

President's Page

I would like to start with heartfelt thanks to Carole Johnston and Sue Feyrer who organized a great Christmas party. The entertainment was fantastic as was the food. I am sure that everyone who attended had a great time.

Thanks are also due to everyone who donated to the Community Food Bank and the Tucson Firefighters toy drive through the Society. It will help a few in our community have a better Holiday season.

At the December sale there were a number of TGMS members selling minerals, cut stones, jewelry, and other gift items. There seemed to be a steady stream of people coming through the clubhouse and perusing the offerings. There are always a few treasures that you have to bring home. It is also a reminder of the upcoming Show.

The Show is right around the corner and there is a lot of buzz about Fluorite from exhibitors. There will be Fluorites from all over the world, along with other special exhibits. This year we will have more lectures in the ballrooms, which are always informative and entertaining. The Saturday dinner is a fun gathering, including a silent auction that supports the Geo-literary Society and Rocks and Minerals Magazine. There is also a live auction held at the end of the evening. Please consider donating an item of interest to gem and mineral people that we could place into one of the auctions.

The Field Trip Committee continues to arrange trips that are not typically open to individual collectors. The trips fill up fast illustrating how much we value their work. Please take the opportunity to thank them when you see them. If you are signed up for a field trip and find yourself unable to attend, please let the trip leader know so that they are able to ensure that the maximum number of Society members can participate. We have had some issues where people have signed up and not shown up reducing the number of people that were able to attend.

Last I would like to thank the office for keeping everything moving forward. The Show and the Society require a tremendous amount of work and they make it look easy.



Mark Ascher
President

A handwritten signature of Mark Ascher in black ink.

MARKASCHERITE

Discovered in 2010 by Mark Ascher - Childs Aldwinkle Mine in the Galiuro Mountains, Bunker Hill District, Copper Creek, Pinal County, Arizona.



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TGMS General Meeting - November 5, 2012

The General Meeting of the Tucson Gem and Mineral Society was called to order by President Mark Ascher at 7:30 p.m. Visitors and new members were recognized and welcomed to the meeting.

PROGRAM: Gene Schlepp spoke on "The Good Old Days of Mineral Collecting". His talk was highlighted with old photos from mines in Southern Arizona, specimens he collected in the respective mines and stories of his experiences. He collected in mines that are now well known including the 79 Mine, Tiger, Total Wreck, Defiance, Red Cloud, Old Yuma and Glove Mines, as well as others. Gene and his wife, Jackie, started Western Minerals in Tucson in 1965 and are still active dealers contributing fine specimens to collectors and museums throughout the world. He joined TGMS at the age of 15 and has served as President, Vice-President, Director and is on the Show Committee.

SHOW ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mark Ascher, Micromount Symposium Co-Chair: There will be a symposium on Friday at the Show with an opportunity to see and trade specimens.

Dick Gottfried, School Visits Chair: Volunteers are needed to help with the children on Friday.

John Cesar, Arena Chair: Need three more volunteers to help with move-in morning and with move-out parking.

Gloria Quigg, Publicity Chair: Busy with various advertising venues and will have news teams visiting the Show.

Jim Bleess, Lectures & Seminars Chair: There will be some great speakers. Please attend the lectures.

BREAK: Refreshments were provided by Pat McClain, Rose Marques and Diane and Mike Braswell. Many thanks to them for stepping up and filling a gap in the refreshment schedule.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: MOTION: To approve the September 20 and October 1 minutes as published in Rock Talk. Seconded and approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

Field Trips: Kerry Towe announced the meeting time for the Mission Mine trip is 8:30 a.m. in the parking lot by the mine office. The group will leave the office at 9:00 a.m. December 8th meet at TGMS at 7:30 a.m. for a trip to Granite Gap, NM for fluorescent material and some beryllium and on to Joy Valley for fire agate. There will be a trip March 2, 2013 to a new area of the Silverbell Mine. Kerry is trying to set up a

trip to the Tiger Mine in January and is looking into a California site for benitoite.

Christmas Party: Wednesday, December 19th will be catered by Oregano's. Social hour will start at 5:30 p.m. and dinner at 6:30 p.m. The entertainment will be the All Bill Band Plus Mindy which will start at approximately 7:30 p.m.

