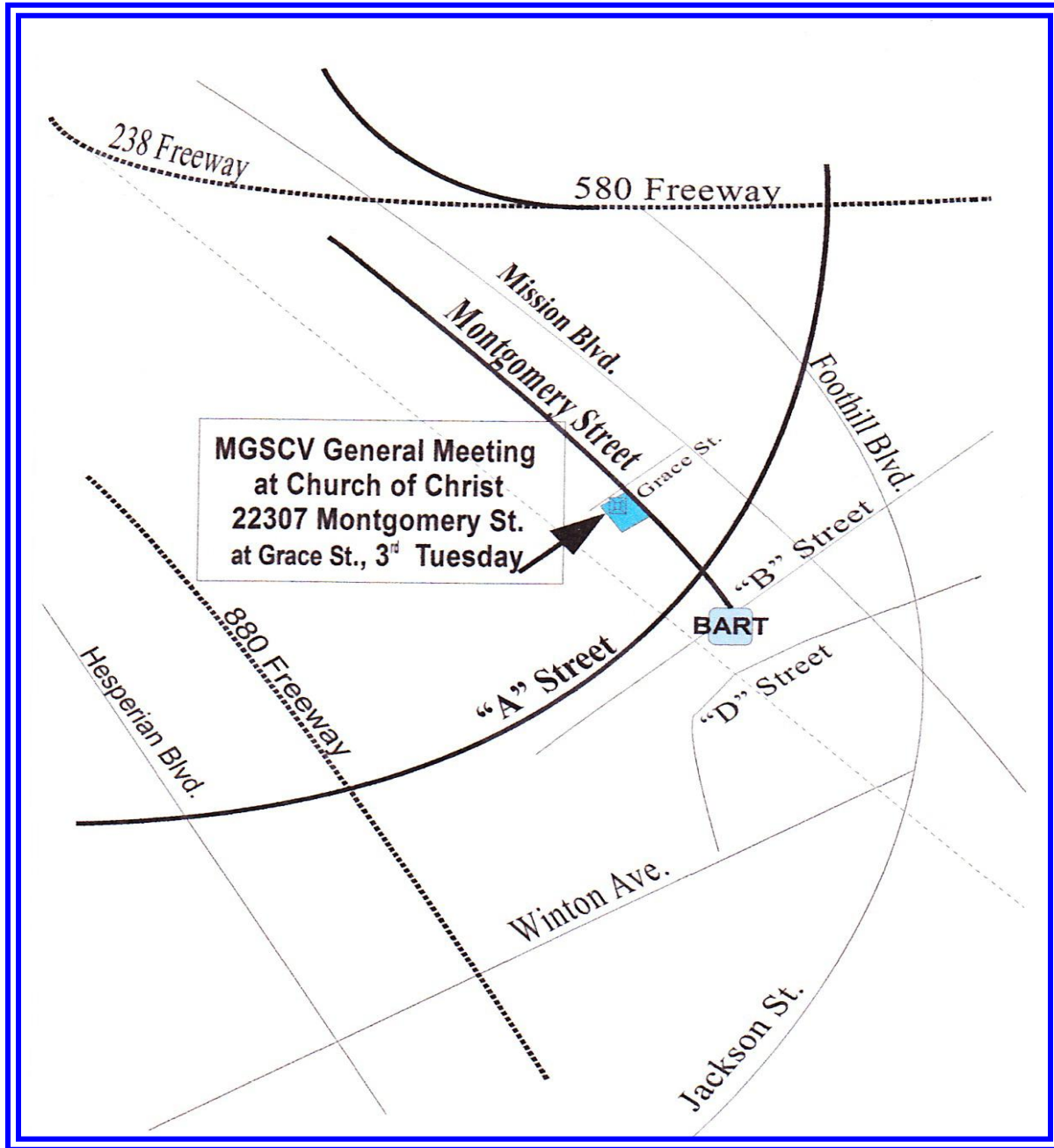
There are only a few people who are authorized to invest in the casting room. If You are interested in learning how to invest, Contact **Jim Ewing**, or **Diana Cohoon**

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 Email us at info@mgscv.org



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From I 580: Take the A Street exit and go west, turn right on Montgomery Street and go to 22307 Montgomery Street.

From I 880: Take the A Street exit and go East. Turn left on Montgomery Street and go to 22307 Montgomery.

From Jackson Street: Go north on Mission Boulevard, turn left onto A Street, then right on Montgomery Street and go to 22307 Montgomery Street.

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Mineral & Gem Society of Castro Valley (MGSCV)
Membership Application and Information



Membership is good for one calendar year from January 1st through December 31st. Please fill out and sign the application. Mail the completed form, a check for the dues **payable to MGSCV**, and a self-addressed, stamped envelope to - **MGSCV, Attn: Membership Chair, P.O. Box 2145, Castro Valley, CA 94546.**

Your membership is active upon receipt of your check and application. It will be processed and membership cards will be mailed to you within 4 weeks. Your email will be added to the list for the Petrograph, our newsletter. Your name will be added to the roster in the lobby at the workshop and in the drawing at the general meetings for cash prizes, if present.

We are a non-profit club whose sole purpose is the education of lapidary arts and geological sciences for all who are interested. **No products produced in the shop can be sold for profit.** All members should have or be familiar with the MGSCV Handbook. A copy is available for review in the club's lobby or one can be emailed to you by sending a request to info@mgscv.org.

Before any member may operate any equipment or take any class they must have completed an orientation and their first cabochon. **To schedule an orientation send an email to WorkShopManager@mgscv.org with your name, phone number, and a good time to call you.** During the orientation you will learn about the club and get a tour of the workshop. Monday evenings are reserved for beginners only.

Membership dues cover less than 10% of our annual operating costs. It is our annual show that funds the club, workshop and all activities. **A requirement of membership is that every member must work at the show for a minimum of 4 hours.** The show is always held the first full weekend of March, so mark your calendars. The show is fun to work and is the reason we have the best workshop/club in Northern California. Shop services such as rock sawing, casting, special classes (faceting, wire wrap, metal work, etc...) will not be available to members who do not work at the show.

Membership Chairperson

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Type of Membership(s): (check all that apply) new membership renewal membership

Single - \$35 Couple - \$60 Junior (11-17 with adult) - \$1 Junior (11-17 without adult) - \$5

Associate - \$17.50 (former member living more than 100 miles away) Lifetime (voted in by the board)

After July 1st all new membership dues are half (1/2)

Name(s) (Please print all the names.)

Adults: _____

Juniors: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

(Our monthly newsletter, the Petrograph, will be emailed to this address.)

Occupational Skills: _____

(Sometimes we are in need of advice and/or help in regards to electrical, plumbing, mechanical, clerical or other skills.)

Confidentiality: (check all that apply)

I do not want my address printed in the roster at the shop.

I do not want my phone number printed in the roster at the shop.

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I agree with the By-laws and rules of the Mineral & Gem Society of Castro Valley (MGSCV).

Members Signatures: _____

Mail to – **MGSCV, Attn: Membership Chair, P.O. Box 2145, Castro Valley, CA 94546**