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## UPCOMING EVENTS

Apr 1st - General Mtg  
 Apr 25th - Board Mtg  
 May 6th - General Mtg  
 May 30th - Board Mtg  
 Jun 3rd - General Mtg

See page 8 for details on  
 scheduled classes and  
 instructor contact information

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

To all SNGMS Members:

Springtime is here and our window before the HOT DAYS is getting short. For this month, Kerry Wenzl has a day trip planned for the Saturday, April 13th to Ludlow, CA for jasper-agate & thulite.

I wanted to plan a Rock Swap this month but all the weekends are taken so it'll have to be in May.

The March 30th Tailgate Parking Lot Craft & Gemboree event seemed to be a great success and plans are for another one around the November timeframe. We had a lot of folks interested in joining our club. There's some photos on page 2.

Bonnie Brown came into the shop to say goodbye, they are headed back home to Canada. All of our Snowbirds will be leaving soon and we sure will miss them all. They are all apart of our ROCK FAMILY. Looking forward to fall when they will be back.

Went to the shop this past Wednesday the 3rd and everyone was working like a bunch of bee's. Richard was changing out the bad Cab Wheels, Gary and Choppers were changing oil out on the slab and trim saws, Mel was working on a oil return system on saw "A", Del was working on a small electric motor and Bruce was in the mix too. Teamwork at it best. We are so lucky to have such a great maintenance team.

The Boulder City Spring Jamboree is just around the corner, May 4th & 5th, and we still need some members to step up and help with some of the staffing. Contact Sheri at sherisrocks89121@gmail if you can put in an hour or two. It's going to be a Great Event, all the vendor space are already sold out.

Have a super April and be safe!

*Bob Belcher, President, SNGMS, April 2019*

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## Field Trips & Events

**April 13th: Ludlow, CA:** Field Trip for Jasper Agate & Thulite, contact Choppers for details.

**May 4th- 5th:** Boulder City Spring Jamboree

**May 11th:** Wickenburg, Az for fluorescent minerals, contact Cliff Jackson for details.

**October 2019:** Fallon, NV area for agates, jaspers and wonderstone.

### **Photos from the March 30th Green Valley Tailgate Parking Lot Event:**



## SNGMS Board meeting minutes for 03/28/19

On March 28th, 2019, the regular Board of Directors meeting of the Southern Nevada Gem and Mineral Society was called to order at 6:03 PM by the President. The Secretary was present. The pledge of allegiance to the flag was recited.

The minutes of the February 28th, 2019 meeting were approved as read.

The treasurer reported balances. Peggy Sue Moore proposed, seconded by Bruce Martin, and approved by the Board, that "additional expenses for Sheri Johnson's trip to the American Federation show be reimbursed."

Shop Report: 'D' saw is being worked on. Fans have been installed to help disperse oil from the saw operations to outside. The motor is out on the small water saw. A water softener will be installed this weekend. The Cab King parts have been received including prototype wheels for us to test. Del Walkenshaw brought in soft wheels and abrasive belts to try out in the shop. The electrical breakers will be labeled. The possible purchase of additional faceting machines was discussed, but the conclusion was that due to the cost vs. number of users it is not in current plans.

Sheri Johnson proposed, seconded by Del Walkenshaw, and approved by the Board, that "A proposal to spend up to \$1,500 for replacement wheels for the Cab Kings be presented to the general membership."

The Tailgater show has been finalized and all plans are in place.

Sheri Johnson reported on her trip to the American Federation show.

Del Walkenshaw proposed, seconded by Sheri Johnson, and approved the Board, that "\$50 be reimbursed for rental of group site at Burro Creek."

Del Walkenshaw proposed, seconded by Peggy Sue Moore, and accepted by the Board, that "accepted proposed By-Law changes be published."

The Board reviewed the new tri-folds and additional ones will be printed.

The Board discussed age requirements for use of shop equipment. Age 12 and up are allowed to use the equipment independently after appropriate training and certification. Research will be done to see if our insurance will cover under 12 youth using the equipment with one on one supervision.