Meeting Hosts: Volunteers are needed for the December, January, February and May meetings. There is a sign-up sheet in the back room. The host at each meeting will have first choice of a door prize.

December 1st Annual Mineral, Fossil, Jewelry, Art & Craft Sale: There are three slots open. Please call the office if interested in having a table.

Bill Shelton's Education Class: Wednesday, November 14th from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. will be on "Current Events and Information on Color and Chemistry on Eight Different Gemstones."

DRAWING FOR DOOR PRIZES: Winners were Diane Braswell for hosting the meeting. Drawing winners were Zachary Carducci, Wes Osborn, Luis Pill, Kerry Towe and Wolf Schuh.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Marilyn Reynolds, Recording Secretary

Vitrine-display cabinet for sale!

Contact TGMS Member: Jean des Rivières
at: jean.sendero@gmail.com or (520) 204-0708

Made of four pieces (easy to transport), two tops (display area) and two bottoms (drawer or storage area). The top display areas measure 40.5 high x 31.5 wide by 12 deep (Inches) each. The bottom drawer areas measure 32.5 h x 33 w x 18 deep (inches) each. The inside measurements of the drawers are 3 h x 28 w x 14.5 deep. Double fluorescent light fixtures in each display area. The right one may need some fixing to work properly. Built them in 1997, so it is amateur work, do not expect professional quality. They are made of a mixture of solid oak, oak veneer and the drawers have pine fronts. Price: best offer (the glass shelving alone is approx. \$300.00 new). I am easy, I will even accept Mexican minerals in exchange. First come first serve. Need to be picked up at the house in Tucson.



TGMS General Meeting - December 3, 2012

The General Meeting of the Tucson Gem and Mineral Society was called to order by President Mark Ascher at 7:35 p.m. Visitors and new members were recognized and welcomed to the meeting.

PROGRAM: Wolfgang Mueller gave a presentation on "Arizona Gemstones." He is a retired geologist who has done field collecting of minerals and whose specialization in ore mineralogy led him into the lapidary field. Wolfgang and his wife Diana specialize in cutting spheres, eggs, and cabochons utilizing less common materials. Their cabochons are incorporated into Diana's jewelry. Arizona produces the greatest variety of gemstones of all the states which he presented in a list of Arizona Minerals A – Z. He displayed a map of Arizona gem localities most of which are near copper mines. He categorized the minerals as metals, quartzes, jaspers and agates, and leftovers, and described the minerals found in each category at different localities. Photographs of beautiful, polished examples from each category and locality were shown. He also gave tips on "Beware and Be Aware" with examples of manmade and simulated "gemstones."

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Bill Hodgson, Co-Chair with Carol Johnston for the Exhibit Hall Information Booth: This is a good place for new members to start volunteering. Shifts are four hours long and benefits are a parking permit, meal voucher for the day worked and a tee shirt. These benefits apply to all volunteers working four or more hours.

Ed Schaffer, Co-Chair with Jim Etwiler for the Galleria Information and Sales Booth: Set up is Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Sales items include tee shirts, posters, hats, water bottles, tote bags and other items. More volunteers are needed. Anyone interested can sign up in the office.

Dick Gottfried, Chair for School Visits: Need help Friday morning when the schools bring students to the Show to help show them around. Volunteers are also needed to help put together the packages that are given to the schools prior to the visits and to deliver them to some of the schools.

Nancy Howard, Co-Chair with husband John Howard, for Security: Need volunteers to help with move in on Wednesday and move out on Sunday. This involves being a presence in the area to help prevent problems.

Mark Ascher, Chair for Micromounts: Little boxes are needed for specimens for attendees to take home.

Donations of new, unwrapped toys are needed for the Tucson Firefighters to distribute to children for Christmas. Food donations for the Community Food Bank are also needed. Donations can be brought to the Christmas Party on December 19th.

BREAK: Abe and Norma Lackow provided the refreshments including cookies, cake, fruit and vegetables. Many thanks to them.

OLD BUSINESS:

Field Trips: Kerry Towe announced December 8th is the field trip to Granite Gap and Joy Valley. Meet at TGMS at 7:30 a.m. January 7th there will be a trip to the Tiger Mine. Meet at 8:00 a.m. at the Minute Mart in San Manuel across from the BHP office. Depending on the number of people the owner will allow, it may be necessary to schedule a second trip. More information will be forthcoming. March 2nd will be a trip to a new area at the Silverbell Mine.

