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I see you at the meetings,  
But you never say "HELLO".  
Your busy all the time you're there  
With those you already know.

I set among the members  
And yet I'm a lonesome guy,  
The new fish are as strange as I  
But you old fellows pass me by.

But remember you asked us in  
And you talk of fellowship!  
You could step across the room,  
But you never make the trip.

Why can't you nod and say "Hello"  
Or stop and shake my hand  
Then go and sit among your friends,  
Now That I could understand.

I'll be at your next gathering,  
My time there I'll spend,  
Do you think you could introduce yourself?  
I want to be your friend.

Author Unknown  
Via many exchange bulletins.

## SHASTA GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY, INC.

Shasta Gem & Mineral Society, Inc                      ROC TOC                      2010

### Elected Officers

President  
 Steve Puderbaugh..... 604-2951  
 Vice President  
 Sara Fenske..... 528-2651  
 Secretary  
 Phyllis Szynter .....241-2010  
 Treasurer  
 Sandra Park/..... 246-9822  
 Rochelle Ohlson, Assistant 221-8050

### Board of Directors

Marianne Sweetwood.....549-4598  
 Steve Szynter                      241-2010  
 Bill Doyle..... 549-3039

Junior Advisor & Work Shop Advisor:  
 Rochelle Ohlson... 221-8050  
 Assistant Junior & Shop Advisor  
 Steve Szynter ..... 241-2010

### Appointed Committees

Programs  
 Sara Fenske..... 528-2651  
 Field Trips  
 Jim Foster..... 347-1819  
 Sara Fenske ..... 528-2651  
 Properties  
 Bill Seward ..... 365-8641  
 Publicity  
 Kelly O'Leary ..... 221-7281  
 Show Chairman  
 Steve Puderbaugh  
 Assistant Show Chairman .....604-2051  
 Bill Seward.....365-8641  
 Dealer Chairman  
 Bill Seward ..... 365-8641  
 Membership  
 Gretta Seward..... .. 365-8641  
 Library is @ workshop, and Donations are Welcome.

Sunshine  
 Joanne Pryor ..... 241-2180  
 Scholarship  
 Marianne Sweetwood 549-4598  
 Raffle  
 Jim & Pat Foster ..... 347-1819  
 Hospitality  
 Jan Stone ..... 549-077  
 Roc Toc  
 Gretta Seward ..... 365-8641  
 Coffee  
 Jan Stone ..... 549-4077  
 Superior Cal.  
 Steve Puderbaugh ... 604-2951  
 CFMS Directors  
 Bob & Jeane Stultz ..... 243-3024  
 Kitchen: All Members

Workshop Co Chairman, Bill Seward  
 Workshop Treasurer, Sandra Park

Workshop Chairman, Steve Puderbaugh  
 Workshop Equip. Manager,

**Board Meeting:** : Next to last Monday of each month, location to be determined by the Board.

**Regular Meeting:** The second Friday of each month, at the Anderson Grange Hall, south of the Redding Airport on Figtree Lane. Potluck dinner starts at 6:30, meeting after approx at 7:30.

**Dues:** \$15.00 each adult per year, junior membership is \$8.00 each per year paid to the membership chairman. Bulletins for life members are \$5.00 membership chairman.

**SGMS** is a member of the Superior Federation of the Mineralogical Societies and the Superior California Association. The SGMS is a non-profit organization dedicated to increasing knowledge of gem, minerals and the lapidary arts programs through reading, classes and field trips to perpetuate a deep friendship of fellow rock hounds. Permission is given for use of the material printed in the ROC TOC, provided credit is given. Exchange bulletins are welcome and can be mailed to Gretta Seward 20361 River Valley Dr., Anderson, California 96007-8406.

Shasta Gem & Mineral Society Club workshop is located at the "Marx House", 6471 Airport Road, Anderson, CA 96007. [www.shastagemandmineral.com](http://www.shastagemandmineral.com)

SHASTA GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY  
General Meeting March 2010

The March 12, 2010 general meeting convened at 7:37 PM after the conclusion of the Pot luck dinner. Table three was first this time. The men did the cleanup. Cleanup for next Time was not assigned.

Sara Fenske vice president presided in the absence of president Steve Puderbaugh. Gabby Costa led the Pledge of Allegiance. Jan Stone made a motion to accept the minutes from the Last meeting to be approved. Mary Ann Sweetwood seconded the motion which carried. The Treasurers report was given by Rochelle Ohlson . The club checking account has \$1,052.73 in it, the workshop account has \$2,611.81 in it, the raffle account has \$6,478.27 In it, the junior account has \$553.83 in it, the general savings account has \$4062.48 in it, And the workshop CD has \$6,793.33 in it.

