



THE CONGLOMERATE

DECEMBER 2020

THE NEWSLETTER OF
THE RENO GEM AND MINERAL SOCIETY

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dean Sizemore

Merry Christmas, I truly pray this finds all of you healthy and well. Denise and I are great and as this is being printed, we should be returning from a great holiday in Phoenix with my mom, son and brother and their families. I can't recall the last time we were all together for the holidays. If this year has taught anything it's that every minute we have together is precious and should be valued.

RGMS has had quite the year, 3 actual meetings and our first virtual one this month. Most of our Board has been meeting every month either in person or virtually, making sure the business of the society is being taken care of. We have started up Open House on Mondays, and that has been going for months now very successfully; both lapidary and cutting slabs is being done. We want to now start a Monday Social; we'll have cookies, or some treat available and there's always coffee, hot chocolate, water and soda for purchase or bring your own. We can sit far enough apart to distance and still visit.

We have 2 new lapidary machines installed and running and 2 more on their way. **Julie Hilsabeck** has been making sure to be there to offer advice on your project. Monday night is not a class night but rather a night for those who have been through lapidary classes and can use the equipment on their own. I can't thank her enough for doing this along with our Treasurer **Robyn Howard** who also oversees Mondays. Thanks, too, to **Sue Webb** and **Al Bolshazy** for leading classes during this and I look forward to other instructors starting back up.

In November we had a Building Meeting. That Board has been led by **Linda Johnston** since the beginning, and she and her Board have done an outstanding job throughout this year working with tenants and keeping the building in shape and leased. We are currently meeting with a contractor to add push bars to both doors which will allow us to expand capacity in the building and also change the landing on the front door for better handicap access using the ramp. **Eric Fendelander** has worked very hard this year making repairs, keeping the building repaired and usable.

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Wednesday, Dec. 2, 2020
General Meeting **Zoom**

7 pm on line

WEDNESDAY, Nov. 11, 2020

Board Meeting

7:00 at the Rock Building or by Zoom

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RGMS, INC. MISSION STATEMENT

The **mission** of the **Reno Gem and Mineral Society** is to create, develop, and encourage interest in the Earth Sciences and to locate and identify various material through field trips. As a **501C(3)** corporation RGMS qualifies for donation write offs of cash and materials. Donation receipts are available at the society's headquarters.

A General Meeting, open to the public, is held usually the first Wednesday of each month at 7 PM at Baldini's Casino, Second Floor, 865 S. Rock Blvd, Sparks, NV. Board meetings are open to all members and are held the second Wednesday of each month at 7 PM at the Rock Building, 480 S. Rock Blvd., Sparks, NV. Annual membership dues: student: \$25, Individual: \$35, and Family: \$50.

CONGLOMERATE SUBSCRIPTIONS 2020

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- Shortened edition by USPS:** \$1 per copy or \$12 annually, in advance
- Full edition by USPS:** \$1.75/ copy or \$21 annually, in advance
- Full edition copies** at the meeting: \$2 except to guests. Free to guests.

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Linda made an announcement at the meeting that we have raised enough funds to begin construction of our new and larger shop. This has been a dream and a goal of the building board since inception. Our goal is to have that shop completed by the end of next year, if not sooner. New equipment is being added, new defined classrooms are designed by our instructors for maximum benefit. After completion of the shop, we will begin building a new meeting space as funds allow in the future.

New equipment, new space, classrooms, and our educational outreach are all possible because of monies we raise throughout the year through fund raisers, membership, door prizes and raffles. On that note, we have reached that time of year for **renewal of memberships**, I've been pleased to see those coming in at the Rock Building already. You can mail yours in, stop by on Mondays when we have the building open, or come by during the week and put your renewal through the mail slot. The forms for new and renewing members are available on our website. If you have not seen the new website, please visit. It's been active for a little while now and is being improved continuously. The old web address is workable and will direct you to the new site address which is renogms.org. You will find Membership on the upper right corner of the site. Scroll down to find two links, one for new members and one for renewals. Thank you to **Tom Nichols and Logan Alexander and entire tech committee** for accomplishing this.