Christmas Party: Carol Johnston encouraged everyone to attend the party on Wednesday, December 19th. The dinner will be catered by Oregon's and the All Bill Band plus Mindy will provide the entertainment. Happy hour starts at 5:30 p.m. BYOB. Dinner will start at 6:30 p.m. and the entertainment at approximately 7:30 p.m.

Hosts are needed to provide refreshments for the February meeting. This is a large meeting and the club provides a larger reimbursement for expenses. Please volunteer for this important meeting. We have many visitors from all over the United States and many other countries who are here for the Show.

NEW BUSINESS:

Bill Shelton's Education Class: Wednesday, December 12th from 7:00 – 8:30 P.M. The topic will be "Amblygonite, Anglesite, and Arsenopyrite".

Sale: December 1st – 8th at Arizona Lapidary Gem & Rough, Inc. at 4699 E. Pima.

Mark Candee: The 100 year anniversary show Minerals of Arizona at the U of A Mineral Museum will be closing the 3rd week of December. This is a world class exhibit and all are encouraged to view it before it closes. The new exhibit will be Minerals of China: Ancient and New. Museum hours are Monday-Wednesday 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m., Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. and Sunday 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

DRAWING FOR DOOR PRIZES: First choice went to Abe and Norma Lackow for hosting the meeting. Drawing winners were Ed Schaffer, Alrene Hibben, Luis Pill, Sugar White and Ron Johnson.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Marilyn Reynolds, Recording Secretary

YOU MAKE ME WANNA ROLL MY WINDOWS DOWN AND CRUISE

ANNA DOMITROVIC

It's something I can't resist. If I'm headed for northern Arizona, I have to work in a cruise along Route 66. Arizona has one of the best-preserved sections of this famous highway. Conceived in 1926, the ribbon of blacktop stretches from Chicago to LA. Route 66 has been called by different names including the Mother Road, the Will Rogers Highway and my favorite, Main Street America. It was completely paved by 1938, 12 years after its conception. At the time, our Nation was in need of a cross-country byway. Route 66 served as a means for migrant travelers seeking a better life during the 1930's Dust Bowl era.

But Route 66 wasn't the first. Route 40 and the Lincoln Highway came before it. The former started in Cumberland, Maryland in 1811 and ended in Vandalia, Illinois in 1839, when government funding ran out. Originally, Route 40 was called the National Road. It was one of the first, major improved highways funded by the federal government.

The latter, the Lincoln Highway, wound its way through 13 states, from Times Square in NYC to Lincoln Park in San Francisco. This was the first road to traverse the US from East Coast to West Coast. It was conceived in 1911 and dedicated in 1913.

Our current interstate highway system was championed by Dwight D. Eisenhower as part of the Federal Aid Highway Act of 1956. The original routes 40 and 66, and the Lincoln Highway laid the groundwork and "paved the way," so to speak, for the interstate highways we follow today.



Much of Route 66 in northern Arizona lies beneath Interstate 40 but sections of the original road still exist from Ash Fork to Needles, just

across the border in California, and that's the section I like to call my own. I usually travel as far as Prescott and stay the night with friends before I head north on Arizona Highway 89 to I40 at Ash Fork. Old Route 66 takes off from there and that's when the real adventure begins for me. I pull my hair back in a ponytail, roll down the windows on my truck and pop in a CD of 50's music. Eddie Cochran's *Summertime Blues* puts me in the mood.

It's smooth sailing as I leave the busy interstate behind. I touch on the Hualapai Indian Reservation at Peach Springs, then through the small hamlet of Hackberry. The "metropolis" of Kingman breaks my concentration but I'm soon out of it, winding my way into the hills west of Kingman. I can only imagine what it must have been like



for those early automobile travelers. The scenery is beautiful as I approach Sitgreaves Pass in the Black Mountains separating the Mount Nutt Wilderness Area to the north from the Warm Springs Wilderness Area to the south.

Gold Road and Oatman hold special interest for me because of the early mining activity. In their heyday in the early 1900's, the mines surrounding these towns were the largest gold producers in the US. And the Moss Mine in the mountains north of Oatman was the first gold discovery in what was Arizona Territory in 1864.

