

AMERICAN OPAL SOCIETY

Monthly Newsletter

November 4, 1971

Meeting dates:

NOVEMBER.....Thursday, November 11

DECEMBER.....Thursday, December 9

SAME TIME: 7:30 P.M.

SAME PLACE: Pacific Savings & Loan Bldg.,
2nd. floor - 8211 Firestone Blvd.,
Downey, California

COMMITTEE REPORT

Board of Directors: Reviewed the report of Bill Whittle, Show Chairman. Approved the first of our Associate membership applicants. Agreed on next years show date and concluded that we ought to investigate the possibility of larger quarters for our show. Following the expression of the Boards appreciation to Bill Whittle for his wonderfully sucessful show, the Board accepted Bill's nomination of Bob and Nancy Obleman, of Palos Verdes, to be in charge of the 1972 show. Della Judd's illness, along with Bill's absence, prevented our receiving a complete financial report.

Show Committee: A complete financial report will be presented at a later date. However, if the increase in our bank balance is any criterion, then this years show was more successful tha last years. The dealers did well. We had some excellent guest exhibits, thanks to Phil Bass. Our own members had some beautiful ceses (we hope more next year) and our money making activities did well with the help of an enthusiastic member-ship and some hardworking chairman.

Membership: We have begun to receive and approve "associate memberships!" This class of membership is for those people who live outside a fifty mile radius of an exhistng chapter. It will provide them with identification with the society, our monthly bulletin, a bibliography of opal references, and other material.

Marketing: No report

GENERAL MEETING

SEPTEMBER 14, 1971

Topic: Solderless Jewelry
Speaker: Carol Oliver of Burbank, California

Following a short discussion of the show, as well as the completion of some Society business, Mrs. Oliver demonstrated the making of solderless jewelry from square wire. Mrs. Oliver exhibited at the show and presented her lecture and demonstration again for the members at the meeting. As a follow-up to this introduction, Mrs. Oliver will return to be our featured speaker at the November meeting. At this session, members will have an opportunity to do some practical work. Mrs. Oliver will bring tools and wire. - members attending should bring a stone to be mounted in wire jewelry.

NEXT MEETING

Topic: Practical work in the making of solderless jewelry
Speaker: Mrs. Carol Oliver, P.O. Box 6275, Burbank, CA. 91505

DO NOT MISS IT

In December we will return the topic of OPAL. Using our own form for appraising, we will get some practical work in appraising polished opal.

For your reference library: The Society received an autographed copy of one of the newest, and most beautifully illustrated books on Opal AUSTRALIAN PRECIOUS OPAL, by Archie Kalokerinos, Thomas Nelson (Australia) Ltd., Sydney, Australia, 1971. The Society's thanks to the Author.
Also - ADVANCED CABOCHON CUTTING, By Jack R. Cox, and staff, Gembooks, Memtone, California, 1971