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## BOARD MEETINGS

5:00 P.M. Prior to

GENERAL MONTHLY  
MEETING (Sept.-May)

At Mt. Olive Parish Center

2170 Havasupai Blvd.

**Mike Riddle will be coming to the January 2012 meeting to speak about camels.**

## Help Needed!

Balloon Fest on January 19-22. Need lots of helpers to man the booth as well as people to help get things ready. Also need rock or jewelry donations to sell. Please call Kathy McCauliff at 928-680-7698 if you can help!

## GENERAL MONTHLY MEETING

Friday, January 13, 2011

Mt. Olive Parish Center

2170 Havasupai Blvd.

Lake Havasu City

Meeting begins @ 7:00 p.m.

Visiting @6:30 p.m.

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## SUPPORT FOR LOCAL INTERAGENCY FOOD BANK

### Please Help!

Bring food items to ALL meetings for the Local Food Bank. The food will be picked up each meeting by a food bank represent-ative at around 7:30 during the meeting.

# CLUB INFORMATION

The Lake Havasu Gem & Mineral Society is a member of The Rocky Mountain Federation of Mineralogical Societies (RMFMS) and associated with the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies (AFMS).

The purpose of the Lake Havasu Gem and Mineral Society is:

1. To increase our appreciation of the beauty and value of the land in which we live.
2. To foster good fellowship among the members while pursuing the Club's activities.
3. To foster knowledge of the earth sciences.
4. To provide educational scholarships in scientific fields.
5. To procure and improve club equipment.

The Lake Havasu Gem and Mineral Society meets the second Friday of each month from September through May at Mt. Olive Parish Center 2170 Havasupai Blvd., Lake Havasu City, AZ. The membership typically votes to eliminate the June, July, and August meetings.

Fiscal Year: January 1st– December 31<sup>st</sup>

Name badges are required for all members.  
 One time or replacement badge cost - \$8.00  
 Single membership cost - \$16.00  
 Family sponsored Junior membership cost - \$8.00  
 Family membership cost - \$16.00 for the first member and \$8.00 for each member thereafter with a maximum of \$25.00.

Annual Membership dues are payable on January 1 and shall be delinquent after the February meeting.

Please remit payment to:

**Lake Havasu Gem & Mineral Society**  
**Attn: Membership Chairperson**  
**P.O. Box 990**  
**Lake Havasu City, AZ 86405-0990**

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 Group Site Moderator: Bruce Wilhelm

## OFFICERS and DIRECTORS

<b>Jay Brown</b>	President 408-251-4256
<b>Kathy McCauliff</b>	Vice President
<b>Eric Hynes</b>	Secretary
<b>Liz Porter</b>	Treasurer
<b>Don Wininger</b>	Sgt. at Arms
<b>David Frybarger</b>	First Year Director
<b>Jack Hodges</b>	Second Year Director
<b>Ron Murphy</b>	Third Year Director
<b>“C” Russell</b>	Past President

## COMMITTEES

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## President's Message---

I think I will start my last President's message by using the beginning of *The Tale of Two Cities*. It was the best of times. It was the worst of times. I like to focus on the best of times. We started the year with the balloon festival, followed by delicious potlucks, the silent auction, and the weekend swap meet. The year came to a close with great gem show and Christmas party.

Thanks to the people who would see past all the nonsense and continued to work on club projects.

You will never know how happy I was to have so many nominees for the 2012 officers' and board of directors' positions. I think the mix of new members and past office holders will make for an exciting new year. Please give your new officers your input and support.

Thank you all for putting up with me for this past year. It really was much more fun than I thought it was going to be. I'm going to miss it.

As always, your past President  
"C" Russell

## !Balloon Fest Info!

This year our club will be participating the the Lake Havasu Balloon Festival which will be January 19-22. This will be a great way to share our interests with the community. The club will have a booth in the "Arts and Crafts" village.

There will be demonstrations, possibly faceting and cabbing as well as wire wrapping and beading, planned activities for children, exhibits of rocks and finished products and sales. This is a huge event and the booth will be a great place to enjoy all the festivities that are planned. Last years booth was a lot of fun.