We will be continuing field trips throughout the winter as weather and roads allow. These will be led by **Steve Smith** our VP, and by Denise and me along with others. We are doing our best to continue activities observing spacing and guidelines, and we will add more as time passes. Thank you once again to **Rob Kendrick** for all the great trips this year. We are looking for a new Field Trip Leader starting next year and moving forward. We are in the planning stages for 2021 Jackpot of Gems scheduled for the first weekend in April. So far, we have a great response from vendors and members. Like 2020 it may be cancelled later on, but at this time it is allowed, and we will move towards accomplishing that goal.

Finally a very special thank you to **Sue Webb** for getting this newsletter out every month, one of the finest in the country. I hope to see most of you at the first General Meetings via Zoom this month. You should have received the invite by now. Denise and I wish you the very best for the New Year.

SUNSHINE

Lori Connel 775-233-5693

Hello to all of our members. It sure has been a long, taxing year and probably more to come between now and January 2021. **Eric**, my husband, and I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays and hopes of a very good 2021.

Some may find the holidays a little different this year because of the COVID virus. I have heard of families doing virtual holiday dinners using their computer. You know, I was quite upset at first about this, but the more I think of it, it really boils down to spending more quality time with those we love and care about, so if we have to do it this way, so what. We can still see each other and laugh and joke about things. Some may not be able to do the virtual holiday with family. Can we all get on the phone and contact our friends, those in RGMS as well as others? The connection with our friends is so important. So, please take time to make a few calls.

Because we are not having general meetings right now, I'm not getting the information about who could use a cheerful call or get well wishes. If you know anyone that might be in this situation, please call me. I would love to pass on our get well wishes from the Society.

Our prayers, get well virtual hugs, and possible phone calls are still needed for **Sam Macaluso** and **Ike Isaacson**. So, if you know these gentlemen, please give them a call. **Sue Webb** also asks for your prayers and positive thoughts for her rockhound son, **Karl Allemeier**, a member of the Madison, WI club, who is fighting cancer.

I was trying to find a quote that might be appropriate for us during this tumultuous time. I found one from **Norman Angell**.

"It is not the facts which guide the conduct of men, but their opinions about facts, which may be entirely wrong. We can only make them right by discussion."

If facts were all it took to get people to agree, newspaper editorial pages would disappear. One person argues a position eloquently, based on a set of facts. The next day, someone else argues a different position, equally eloquently, based on the same set of facts.

We look at facts from our own perspective, using them to bolster what we already believe. If we talk with those who disagree, we often explore perspectives, not facts. This can be a good thing, because although we can't change facts, we can change our perspectives.

We have to remember there are other perspectives.

"TUMBLING TIPS"

SHOP SUGGESTIONS Compiled by Bernice D. Schilling - 1975 San Fernando Valley Mineral and Gem Society Rescued by John Martin CFMS PLAC-AFMS C&L plac@antelecom.net

OPERATING A ROCK TUMBLER

Select rocks that will take a good polish. Use rocks nearly the same size and hardness. Use 1 cup (1/2 lb.) of the first run grit (80 or 220) to 2 pounds of rock. (use 220 grit for beach rocks) Run until the corners of the rocks are smooth and all pits removed — from one to two weeks, depending on the condition of the rocks. Rocks broken up with a hammer will take longer to smooth up than water-worn pebbles. It is a good idea to use half the grit to start and add the other half later, after some of the mud has been poured off. Because the coarse grit will become broken down to a finer grind, this later addition seems to cut the rocks faster than using all the coarse grit at one time. First run grit can be as coarse as 60 grit.

Wash rocks well and put 1/2 cup of second run grit. This can vary from 220 to 320, depending on how well the rocks are cleared up in the first run. Tumble for four or five days.