For me, the journey ends outside of Needles, California. But one of these days, I'd like to travel what's left of Route 66 from downtown Chicago to Los Angeles, and reminisce about "the good ole days."



Photos by:
Anna
Domitrovic



Mineral , Fossil, Jewelry, Art & Craft Sale - December 1, 2012



Abe Lackow enjoying everything.

By P. R. McClain: Lovely weather, lots of people, cookies, coffee, buying and selling. The 9th Annual Mineral, Fossil, Jewelry, Arts and Craft Sale has come and gone.

With all of the advanced work done by Jo Ann Sam, and help from Carol Johnston, Marsie Chaiken and Janelle Cortwright, everything went off without a hitch. All of the TGMS members who participated (26 TGMS members) moved the tables

and chairs to set the room for the day. We put up signs all round the "city block" to let people know where the MFJAC Sale was going to take place ... placed ads on every free calendar and website that we could find. Carol Johnston baked cookies and cakes until she thought she had opened a "bakery."

All in all, another successful day! So watch for information on the 10th Annual MFJAC Sale, it just might be on a different date.



Christina Marikos resting after a heavy day of selling minerals



Andrew Herman ready for the day.

Photos by Janelle Cortwright

December 19, 2012 - TGMS Christmas Party



By Bill Hodgson: On December 18 Carol and Sue, and a dedicated crew of cookie bakers, prepared for this year's Christmas party.

The next evening TGMS enjoyed a performance by the All Bill Band and Mindy and fine food from Oregon's. As usual the party was a success and enjoyed by all. The band has become our favorite and performed for us several times. Particularly endearing was Mindy's Patsy Cline songs. We received appreciated help from all the members attending setting up the room both before and after the party.

For several years Carol and Sue, with a little help from Old-What's-His Name, have treated TGMS members to outstanding parties. Entertainers included, in addition to the All Bill Band and Mindy, Dolan Ellis (the official Arizona state balladeer), an outstanding Mariachi band, and others.

No more! Carol and Sue say they have done their part and are ready to pass the torch to other hands. Before they started doing the party, we had an annual Christmas potluck which would be attended by 15 to 20 members. Under their tutelage, attendance ranged from 70 to 95. It would be a shame if the Christmas Party, which has been such a successful part of the Christmas season, is allowed to expire. So, someone (or ones) contact the office and volunteer for next year. Money is allotted in the budget for food and entertainment and past directors will help you to learn the ropes.



Photos by Bill Hodgson

Thanks and Happy Holidays!

2013 Tucson Gem and Mineral Show™ - Lectures Series

TB: Turquoise Ballroom

CB: Crystal Ballroom

Thursday, February 14th

1:00 pm – 3:00 pm (CB)	Mineral Photography Seminar	Jeff Scovil
1:00 pm – 2:00 pm (TB)	"Tsumeb Minerals - Infinite Diversity"	John Schneider
3:00 pm – 4:00 pm (TB)	"Arizona's Newest Fluorite Locality"	Bob Jackson
3:30 pm – 4:00 pm (CB)	Society of Mineral Museum Professionals Board Meeting	
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm (CB)	Society of Mineral Museum Professionals Membership Meeting	
5:00 pm – 6:00pm (CB)	Society of Mineral Museum Professionals Program	

Friday, February 15th

9:30 am - 6:00 pm (TB)	Arthur Roe Memorial Micromount Symposium	
9:30 am - 10:00 am (TB)	Welcome and Scope Setup	
10:00 am - 11:30 am (TB)	First Session Symposium Talks:	
10:00 am – 10:45 am (TB)	"Fluorite Fantasies"	Herwig Pelckmans
10:45 am – 11:30 am (TB)	"Micromineral Symposium Finds"	Steve Stuart
11:30 am – 12:15 pm (TB)	"NEW TELLURIUM MINERAL LOCALITIES Huachuca Mountains, Hartford District Cochise County, Arizona"	Robert E. Walstrom
12:15 pm - 6:00 pm (TB)	"Freebie" Tables, Socializing, Specimen Trading Session	
1:00 pm – 2:00 pm (CB)	"Fluorite from the North Pennines Orefield, Weardale, England."	Jesse Fisher
3:45 pm – 5:30 pm (CB)	Geo-Literary Society Meeting and Speaker "Tablet to Tablet Treasured Pages from Past to Present,"	Dona Mary Dirlam

