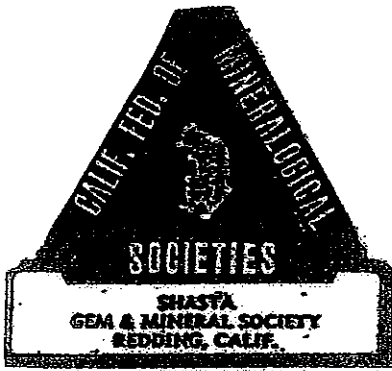


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DECEMBER 2010

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 Szynter241-2010
 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 Chairman604-2051
 Bill Seward.....365-8641
 Dealer Chairman
 Bill Seward 365-8641
 Membership
 Gretta Seward..... 365-8641
 Chaplain
 Jim Willis222-2331

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
 Parliamentarian
 John Ellwanger 275-1055

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

The Shasta Gem and Mineral Society general meeting was called to order by Vice President Sara Fenske at 7:30 PM on November 12th 2010. Tanner led the pledge of allegiance. The Sunshine report given by Jo Ann Pryor said that Jan Gutkowski is home and is slowly recovering, Jack Miller has shingles and his wife is under the weather. Rich O'Leary had foot surgery and is recovering.

We had 4 new members present, Lorne Dishan, Laurel Medinger, Toni Gragg and Christie Porter.

Marianne Sweetwood made a motion to accept the minutes for the October meeting as printed in the Roc Toc. Bill Doyle seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The Scholarship committee announced that four scholarships were awarded.

The treasurers report listed \$4,168.57 in the general fund, \$2,701.51 in the workshop account, \$8,016.27 in the raffle account, \$1,236.44 in the junior account \$2,066.50 in the general savings account, and \$6,826.76 in the workshop CD account.

Charlie McKee made a motion for Zeke Breazeale to be selected for the board of directors and the current slate of officers to be elected by acclimation. Marianne Sweetwood seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously

The Christmas dinner turkeys will be prepared by Sara Fenske and Marianne Sweetwood. Jan Stone will cook the ham and make the gravy. Steve Sznyter will prepare the mashed potatoes.

Sara Fenske announced that she will have at the shop three CD's she made from a National Geographic Special about the Cave of the Swords at Nazco Mexico.

We made \$221 on the raffle. Tanner, Diggers grandson drew the tickets for the raffle after the meeting was closed. The silent auction made \$42. Thanks to all.

FOR SALE: A large mineral collection is for sale. For more information please call Evelyn Miller at 224-0841.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

All your fellow club members wish you a very Happy Birthday!

FLOWERS: NARCISSUS
BIRTHSTONE: TURQUOI

THE TURQUOISE

Turquoise is a phosphate of copper and aluminum. It is waxy, dull, streak is white to pale green; hardness 5-6; no cleavage; fracture concordant; sub-translucent to opaque. Turquoise is secondary mineral caused by alternation (in arid regions) of aluminum-bearing rocks in apatite and chalcopryrite, together with chalcedony and limonite. Usually it occurs in nodules and veins. Gem quality turquoise is found in Iran, Egypt, and Turkey and ranges in color from pale blue to bright blue. In New Mexico and Nevada, it's greenish. Vein turquoise is usually poorer quality and does not take the polish given to nodular turquoise; much is porous.

Crystals are rare, but do occur in fractured quartz in Campbell County Virginia.

Southwestern Indians incorporate it into beautiful silver and turquoise jewelry and ornaments.

WHITE BUFFALO TURQUOISE: When discovered in the Dry Creek Mine in Shoshone Indian Reservation near Battle Mountain, Nevada, 1933; the discoverers were not sure what it was. Because of its hardness, it was decided to have it assayed. Their suspicions proved correct. It was, in fact, white turquoise. It was not until 1966 however, that it was finally made into jewelry.

Turquoise gets its color from the heavy metals in the ground where it forms. Blue turquoise forms where there is copper present (most Arizona turquoise). Green turquoise forms where iron is present (most Nevada turquoise). White turquoise forms where there are no heavy metals present. This occurrence turns out to be rare. To date no other vein of white turquoise has been found anywhere else. When this vein runs out that will be the last of it.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY: Our Christmas party will be held December 10th at the Anderson Grange Hall. The club will provide turkey, ham, mashed

potatoes and gravy. Members and guest should bring their own table setting, and any thing that will compliment a turkey dinner, such as dressing, rolls and butter, vegetables, cranberry or dessert. We will not hold a business meeting, but will have our dinner and raffle. Each person shall be given one free ticket for the raffle at this meeting. We would like you to bring a few items for the raffle table if possible.