Although the purpose is not to make money, it would be nice to cover the expenses of the booth. We will need people to help in the booth during the festival and in preparation of materials for the activities.

We also need donations of rocks, jewelry etc. to be sold or used for prizes.

**If you can help in any way please call Kathy McCauliff, 928-680-7698**

## General Meeting Minutes December 9, 2011

**Mt. Olive Parish Center  
2170 Havasupai Blvd.  
Lake Havasu City, Az. 86403  
Submitted by Acting Secretary  
Carol Rhodaback**

### Lake Havasu Gem and Mineral Society

President C Russell called the meeting to order at 7:00PM. Present were 82 members and no guests. Board Members Present were C Russell, Dave Frybarger, Liz Porter, Carol Rhodaback, Tom Henderson, Don Wining, Stan Sutton Rick Gilpin and Jack Hodges.

Don Wining, Sgt. at Arms, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C Russell welcomed all in attendance and announced the names of those with November birthdays and anniversaries.

Carol Rhodaback, Secretary, read the minutes of the November 11, 2011, General Meeting. C Russell asked if there were any additions or corrections. There were none and the minutes were approved as read.

### TREASURER

Liz Porter submitted the following reports:

"Projected December Treasurer's Report"  
"Lake Havasu Gem and Mineral Society Annual Show Summary:

"2011 Gem Show Record – Income"

"Budget for 2011 and 2012 Proposed"

The monthly report is attached to these minutes.

### MEMBERSHIP

Gail Gilpin submitted the Members Sign-up Sheet for this meeting. The By-Laws, Standing Rules and name tags were offered to any new members present. Some new members do not have sponsors and several members offered to be sponsors.

Gail reminded the membership that dues are due by the February 2012 meeting.

## **General Meeting Minutes, cont.**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mark Payne spoke about the faceting classes to be offered at MCC and encouraged everyone to come.

Kathy McCauliff reminded that today was the last day to order a "Broll". These are the buckets with wheels and a handle to use on rock trips. They were featured at our Show. Today they are \$65.00 and then will be \$69.95 plus \$10.00 for shipping after today.

C Russell spoke of a man that has petrified wood, onyx, travertine, tourmaline and many other desirable rocks. The man is offering his complete collection to the club. He is not in a position to have individual sales. C said the time to see him is this weekend only and then not until March. Jay Brown moved we look into the purchase with a limit of \$1,000.00. Barry Bandaruk seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

### **BY-LAWS AND STANDING RULES**

Dave Frybarger volunteered to chair a committee to update the By-Laws and Stand Rules. Jack Hodges, Sam and Judy Cano, Kathy McCauliff, Jay Brown and Stan Sutton volunteered to be on the committee.

### **NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

Tom Henderson spoke to the attendees concerning proper voting according to our By-Laws. There were some offices that had more than three nominees and a run-off might be necessary to elect someone for those offices if a quorum is not achieved. He also reminded us that every member as well as new members, have the right to vote. Nominations were asked for from the floor. Those nominated and who accepted are as follows as write in candidates.

President Sam Cano

1 year Director Kathy McCauliff and Jay Brown

Ballots were handed out and the voting began. The ballots will be counted during the Break.

### **DECORATION**

Judy Cano has been working on the Christmas Pot Luck. Most of the decorations are made and she has a committee meeting tomorrow morning. She reminded everyone at our meeting tonight to bring their food and a wrapped rock for gift giving at the party.

## **General Meeting Minutes, cont.**

### **GOVERNMENT COMPLIANCE**

All compliance is up to date for 2011. At the Board Meeting there was a discussion about updating the By-Laws and Standing Rules.

### **PROGRAM**

Rick Gilpin announced that Mike Riddle will be coming to the January 2012 meeting to speak about camels.

### **WORKSHOP**

Don Wininger said that they are having some good classes and are producing nice work.

### **SHOW**

Karen Lohr was not able to give her report do to a family emergency. She hopes to be here at the January 2012 meeting to give that report.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

There was discussion about having a booth at the Balloon Fest. Barry Bandaruk made a motion that we have a booth at the 2012 Balloon Fest. Milt Bodily seconded the motion. The motion was accepted.