Saturday, February 16th

11:00 am – 12 noon (TB)	"Gold Specimens - The Lure of the Precious Metal"	Wayne Leicht
1:00 pm – 2:00 pm (TB)	"A Woman's Perspective in Mineral Collecting"	Gail Spann
3:00 pm – 4:00 pm (TB)	"Curiosity – Mineralogy on Mars"	Dr. Robert Downs
10:00 am – 4:00 pm (CB)	34 th Annual FM-TGMS-MSA Mineralogical Symposium "Fluorite: Colors of the Rainbow"	
10:00 - 10:05 am (CB)	Welcome and Introductory Remarks	Julian Gray
10:05 - 10:30 am (CB)	The Emerald green Fluorites and the Golden Calcites of the Malmberget Mine, Gällivare, Lappland, Sweden	Peter Lyckberg
10:30 - 11:00 am (CB)	Fluorite: A Favorite of Mineral Collectors	Arvid Pasto
11:00 - 11:30 am (CB)	Fluorite in Granitic Pegmatites	Mark Ivan Jacobson
11:30 am - 12:00 pm (CB)	New Mexico Fluorite – Over 10 million years of mineralization that continues today	Virgil W. Lueth
12:00 - 1:30 pm	Lunch Break	
1:30 - 2:00 pm (CB)	Fluorine and Fluorite in Mississippi Valley-Type (MVT) Deposits	John Rakovan
2:00 - 2:30 pm (CB)	The North Pennines Orefield, England – a Classic Fluorine-Enriched Mississippi Valley -Type Deposit	Jesse Fisher
2:30 - 3:00 pm (CB)	The Weardale Giant – a Large Fluorite Specimen Recovered from the Rogerley Mine, England in July 2012	Jesse Fisher

Sunday, February 17th

11:00am -12 noon (CB)	"Color in Minerals "	Robert Jones
1:00 pm – 2:00 pm (CB)	"Alpine Pink Fluorite"	Thomas P. Moore

2013 Tucson Gem and Mineral Show™ - From the Exhibits Chairman



Exhibits for the 59th Tucson Gem and Mineral Show™ are shaping up nicely. Our “Fluorite” theme is proving to be very popular, with exciting offerings from museums and private collectors worldwide, thanks to a combination of its variety in color, color zoning and crystallographic

complexity. The USA will of course be well represented with stunning exhibits from well-known localities like Illinois, Tennessee, Colorado and New Mexico...complemented by less well-known places like Ohio, Washington, Arizona (yes, we do have a few notable fluorites from here) and New York. The New York examples are coming from Yale University and are from the long-exhausted Lake Mouskelonge locality heralded in the first two editions of Dana's Mineralogy ... but vanished from subsequent versions. International representation of fluorite is also widespread. Rob Lavinsky and the U. of A. will bring the best of his stunning Chinese fluorites over from the UA Mineral Museum (where they are part of a new one-year exhibition of Rob's Chinese material). From the UK we will have exhibits from The Natural History Museum, London, the National Museum of Scotland and UK Mining Ventures. This latter will include the “Weardale Giant” a huge slab of twins up to 5” across mined from the Rogerley Mine last summer. This is likely to be its only road appearance before heading to a museum somewhere. For those who like carvings, we will have three separate offerings of “Blue John” carvings...pieces sculpted in England from banded blue fluorite during the 19th century. There will also be great examples from Switzerland (pink), South Africa (green), Canada (purple and green) and Poland (zoned purple).

In other geologic environments fluorine makes silicates, and Gene Meieran and Bill Larson are teaming up to bring an incredible suite of worldwide topazes. Gene is also teaming up with the GIA to exhibit his extensive collection of “trilliant” cut gemstones. The trilliant is a triangular brilliant cut that works well with many gemstones ... as well as fluorite. This will fit nicely with the Smithsonian's planned

exhibit of rough and cut fluorite pairs. Check out the link below for a suite of images of trilliant cut stones. (http://www.google.com/search?q=trilliant+image&hl=en&tbo=u&tbn=isch&source=univ&sa=X&ei=Hi_fUlygCsPoigLtuYHoCw&sqi=2&ved=0C8QsAQ&biw=1920&bih=658).

