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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Nothing submitted this month.

Jerry Lohmann, President



Jerry Lohmann has the rest at the house, and will bring back to the next meeting. If anyone wants one, contact him at: (858)-279-5135.

Membership: Phyllis Mahoney reported that we have 25 members present.

Before going into the raffle, Jerry Lohmann reported that his grandsons were selling Christmas Greenery (wreaths, swags, centerpieces, or garlands) for their Boy Scout Troop. If anyone would like to order let the Lohmanns know (858) 279-5135. The orders have to be in by November 3, and you will receive and pay for the item at the Christmas party.

Door Prizes: Won by: Bob Bulick, Jim Claypool, Elaine Thompson, Lynda Lohmann, Peggy Duncan, Jerry Lohmann, June Wade, Phyllis Bulick, Phyllis Mahoney, Gary Clark, Bob Kreutzer, Bob Plunkett and Jack Mahoney.

Raffle Prizes: Won by: Elaine Thompson, Franklin Wade, Jean Kreutzer, Bob Bulick, Jean Kreutzer (again), Lynda Lohmann, Lynne Cadman and Al Thompson.

Program for the night was the other half of the tape about Bodie.

After refreshments were served, the meeting was ended.

Lynda Lohmann, Secretary

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING

President Jerry Lohmann called the October 7 meeting of the Convair Rockhounds to order at 6:30 PM. Followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of the previous meeting (June) were approved as written by Secretary, Lynda Lohmann and published in the Tektite.

Hospitality: Emmeline Ellis is working at the polls tonight, but called Jerry to tell him that she had no news, so all must be well with the society.

CFMS: Ann Ludlam was not present to give a CMFS report, however Jerry did have the CMFS bulletin for anyone to read. Also had made copies of the ZZYX Rd Seminar (over Easter and the week after) for people to take if they were interested in going. He brought 5 copies, and 4 went back home with us.

County Council Representative: Jim Sugg reported that the Gemboree will be November 1 & 2. There were notices on the table for those interested to take and distribute.

Old Business: Jerry reported that Elaine Thompson has graciously offered to help with the refreshments each meeting.

New Business:

John Duncan had a box of Club vests, jackets and patches. We discussed what to do with them. It was decided that those who were at the meeting could take what they wanted. There were two small (kid size) t-shirts and a jacket so the Lohmanns and the Schneiders took those for their grandsons. Several others took jackets and several of the vests.

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

Next meeting will be November 18, 2004 at the Kearney Mesa Rec Center.



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FIELD TRIPS

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From the Editor --

Thanks to Mary Jane Dunn we will again be having a **Thanksgiving outing**. Not much rockhounding but we will have a marvelous old-fashioned Thanksgiving dinner with all of the trimmings. The dates are -- **Nov 26 to Nov 29, 2003 at Sweetwater Summit Campground**

http://www.co.san-diego.ca.us/parks/camping/sweetwater/sweetwater_campgrnd.html

For reservations --

Call the County at 877-565-3600 and ask for sites near 49, 50, 51.

CRA Thanksgiving 2003 at Sweetwater Summit Park -

So far we have four families that are definitely going, the **Cadman's**, **Claypool-Dunn's** and the **Schneider's**. They will be in sites **49, 50, and 51**.

Anyone wishing to join us for the whole weekend will need to make a reservation for those nights by calling the County Reservation line at **(877) 565-3600**. Ask for sites near **49, 50, 51**. They have a map and will know which ones are closest. **If you cannot make it for the weekend how about just joining us for Thanksgiving Day.** Call **Betty Schneider** who is coordinating the food. So far, these people have volunteered to bring the following:

- **Jim & Betty Schneider, their Grands and Holly** - Turkey, gravy, stuffing.
- **Bob & Lynne Cadman and Jasper** -- Mashed potatoes
- **Jim Claypool & MaryJane Dunn** -- Cranberries and sweet potatoes --
- **June & Franklin Wade** -- Ambrosia salad (and maybe a pie, I hope :~>)
- **Dolores & Don Wheeler** -- deviled eggs and three-bean salad.
- **Phyllis & Bob Bulick** -- undetermined



You can contact **Betty** at 909 676-5588 or CRAtektite@geocities.com. Please

call if you plan to attend the whole weekend or even if you would like to **join us just for the day**. **We still need salads, vegetables, fruits, (remember we should have three to five serving of fruits and vegetables per day). rolls and butter, desserts, appetizers or whatever else you would like to bring. In addition, please bring your own plates, cups and flatware.**

Please consider joining us for Thanksgiving. You will not have to roast the turkey or clean your house for visitors. Just bring yourselves and a good-sized dish to share. This may very well be the **LAST CRA THANKSGIVING** outing in history and do you want to miss it???

