

Bay Area Mineralogists March 2005 Newsletter

Next meeting March 9th, 2005
Foothill College, Room P-24, Geology
Building, Los Altos, California
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Welcome to the March issue of The Bay Area Mineralogists (BAM) newsletter. The purpose of our club is to further spread the knowledge and interest of mineralogy in our world today and promote awareness in the field of natural sciences as they pertain to the geosciences.

March Meeting Agenda **TUCSON! TUCSON! TUCSON!**

What a busy Tucson Show last Month!!! As mentioned last month, bring in any of your Tucson specimens, adventures, or otherwise to the March meeting. In other words, this will be a show and tell of all the activities at the annual Tucson Gem and Mineral Show.

Upcoming Shows!!!

The 58th annual Castro Valley Gem and Mineral Society Show will be on Friday, March 4th through Sunday, March 6th. Several BAM members are participating both in Displays and Dealer Sales, so make plans to join us that weekend. It is located at:

Centennial Hall
22292 Foothill Boulevard
Hayward, Ca.
Friday, March 4th 9:30am to 6:00pm
Saturday, March 5th 10:00am to 6:00pm
Sunday, March 6th 10am to 5:00pm

2005 BAM Field Trips and Meeting Agenda

MARCH

Subject of the meeting will be Tucson Show review.

APRIL

Presentation will be "Digital Photography of Minerals" to be given by member Dan Evanich. The talk will provide basic digital photo techniques, printing techniques, and a review of entry

level cameras and printers. Talk will include handouts on selecting proper equipment and how to get started. Field trip Open for specific locality.

MAY

Open for a specific locality. Check with Stan Vance of the Fresno club as there will be a trip to Rush Creek area on May 21st. Stan will be leading several mineral collecting trips during the summer and all BAM members are invited to join in. We will have a calendar of events by his club at the upcoming March meeting. Thanks to Stan for adding to our selection of collecting trips this year.

JUNE

Stan Bogosian will be the point person for a BAM field trip to Topaz Mountain and Gold Hill in Utah. The trip is slated for May 9-12 with interested parties traveling to Topaz Mountain and meeting for collecting on May 9th and 10th. Travel will commence to Gold Hill on Saturday morning (or possible Friday afternoon, depending on collecting success) and move to Gold Hill, Utah. Call Stan for more details if you are interested in joining or helping out. Stan can be reached at 408-867-0182.

Editor's Stage

I have been producing the monthly BAM newsletter/meeting notice for the past few years and find myself in a bit of a pinch for time now. Recently I changed employment from Panasonic to Sony Corporation and the time demands have increased quite a bit. Last year was a fabulous year for field trips and I feel very fortunate to have been a good part of all of them. My participation this year will be curtailed some and I am asking a "few good members" to step up and offer their time and assistance in organizing and conducting more trips this year. We could also use some help in the newsletter publication area since I know there is much more potential within the club and it could be so very much better in content. If you have time and want to help in growing our organization, let President Rick Kennedy know by contacting him at the address below or speaking with him at the next meeting. Unfortunately, I have to travel on business most of the week of the meeting and will not be able to attend.

Sincerely,
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Meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month at Foothill College, Room P-24, Geology Building, Los Altos Hills, California. 8-10pm. Take highway 280 North from San Jose toward San Francisco to the El Monte exit and head west.