Sadly, Wayne and Dona Leicht are getting out of the exhibits business (NOT the mineral business however) ...but before they do they are bringing two Fishtank cases worth of their best specimens as their swan song. This includes things they have never shown before ... and never will again! These will be a knock out ... Dona never does things half way!

The majority of our exhibitors volunteer to exhibit at their expense ... they are doing us a HUGE favor ... and many people ask me ... “What does it take to get these exhibits here and onto the floor of our show?” 1. Long-term relationships with the museums and collectors ... built through years of working with the great folks of TGMS who make it as easy as possible for these folks to bring their precious specimens for exhibit. 2. A secure environment in which to exhibit ... both the overall venue and the cases per se. 3. A friendly bunch of folks who pitch in to make the exhibitors feel welcome and appreciated. 4. A network of collectors looking out for exhibit opportunities that might not otherwise be brought to our attention. This is where YOU come in!

What can you do to help keep this ball rolling? First and foremost, keep your eyes and ears open year-round for interesting exhibit possibilities...from collector friends or off the beaten track museums that would be fun to bring and let me know (pmegaw@hotmail.com). (We encourage club members to exhibit their own collections too ... so volunteer and exhibit.) Second, and equally important, ... help out with the set-up and tear-down of our Show. These are hectic times ... with lots of help needed at certain specific times for specific tasks. Tear-down tends to be less well populated, but is at least as important as set up since our staff and stalwarts batteries will be pretty run-down by that time. Contact John and Nancy Howard (howard5040@comcast.net) who (among other things) shepherd the exhibitors in and out and ... and wrangle the volunteers overall. They often need help. Or contact Wayne Klement

2013 Tucson Gem and Mineral Show™ - From the Exhibits Chairman

(WayneKlem@aol.com) to volunteer with the cases. A lot of work goes into assembling, preparing, organizing and lining the cases. Wayne ramrods this and has specific days set aside to get this job done... as well as needing help on set-up when folks find they have "forgotten" something.

If none of this fits your pistol ... or you are already involved with another aspect of the show ... just be friendly to as many of our exhibitors as you can. Thank them, shake their hand and tell them you're glad they came (again), ask them what they think they might bring next year, and ask if there's anything they think we could do better. (Doing this with the general public is also welcome!) **And everyone... keep your eyes and ears open.** If you see something that needs straightening or cleaning up ... do it yourself, or let someone know who has the supplies to do so (it is amazing how much better exhibit cases look without smudged glass). Pick up the bits of trash folks leave here and there on the exhibit tables. And look for things that have fallen over or come loose in the cases ... the exhibitors and the public much prefer things to be shipshape. It's a sad commentary on modern life, but also keep your eyes open for security issues ... bad actors are frequently deterred just knowing that there are eyes open and paying attention around them. If you see something amiss, do not take action yourself, but quickly and quietly notify one of the many of Tucson's Finest we hire to keep the peace (thanks Pat!). They do a wonderful job of not only keeping things in hand, but doing it quietly so almost no one knows anything is going on ... we want to keep it that way. It's also a nice idea to thank them personally for what they do and that we care.

Peter Megaw
Special & Guest Exhibits
Chair

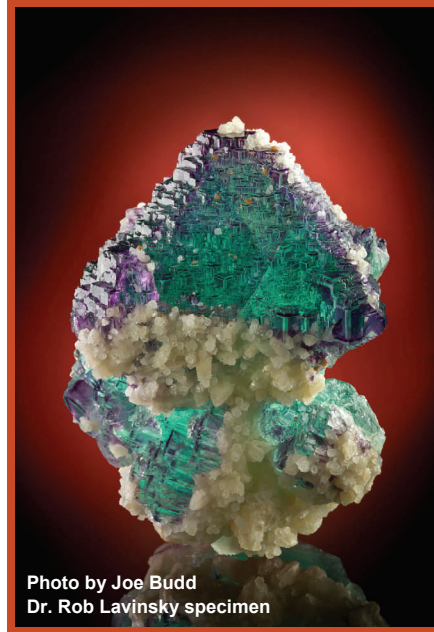



Photo by Joe Budd
Dr. Rob Lavinsky specimen



Weardale Giant"
Robert Brandstetter photo



Blue John fluorite
Owned by Dave & Liz Hacker



Photo by Jeff Scovill
Jeff Self specimen

2012 SHOW DATES

January 2013

1-31—QUARTZSITE, ARIZONA: Wholesale and retail show; Desert Gardens RV Park; Desert Gardens RV Park; 1055 Kuehn St.; Mon. 9-dusk, Sun. 9-dusk; free admission; crystals, minerals, rough, polished, jewelry, lapidary equipment; contact Sharon (manager), 1055 Kuehn St., Quartzsite, AZ 85346-2818, (928) 927-6361; e-mail: info@desertgardensrvpark.net; Web site: www.desertgardensrvpark.net