Jan Stone introduced our visitors - Virgie McBroome Kathy Rute, Tony and Suzanne Adams, Corena LaVier, and Marie and Richard Aragon.

JoAnne Pryor gave the Sunshine report. Mitch O'Leary's mother died, Steve Kozak has a Heart problem, and Betty Kozak has a pneumonia like illness.

Sara Fenske called for old business. The business of needing a projector that was mentioned At the February meeting. Treasurer Sandy Park said we cannot use the raffle money for the Projector according to our constitution . This item needs to be addressed at our March board Meeting. The meeting will be held at Bill Doyles house on March 22nd. Mary Anne Sweetwood Made a motion to address this at the March board meeting and Bill Doyle seconded it.

Sara Fenske was not able to present her film tonight because the Grange TV won't work With her DVD player.

Sara Fenske introduced new business. She mentioned bringing rocks for tumbling and silent Auction to the shop. She stated a collection box could be put at the shop for that purpose. She Also thought identifying the rocks for the silent auction would be a good idea. The lists for Helpers at the show will be put up at the shop. A note in the Roc Toc to bring rocks for the Silent auction to the meetings will be made as well.

We made \$275 on the raffle. The field trip in April will be for Pulga Jade which is actually Idocrase. Pulga is 40 miles from Oroville or 70 miles from Chico. The trip will be April 24th. Call Sara Fenske if your are interested in going.

Digger said there are crystals around the point at the Lake Oroville parking lot. Sara said She was taken to pick up crystals up Dry Creek at Lake Shasta. Shareen also mentioned that Ingot was a place to pick up Azurite specimens.

Shareen made a motion to close the meeting. Motion was seconded by Charlie McKee.

Steve Sznyter gave a talk on some of the rocks on the Raffle table.

The meeting was closed at 8 PM and the raffle commenced.

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RAFFLE REPORT FEBRUARY 12, 2010

Many thanks to all the members and guests who purchased tickets and those members who donated many special items for the table, we really had a full table.

Many thanks to : Austin Espy (S.Puderbaugh's grandson) Denise Jarvis, Gareth Ohlson, Marsha Ames, and Mary Colbert for helping me to tear the tickets. I was swamped, asked for help and many of you responded, I appreciate you all.

We thank Austin Espy for helping Jim draw the tickets, he is a "gem" to work with.

The Donors were:

1. Bill & Susan Doyle.....Crane Creek Geodes Oregon
2. Debbie Duncan,,,,,Gem & Mineral Guide book
3. Glenn Chamberlin.....Brazilian agate heart, for a pendant
4. Denise Cambon,,,,,Flame Obsidian Bead, for a pendant
5. Sara Fenske.....4 Boxes of Starbucks Tea, bag of flavored teas & many samples of coffee.
6. Mel Clair,,,,,, Geode, solid inside
7. Rich & Kelly-----A tremendous variety of rocks
8. Ann Morningstar=====Pearl & glass necklace, 2 hair clips, 2 glass bead bracelets, & glass bead necklace
9. Nathan Huey<<<<<<<Faceted stones: Topaz 3.48 carats, Lab.sapphire, Amethyst & Black star sapphire.

Once again, we say Thank you much.

Your Raffle Team-----Jim and Pat Foster

SHASTA GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY, INC.  
RAFFLE REPORT MARCH 12, 2010

We thank each and everyone of the members and guests who participated in the club raffle.

We thank the members who donated items for the raffle table, it sure adds to what the club provides.

Those who donated items :

1. Linda Breazeal=====3 bags of strung, colored rocks.
2. Bill & Susan Doyle:::::Variety of geodes, slabs & chunks.
3. Ann Morningstar\*\*\*\*\*Dolphin beaded necklace, beaded 3 strand necklace, pink fillgree necklace, 1 glass bracelet, & set of hair clips.
4. Quartz Man (Digger).....Quartz Ingot Lake bottom "local".
5. Steve Szynter^^^^^^Quartz X 1 mass.
6. Alan Leedy<<<<<<<Mahogany obsidian slab & 2 finished cabs.
7. Debbie Duncan//////// 1/2 --4" thunder egg.
8. John Elwanger++++++2--7"X2"X2" Rosewood , carved jewelry boxes.

Many Thank you's to the thoughtful members who came up to help us tear the tickets for the tumbler. Linda Breazeal, Denise Jarvis, Cindy Costa, and Gareth Ohlson.

Thank you to Gabelle Costa for drawing the tickets for us.