Sheri Johnson proposed, seconded by Lorrilee Stackhouse, and approved by the Board, that "the meeting be adjourned."

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM.

## Shop Talk: Brad's Bench Talk

### BURNISHING BEZELS

A dapping ball can sometimes be used to burnish a bezel. I noticed this when setting some 10 mm cabs on a piece of filigree. It was difficult to get enough pressure with a pusher or a regular burnisher, so I tried a dapping ball and found it much easier. Make sure the ball is well polished (hit it with the Zam wheel) and let it ride along the base of your piece. Select a ball big enough so its curvature hits the top of the bezel at the best angle to burnish it down onto the stone.

### SUPER PICKLE

We've all made the mistake of putting some steel in the pickle pot. This can cause all your pieces to be coated with copper. Easiest way I've found to clean it off is to fill half a coffee cup with new hot pickle and put in an ounce or two of hydrogen peroxide from the drug store. Throw your pieces in and the coating is gone in about 10 minutes. When finished, pour the solution back into your pickle pot.



Many people think that when some steel gets into the pickle, the solution is contaminated and should be thrown away. Not true as long as you can remove all the steel from the pickle. In fact, the pickle should work even better after the steel is removed. Pickle works by dissolving the copper oxides that form during soldering. Pickle gets "old" when it cannot hold any more dissolved copper. Putting steel in the pot forces some of the copper to come out of solution, meaning the pickle is then able to dissolve more copper.

Be More Productive With Brad's "How To" Books  
[Amazon.com/author/bradfordsmith](https://www.amazon.com/author/bradfordsmith)

Discounts Available with your SNGMS membership

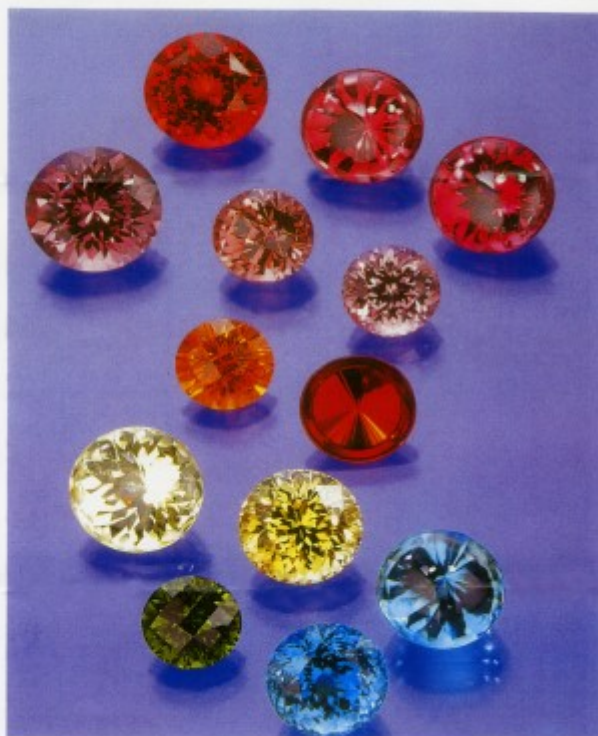
All the establishments featured on page 4 offer discounts to SNGMS members. Be sure to show your membership card when making a purchase, and say that the Southern Nevada Gem & Mineral Society sent you!



GEMSTONES FOR SALE

RICHARD (727)542-3144

- List of gemstones for sale including Tanzanite, Spessartine, Spinel, Amethyst, Garnets, Ametrine, Emeralds, Sapphires, Rubys, Citrine, Opals, Kunzite, Lazurite, Moonstone, Onyx, Sunstone, Rhodolite, Topaz, Zircon, and many more available.



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## **SNGMS General meeting minutes for 04/01/2019**

On April 1st, 2019, the regular meeting of the Southern Nevada Gem and Mineral Society was called to order at 6:00 PM by the President. The Secretary was present. The pledge of allegiance to the flag was recited.

The minutes of the March 4th, 2019 meeting were approved as read.

The treasurer reported account balances.

Membership: John Stackhouse reports 343 adult and 44 child members.

