

AMERICAN OPAL SOCIETY

Monthly Newsletter

April 5, 1972

Meeting Dates:

APRIL.....Wednesday, April 12

MAY.....Thursday, May 11

NOTE THE CHANGES: THE APRIL MEETING IS ON WEDNESDAY AT THE PACIFIC SAVINGS AND LOAN OFFICES 8211 FIRESTONE BLVD.

THE MAY MEETING IS ON SCHEDULE - THE SECOND THURSDAY - BUT OUR MEETING PLACE IS CHANGED TO:

ALAMEDA SCHOOL CAFETERIA
8613 ALAMEDA STREET
DOWNEY, CALIFORNIA
(SEE DIRECTIONS BELOW)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Board of Directors: The board confirmed the action taken last month. Due to unforeseen problems the February Board Meeting was postponed. New members were confirmed. The programs for the next three months were approved. Marvin Wilson was appointed Show Chairman to replace "OB" Obleman, who had to withdraw because of a very serious accident that occurred in their family.

Marketing: Reviewed previous results at our sales booth during last year's show and are developing ways and means to upgrade our sales efforts of members opal at the show in October. Local members are reminded that October will roll around mighty fast. It isn't too soon to get started on plans for your own display case.

Training: No report.

Membership: No report.

GENERAL MEETING

MARCH, 1972

Topic: Practical work in appraising Opal rough. Under the direction of Bill Whittle.

Using a rough form for evaluation, the members had the opportunity to pick up some pointers on the selection, evaluation and comparison of rough versus estimated finished weights. This is the type of program which appeals to both beginners and advanced cutters as well.

NEXT MEETING

Mr. Don Cook, former member of the Redondo Beach Chapter and a teacher at Narbonne High School will present a program - with slides - on "THE HISTORY OF OPAL FROM OLDEST HUNGARY TO NEWEST BRAZIL!"

This is a different treatment of the subject. It is one we have not had before and should be attractive to all members.

Location of our new quarters - Beginning with our May meeting:

Alameda School Cafeteria
8613 Alameda Street
Downey, California

(This is not the Alameda Street of Los Angeles, and you can't reach one from the other) Alameda Street parallels Firestone Boulevard (On which Pacific Savings and Loan is located). It is between Firestone and Imperial and "dead-ends" at the North American plant on Lakewood. The school is just west of Lakewood at the first traffic light on Alameda Street.

If you do not receive a bulletin some month, check your membership card. The date your membership expires is on the card. We will discontinue any mailings on expiration over six months old.

May Author of "A Yankee In Opal Land"
June A Professor of Physics from Cal State L. A. on
"Where the Color Comes From!"

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