Kathy McCauliff spoke about the Balloon Fest. We will not have our booth so far from the entrance. We will be in the Art Village which is closer to the center of activity. There was not a consensus about the cost for the booth and Kathy said she will check into that. Homer and Carol Rhodaback volunteered to help at the booth.

### **ELECTION**

The counting of the voting being completed the new officers were announced for 2012.

President	Jay Brown
Vice President	Kathy McCauliff
Secretary	Eric James
Treasurer	Liz Porter
Sgt at Arms	Don Wininger
3year Director	Ron Murphy
1 year Director	David Frybarger

The officers will be sworn in at the January 2012 meeting.

## General Meeting Minutes, cont.

### DOOR PRIZES AND 50/50 DRAWING

Door prizes went to Mary Brown, Sharlene Hellberg, Muilani Hodges, Helen Reyes and Diana Brown.

50/50 donations came to \$128.00. The winners were Ron Murphy, \$35.00, Edith Walden, \$20.00 and Don Winger, \$9.00.

The meeting was adjourned by President C Russell at approximately 9:00PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Carol Rhodaback  
Secretary



Sam Cano  
Don Creasey  
Kathy Ernst  
Kathryn McCauliff  
Deanna Montgomery  
Brian Mulligan  
Bob Pedersen  
June Smith  
Toni Stephonson  
Alberta Wiederrick  
Sandy Reigner  
Karen Akin  
David Furtaw  
Michael Penner  
Donna Robinson  
Richard Melvin  
Carolyn St. Germain  
Georgia Carman  
Candy Wilkum

### GEMS TO JUDY CANO!

Thank you and your committee for all your hard work in planning and preparing a beautiful Christmas Party this year! JOB WELL DONE!



Happy Anniversary

Carl & Pat Kilefner  
Lou & Liz Porter  
Darlene Quandt  
George & Carol Allen  
John Fiskem



## *Happy New Year! Happy New Gem Show!*

Yes, it's time again to talk about the 2012 Gem and Mineral Show! We have been trying for years to move it into the spring. The only obstacle is getting the Aquatic Center as that appears to be the BEST location. We will continue to ask for dates in the spring but they are booked with "regulars" the same as us for November. We don't want to give up the November date until we have a great date in the spring. So that leads us into *who* will be the Gem Show Chairperson for 2012! PLEASE STEP UP! ☺ I was **very** nervous about taking it on last year as I had not been involved in the logistics, however it all worked great! There are wonderful hard working members to help out. I would do it again this year because it went so well but I am moving out of the area. I will be able to help whoever takes over. I want each of you to dig deep and make a commitment to the community to continue a great Gem and Mineral Show. (The longest running show in Lake Havasu!) Also, as I understand, it is in our bylaws that we have a Gem Show. For ALL you "newbies" out there that joined the club in the last year, you've made a commitment to not only be "in" the club but to continue it's success. I had been in the Club for less than 1 year and took on the Chairmanship, you can too!

PLEASE GET OVER THE NERVOUSNESS AND MAKE A COMMITTEMENT!  
You will be rewarded many times over!

PLEASE CALL Karen 928-230-5504 or Jay Brown 408-251-4256 Thank you!

## Rock & Gem Shows

January

**1-31—QUARTZSITE, ARIZONA:** Wholesale and retail show; Desert Gardens RV Park; 1055 Kuehn St.; I-10 Exit 17; Sun. 9-6 daily; free admission; crystals, minerals, rough, polished, jewelry, lapidary equipment; contact Sharon or Sandy, 1055 Kuehn St., Quartzsite, AZ 85346, (928) 927-6361 (928) 927-6361 e-mail:

dggemshow@ureach.com; Web site:  
[www.desertgardensrvpark.net](http://www.desertgardensrvpark.net)