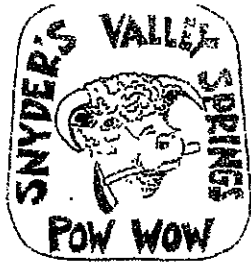
Last but not least ::: Thank you to Bill & Gretta Seward and Richard & Sandy Park for all the prizes they purchased in Arizona.

And slipping in another Thank you to Jan Stone for preparing the coffee and opening up the Grange Hall.

I'm on a roll now !!!!!!!Thank you to Jan Stone and Susan Doyle for setting up the sound system.

Your Raffle Team

Jim and Pat Foster



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*Hello Fellow Rockhounds, Gem and Mineral Enthusiasts!*

*After 35 years of our wonderful, successful family rock gem and mineral show we would like to invite your club members either to come up and visit us or include us in your club newsletter.*

*The 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Snyder's Valley Springs Pow Wow is held in Valley Springs, Ca located in beautiful Calaveras County. Our 3 day event takes place out in the pasture of a working cattle ranch the first weekend in May. This year that date is May 7, 8, & 9, 2010.*

*Over 200 vendors from all over the country join us every year and our visitors range from 20,000 to 35,000 people. Several local charities have booths serving homemade strawberry shortcake, churches with hand made pies and of course the crowd favorite of Indian Fry Bread and Indian Tacos. We have Native Americans dancing, Mountain Men with their Teepees giving survival demonstrations, Radio Controlled Airplanes, Antique Steam Engines and Model A Cars!!*

*If you will send us flyers for your club we are more than happy to hand them out to our visitors and to our dealers. We are also more than happy to send you some of our flyers if you are interested.*

*Please drop us a line if you have any questions about our pow wow or if we can help you in any way.*

*Take a few minutes and visit our website or email us!*

*Our email is [Snyderspowwow@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Snyderspowwow@sbcglobal.net)*

*Our website [www.valleyspringspowwow.com](http://www.valleyspringspowwow.com)*



**GOD LOVES YOU!**

**DIANA, BETTY, JEANNENE AND SHIRLEY**

## Public Lands Advisory Council South

By John Martin

On the Southern Front the California Desert Conservation and Recreation Act of 2010 (S 2921) is still moving forward in the Senate Committee. This legislation if enacted will close nearly 2 million acres of Southern California Public Lands to most Public Access and will be open only to special interest groups. At this time a non scientific poll of concerned citizens and eligible voters, shows 62% are against and 38% are for this legislation. The poll results may be followed at the below website. Though the current proposal states that currently allowed activities including Rockhounding will continue in certain areas with in the controlled areas, this wording may be deleted in the final version of the bill to be voted on in congress. Please continue to write to your elected House of Representative member and voice your opinion on this important piece of proposed legislation. Remember 1 FAX or Letter = 10 phone calls = 100 emails. Your continued Rockhounding in Southern California Deserts depends on you. Just keep in mind that Section 14 of the proposal closes or drastically limits collecting on any new or acquired lands within the California Desert Conservation Area.

### Section 14: Prohibited Uses of Donated and Acquired Lands

This section would prohibit the use of donated or acquired lands for development, mining, off-highway vehicle use (except designated routes), grazing, military training and other surface disturbing activities. (This means Rockhounding) This prohibition would apply only to public lands within the California Desert Conservation Area.

More information on this proposed legislation may be found at this website [http://www.washingtonwatch.com/bills/show/1111\\_SN\\_2921.html](http://www.washingtonwatch.com/bills/show/1111_SN_2921.html)

A summary of this bill in PDF form may be found at this website

## Convention/Show Information AFMS/CFMS Annual Show & Convention June 18 - 20, 2010 La Habra/Whittier, CA



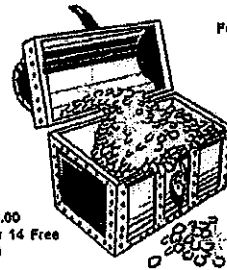
AFMS/CFMS

2010 Gem Show

Hosted by:  
North Orange County Gem & Mineral Society



Games  
Displays  
Raffle Prizes  
Gems & Jewelry  
Sponsoring:  
La Habra Youth



Fossils  
Kids Room  
Food

Admission: \$6.00  
Children under 14 Free  
(with an adult)

Free  
Parking

### HIDDEN TREASURES

June 18 - 20, 2010  
Fri. - Sun. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.



