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**Livermore Valley Lithophiles  
Livermore, California**

**Next General Meeting:**  
Thursday, Oct. 10, 2013  
**Livermore Library Community Room**  
7:30 PM

***Program:***

**Lee Davisson - Geology of the Livermore Valley.**

**Next Board Meeting:**  
Thursday, Oct. 24, 2013

**At the Shop**

Members are welcome to attend!

***Meeting Location:*** Livermore Library Community Room 'A'

***Refreshments:*** Bill Beiriger

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***Presidents Message:***

Outrageous October Lithophiles! I hope to see you at the general meeting on October 10th. We have an awesome guest speaker who will tell us about the geology of the Livermore valley.

If you didn't join us, you missed a cool field trip to the Petrified Forest up in Sonoma County. Seven intrepid Lithophiles ventured off to this very interesting spot near Calistoga. It featured petrified redwoods, more than 100 feet in length. It was quite spectacular, as was the beautiful wine country on the trip to/from the park.

Don't miss our next field trip to Chitactac-Adams Heritage County Park in Gilroy. This park features bedrock mortars and petroglyphs left by the Ohlone Indians, as well as cultural artifacts and interpretive displays about the Ohlone. The date is Sunday, November 3rd. we'll plan to arrive at the park at 10:30. More information follows in this *Lithogram*.

**Officers for 2014**

The Nominating Committee's search for 2014 officers continues – talk to any of the committee members (Larry Patzkowski, Shelley Buchberger, Lee Davisson and Rich Hunt) if you want to serve. We have nominees for some offices, but are still looking for members to serve as Secretary and President. Your club needs you!

## Minutes of the General Meeting

Sept. 12, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 7.32 PM by President Rich Hunt at the Livermore Library Community Room A.

**Guests:** -Guests for the meeting included Mr. Jim Kervin, our guest speaker and his wife, Peggy Kervin and Mr. Don Petrilli who had visited the Shop.

**Program:** Chris Hunt introduced Mr. Kervin who gave a very interesting talk on glass bead making. He has been making beads since 1996. Several of the tools, equipment, and materials used in glass bead making were shown the group. He showed us a video produced by Corning Glass featuring Kristina Logan, a world-renowned beading artist. She, along with several other honors, was the 2009 recipient of Hall of Flame presented by the International Society of Glass Beadmakers. The video showed the artist's great skill and creativity in making glass beads.

The group had refreshments after the program and a brief business meeting followed.

**Announcements:** - It was announced that Albert Hess and his wife Sylvia will be moving to Valley Springs.

**Lithorama :** -Bill Beiriger reported that the Show postcards needed to be printed by the end of the month and that the Facebook logo needed to be put on the card. Bill indicated that 2,500 cards were needed at a cost of \$92(additional bi-lingual cards are being prepared for distribution to the local schools). Nancy Bankhead made the motion to make this expenditure of the card's cost (\$92) and Barb Johnson seconded the motion which passed by voice vote.

Lee Davisson mentioned other Lithorama items including the silent auction, kitchen, set-up dinner, front door duties, and the after Show party. Andrea Rodrigues will organize the kitchen; Rich Langlois will head the set-up dinner; Frank Gouvaia will organize the front door; and, Dick Friesen will host the after-Show party. There is a great need for someone to take over the silent auction as Albert is moving and Bob Trimmingham has passed. Both were stalwart workers of the silent auction.

**Holiday Party:**-Rich Langlois will chair the Holiday Party to be held at the Library on Thursday December 12.

**Field Trips:**-Frank Gouvaia has organized a field trip to the Petrified Forest for Saturday September 28. Trip information is contained in his e-mail. Bill Bish has scheduled a field trip to the Gilroy area for Sunday November 3 to visit Ohlone Indian petroglyphs at the Chitactae-Adams County Park. More information will follow.

**Shop Report:** Frank Gouveia reported that the second trim saw is up and running. He also indicated that Stephanie Goldsmith had brought in a light box for us in taking photos.

