

# HILL and GULLY PAYDIRT Palmdale Gem and Mineral Club, Inc P. O. Box 900279 Palmdale, CA 93590

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### The President's Message Jennifer Martin

## Birthdays

Allison Poulter



As September rolls in, cooler weather is surely on its way. August came and went in a flash. Perhaps that is because a third of it was taken up with the AV Fair. Which brings me to a huge thank you to those members that worked one or more shifts: Don and Cheri George, Christine Malone, Don and Yvette McClung, Rich Stanford and Ginny Sandoval,

Cora McCrumb, Deena Chacanaca and her sister Michelle, John and Susy Martin, and Chris, Claire, Madeline, and a couple of their friends. Our club is better for your support.

Now we look to our Rock 'N Gem Roundup to be held on October 27 and 28 at the Palmdale Elk's Lodge on Ave Q. Set up day is the 26th. We will need support at various areas around the show. Please call or text me 661-623-2975 to let me know what your availability that weekend is. We will be having a show meeting the week of September 17th (specific date and time TBD at the board meeting on the 11th) to discuss details. Please let me know directly if you would like information on when our show meetings will be held and I will pass it on to you. You are all welcome to attend and have input.

October 27th and 28th 9:00 am to 5:00 pm at the Palmdale Elks Lodge on Avenue Q.

Vendor applications are coming in! Let's all pitch in to make this show a huge success. Help will be needed to man various areas. Please stay tuned and watch your email for more information. Contact Info: 661-860-4910



Mark Harmon2ndChris Martin4thDon McCLung8thRichard Stanford25thLois Ebel29th

Your Birthstone is Sapphire for Wisdom and your flower is Aster for Memories.

# Anniversaries

John & Susy Martin September 3rd

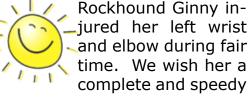


Don & Yvette McClung September 16th

Enjoy your day to the fullest and continue throughout the year with happiness and good health.

Have a great day and many more!





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## **Federation Report**

Don George



I wish to thank Susan Martin for standing in for me at the 2018 CFMS Convention in Chico, CA, as I am unable to attend this year. Thanks a bunch.

# **MEETINGS**

Social Meetings The 4th Wednesday of the month unless otherwise noted

July 25, 2018 Meeting Starts at 6:00 PM Palmdale Cultural Center

> August Dark (AV Fair)

September 26, 2018 Meeting Starts at 6:00 PM Palmdale Cultural Center

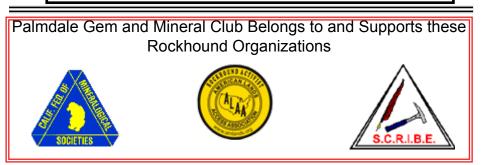
October 26, 2018 Meeting Starts at 6:00 PM Palmdale Cultural Center

November 28, 2018 Meeting Starts at 6:00 PM Palmdale Cultural Center

December 19, 2018 Installation Meeting Starts at 6:00 PM Palmdale Cultural Center



ZZYZX Dust Camera-Near Real Time



Deadline for articles for Oct. Hill & Gully Pay Dirt is October 1, 2018



# REFRESHMENTS

**Claire Martin** 



### **Allison Poulter**



### Thoughts from the Fair Susy Martin PGMC CEO\*

It is important to me that our club members are knowledgeable about our hobby so everyone would be able to carry on a conversation with others outside our hobby.

I encourage everyone to attend workshops to learn the basics of our lapidary arts not so much to do the work but at least know how it is done. Personally I am not allowed to work on the Genie machine by my family because I do not have good feeling in my left hand and I ground one of my fingernails down until it cracked apart. It took me 2 years to heal that up. I do know the basics and I could tell someone how the machine works.

I spoke to a number of people at the fair about the new California State Dinosaur and they were quite interested. At the demonstration table I was able to talk about the diamond drill bit on the rock drilling machine and the silicon grit in the lap machine and tumbler.

It is my experience that sharing basic information is always appreciated and might give a spark for someone to join our hobby. (\*Club Education Officer)

## **Nomination Committee Report**

Robert High bob.high@amlands.org

It is now time to start thinking where the club will be headed in 2019 and how it will get there. We need a good management team to make things happen in the coming years. If you are interest in leading the club into the future please contact me if you have an interest in a committee chair position or as an elected officer. During September I will be contacting members in good standing to find candidates for the proposed slate of Officers and Directors of Palmdale Gem and Mineral Club for 2019.

# Property and Inventory Report

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Both of the Club Genie's are back and in good working condition. The Genies are available for loan to PGMC Members in good standing for a month period, please contact me to make arrangements to pick one up. Please contact me to make arrangements to access the shed.

### Antelope Valley Fair Booth Jennifer Martin

The AV Fair was a huge success this year for our club! People that stopped by commented on how much they loved our homemade items. We sold a lot and earned more money on the weekdays than we had in previous years. We will start earlier next year and hold workshops to produce jewelry and critters for the spinning wheel.

