



# PALOMAR GEM AND MINERAL CLUB NEWSLETTER

VOLUME 57 ISSUE 2

FEBRUARY 2016

## INTARSIA JEWELRY MAKING

Ray Pierce from the Vista Gem and Mineral Club was our presenter at our February meeting. He provided us with some insight into the making of intarsia jewelry. Intarsia is an elaborate collaboration of using inlaid materials and creating a one of a kind masterpiece.

He gave us a brief explanation of how he designs and creates these works of art. He has been working at this since about 1991. If you get a chance please look for his work at one of the Vista Gem and Mineral Club's shows.



### Inside this issue

Minutes of last month's meeting  
Upcoming Workshops  
Annual Gem and Mineral Show  
Lapidary Workshop Schedule  
Field Trips  
Calendar of Events

## PGMC POSITIONS

### Board Officers

---

John Raabe - President

Chris Toft - Vice President

Fred Floyd- Secretary

Toni Floyd - Treasurer

Michele Shepard - Program Chair

Dawn Vickers - Bulletin Editor

### Chairpersons

---

Charles Shupe - California Federation

Chris Toft – Parliamentarian

Barbra Bury - Décor Coordinator, Club Historian and Redwood Rep

Judy Jessup - Hospitality and Good Cheer

Jef Wright/Dawn Vickers – Membership

Joseph Vaughn – Field Trip Coordinator

Dawn Vickers - Promotion, Media and Publicity

Gayle Hamilton – Show Coordinator

Blakely Sanford – PGMC Yahoo Group

Craig Harris - Web Page

### Shop Co-coordinators

---

Dan McNamara

Alan Mazolla

### Shop Supervisors:

---

Alan Mazzola

Eva Niedhalee

Michele Shepard

Toni Floyd

Diane Hall

John Raabe and Bob Johnson – (Back-Up Supervisors)

### Silversmithing Classes:

---

Diane Hall

Annie Heffner

Laurie Jane Kern

### Lapidary and Gem Faceting:

---

Bob Johnson

---

### PGMC WEBSITE

The PGMC website is accessible at  
[www.palomargem.org](http://www.palomargem.org).

Find us on  at

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/147708948608821/>

---

or search for Palomar Gem and Mineral Club

---

---

### MEMBERSHIP

Membership dues are currently due.

\$25 for individual

\$40 for family



Contact Jef Wright or Dawn Vickers for membership forms

---

### BIRTHDAY POTLUCK MEETING



Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday March 16, 2016 at the Redwood Terrace location. It will be our annual birthday celebration potluck dinner. The Palomar Gem

and Mineral Club will be 62 years old!

We would love to have everyone show up. Bring a potluck meal for you and about 6-8 others. Also bring your own place setting as minimal place settings will be available for those who forget.

GEM SHOW



Our 60<sup>th</sup> annual Gem and Mineral Show will be on Saturday April 23 & Sunday, April 24. at the Escondido Center for the Arts, 340 N. Escondido Blvd., Escondido, CA. This is our primary money maker for the club. The proceeds of this show help to defray the costs and maintain our lapidary workshop.



**WE NEED YOU**

to make this show a success. Volunteer opportunities are available for everyone. Please contact Gayle Hamilton at [gemshow@palomargem.org](mailto:gemshow@palomargem.org) or Chris Toft at [omphalos41@gmail.com](mailto:omphalos41@gmail.com) to volunteer.

UPCOMING CLASSES

*Cabochon/Lapidary Class & Open Workshops*

*Every week*

- Tuesday** 11:00 am – 2:00 pm
- Wednesday** 11:00 am – 2:00 pm
- Wed. Evening** 6:00 – 9:00 pm (except 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed.)
- Thursday** 2:00-5:00pm

Learn to cut and polish a rock into a beautiful stone suitable for wire wrapping or fabricating in metal. A fantastic assortment of material is available for purchase on site.

The workshop is also open for general use. No prior registration needed.

*Cost: A \$7 shop fee will be collected. Club membership required.*

*Metal Smithing only*

*Every Week*

**Thursday 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm** open to those students who have had metal smithing instruction or experience and/or have instructor approval. Attendees must be able to work independently as this is not a class. An experienced metalsmith will be available for consultation. When a class is scheduled on this day the workshop is cancelled. *NEW* – Exception for students who have made arrangements with instructor for Beginning Silversmith lessons. See below for class information.

*Cost: A \$7 shop fee will be collected. Club membership required.*

*Faceting – Continuation Class*

This is a class for continuing students who have completed the Introductory Class and is held once per month, from 9 to 5 on the Saturday following the general meeting, (which is always on the third Wed.)

**Instructor:** Bob Johnson

**Location:** Club Shop

**Cost:** \$35.

**NOTE:** March class will be the 19<sup>th</sup>.

*Chasing and Repousse Workshop*

**Prerequisite:** Students who have had beginning Chasing and Repousse with Laurie Kern.

**Date and time:** Every Friday evening from 6-9 p.m.

**Where:** Palomar Gem & Mineral Club Workshop,  
Fee: \$7

**SPECIALTY WORKSHOPS**

*(PGMC Membership required)*

*Chasing & Repoussé Cuff Workshop*

Skill: Advanced Beginner and above

Dates: 4 Days

Saturday, March 5, 2016

Sunday, March 6, 2016

Sunday March 20, 2016

Saturday, March 26, 2016

Time: 10:00 am to 5:00 pm (total hours: 24) with 1 hour for lunch each day.

Where: Palomar Gem & Mineral Club Workshop,  
2120 W. Mission, Suite S., Escondido, Ca.

**Beginning Silversmith Class**

This is a four evening basic silversmith class. The students will learn to develop their designs, use a jeweler's saw to cut out a pattern, solder a bezel to a backing and add a bale, creating a wearable piece of jewelry. Intermediate students can work on a project of their choosing with instructor approval.

Instructors: Diane Hall & Annie Heffner

Dates: Thursdays (dates to be arranged with instructor)

Time: 6-9 pm

Cost: \$60 (club membership required - \$25 fee for single membership)

Materials additional - please bring a cabochon to set in silver or let us know if you need one.

\*\*Call Diane Hall at (760) 741-0433 (leave message for call back) or email dianehall213@gmail.com for more info or to register.\*\*

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!**

|             |                             |
|-------------|-----------------------------|
| March 16    | March Meeting               |
| March 19    | Faceting Continuation Class |
| March 23    | March Newsletter Deadline   |
| April 16    | Field Trip to Petroglyphs   |
| April 23-24 | PGMC Annual Gem Show        |

**UPCOMING FIELDTRIPs**

*Maturango Museum to Little Petroglyph Canyon*

**WHEN:** Saturday, April 16, 2016

**WHERE:** Maturango Museum

**WHAT TO BRING:**

Kevin Smith is working on organizing a field trip to Maturango Museum to Little Petroglyph Canyon in the China Lake Naval Weapons Station. I believe he said that he is tentatively looking at Saturday April 16<sup>th</sup> to go. In order to go on this field trip you will have to download the application form ahead of time and apply. There are only a limited number of individuals permitted to attend. You can go here to get all the information to apply.

<http://maturango.org/petroglyph-tours/>. You can contact Kevin at [kvspools@gmail.com](mailto:kvspools@gmail.com) and he will help you with all the information you need as far as where to stay and what to bring.

**NOTES FROM THE EDITOR**

The deadline for the newsletter is the Wednesday following the General Meeting. Articles should be sent to the editor at [dawnjvickers@gmail.com](mailto:dawnjvickers@gmail.com).

I will try and get the newsletter out to our membership by the end of the month.