Wash rocks and the tumbler and put in cup of third run grit, 400 to 600 — along with a tablespoon of Tide and run for four days.

Wash rocks and tumbler and put in 2 tablespoons of finely powdered pumice with a tablespoon of Tide and run for four days.

Wash rocks and tumbler THOROUGHLY. Add 1/2 cup of tin oxide and a tablespoon of Tide. Run until a good polish is obtained. This usually takes about three days, but do not take them out too soon.*Spit and Polish*

ALTERNATE METHOD FOR TUMBLING.ROCKS — TWO STEPS ONLY

The barrel is filled properly, using 220 coarse grit and allowed to run steady for 3 weeks. The grit will break down to a finer grade.

The rocks are washed very thoroughly to remove all grit, clean tumbler carefully. Use the same amount of Polishing Powder as was used for the coarse grit tumbling. Tin Oxide is the best. Let run for 3 weeks steady. Wash in hot soapy water, after cleaning in cold water.*Alaska Pebble Patters*

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ANOTHER METHOD OF TUMBLE POLISHING called "NO WASH"

Start with #80 grit, tumble one week. Don't empty the tumbler, but add five teaspoons of new grit to the mixture --using a three pound tumbler. Tumble another week. Follow this same procedure through the other grits #190, #320 & #600.

For a glossy finish, after washing out polishing powders, add three tablespoons of sugar, one level tablespoon of "All" or "Cascade" or any non-sudsing detergent. About ten drops of muriatic acid can be added. Let the tumbler stand open for a minute, then close the barrel and tumble for a week.*Strata Gems* .

Take the LINT from your CLOTHES DRIER lint catcher and ADD it to the POLISHING COMPOUND for tumbling. It speeds up the polish and prevents chipping.*The Agatizer*

A few tablespoons of OXALIC ACID CRYSTALS in your FINAL TUMBLING POLISH will give your stones an extra luster.*Breccia*

When desiring a very HIGH POLISH on your tumbled stones, use a quarter pound chunk of soluble rouge, the kind used by silversmiths, which comes in half-pound bars. Cut the bar in half and put it into the tumbler with the usual amount of water and your choice of regular polishing compound. It will greatly improve the luster.*Rockhound's Rag*

It is possible to use SPARK PLUG GRITS for the FIRST CYCLE in your tumbler. They are efficient and cheap and does a very good job. They can be bought at any AUTO SUPPLY store.*The Agatizer*

POLISHING SUNSTONES IN A TUMBLER

Start with #60 or #80 grit, 1 tablespoon per pound of stones. Tumble 3 days. Check for size and shape. If desired, tumble for a few more days and check again. Wash and clean stones and the tumbler.

Put in the same amount of #220 grit and tumble 4 days. Be sure all edges are smooth. Wash and clean thoroughly.

Put in #600 grit, 2 tablespoons per pound. Tumble for 1 week. Wash and clean thoroughly.

Put in Tin Oxide, 4 tablespoons per pound. Tumble for 1 week and check for desired polish. If not satisfied run for another week. When desired polish is reached, wash and clean.

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Tumbling Tips, Continued

Put in thick, creamy solution of non-detergent soap and burnish for 1 week. Wash and clean.Pasadena Lapidary Society

FURTHER TUMBLING NOTES

- 1. Always keep the tumbler nearly full even if you have to add extra material, such as plastic foam, rubber bands or plastic pellets.
2. Silicon carbide grit gets used up in a week. Add more if you feel the rocks need more grinding.
3. Rounded rocks, such as Beach Pebbles, should be started with #220 grit rather than #80. The rougher grit makes the rocks rougher than the surf left them.
4. Grind off sharp edges to bluntness before starting to tumble.
5. Getting rid of used grit and sludge is easier if you let it stand in a bucket until it settles and then pour off the water. This can be done several times until it becomes moist "garbage" to be collected with the rest of the garbage, wrapped in several thicknesses of newspaper.
6. The most satisfactory polishing medium is still Tin Oxide. It is worth the price.The Tumbler

2020 HOLIDAY POTLUCK

Denise Sizemore, Social Director

As we round the corner into the 2020 Holidays, and with restrictions being tightened again, the Holiday Potluck scheduled for December 5th, 2020 at the Rock Building is canceled.