**CALIFORNIA FEDERATION
MINERALOGICAL SOCIETIES,
FIELD TRIP SOUTH
2nd Annual Thanksgiving Field
Trip to Wiley's Well.**

TRIP LOCATION - 13 miles south west of Blythe, California.

WHEN - Thanksgiving Weekend, November 26th. - 30th.

SPONSOR - CFMS Field Trip, South

ORGANIZATION - CFMS

MATERIAL TO COLLECT - All types and colors of Agate & Jasper, crystal filled Geodes, Botryoidal Psilomelane, Fire Agate, Chalcedony Roses, Zeolite-filled Amygdules, Calcite Rhombs, Petrified Wood and much more. (Fresh air & blue sky.)

LEADER - Bob Fitzpatrick

PROPOSED SCHEDULE - Each day we will break up into small groups, Where each group will be going to a different collecting area. This way everyone can collect at all collecting sites. on Thanksgiving Day we will have a potluck dinner around 5 p.m.

DIRECTIONS TO CAMPSITE - Exit Interstate 10 at Wiley's Well Rd, approximately 13 miles west of Blythe and 31 miles east of Desert Center. Follow Wiley's Well Rd. south for 12.5 miles to the campsite on the West side

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of road at the Riverside & Imperial Co. lines. Watch for club signs.

VEHICLE - The Road from the I -10 is dirt to the camping site, should be okay for 2 wheel drive cars, trailers & motor-homes. From the campsite to collecting areas 4 wheel drive and pickups only.

CAMP & FACILITIES - This is a dry camping area, no water, no services, no hookups, no toilets.

TOOLS - Collecting bags, rock hammer, eye gear, flashlights, spray water bottle, etc., (camp chair to sit in at night around the fire).

SAFETY CONCERNS - Do not lick the rocks, use sun screen, stay away from rattles snakes, use bug spray, be aware of flash floods, be extra careful and don't get lost.

CLIMATE & WEATHER - It can be hot during the day and cold at night, it could rain.

CLOTHING - Appropriate for this time of the year.

OTHER REMARKS - All club members and their guests are welcome to join us. Come for the day or camp out with us. Bring food, lots of water, a camera and lots of firewood for the campfire at night. If you need a motel or supplies they are available in Blythe. Don't forget we will have a potluck on Thanksgiving, so bring a dish to share and your own place setting. Each night after dark we will have a campfire where we can all join together and have a good time roasting marshmallows, telling jokes or just talking about the good OLD times. I should be arriving at the campsite around 11 a.m. on Wed. the 26th. Each day we will be leaving the camp around 8 a.m. and drive to the collecting areas. You must observe the AFMS code of ethics and sign a consent and assumption of risk waiver of liability form. Hope to see you there.

For additional information Email me at RUROCKY2@aol.com or call me at (909) 845-3051

Bob FitzpatrickCFMS Field Trip Chair - South, 2003

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If neither of those trips push your "I want to go" buttons then how about this one?

From: Thomas Hess

thomascarlhess@yahoo.com

Mailing-List: list

LA-Rocks@yahoo.com;

Contact LA-Rocks-owner@yahoo.com

THE DIEHARD ROCKHOUND BLUE LADY TOURMALINE FIELDTRIP NOV 23

OK guys here is your chance to get some stuff. The Blue Lady Tourmaline mine is leased by the BLM to the San Diego State University. I have a contact there that most likely will approve us for collecting there.

Yes I have dug hard!!

Why? Because we are **DIEHARD ROCKHOUNDERS!!!**

This is the scoop, if you are serious about attending this rare **field trip**, then you must e-mail me and tell me that you want to go by Nov 2. Our purposed date to the University is Nov.23. Approval takes less than a week. We have been told that most requests like this are approved!!!

If you e-mail me before Nov. 2 then I will send you a form to be filled out. Basically, it is a hold harmless form for the University. In your e-mail include your name - first, middle and last. Your address, including a zip code and telephone. In addition, an emergency contact and relationship, their name as well as telephone number.

I will e-mail you a form to fill out that you must send back to me.[us mail]. I must have all requests to go sent to me by Nov 12. We'll submit them to the University by no later than November 14. All requests must be signed!! I will forward them by mail or in person on the 14th.

I hope that we will be accepted and be taking home BLUE TOURMALINE and many quartz points. I personally saw a 4 inch quartz point [smokey] found on the road going to the mine area. Although I looked, I found none but smaller points. This trip is scheduled for November 23. Those going will get more details.