**Officer Nominations:** - Rich Hunt asked us to think about serving as Club officers next year. It is very likely that current officers may be stepping down. New blood is needed.

**Beading Buddies:**- The Beading Buddies will meet Sunday September 15 at Dick Friesen's home.

**Refreshments:** - We will need a new "coffee person" as Albert is moving away.

The meeting broke up about 9:10 PM.

Larry Patzkowski, Secretary

**Presidents Message - cont. from pg. 1****Lithorama 2013**

Thank you to Andrea Rodriguez who volunteered to manage the kitchen, to Gayla and Rich Langlois who will chair the set-up dinner, and to Dick Friesen who will host the teardown dinner. Please note that the club needs all members to help with the Lithorama coming in November. Set-up and clean-up are all-hands-on-deck activities, so please plan to help then. Remember also that every member is responsible for bringing one pie or cake to sell at the food booth. Contact Lee Davisson for more details about the Lithorama.

**Holiday Party**

The Holiday Party is our December general meeting on December 12<sup>th</sup>. Rich and Gayla Langlois will chair this event.

--Rich Hunt [rcjhunt@comcast.net](mailto:rcjhunt@comcast.net) 925-443-5525

**LITHORAMA  
Nov 23 and 24.****To All Members.**

Lithorama is just around the corner and we need all members to help in setup or take down, if you have any questions please contact: Lee Davisson, Bill Beiriger or Rich Hunt. We will have sign up sheets at the October and November meetings.

Bill Beiriger will be putting a display at the Civic Center Library. In the past Bill used material from his collections, this year he would like to showcase items that the Lithophiles have made or collected. These can be bead work, free-form cabs, square-wire items, etc. Please contact Bill at 443-5769. The display will be setup on November 1st, but Bill needs about one week to do the layout and make all the labels. Please bring material to the October 10th meeting or bring it to the shop. If you bring it to the shop please call Bill or send him an email at [info@lithophiles.com](mailto:info@lithophiles.com).

Members please bring a Pie or Cake to Lithorama for the food sales area.

If you are going to put a display in at the show make sure you let Dick Friesen know, 447-8223.

LITHORAMA Postcards are here. PLEASE take some and give them out to advertise the show. Give them to friends and give the to businesses that will put them out for their customers.

Set-up for the show will start at about 9:00 AM, we will need as many members with strong backs as possible.

**Minutes of the Board Meeting**

Sept. 26, 2013

**Present:** - Rich Hunt, Bill Beiriger, Dick Friesen, Andrea Rodrigues, Shelley Buchberger, Lee Davisson

**Show:** - All vendors have paid for this year's show.

Need to find help for the jobs that Albert Hess was doing at the show. This includes helping in the glow room and the silent auction.

Fliers are printed and available. Fliers for school kids in production and will be handed out at school visits.

There are still up to eight openings for a case display.

Four demonstrators are confirmed with a possible of a fifth.

Andrea will be kitchen chair this year. Please contact her or Lee to volunteer some time to help.

Don't forget to donate pies/cakes for the show.

Lee, Stephanie, and Dick are currently going through material for silent auction. We also plan to visit Jim Gruver's house to secure additional club material.

**Treasurer's Report:** - Club required to file 990N form every three years with the IRS to report non-profit status of less than \$50,000 per year.

**Shop Report:** - New replacements wheels for laps completed.

Diana Carey gone for remainder of year, so Dick will sit in as temporary foreman during her scheduled week.

**Other:** - Bill showed a couple new designs for membership flyer that has a detachable portion that a person fills out and the remainder they keep for their information.

Rich and Lee will be running a 4-H program again this year. Larry has agreed to help, but we need additional members with cab cutting skills to volunteer a couple hours of their time to teach young people. This is an activity that has high return for getting new members.