However, on December 2, 2020 we are going to hold our December General meeting via Zoom!!!! I do not have all the details, so stay tuned for messages via email and social media with time and link to join in. Be sure to wear your Holiday Hat and join us. And, of course, it's BYO—dinner and/or adult beverage.

I am here if you are in need or know someone in need of anything so do not hesitate to ask, if I can't help, I surely know someone who can.

May you all have a very Blessed and safe Holiday, Denise Sizemore rgms.socialdirector@gmail.com

OFFICERS' REPORTS

The Board minutes are posted on the bulletin board at headquarters monthly. Treasurer's reports are available to any member on request. Steve Norman, Secretary; Robyn Howard, Treasurer

HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM OUR HOUSE TO YOURS

Denise Sizemore

As another year of treasure hunting comes to an end and we winterize our trailer, I thought I would feel most nostalgic for all the cool gems and minerals we found along the way. But, no! I find I am going to miss the adventure of driving down a dirt road few

have traveled. Dust flying!!! Or standing on the top of a hill seeing this view, thinking of the generations that were in this very spot, imagining



traveling on horseback, in covered wagons, even walking for days through what we just traversed today in the blink of an eye. All of a sudden, I feel so very grateful for the spare tire, extra jugs of water, the power bars, and for my travel buddy who loves the adventures as much as me and as much as I do

Count your Blessings this Holiday Season, we have so many. Hoping to see ya'll on future adventures in our Reno Gem and Mineral Society backyard.

YOU'RE INVITED DECEMBER RGMS MEETING

Dean Sizemore

Topic: December 2020 General Meeting Time: Dec 2, 2020 07:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85997016830?pwd=L1hNV1docERMaHFpN1NIYS91RWJkZz09

Meeting ID: 859 9701 6830 Passcode: 802862 One tap mobile +16699009128,,85997016830#,,,,,0#,,802862 # US (San Jose) +12532158782,,85997016830#,,,,,0#,,802862 # US (Tacoma) Other locations, email rgms.bulletin@gmail.com

MINERAL OF THE MONTH

SODALITE

Webb Varnum

Na₄(Si₃Al₃)O₁₂Cl, Sodalite can be found in almost any color. When it is a brilliant yellow rather than royal blue, a negatively charged disulfide-ion replaced the Cl. Sodalite has a vitreous or greasy luster and a hardness of 5.5-6 on the Mohs scale. With a specific gravity of 2.27-2.33 sodalite has an isometric crystal system.



A subset of the feldspar group, sodalite has mostly ornamental rather than mineral uses and is frequently employed as a semi-precious gemstone.

Sodalite is readily distinguished from lapis lazuli by its lighter blue color and the lack of pyrite inclusions although both contain white veining.

Sodalite has a white streak whereas lapis lazuli has a light blue streak.

Sodalite fluoresces orange under ultraviolet light.

Originally found in Greenland, large deposits also occur in Canada.

2021 JACKPOT OF GEMS

SHOW

Daniel Ellis, Show Chairman

Hi and hello everyone. It's been a long summer, and as we move through fall we got news that the Reno Convention center has put us on the "GO" for our April Show, the 3rd and 4th if all is well by then.

The rules will limit the number of people who can enter, and we all need to be wearing masks for our protection. Thanks to all who sent in a response about helping with putting on the show. I will be getting in touch with all of our people very soon. I will keep you all informed as to what is happening as this is going to be a fluid situation as we move into spring.

So, till later as more news comes my way. Thanks again for all of your support.



