

ROCK CHIPPINGS

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Rock Chippers, Inc.



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Club Calendar

January 6th
Business Meeting
On Zoom
7 PM

January 13th **Class**

At Thalia's
10:00 AM
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January 20th
Society Meeting
DVDs
General Business
Raffle
7 PM
At the Church

Hello Fellow Rock Chippers,

Another year has come and gone,
We made it through 2023, I hope everyone had a
merry, safe, and pleasant Christmas. As we are en-
tering January, let us all begin the new year with
positive intentions and a steadfast excitement to
the future of our beloved rock chippers club.
Our holiday gathering was wonderful, I would like
to congratulate Barbara Bradbury for receiving this
years Presidential Award, for going above and be-
yond in keeping our club alive, strong, and up to
date.

I ask everyone again to please try to make the time
to attend and support our club by trying to make it
to our meetings. The board of WHRC are working
hard at keeping our club educational, fun, and ex-
citing.

I hope to see more of you on our next gathering.
Our next board meeting will take place on January
6th at 7pm via Zoom, and our next general meeting
will take place on January 20th at 6:30pm.

Stay Safe and Healthy
Sagi

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Membership Information

For any questions regarding membership in the Woodland
Hills Rock Chippers please email Virginia Rotramel at
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Future Rockhounds of America

For any questions regarding membership in the FRA
please email Thalia Goldsworthy at
whrc@rockchippers.org

**Regular club meetings are held at 7:00PM on the 3rd Saturday of each month at:
First United Methodist Church, 22700 Sherman Way, West Hills, CA 91307**

Visit our website www.rockchippers.org
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January Society meeting

The presentation for our society meeting this month will be DVDs of interest.

On January 20th, at 7:00 pm, at the church.

We will review and discuss current club business and view some DVDs about rockhound related stuff.

There will be a raffle—bring your dollars!

SEE YOU THERE!

Let's go to a Show!

Tule Gem & Mineral Society

January 20-21, 2024

Saturday 10-5, Sunday 10-4

Exeter Veterans Memorial Building

324 North Kaweah Ave

Exeter, CA 93221

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Show Chairperson

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Tips

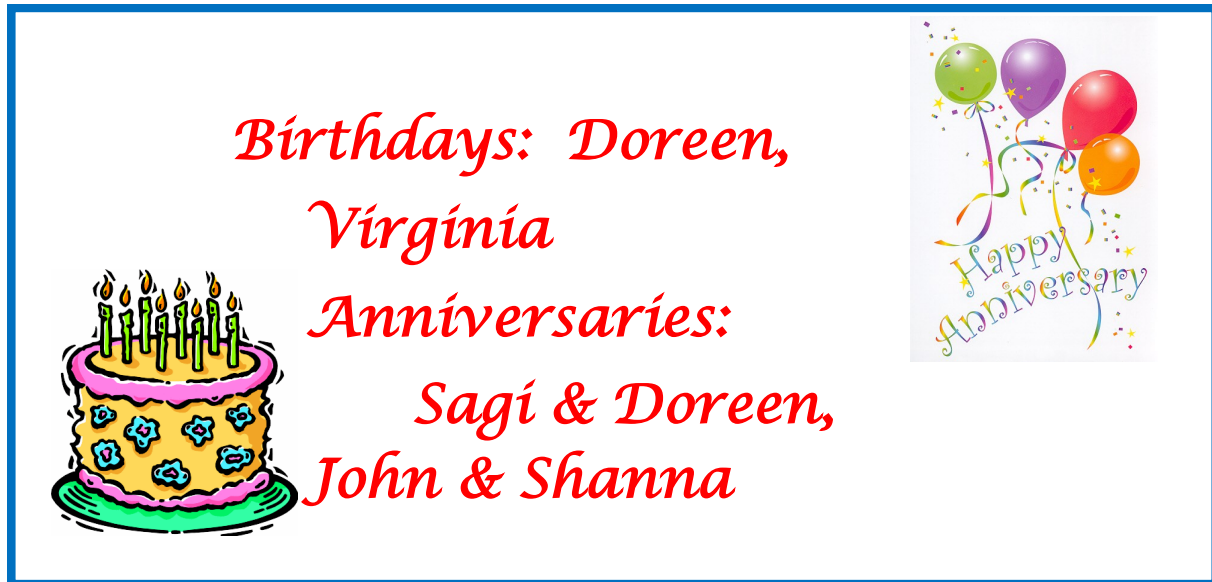
TEMPLATES

Whenever I have to make more than 2-3 exact copies of a sheet metal component, I think of making a template. Templates let me easily draw the shape of an item to cut out.