Where is the blue lady mine????

off of freeway 15 going towards Warner Springs[freeway 79], turn off of Chiulaula Valley Road and go 6 miles. Then turn off a

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dirt road and go 1.2 miles and then you see the mine site.

Without permission, no one is allowed to collect minerals here. Lets stay out of trouble and do this right. If you wondering about this trip then call and leave your number at.909-698-2188

What to bring??? -- Sunblock, water, lunch, a collecting bucket ,and a screen to find your stuff. I have some extra screens if you don't have any. Any vehicle can drive to here.

A HOLD HARMLESS WAVER MUST BE SIGNED PRIOR TO ARRIVING AT THE COLLECTING SITE.

We will have a blast!! After you e-mail me I'll send you my address.

ARE YOU A DIE HARD ROCKHOUND????!!

Lets find out. E-mail me if I forgot something.

thomascarlhess@yahoo.com

Thomas Hess/for the DIEHARD ROCKHOUNDS

MEMBERSHIP

Phyllis Mahoney and
Gary Draper, Chairpersons

You have only one more months to pay your dues. **They are considered late if not paid by the end of the November meeting.** If you have not paid your dues by November then you will no longer be a member and no longer will you receive the TEKTITE.



ALL MEMBERS PLEASE COMPLETE THE FORM IN THE SEPTEMBER TEKTITE. Your dues DO NOT have to be accepted without this form. It is needed so we know that you still want to be a member. This really means **ALL MEMBERS.** Even if you are an Honorary member over 80 who does not have to pay dues or even if you have been a member for 40+ years. Please complete the form and return it with your dues and/or TEKTITE subscription money.

HOSPITALITY CORNER

Emmeline Ellis, Chairperson

Nothing has been reported with the exception of the below note.

Hi Emmeline --

I am going to slip this in here. I fell and fractured some ribs the week I was planning to produce and mail this Tektite. I am not able to type too much due to the pain so that is why this is a rather thin and anemic edition. I will be giving you the "facts and only the facts" without embellishments and fillers.

Betty

PROGRAM

Bob Cadman,

Unknown, nothing submitted. Let's all come and find out what Bob has up his sleeve for this month.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR NOVEMBER CELEBRANTS



John Colbert	11/06
Edward Blank	11/15
Florence Smith	11/17
Joan Miller	11/18
Stephen Schneider	11/21
Robert Bailey	11/22
Bob Cadman	11/25
Cathy Davis	11/25
Peggy Duncan	11/27
Steve Meadows	11/29
Janene Meadows	11/29

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DOLORES WHEELER WE ARE
ALWAYS "THANKFUL FOR THE
MEMORIES" THAT YOUR MONTHLY
ART CONTRIBUTION BRINGS US.
HERE'S HOPING THAT YOU AND ALL

Thanks for the Memories...



...of sunny afternoons;
the desert in full bloom.
On field trips that we'd
never miss
September until June!
We thank you so much...

And thanks for the memories
Of campfires warm and bright
On clear and starry nights.
The rocks that lay
in rich array
All there for our delight-
We thank you, so much...



OUR READERS HAVE A VERY
BLESSED THANKSGIVING.

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CRA Membership Renewal -- 2003 - 2004

The fee structure for Dues, Tektite subscription and new member registration is as follows:

Annual Dues including Tektite subscription-

Individual less than 80 years of age-----\$15.00

Family less than 80 years of age-----\$20.00

New members initial fees-

Individual any age-----\$15.00

Family any age-----\$20.00

HONOREES are those members who have reached the age of 80 before applying for membership. The date of birth must be provided. These members no longer are required to pay annual dues but **must complete an annual membership renewal form each September** to maintain this membership and subscribe to the Tektite. **If you do not complete this form annually, you will be dropped from the membership roster.** We need to know that you are still interested in being a member.

Individual membership for Honorees **with Tektite** -----\$5.00

Individual membership for Honorees **without Tektite**-----Free

You STILL have to FILL OUT THIS FORM AND SEND/BRING IT IN!!!!

Name _____

Date of birth _____

Spouse Name _____

Spouse Date of birth _____

Street _____

City - State - Zip _____

Phone _____ Cell phone _____

E-mail _____//_____

Web page _____

Amount Paid \$ _____

Make check payable to **Convair Rockhound Association**

Mail to- **Phyllis Mahoney**

10453 Moselle Street

San Diego, CA 92131

☐ Individual membership \$15.00 with form

☐ Family membership \$20.00 with form

☐ Honorary with Tektite \$ 5.00 with form

☐ Honorary without Tektite Free with form