THE ROCK BUILDING UPDATE
DECEMBER 2020

Linda Johnston, LLC Manager

The Reno Gem and Mineral Society has owned our building for three years now, and Phase One has been completed successfully. Phase One was the stabilization of the building structure, the establishment and maintenance of the income/expense stream, and saving the profits for building the new facilities for RGMS.

Well, the time has **FINALLY ARRIVED!!!** The Building team is beginning Phase Two, the planning of our new, improved facilities. The enhancements include separate, larger shops for lapidary and metal working, classroom areas, kitchen, etc. Once we have a solid plan, we'll be working with the instructors and the Board of Directors for final approval. Between the larger facilities and the new equipment we're adding, you won't believe what's coming for RGMS.

Building out the expansion and moving from our present headquarters will take a while, possibly as long as a year. The largest hurdle is that many architects and contractors are currently scheduled far in advance.

Anyone who knows the names of good, licensed architects and contractors who would like to bid, please let us know immediately!

RGMS LIBRARY REPORT

Kathy Boyne, Library Director

Like us all, I am still Staying Home for Nevada. When restrictions are lifted, I will be actively involved with the RGMS Library. I am accepting donations to the library. Donations may consist of magazines, journals, books, and/or maps related to RGMS interests which include Nevada History, Jewelry, Beading, Metalwork, Lapidary, Geology, Rocks and Minerals. Contact Kathy via phone or email address: RGMS.librarian@gmail.com.

WHAT DOES SOLAR WEATHER HAVE TO DO WITH EARTHQUAKES?

According to a peer-reviewed paper published in Nature's Scientific Reports, there is a correlation between solar activity and earthquakes; however, the claim is quite controversial. Contrary to providing the "holy grail" of earthquake prediction, it is important to note that correlation is not causation.

The researchers compared "data on earthquakes and solar activity to ascertain if there was a correlation." Apparently, the occurrence of earthquakes is not entirely random. The statistical analysis of the data reveals that large earthquakes follow the occurrence of solar winds (proton density) within a statistical certainty of one in 10,000.

The conclusion is challenged by a number of geophysicists and seismologists who insist that seismic records and geologic models are more reliable.

Furthermore, they claim, if very deep quakes are removed from the data and aftershocks discounted, the analysis does not hold up. The study was also criticized by a well-known seismologist as not being sufficiently rigorous and showing no evidence of being able to be replicated.

The conclusion is challenged by a number of geophysicists and seismologists who insist that the more accurate "recent advances in earthquake prediction technology--such as those that predicted the increasing likelihood of a large Southern California quake--derive from computer modeling using seismic records and geologic models."

Nevertheless, the study is an early effort to prove correlation of earthquakes with solar phenomena or to suggest the data may be useful for predicting quakes. (See also Simpson, "Solar Activity as a Triggering Mechanism for Earthquakes," *Earth and Planetary Science Letters*, Volume 3, 1967-1968, Pages 417-425.) One is reminded of the resistance—even ridicule—plate tectonics encountered before it was generally accepted.

Source: "A Study That Links Solar Activity of Earthquakes Is Sending Shockwaves through the Science World," by Matthew Rozsa, July 21, 2020, www.salon.com, accessed 11/24/20.

MANKIND

Ike Isaacson

A little girl—a 1st or 2nd grader—came home from school one day. She moped around and moped around with a very puzzled look on her face, which was not natural for her. At some point in the presence of her mother she asked, "Mommy, where did mankind come from?" Immediately, Mom began with the Lord, God, Heaven, Jesus, and all things connected.

Some time later, in the company of her Dad, still with that very puzzled look on her face, she asked, "Daddy, where did mankind come from?" He started with the geologic time scale, with some early life forms, followed with the evolution of the animal kingdom, and on, and on, and on, right up to the present.

Later that same day, in the presence of her mom, she said, "I asked Daddy where did mankind come from, and he said we came from the monkeys."

Her mom replied, "Oh well, that's from his side of the family. This is ours."