Thanks to Cheri George, Don McClung, Mike Thompson, and John and Susy Martin for manning the demonstration table. The variety was great and well received by fair goers.

Thanks to John and Susy for helping to pack up the booth on Monday and Susy for helping me load everything back into the shed. It was hot but we got it done!

We have a new website and Email Address www.palmdalegemandmineral.org pgmc@palmdalegemandmineral.org

News and Information About Geology http://geology.com/rocks/

## **Comming soon from Diamond Pacific Tool Co.**

After 55 years there is a new and improved Genie coming in 2019. A Genie on Steroids! Watch for it in 2019!

# TID-BITS THINGS YOU CAN DO FOR YOUR CLUB THIS YEAR

- 1. Call someone you haven't seen at meetings lately
- 2. Volunteer to present a program. (Share your Knowledge)
- 3. Send your editor some news. (Still Waiting for some news!)
- 4. Come to each meeting and **bring a guest**, and/or a member who cannot drive.
- 5. Come to the meeting ready to help others learn and **allow others to listen**
- 6. Consider accepting a Committee Chairmanship Contact Jennifer Martin

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### PALMDALE GEM & MINERAL CLUB GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

LARRY CHIMBOLE CULTURAL CENTER 38500 SIERRA HIGHWAY PALMDALE, CALIFORNIA Wednesday, July 25, 2018

Meeting called to order at 6:05pm.

Flag Salute led by Madeline Martin

Minutes of the June meeting were published in the newsletter. Motion to accept as published made by Yvette McClung, second by Don George. **Motion passed**.

Correspondence: Contract rec'd from George Stewart

Federation Report: Directors meeting will be held at the show in September.

Birthdays: Jennifer Martin and Claire Martin (Aug but no meeting in Aug).

Hospitality: 9 members, new member Christine Malone. 2 pebble pups.

**Sunshine:** Rich Stanford's dad passed away. We have cards that were signed and will be sent to him.

Membership: not present

**SHOW:** We will be having a Gem Show on 27-28 October, 2018 at the Elks Lodge 2705 E. Ave Q, Palmdale. More to follow.

**Program:** TREES OF STONE- A video on the Gingko Forest of Eastern Washington, provided by Don McClung. He also brought some specimens for display.

Christine Malone provided a cake for refreshments, Thank you Christine.

Fair: Booth is scheduled for 5pm on the 16th of August.

Meeting adjourned at 7:02pm

Mark your calendars, CFMS Convention June 25-28, 2020 Lodi, California - Lodi Grape Festival Grounds

### Polishes and Stones

Agates Alabaster Amazonite Apatite Amber Aventurine Bloodstone Chrysocolla Cinnabar Coral Datolite Epidote Feldspar Flourite Garnet Glass Gypsum Hematite Howlite Jade Jadeite Jasper Labradorite Lapis Lazuli Malachite Moonstone Obsidian Opal Peridot Rhodochrosite Rhodonite Rhyolite Ruby Serpentine Sodalite Spinel Topaz Turquoise Turquoise Variscite Variscite

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#### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 2018 ANTELOPE VALLEY FAIR AND ALFALA FESTIVAL



Rich makes Chabochones on the Genie Cabing Machine



of Beading at the Fair



Cheri George Shows the art Susy, Yvette and Don Host the Booth during the Fair



Dragons were seen roaming the Fair Grounds



Susy and Maddie shows Rock Drilling, Tumbling and Slab Polishing on a Vibrating Lap.





Midway at the Fair - Fair Food for all



Knapping Mike Thompson

Claire and Maddie's Broom



Antique Automatic Drill Press Drills Holes in Rocks at the Fair

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# **Up Coming Shows**

### Sept. 15 & 16 79th CFMS Convention

Feather River Lapidary & Mineral Society Silver Dollar Fairgrounds 2357 Fair Street, Chico, CA.

More about CFMS Convention & FRLMS Show

October 13 - 14: TRONA, CA Searles Lake Gem & Mineral Society Gem Show Building 13337 Main Street Hours: Sat 7:30 - 5; Sun 7:30 - 4 Email: slgms@iwvisp.com www1.iwvisp.com/tronagemclub CFMS CLUB SHOWS LISTING



ROCK IN GEM ROUNDUP October 27-28, 2018 Palmdale Gem and Mineral Club Rock 'N' Gem Round-Up Palmdale Elks Lodge 2705 East Ave. Q Palmdale, CA info@palmdalegemandmineral.org

November 3 - 4: RIDGECREST, CA Indian Wells Gem & Mineral Society Desert Empire Fairgrounds 520 South Richmond Road Hours: 9 - 5 daily Contact: John DeRosa, (760) 375-7905 Email: jfrocks@dslextreme.com

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