Representatives from McCaw School of Mines in Henderson attended and discussed their facility. There are volunteer opportunities with them and SNGMS may have a field trip to the simulated mine as a future event.

Sunshine: Beth Jones reports that we are happy to see Mary Beth Paladino back at the meeting and feeling better. Pat Skeary had a stroke and is in the hospital, Jack Toogood was at the meeting following his hip surgery. Judy Flaster broke her tibia, Marilyn McDougal's brother had a heart attack, and Bruce Martin is having eye surgery.

John Stackhouse proposed, seconded by Scott Edwards, and approved by the membership, that "up to \$1,500 be spent on the purchase of Cab King wheels."

Scott Edwards reports that it is anticipated that Jim Calloway will lead an eight week class in stone carving this Fall for six to eight people.

Please refrain from going in the shop and visiting with class attendants during classes.

Proposed By Law changes will be published and emailed. The membership will vote on them at a future meeting.

Shop: All shop equipment except the water saw are up and running. Come down and use the shop! There will be a rock swap scheduled on a Sunday in May at the shop.

There will be a field trip on April 13<sup>th</sup> and an email with details will be sent. Cliff Jackson will lead a field trip for fluorescents May 11 to the Wickenburg, AZ area, and additional mine areas will be visited.

Kids Club: Mary Beth Paladino reports that there will be a meeting April 14th, and that she will be visiting a GATE school and presenting information on the MOHs scale of hardness.

Sheri Johnson discussed her visit to the American Federation Show. The Rocky Mountain Federation show will be in August in Prescott Valley. Our Spring Jamboree Show is on track and all vendor slots are sold out. There will be competition displays, see Orville and Lisa Wiemers to sign up. Volunteers are needed for the show and more information will be published in the Slab.

Cab Contest "Everglades" winners were: First Place – Peggy Sue Moore, Second Place – Bruce Martin.

Cindy Allison proposed, seconded by Scott Edwards, and approved by the membership that, "the meeting be adjourned."

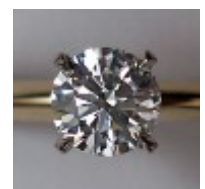
The meeting was adjourned at 7:16 PM.

**Birthstone for the Month of April is Diamond:** Our hardest gem on the Mohs scale (10). It's name is derived from ancient Greek meaning "unbreakable", "unalterable" and is thought to be first mined in India 3,000 to 6,000 years ago. Diamond is a solid form of carbon with a cubic crystal structure. It's color comes from small amounts of impurities, Blue (boron), yellow (nitrogen), green (radiation exposure). It also occurs in pinks, purples, oranges and reds.

Diamond has relatively high optical dispersion, the ability to disperse light of different colors.

And because of this property, especially the brilliant-cut stones, diamond is surrounded by stories of grandeur, murder and misfortune.

The diamond symbolizes wisdom and enlightenment, purity and clarity. It provides protection, preserves peace and gives power.



**SNGMS 2019 Meetings**

Jan 03 Board	Jul 01 General
07 General	Aug 01 Board
Jan 31 Board	05 General
Feb 04 General	Sep 05 Board
28 Board	09 General
Mar 04 General	Oct 03 Board
28 Board	07 General
Apr 01 General	24 Board
25 Board	Nov 04 General
May 06 General	21 Board
30 Board	Dec (Annual
Jun 03 General	Awards Banquet)
27 Board	

Board Meetings at Shop, 3111 Valley View Blvd. Bldg. E. Suite 125, General Meetings at Eagles Lodge, 1601 E. Washington Ave.

**SNGMS General Meeting**

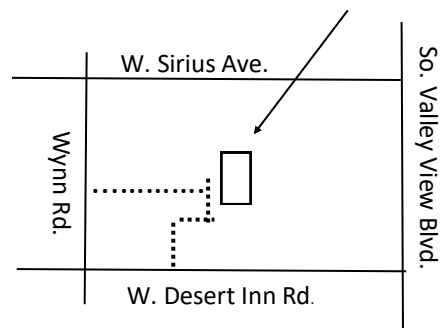
1st Monday of every month  
(2nd Monday if holiday falls on the first Monday) No meeting in December.