SCHOOL REPORT*Julie Hilsabeck, Director*

Want to take or teach a new class? Have any ideas or suggestions? E-mail **Julie Hilsabeck** [RGMS.school at gmail.com](mailto:RGMS.school@gmail.com) or talk to her at the general meeting when meetings resume! All official information regarding scheduling and class details is published in *The Conglomerate*. ~~Register and pay for classes at the general meeting.~~ We accept cash or check made out to RGMS!

Children may register for classes only at the discretion of the teacher. Wear protective shoes or boots to work in the shop—NO open toe shoes, sandals or slippers. **Please Note: To register for classes you must either be a member or have \$1 million of liability insurance naming RGMS as the certificate holder. Non-members must present a valid insurance certificate at registration. Otherwise, you may not register for classes until the next general meeting after you join.. Your insurance is included in your dues.**

BE NICE! Each class using headquarters is responsible for leaving the premises clean and tidy. Any tools belonging to RGMS should be put away securely and headquarters locked.

MONDAY OPEN HOUSE

Make your own projects! You must take at least 2 months of lapidary classes before you will be cleared to attend open house and must have your name on file as approved to work on your own in the shop. Speak to the lapidary instructors to be added to the list. Please be sure to follow shop safety rules. **At 8:45 (12:45) please start clean-up so chaperones can go home.** Supervised by various members. 11AM-1PM; 7-9 PM Shop fee \$5/hour.

BEADING AND BEAD WEAVING

Must sign up. Beading during Covid-19 restrictions may be offered on a **Saturday** from 10-2. Class is taught by **Sue Webb**. **Projects: January—Valentine project \$2.50/hour (\$10/class)** payable at class. To sign up for January, email Sue at [rgms.bulletin@ gmail.com](mailto:rgms.bulletin@gmail.com). Check web site for details.

CASTING

Casting is currently on hiatus until an experienced instructor is found. When offered and weather permitting, casting is taught in two classes held on Friday evenings. Classes enroll a maximum of 4-6 students. Sign up at the general meeting when classes and meetings resume. Inactive during Covid

KNOTTING AND STRINGING

The class begins with the basics of jewelry making—learning about the materials, findings & tools which will also help with knowing how to repair jewelry. Students will also learn how to create some amazing pieces, either for personal use, for gifts, or even as a way to start your own business. Come let's create together. 12/13 10-1. \$5 course fee. Kits \$20. Taught by **Laura Jackson**

LAPIDARY

Must sign up. Lapidary is limited to 4 new students, but a **daytime class** will be available when classes resume. **For shop safety, an absolute limit of eight people may work in the shop at one time.** First time students **must** attend a one-time **shop safety seminar on the Tuesday following the general meeting at 10:30 am or 6:30 pm.** Drop-ins are welcome on a first come, first served basis. Registered and pre-paid students always take precedence over drop-ins. Materials for your first two projects are included in your class fee. Evening class taught by **Lloyd Raymond & Barbara Hartman, 7-9 pm;** daytime class taught by **Barbara Hartman and Julie Hilsabeck. 11am –1pm**, Tuesdays, \$5/hr. Inactive during Covid.

SILVER FABRICATION

Must sign up. Beginning classes are structured classes. The first two projects are specifically designed to teach you the fundamentals of silver fabrication (making jewelry). Therefore, you will not be able to do other projects until you complete the two projects. RGMS provides tools to use on your first two projects. There is a \$20-\$25 fee for the silver which we provide for the first project. Stones are not included; however, we do have some for sale. For these two projects, **only oval stones** will be used. Suggested size for the first project is 18 x 13mm, and 30 x 32 mm for the second project. The stone size does not have to be the exact size but should be very close. You can purchase silver from the instructors for the second project, or you can use our own. Upon completion of the two projects, if you wish to continue, you will need your own basic set of tools. **The tools that RGMS provides are for new students only.** Before purchasing any tools, talk with your instructors. Thursdays. 6-9 PM Instructors: **Jay Logue, Jill Atkins and Al Bolshazy.** Inactive during Covid