Lee Davisson - Secretary, acting

## **The Volcanoes of Alaska.**

Compiled by Bill Beiriger

**Information and Photos from the Global Volcanism Program - Smithsonian Institution.**



### **Chiginagak - Alaska Peninsula**

**Last Eruption - 1998**

**7,287 feet**

**57.135° N 156.990° W**

The symmetrical, calc-alkaline Chiginagak stratovolcano located about 15 km NW of Chiginagak Bay contains a small summit crater, which is breached to the south, and one or more summit lava domes. Satellitic lava domes occur high on the NW and SE flanks of the glacier-mantled volcano. An unglaciated lava flow and an overlying pyroclastic-flow deposit extending east from the summit are the most recent products of Chiginagak. They most likely originated from a lava dome at 1687 m on the SE flank, 1 km from the summit of the volcano, which has variably been estimated to be from 2075 to 2221 m high. Brief ash eruptions were reported in July 1971 and August 1998. Fumarolic activity occurs at 1600 m elevation on the NE flank of the volcano, and two areas of hot-spring travertine deposition are located at the NW base of the volcano near Volcano Creek.

Photo by Not Listed (U.S. Geological Survey, Alaska Volcano Observatory).

<http://www.volcano.si.edu/world/volcano>



## Field Trip • • • Chitactac-Adams Heritage County Park November 3, 2013

Don't miss our next field trip to Chitactac-Adams Heritage County Park in Gilroy on Sunday, November 3rd. Alfonso Ramirez, the Native American storyteller who spoke at our June meeting, recommended this park as an excellent site to see Ohlone artifacts, including bedrock mortars and petroglyphs. The date is Sunday, November 3rd. We'll plan to arrive at the park at 10:30.



The park is described by its web site as: "Chitactac Adams Heritage County Park offers a unique view into the Native American culture of Santa Clara County before and after the arrival of the Spanish. A self-guided interpretive walk around the site, including eight stations with interpretive panels, is supplemented by an interpretive shelter with seven additional panels and displays. The trail panels include photographs and original art covering the Adams School, Ohlone village life, Ohlone buildings, petroglyphs (rock art), Ohlone food processing, natural history of Uvas Creek, Spanish, California and Ohlone culture and petroglyphs and their preservation."

We've arranged for a ranger-guided 1.5-hour tour following the trails in the park. We will be walking on trails and there will be some stairs so please wear appropriate footwear. The park is 60 miles from Livermore, close to Gilroy, about 7 miles from Gilroy – it's about a 70 minute drive, so plan to meet at the Barn at 9:00 AM if you want to carpool or meet at the park at 10:30 if you're driving yourself. We'll have a picnic lunch after the tour, so remember to bring a lunch for yourself. Contact field trip organizer Bill Bish at [bcbish@att.net](mailto:bcbish@att.net) if you have any questions.



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**Robert James Trimingham May 26, 1937-June 30, 2013  
Livermore, California**

Robert (Bob) Trimingham passed away June 30th at his home in Livermore, CA. He is survived by his sister Claire (Tom) Fields, nephew Christopher (Sheila) Martin, niece Nicole (Maytheni Allen) Ines, four great nephews and two great nieces, and also his companion of many years, Deloris Colonna. He was predeceased by his parents, James and Lorna Trimingham, of Pleasanton. Bob was born in Pleasanton in 1937. He attended Amador High School and went to Stanford University where he received a degree in Geology. He then received a degree in Physical Science/Education from UC Berkley in 1963, and attended the University of Rochester in NY for a Master's Degree in Education. Bob had a teaching career in Geology, Physics, and Math at Livermore High School which lasted for 30 years before retiring in 1995. Bob remained a loyal Stanford sports fan his entire life. His other primary interest was minerals and collecting mineral species, from micros to large showy specimens. He was a courageous mineral field tripper who avidly traveled America for collections, mineral shows and museums. He was a member of the Livermore Valley Lithophiles Gem and Mineral Society for 45 years. He helped with Lithorama Gem and Mineral shows, societies' booths, lithophiles' presentations, and the San Leandro Library reading programs. He was a charter member of the Bay Area Mineralogists in Palo Alto, and belonged to the Northern California Mineralogical Society in Placerville. Bob also was a member of the Museum on Main Street in Pleasanton, where he did displays on the Geology of the Tri-Valley area. His dedication to family and friends, as well as his generosity, intelligence, and kindness will be missed by all.