DONATION: It has been our tradition to donate can foods and or cash and delivered to the Anderson Cottonwood Assistance Program for a family in need. Please bring a donation. We hope to see you there.

KITCHEN HELP: We need help from every one getting the dinner ready to be served. There are several turkeys and hams to be carved and many other dishes to be arranged on the tables. With your help, we should be ready for dinner by 7 pm.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS: Please try to attend the January meeting as the new officers will be taking the oath of office, and they are:

President: Steve Puderbaugh
Vice President: Sara Fenske
Treasurer: Rochelle Olson/ Sandra Park
Secretary: Phyllis Sznyter
Board of Director: Zeke Breazeale

ANNUAL DUES ARE DUE OCTOBER 1: Our dues are due October 1st. The amounts are \$15 per adult and the juniors are \$8 each. Please send your dues to Gretta Seward, 20361 River Valley Drive, Anderson, California 96007.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS: We would like to welcome Loren Dishaw, Christy Porter, Toni Gragg, Gaylan Wilcox, Ryan Young and Jonathan Harris. We hope you will find being a member of the SG&M Club a rewarding experience. Please remember to bring your own table service to all meetings.

ROC TOC: Our monthly newsletter will be mailed only to members that do not have a computer. To make you a copy please log onto www.shastagemandmineral.com.

Shasta Gem & Mineral Society, Inc.
Raffle Report November 12,2010

Thank you to all the members and guests who purchased tickets and those who donated items to go along with the clubs prizes. It really adds interesting items to the raffle table.

Thanks to Tanner Smith, "Digger's " grandson who helped Jim draw the tickets, and did a great job.

Thank you to Denise Jarvis and Kathy Jensen for coming up and helping to tear the tickets, we appreciate you both,and if I forgot someone, I apologize.


The donors of prizes were :

1. Richard & Sandy Park.....A Parrot on a crystal stand.
2. Glenn Chamerlain..... Brazilian Agate set in a buckle.
3. Ann Morningstar....2 Agate slabs, Alabaster banded, Green Marble, Brazilian agate , 3 glass bracelets, 1 pr. seal earrings, 1 crystal frog necklace, Snake agate pendant, Green glass leaf necklace, Mystery Rock ??? and a Tiger Eye stone.
4. Jim Jensen.....4 Geodes and 2 slabs.
5. Sandra Arbo....Beaded Turkey earrings and animal shapes necklace.
6. Tanner Smith.....Yu Gi Oh cards.
7. Loren Dishaw.....1.5 Ct. Emerald

PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING IN SOME NON PERISHABLE FOOD AND A MONETARY DONATION FOR THE ANDERSON --COTTONWOOD CHRISTIAN ASSISTANCE. JIM AND PAT WILL TAKE THE DONATIONS OVER TO THE ASSISTANCE OFFICE IN ANDERSON. THIS IS A WONDERFUL OUTREACH TO HELP OTHERS THAT ARE IN NEED.

Your Raffle Team
Jim and Pat Foster

December 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4 Open Workshop 10 am-2 pm Richard & Sandra Perk
5	6	7 Open Workshop 8:30-8:30pm Steve Fuderbaugh	8	9	10 Club Meeting Christmas Dinner	11 Open Workshop 10 am-2 pm Ohtson/Szynter Kids Day
12	13	14 Open Workshop 8:30-8:30pm Steve Ley	15	16	17	18 Open Workshop 10 am-2 pm Seward/McKee
19	20 Board Meeting 7pm Host:	21 Open Workshop 8:30-8:30pm Zeke Breazeale	22	23	24	25  Christmas Day
26	27	28 Open Workshop 8:30-8:30pm Bill & Susan Doyle	29	30	31	

Workshop Notes: - Open Workshop Days - Ticket Purchase Required
 - Kids Day : 1st Saturday after 2nd Friday (Saturday after Club Meeting)