**Non-members welcome!**

Eagles Lodge 1601 E Washington Ave.

Show & Sell 5-6 PM  
General Meeting 6-8 PM

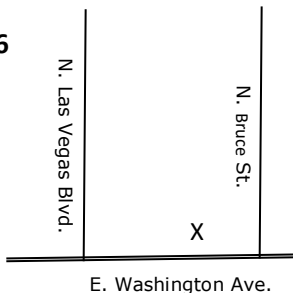
**3111 So. Valley View Blvd,  
Building E Shop Suite 125**



**Finding the Shop Location**

Proceeding west on Desert Inn Road, take the first right past So. Valley View Blvd. into the industrial park area. Drive past the building on your right, then jog right, then left and you will be in front of Building E. Another option is to enter off of Wynn Rd. Go west on Desert Inn Rd. to Wynn Rd., turn right onto Wynn Rd. and go to the first entrance on the right (past the BIG white Commercial building sign) turn right and straight in front of you is Building E #125.

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**Finding the General Meeting Location**

Eagles Lodge #1213  
1601 E Washington Avenue, Las Vegas, NV  
(702) 642-1213

**KIDS CLUB / EDUCATION ACTIVITIES**

*The Kids Club meets on the second Sunday of most months at the SNGMS Shop from 3-5. As always, for more information, or to volunteer to lead an activity, or to help with an educational event contact Mary Beth Paladino at 702-255-1647*

The Kids Club will be a meeting Sunday, April 14th at the shop.

Mary Beth will be visiting a GATE school and presenting information on the MOHs scale of hardness.

## Spring Jamboree Gem & Mineral Show May 4th & 5th

Hard to believe that the Spring Jamboree Gem & Mineral Show is only a three and a half weeks away. And we still need a lot more help to make this event a success!

How can you help? Email or call Sheri to talk about how we can best use your skills. Some of the areas are:

Loading / unloading the UHaul (Thursday / Sunday / Monday)

Man the Geode Saw and be amazed with the new found treasures (During the show)

Celebrate with kids and parents at the Wheels of Fortune when the wheel lands on the prize they wanted (During the Show)

Show off your skills as a graffiti artist and spray painting footprints (early Saturday morning)

Help with the Dino Egg Booth and see the delight when a dinosaur egg is broken (During the Show)

Chat with guests about SNGMS in the Club booth (During the Show)

Show off your talent with wire wrapping and beading demonstrations (During the Show)

Start a child on the path to becoming a rock hound by helping them to identify a free rock (During the Show)

Walk around at the event in a Dinosaur costume and tell people about the Gem Show (During the Show)

The details:

Loading / Unloading the UHaul – Thursday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 10:00 am (SNGMS Shop / Boulder City Parks & Rec Building)

Booth set-up / Display cases - Friday May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 8:00 am to 6:00 pm (Boulder City Parks & Rec Building)

Spray paint dinosaur footprints – Saturday morning 7:00 (Boulder City Parks & Rec Building)

Spring Jamboree Gem & Mineral Show (Boulder City Parks & Rec Building)

- Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

- Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Jobs include:

Beading & Wire Wrapping demonstrators (sitting)

Roaming dinosaurs (walking around the park grounds)

Kids / Adult Wheel assistants (sitting)

Break Dinosaur egg assistants (standing / sitting)

Free Rocks for kids (sitting)

Breakers (Fill in where needed when others need a break from activities)

Show tear down – Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 pm to 7:30 pm (Boulder City Parks & Rec Building)

Truck unload – Monday May 6<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am (Workshop)

Most of all come join us in Boulder City and lend a hand. See you there!

Sheri Johnson, Show Chair

[SherisRocks89121@gmail.com](mailto:SherisRocks89121@gmail.com) / 702-525-0256

## Classes

**Wire wrapping**, led by Peggy Sue Moore or Scott Edwards and Ananaka Rau, meets on most Mondays (except for the General Meeting night). Hours for the class are 5 - 8 PM. The fee is \$5.00 for the shop and \$1.00 pattern fee.