**6-8—MESA, ARIZONA:** 40th annual show; Flagg Mineral Foundation; Mesa Community College; US 60 at Dobson, southwest parking lot; Fri. 9-5, Sat. 9-5, Sun. 9-5; free admission; Peralta Stone maps exhibit, fluorescent display, free children's activities, free samples for children and teachers, more than 100 dealers, crystals, minerals, fossils, club and museum booths; contact Dr. Ray Grant, PO Box 41834, Mesa, AZ 85274, (480) 892-0779 (480) 892-0779 e-mail: Presmyk@cox.net ; Web site:

[www.AZMinFun.com6](http://www.AZMinFun.com6)

**6-15—QUARTZSITE, ARIZONA:** Annual show; Tyson Wells Enterprises Inc.; Tyson Wells Show Grounds; 100 W. Kuehn St.; Fri. 9-5 daily; free admission; rocks, gems, minerals, jewelry, silver and gold smithing, faceting, precious metals, lapidary tools, equipment, supplies; contact Kym Scott, P.O. Box 60, Quartzsite, AZ 85346, (928) 927-6364 (928) 927-6364 e-mail:

tysonwells@tds.net; Web site: [www.tysonwells.com](http://www.tysonwells.com)

**20-22—GLOBE, ARIZONA:** Annual show; Gila County Gem & Mineral Society; Gila County Fair Grounds; 3 mi. north of Globe on US 60-70; Fri. 9-5, Sat. 9-5, Sun. 9-4; \$3 per adult or \$5 per couple, students and children free; live demonstrations, gold panning, fossil program, silent auction, door prizes, displays, minerals, jewelry; contact John O'Brian, PO Box 487, Miami, AZ 85539, (408) 421-2657 (408) 421-2657 e-mail:

rocksbynature@hotmail.com; Web site:

<http://gilagem.com/>

### January-February

**28-11—TUCSON, ARIZONA:** Arizona Mineral & Fossil Show; Martin Zinn Expositions; Ramada Ltd.; 665 N. Freeway; Thu. 10-6 daily; free admission; more than 400 dealers, free shuttle among locations, Artists' Gallery at the Hotel Tucson City Center; contact Martin Zinn Expositions, PO Box 665, Bernalillo, NM 87004-0665; e-mail: mzexpos@gmail.com; Web site:

[www.mzexpos.com](http://www.mzexpos.com)

**There are a total of 6 shows in Tucson from January 28 – 11 with free shuttle service between shows. Too numerous to list!**

## THE CHRISTMAS TAILINGS

by Judy Cano

Sam and I would like thank you, for your successful Christmas Party, held on Dec. 17, 2011 at the Mount Olive Lutheran Church's fellowship hall.

To all who pitched in and helped where needed when we set up and cleaned up. To all the cooks for bringing such wonderful food. We don't think anyone went home hungry. Thanks to all of you who brought rocks and even brought extra ones. I hope all of you had a good time playing the game. As usual our very own auctioneer, Mr. "C" Russell, did a rock solid job auctioning all the decorations. Thanks to all of you who participated in the auction, a total of \$80 was presented to The Inner Agency Food Bank on Monday December 19, 2011.

Oh, the man in the red suit, the one you had your picture taken with was JaY Brown, our new president. a round of applause goes to Santa, Thanks!

A special thank you to Marla and Ken Diehl, for completely taking over all the drinks and the kitchen.

thanks to Liz and Lou Porter who were unable to come, but helped me anyway. Liz for buying all the necessary supplies, and Lou for all the tumbled rocks that were used for the decorations.

A boulder size thanks to the following people who came to the setup meeting the saturday before the party and came at noon the day of the party and set up the tables and put all the decorations around and even made some of the decorations. Edith Waldon, Gayle Gilpin, Carol and Homer Rhodaback, Liz Porter, Shana Bodily, Shirley Durrett, Karen Olsavsky, Lee Olsavsky, Bob and Mary Drayton, Fred and Toni Strammer.

We would like to especially thank the following new members, Karen, Lee, Bob, Mary, Fred, Toni, Jim and Mariann Kasper, for greeting you at the door and taking care of the food you brought. We hope we didn't miss anyone, if we did, we are sorry, thanks! Now who will do it next year? Sam and I will help!



**Please send exchange bulletins to**

**The address below**

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