



The Southwest Gem & Mineral Society

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General meetings will tentatively be held the second Tuesday of the month, except in September and December. Board meetings are usually held the second Monday after the general meeting.

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General Meeting: Tuesday, March 10, 2009

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Place: 17018 Silverwood Drive, San Antonio, Texas

Just East of Hwy 281 on Donella Drive

Refreshment

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| Richard Busch | Pat & Floyd Duncan |
| Teresa Farmer | Billye Harris |
| Gail Hopkins | Phil Hurley |

If you can not attend, please let Jim Meloche or Debbie Krause know so they can bring refreshments. Thank you for your consideration.



Health Updates of Our Members

Pray for the following members who are ill:

Connie & Richard Moultrup are doing better and were at our last meeting. It was nice having them there and doing a great job selling raffle tickets!

Uli Railsback is doing well and plans to be “sitting on her throne” at the Silent Auction Booth. We’ll be glad to see her.

Marie Banta is doing well and grateful for everyone’s support.

Please let myself or Gail Hyatt know if any of our members need to be remembered with prayers and mentioned in this newsletter. Thank you.

Greetings from the President

We’re looking forward to a wonderful show this year. We still need volunteers to help with different tasks during the show. Please be at the next meeting so we can finalize duties needed and the volunteers.

We also need help on Friday to set up and Sunday to tear down. Remember this is **YOUR CLUB**. We all need to pitch in to make this a great Show and to keep the Club alive.

Our March program will be part of a video on the Tucson Gem Show.

Bob Bowie

Please visit our website at www.swgemandmineral.org

Announcements

We are trying to get a rock hunt together for the end of March to go to the Tessman Ranch. Anyone interested in going needs to be at the March meeting for details.

Eva Meloche is having the workshop to make prizes for the Luck Wheel at her house on March 14th. From 10:00 'til ? Hot dogs will be served for lunch. This is very casual and a fun get together. If you have a glue gun, please bring it with you. Call Eva to RSVP @ 659-8920.

A previous e-mail was sent out to the our members about this, but here is another reminder. The Geology Club has extended an invitation to go on their Big Bend trip April 13-17th. Please RSVP ASAP to Larry @ 566-3855.

Upcoming Show Dates

March 7-8, '09: Love of Gem & Mineral Society Show, Regional Fair grounds, Robstown, TX.

March 7-8, '09: Big Spring Prospectors Club, Howard County Fair Grounds, Big Spring, TX.

March 21-22, '09: Southwest Gem & Mineral Society Show, Live Oak Civic Center, Live Oak, TX.

April 11-12, '09: Central Texas Gem & Mineral Society Show, Abilene Civic Center, North 6th & Pine, Abilene, TX.

April 17-19, '09: Chihuahuah Desert Gem & Mineral Society Show, Highland Events Center, Hwy. 90 East, Alpine, TX.

April 25-26, '09: Waco Gem & Mineral Society Show, Heart O' Texas Fair Grounds, Waco, TX.

Please let me know of any other events or shows coming up so I can include the information in the newsletter.

Meeting Minutes

Our program last month was a member Show & Tell. Several members brought projects, displayed items or gave presentations on things they are currently working on or have done in the past. We learned new and other ways of doing things from polishing to cutting small slabs.

Thank you for all who participated and shared their knowledge with the rest of us.

We still have showcases available. Any club members wishing to reserve a showcase to display their personal items should complete the **Showcase Display Form (form following on page 6)** and submit it to Bob Schultz, via mail or contact by phone, no later than March 16, 2009. Please indicate how many showcases you need, size of showcases, a brief description of what you are exhibiting and if you would like to enter it into the “*Best of Show*” competition.

Mini Classifieds

This space will be for anyone wanting to sell something or is looking for something that someone else might be able to help them with.

Please save your plastic coffee “cans”, large plastic Mayo jars, etc. and bring to meetings. Collecting these for a project.

If anyone has some old furniture, dishes, containers, etc. please contact Debbie or Gail. We are collecting items we can use in our Schertz Museum.

Any old terra cotta type flower pots needed. Even if they are cracked or broken.

Debbie Krause is looking for any used equipment or tools, and **old, old, windows**. Call her on 659-7125.

SOUTHWEST GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY SHOW

Live Oak Civic Center 8101 Pat Booker

MARCH 21, & 25 2009 Live Oak, Texas, 78233

RETURN TO: Bob Schultz, 3934 Viewsite, San Antonio, TX 78223 (210) 337-8908 E-MAIL: wschultz@satx.rr.com

APPLICATION TO EXHIBIT

NAME _____ ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

CLUB/SOCIETY _____

USING YOUR OWN CASE? SIZE: LENGTH _____ WIDTH _____

NEED TO USE A CLUB CASE?

LARGE _____ (APPROXIMATE SIZE: BOTTOM: 23 ¼" X 39" HEIGHT: 22 ½")

OR SMALL _____ (APPROXIMATE SIZE: BOTTOM: 24" X 24" HEIGHT: 22 ½")

DISCRIBE YOUR DISPLAY _____

WOULD YOU LIKE TO INCLUDE THIS EXHIBIT IN "BEST OF SHOW" COMPETITION? NOTE: ALL ENTRIES IN "BEST OF SHOW" COMPETITION MUST MEET THE CRITERIA FOR INCLUSION AS STATED ON EXHIBITOR INFORMATION SHEET. ALL COMPETITORS IN THE "BEST OF SHOW" COMPETITION AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE RULES AND THE DECISION OF THE JUDGES.)

NAME: (PRINTED) _____ (SIGNATURE) _____

THIS AREA FOR USE OF SHOW CHAIRMAN:

DATE APPLICATION RECEIVED: _____ ENTRY NUMBER: _____ POSITION NUMBER: _____

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