Art stores or online sources like cooltools.us/ and kingsleynorth.com/ sell templates for common shapes like circles, ovals, hearts, etc. but for nonstandard shapes, I make my own out of a scrap of sheet plastic or sheet metal. My preference is brass. I carefully lay out the shape using a steel ruler, a set of dividers, a scribe, and a fine center punch.

One example is the brass template in the pic below that let's me quickly trace the design of ginkgo leaf earrings onto silver sheet. Another is the nickel template which makes it easy to drill a pattern of holes for pin inlay into wooden handles.





Classes

Class for January 13th

The class will be at 10:00am on January 13th at Thalia's home. We will be using Shanna's coil maker and Thalia's Flexshaft and saw to make jump rings for our project – a bracelet. Class members may choose their project from Thalia's examples.

We will use 18ga round wire for all projects. Thalia has copper wire. If you want another metal, bring it. You will need the usual wire wrapping tools. Bring a snack because we will work until 3pm. The class fee is \$5.00. Call or email Thalia to reserve a space.

WHRC Business Meeting

December 2, 2023

Time: 7:01PM

Location: Zoom

Correction or approval of the minutes: Everything looks good. Establish quorum: No

Report of Treasurer- Barb: All checks were deposited. We haven't received the statement yet.

Old Business: Updating the policies for the Show regarding donations.

New Business: Donations do not change in Bylaws. We might edit the Policies for the Show. Maureen, the equipment is big and huge. Does the club want to donate or sell equipment? Debbie purchased a new blade for the saw. Will we get another trailer for the equipment? Motion was made by Debbie for a new badge with credentials for Paty. Cecil 2nd the motion, it was unanimously approved.

Bulletin: Per John, the Bulletin is done. Debbie is sending in corrections.

Corporate Administrator:

Classes/Workshops - Thalia: No class for December. We need ideas for the January class.

Community Outreach - Thalia: The Showcase was dismantled and the specimens were returned to the members. The next show is March 2 & 3rd in Ventura County. The theme is Green with Envy, featuring green minerals and specimens.

Display and Education: The theme is Green with Envy, featuring green minerals and specimens.

Federation Director: Cecil sent in pictures of the Field Trip to the Natural History Museum Field Trip.

Field Trips: March a trip to the Ocean View Mine pending date. The Cady Mountains are possible in April. Gene will need Field Trip reports.

Historian: Gene received the Annual Report for the Corporate Administrator.

Librarian: Nothing to report at the moment.

Membership: No one new at the moment. Dues are \$27.00 for the year.

Program: December 16th Holiday Party with Gift Exchange \$25 Potluck. Starts at 3pm- 7pm. / Corporate Installation of Officers

Show Meeting: We are waiting for dates from the Church.

Ways and Means: Nothing at the moment.

Webmaster: Newsletter is being published.

Meeting Adjourned: 20:25

Patricia Mejorado



Woodland Hills Rock Chippers, Incorporated



Our organization, a non-profit corporation, was formed for educational and instructive purposes: to foster collection and study of minerals, to disseminate knowledge about them, to sponsor field trips to find them, to encourage the use of them in lapidary and faceting studies, etc. And to have one whale of a good time doing those things with all of our friends.



Regular meetings are held on the 3rd Saturday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Social time from 6:30 p.m.



Field trips are at various times throughout the month. Guests are always welcome to attend.



Elected Officers/Directors

President	Sagi Salomon	Director At Large	Gene Berwager
Treasurer	Barbara Bradbury	Director At Large	Lillian Berwager
Secretary	Paty Mejorado	Corp. Admin.	Debbie Hirlinger
Director At Large	John O'Brien	Director At Large	Celia Barnett
Director At Large	Shanna O'Brien		

Chairpersons and Appointed Positions

Auditor.....	Virginia Rotramel	Membership	Virginia Rotramel
Bulletin Editor	John O'Brien	Outreach.....	Thalia Goldsworthy
Classes.....	Thalia Goldsworthy	Parliamentarian.....	Open
Courtesy/Hospitality...	Lillian Berwager	Programs	Thalia Goldsworthy
Custodian.....	Open	Publicity.....	Open
Fed Director.....	Virginia Rotramel	Shop	Pat Keene. Anita Niles
Alternate Fed Director...	Cecilia Barnett	Club Show Chair.....	Sagi Salomon
Field Trips.....	Committee	Asst.Show Chair.....	Open
FRA.....	Thalia Goldsworthy	Ways and Means.....	John O'Brien
Historian.....	Gene Berwager	Webmaster.....	John O'Brien
Librarian.....	Shanna O'Brien		



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December Society Meeting General Business—DVDs

At the Church
Saturday January 20th
7:00 PM



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