So. CA University of Health Sciences  
16200 E. Amber Valley Dr. Whittier, CA 90604

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Hosted by the North Orange County Gem & Mineral Society

### HOW TO PAN FOR GOLD (Read this one slowly and carefully!)

1. From stream bank, locate a gravel bar.
2. Enter stream to search for black sand in bar.
3. Regain footing, wade out, dry face, empty shoes.
  4. Walk downstream and recover pan.
  5. Repeat 1 – 4 until black sand is found.
  6. Place sand in pan and dip in stream to add water.
7. Put more sand in pan and dip water into pan with hand.
  8. While swirling pan, pour water out.
9. Get more sand and water, swirl and pour more slowly.
  10. Inspect pan bottom for gold.  
If present, place in medicine vial, if not, repeat 1 – 10 till gold is seen.
11. Repeat steps 1 – 10, 10,000 times for each ounce of gold

YUBA SUTTER GEMS

Shasta Gem Mineral Society

April 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Redding Rec Class Silversmith Foster 6-9pm		2 Open Workshop 10 am-2 pm Richard & Sandra Park
4	5	6 Open Workshop 5:30-8:30pm Zeke Breazeale	7 Redding Rec Class Casting Carpenter 5:30-8:30pm	8	9 Club Mtg Anderson Grange Hall 6pm	10 Open Workshop 10 am-2 pm Ohlson/Sznyter Kids Free Day
11	12	13 Open Workshop 5:30-8:30pm Steve Lay	14	15	16	17 Open Workshop 10 am-2 pm Seward/McKee
18	19 Board Meeting 6pm Host: Puderbaugh	20 Open Workshop 5:30-8:30pm Steve Puderbaugh	21	22	23	24 Open Workshop 10 am-2 pm Ohlson/Sznyter
25	26	27 Open Workshop 5:30-8:30pm Bill & Susan Doyle	28	29	30	

Attendants: Please contact an alternate if you can not make assigned date.

**From:** Steve Sznyter (merwinite@shasta.com)  
**To:** glseward@sbcglobal.net;  
**Date:** Mon, March 29, 2010 3:41:09 PM  
**Cc:**  
**Subject:** March board minutes

The March 22nd Board meeting convened at 7:05 PM at Bill Doyles house in Palo Cedro. The minutes for the February board meeting and the general meeting were read By Phyllis Sznyter. Mary Ann Sweetwood made a motion to accept the minutes and Sara Fenske seconded it and the motion carried.

The packets for judging the cases at the 2010 Superior Cal Show were passed out by Steve Puderbaugh. Steve had received them from Dave Shirley at the Superior Cal Meeting a week ago. Steve Sznyter received one to judge fossils. John Ellwanger and Charlie McKee were not at the board meeting and will receive theirs later.

Under old business we are receiving a packet from Shasta College concerning the Scholarship from our club. Our scholarship will be put on the scholarship web site of Shasta College. The scholarship money is in the general fund of Shasta College to be Given out. We need to learn what the amount given last year was, and when it was Received. Steve Puderbaugh would like this researched.

We are going to send \$100. To the State federation for their scholarship fund. We also voted to send \$25 to \$50 to the Federation for a memorial to the death of An active member. Mary Ann Sweetwood made a motion for this and it was seconded Be Sarah Fenske. The motion passed to send the money to the state endowment fund. The amount given to the Shasta College scholarship fund last year may have been \$1000. Under new business we need to research how to change the scholarship fund to an Education/scholarship fund.

The help for the 2010 show needs more volunteers for set up/tear down and during The show. The dinner is being planned by Zeke and Linda Breazeale and John Ellwanger. Kelly is doing the advertising for the show. Bob Garret and Jim Foster are on the setup Committee. Pat Foster is skirting and front table. Steve Lay and Jim Foster are in charge of Electrical and the cases. Mike Behling also volunteered for set up and tear down. Dave Carpenter and Shirley Thompson are in charge of assigning cases, and Manuel Garcia is Show chairman. We have the same foremen as for the 2011 show.

Dues need collecting as we are short on money for paying the insurance. A form letter May be sent to non paying members. Perhaps an earlier reminder for dues will be made in November. Perhaps Greta, Rochelle, and Sandy will have dues packets and a sign will be Put up at the general meeting as a reminder. The insurance was covered by a deposit from Savings.

225 dealers will receive a mailing next week for the 2011 show in a packet form including

Places to stay and eat.

Steve Puderbaugh commented on how well the Visalia show ran with Federation assisting With it. A dinosaur theme was carried well. We will start planning the fall show after the Spring show is over.

Mary Anne Sweetwood made a motion to move \$2000 from savings to checking. Steve Sznyter seconded the motion and the motion passed. Mary Ann Sweetwood made a motion To adjourn the meeting and Dick Park seconded it. The motion passed. The meeting was Adjourned at 8:30 PM. We enjoyed a late supper afterwards.