WIRE ART

Drop in to work with wire the second and fourth Monday. Classes vary by the month, so check at the general meeting or in the Conglomerate or the Website to see what may be offered. Brass wire only and tools are available to lend in class to new students. **Instructor(s) needed.** 2nd and 4th Monday, .6-8 PM \$2.50/hour (\$5/class), payable in class. Inactive during Covid

DECEMBER 2020

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

		1	2 ZOOM Holiday Meeting	3	4	5
6	7 Open House 7-9 pm	8	9 Board Meeting? 7-9pm	10	11	12
13 Knotting Stringing, Beading, 10-1	14 Open House 7-9 pm	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 Open House 7-9 pm	22	23	24	25	26
27	28 Open House 7-9 pm	29	30	31		

MINERAL IDENTIFICATION

Must sign up. Email Julie and watch Calendar and Website. If offered, 3rd and 4th Wed. in April . For a small fee, identification kits are available for purchase ahead of the class. Taught by **Webb Varnum**

LOST WAX CARVING

Cost is \$50/month **Please note this class is on Saturdays and Sundays!** Bring your lunch and beverages. Nott offered in summer.

OTHER

Potential for **faceting** classes, beginning **enameling**, and **precious metal clay** if there is enough interest. Email Julie if you are interested.

Contact **Julie Hilsabeck** to schedule **ALL USES** of the Rock Building. She manages the schedule to avoid scheduling conflicts such as we had in January. Julie can be reached at RGMS.school@gmail.com.

ATTENTION

As incidents of Covid 19 continue to occur in Nevada, the RGMS will hold only those activities that can occur within the guidelines set by the governor. Keep checking the Conglomerate, Facebook, and the Website for current status of all activities. We hope things will settle down soon so we can get back to having fun.



WRAPTOR DESIGNS
WIRE ART JEWELRY BY **DENISE SIZEMORE**

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UPCOMING CFMS SHOWS

See additional information at [cfmsinc.org/shows-2/](https://www.cfmsinc.org/shows-2/)

No shows are currently scheduled for December 2020 or January 2021.

2021 Shows

February 20-21, Antioch

Antioch Lapidary Club

Jewelry, Gem & Rock Show

Contra Costa County Fairgrounds, 1201 West 10th St., Antioch

Contact: (925) 301-6957, brenda.miguel@yahoo.com

February 27-28, Vallejo

Vallejo Gem & Mineral Society

56th Annual Gem & Mineral Show

Solano County Fairgrounds, McCormack Hall, 900 Fairgrounds Dr

Contact: (415) 254-1506, dduhonvgms@gmail.com

~~March 6—Ventura, CA—CANCELLED!!!~~

~~Ventura Gem & Mineral Society~~

~~Ventura County Fairgrounds, 10 W. Harbor Blvd, Ventura 93001~~

~~Contact: (805) 312-8467, info@vgms.org~~

March 13-14, Arcadia CA

Pasadena Lapidary Society

“Inspiration Unearth”, 62nd Annual Tournament of Gems

Arcadia Masonic Center, 50 W. Duarte Rd.

Contact: Ellen Ferrell 1-727-512-0381

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June 12-13, 2021, Escondido CA

Palomar Gem and Mineral Club

340 N. Escondido Blvd., Escondido CA 92025

Website: pgmshow@palomargem.org

DUES ARE DUE

Don't forget to pay your 2021 dues, You will continue to get the *Conglomerate* for the rest of 2020, and for January of 2021, but unless your dues are paid by Jan. 15, you may not get the February and subsequent issues. To pay dues for 2021, go to the membership page on the new Website ([renogms.org](https://www.renogms.org)) and download the membership app page, write your check, and send it in or put it in the slot at the Rock Building at 480 S. Rock Blvd.

Note: If the listing does not show a cancellation, it is best to check with the show chairs to be sure it is still being held. See the CFMS Website for additional information.—<https://www.cfmsinc.org/shows-2/>