**Beading:** Gary Webb and Sue Dobson will be hosting the beading class. Classes will be the 2nd Monday of the month at 5 pm.

**Metal and Silver Smithing**, Scott Edwards and Ananaka Rau have changed the Metal & Silver smithing class from Saturday mornings to Tuesday evenings from 5 pm to 8 pm. The class is suitable for beginners, intermediate and advanced students. The shop is now opened Tuesdays from 1 pm to 5 pm for regular shop usage.

**Faceting classes.** Saturdays 9 am to 12 pm. Please contact Peggy Sue Moore [moorepeggysue@gmail.com](mailto:moorepeggysue@gmail.com)) in advance to see if a machine is available. Class fee is \$10.00 plus a \$5.00 fuel fund for the instructor, Tom Kidwell.

*Wire wrapping, metal smithing, flint knapping, and silver smithing have a very modest donation of \$5.00 per session, that goes to the club. Faceting class fee is \$10.00 plus a \$5.00 fuel fund for the instructor. Other class donations may vary, depending on what is included in the class. All donations go to SNGMS, all instructors volunteer their time and expertise to help extend the knowledge of our members.*



# Sunshine Report

*from Beth Jones*

**Please if you hear of any SNGMS member in need of a bit of sunshine due to accident, illness, death in the family or other need, call Beth Jones at 702-505-5819 or email her at [Punkyjones@hotmail.com](mailto:Punkyjones@hotmail.com)**

(please put SNGMS Sunshine in the Subject)

We are happy to see Mary Beth Paladino back at the meeting and feeling better.

Pat Skeary had a stroke and is in the hospital.

Jack Toogood was at the meeting following his hip surgery and seems to be doing well.

Judy Flaster broke her tibia. Don't know the recovery time.

Marilyn McDougal's brother had a heart attack.

Bruce Martin is scheduled for eye surgery to remove a Pterygium growth.



# SHOP INFORMATION

## “New” SNGMS Workshop Schedule

### SHOP HOURS

- Sunday 12 pm to 5 pm
- Monday Closed
- Tuesday 1 pm to 4:30 pm
- Wednesday 12 pm to 9 pm
- Thursday 12 pm to 9 pm
- Friday 12 pm to 9 pm
- Saturday 12 pm to 6 pm

### SHOP CLOSED :

- 2nd Sunday of every Month For Kids Club 2 pm to 5 pm
- Board Meeting: Various Thursday Nights 6 pm to Approx 7 pm
- Check Email and “Polished Slab” for possible date changes.



Photos courtesy of Caitly Stackhouse



### 2019 Monthly Cabochon Contest: (National & State Parks)

- Apr Everglades
- May Great Smokey Mountains
- Jun Red Rock Canyon
- July National Mall
- Aug Grand Canyon
- Sep Yellowstone
- Oct Redwoods
- Nov Channel Islands
- Dec (None - Awards Banquet)

**TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE CABOCHON CONTEST YOU MUST HAVE AT LEAST ONE HOUR OF SHOP TIME. THE WINNERS RECEIVE FREE SHOP TIME. A “Great Smoky Mountains” cabochon will be the contest entry to be judged at the May’s general meeting.**

**Good Luck. Winners of the “Everglades” Cabochon**

**1st Place: Peggy Sue Moore**



**2nd Place: Bruce Martin**



Please, **under no circumstances**, park in front of Unit 124 or Unit 126 (the units next to the Shop). The owners of the units come in at odd hours and need access to their parking spaces. There is ample parking across from the Shop that is not in front of any unit.



# Happy Birthdays!

## April

Richard Ameral, Gordon Bagley, Barbara Belcher, Jenni Collier, Susan Dagostino, Sydney Davis, Jason Fabbi, Glenn Hale, Donna Harper, Dennis Harrigan, Daune Hashimoto, Juliette Hymer, Alexandra Jimenez, Judy Judd, Johnny Law, DiAnn Lawson, Richard Lieurance, Treena Luchetta, Jarlath McNee, Thomas Moore, Ed Morken, Mabel Quinto, Lorrilee Stackhouse, Leslie Sturek, Nancy Tatom, James Wendel.