4-6—MESA, ARIZONA: 41st annual show; Flagg Mineral Foundation; Mesa Community College; SW parking lot, US 60 and Dobson; 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 Lavone Archer, (480) 969-0483; e-mail: elabaso14@cox.net; Web site: www.flaggshow.info

18-20—GLOBE, ARIZONA: Annual show; Gila County Gem & Mineral Society; Gila County Fairgrounds; 3 miles northeast of Junction U.S. 60-70; Fri. 9-5, Sat. 9-5, Sun. 9-4; adults \$3; contact Roy Trobaugh, 738 South St., Globe, AZ 85501, (928) 200-1592; e-mail: splashcopper@yahoo.com; Web site: www.gilaqem.com

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25-17—TUCSON, ARIZONA: Annual show; Elliot Glasser; Executive Inn; 333 S. Drachman St.; Daily 9-5; free admission; more than 130 showrooms, buy, sell, trade; contact Elliot Glasser, 6060 E. Thomas Rd., Scottsdale, AZ 85251, (602) 620-3999; e-mail: EGlasser@cox.net; Web site: USGRC@USGRC.BIZ


31-17—TUCSON, ARIZONA: Wholesale and retail show; Eons Expos LLLP; large tent; 22nd St. at Interstate 10; Daily 9-6; free admission; 180 dealers, minerals, fossils, articulated dinosaurs, meteorites, petrified wood, amber, gems, jewelry; contact Christine Perner, (516) 818-1228; e-mail: lowellcarhart@yahoo.com; Web site: www.22ndStreetShow.com

1-28—QUARTZSITE, ARIZONA: Wholesale and retail show; Desert Gardens RV Park; Desert Gardens RV Park; 1055 Kuehn St.; Mon. 9-6, Sun. 9-6; free admission; crystals, minerals, rough, polished, jewelry, lapidary equipment; contact Sharon (manager), 1055 Kuehn St., Quartzsite, AZ 85346-2818, (928) 927-6361; e-mail: info@desertgardensrvpark.net; Web site: www.desertgardensrvpark.net

February 2013

2-17—TUCSON, ARIZONA: Wholesale and retail show; The Rock Show; Kino Sports Complex; 2500 E. Ajo Way; Daily 9:30-5:30; free admission; minerals, jewelry, cabs, slabs,

TGMS General Meetings are open to the general public. All other meetings/events are for TGMS Members only.

TGMS Calendar						
January 2013						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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260 South Church Avenue
Tucson, Arizona 85701

Thursday: 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Friday: 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Saturday: 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Sunday: 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.



Tickets go on sale Monday, January 21, 2013 at all TCC Ticket outlets.

Admission is \$10.00 (\$9.00 plus \$1.00 TCC ticket tax) per adult.

Children 14 and under are free with a paying adult.

\$1.00 off coupon on one adult General Admission ticket! (Cannot be used with any other discount.)

Friday, February 15, 2013 is Active Military and Senior Citizens Day (62 and older). Receive \$2.00 off the regularly priced ticket (cannot be used with any other discount).

2-day tickets will be available for a cost of \$17.00 (cannot be used with any other discount).

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PURPOSE: To encourage interest and study in geology, mineralogy, lapidary, and allied earth sciences.

Meetings: Usually the first Monday of the month, starting at 7:30 p.m., except February (on Monday, week of the Show), June-August (potlucks), and September (second Monday because of the Labor Day holiday).

The Tucson Gem and Mineral Show™:

The second full weekend in February, starting with Thursday.

Affiliations: American Federation of Mineralogical Societies, Inc. (AFMS), Rocky Mountain Federation of Mineralogical Societies (RMFMS), International Federation of Micromount Societies (IFMS), Metropolitan Tucson Convention & Visitors Bureau (MTCVB), Tucson Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce (TMCC).