## May

***If you have a May birthday please bring something for the refreshment table at the May meeting.***

Tim Boka, Wes Bryant, Katerina Chayette, Carol Corden, Barbara Craig, Linda Erwin, Anthony, Gelish, Colin Gibson, Lamar Holt, Kell Hymer, Jeffery A. Justice, Brett Kishkis, Michele Kuenzl, Ron Liccardo, Barb Maz, Ron Mazz, Nicholas McCord, Ardis Meiklejohn, Jo Ann Myers, Richard Nelson, Dave Oscarson, Luara Pupp, Terry Scott, David Seidner, Mary Skaarup, Donovan Tsosie, Carol Wilhems, Linda Wright.

# Welcome New Members!

***A hearty welcome to members who joined or rejoined SNGMS.  
We look forward to getting to know you better***

Marie Antonett Arient, Judy Bahorski, Heather Borowinski, Theresa Brooks, Daniel W. Brooks, Daniel E. Brooks, Barbara Craig, Jacqueline Gerideau, Colin Gibson, Conner Gibson, Emily Gibson, Bible Girmay, Daniel Girmay, Michiko Girmay, Sahika Girmay, Brain Hagstrom, John Ireland, Devynn Johnson, Dominique Johnson, Dylan Johnson, Qwynn Johnson Ronald Johnson, Patrick Jones, Jeffery A. Justice, Jerrett Justice, Joy Justice, Richard Lieurance, Alyssa Miles, Angle Moore, Thomas Moore, Vida Morre, Frances Persaud, Nina Persaud, Chase Richins, Jennifer Richins, Rhett Richins, Aaron Scruggs, Jaday Summer, Jordan Summer, Tyra Tripp, Alexa Tripp-Herring, Tracy VanDebogart, Maureen Walton, Nathan Walton, Bill Wright, Jolena Wright.

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*Contact any Board member to volunteer for a position, or a Committee Chairman to offer to help on their committee.*

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

*There are rock clubs throughout the United States and the computer is your friend in finding information about clubs and shows. Just search for the area you are interested in and rock club and you should find plenty to keep you busy, wherever you are going.*

**Colorado Mineral & Fossil Show: April 12-14, Denver, CO. [www.rmgmpromotions.com](http://www.rmgmpromotions.com)**

**Texas Mineral & Fossil Show: April 26-28, Conroe, TX. [www.rmgmpromotions.com](http://www.rmgmpromotions.com)**

**May 4th—5th Boulder City Spring Jamboree**

**Rocky Mountain Federation Show: Aug 2-4, Prescott, Az**

**Some links that you may find helpful:**

**American Federation Of Mineralogical Societies-**

<http://www.amfed.org>

**California Federation -**

<http://www.cfmsinc.org/>

**Rocky Mountain Federation -**

<http://www.rmfmts.org>

**and the Rock & Gem website -**

<http://www.rockngem.com/show-dates-display/?>

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The Southern Nevada Gem and Mineral Society is a non-profit corporation, organized to educate ourselves and the community in the science and arts related to rocks, minerals, gems, fossils, and nature in general. Fostering an understanding and appreciation of the physical world, we can use it and protect it for future generations.

**Club Mascot:** Rock Wren

**Club Gemstone:** Turquoise

**Club Logo:** Rocks-R-Us

**Membership** is open to anyone with an interest in: Rocks, Gems, Geology, Fossils, Lapidary Arts or Silversmithing

**Annual Dues:** Individual - \$25; Family - \$35

**Meetings** are held the first Monday of the month at the Eagles Lodge #1213, 1601 E Washington

**No meeting is held in December.** Instead we have our annual awards dinner.

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 ADVERTISING RATES**

<i>Ad Size</i>	<i>Six Months</i>	<i>Yearly</i>
<i>Business Card</i>	<b>\$18</b>	<b>\$30</b>
<i>Quarter Page</i>	<b>\$48</b>	<b>\$90</b>
<i>Half Page</i>	<b>\$90</b>	<b>\$170</b>
<i>Full Page</i>	<b>\$150</b>	<b>\$275</b>