I forgot that we had not had a Lithogram since Bob passed away at the end of June; and I did not get this into the September Lithogram. Bill Beiriger



## Beading Buddies



Andrea's Major Beading Project





# Calistoga Petrified Forest Field Trip



# California Shows And Events

## 2013

**October 12 - 13: GRASS VALLEY**  
Nevada County Fairgrounds Main Building  
11228 McCourtney Road, Grass Valley  
Hours: Sat / Sun 10-5  
Website: www.ncgms.org

**October 19 - 20: PLACERVILLE, CA**  
**El Dorado County Mineral & Gem Society**  
El Dorado County Fairgrounds  
100 Placerville Drive  
Hours: 10 - 5 daily  
Contact: Arlene Williams, (530) 676-2472  
Email: info@rockandgemshow.org  
Show Website: www.rockandgemshow.org  
Club Website: www.eldoradomineralandgem.org

**October 26 - 27: LOS ALTOS, CA**  
**Peninsula Gem & Geology Society**  
Civic Center/Youth Center  
One San Antonio Road  
Hours: 10 - 5 daily  
Contact: Steve Jobe, (408) 834-5384  
Email: steve\_jobe@sbcglobal.net  
Website: www.pggs.org

**November 2 - 3: CONCORD, CA**  
**Contra Costa Mineral & Gem Society**  
Centre Concord  
5294 Clayton Road (near Ygnacio Valley Rd.)  
Hours: 10 - 5 daily  
Contact: Harry Nichandros, (925) 289-0454  
Email: show-c@ccmgs.org  
Website: www.ccmgs.org

**November 9 - 10: SACRAMENTO, CA**  
**Sacramento Mineral Society**  
Scottish Rite Temple  
6151 H Street  
Hours: Sat 9 - 5; Sun 9 - 4  
Contact: Joe Shook, (916) 224-7248  
Email: joeshook08@gmail.com  
Website: www.sacramentomineralsociety.org

**November 9 - 10: YUBA CITY, CA**  
**Sutter Buttes Gem & Mineral Society**  
Yuba-Sutter Fairgrounds - Franklin Hall  
442 Franklin Avenue  
Hours: Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4  
Contact: Kartie Slightam, (530) 673-9649  
Email: mktalternatives@comcast.net  
Website: www.sutterbuttes.net

**November 23 & 24, 2013** Livermore LITHORAMA 2013 Show and Sale, **Livermore Valley Lithophiles Gem & Mineral Society**; The 'BARN' 3131 Pacific Ave. east of Livermore Ave.  
Hours: Sat. 10-5; Sun. 10-4. Visit us at our website [www.lithophiles.org](http://www.lithophiles.org)

Show information is available at the California Federation of Mineralogical Societies website: [www.cfmsinc.org](http://www.cfmsinc.org)

### Additional Resources:

American Federation of Mineralogical Societies website: [www.amfed.org](http://www.amfed.org)

American Lands Access Association website: [www.amerlands.org](http://www.amerlands.org)

CO-OP website: [www.coop.freeservers.com](http://www.coop.freeservers.com)

## Field Trips

### LITHOPHILE FIELD TRIP FOR NOVEMBER

**Where:** Chitactac Adams Heritage County Park, 10001 Watsonville Rd, Gilroy

**When:** Sunday, November 3rd, 9:00 at the Barn or 10:30 at the park

**What:** Guided tour of Ohlone artifacts

**Bring:** Lunch for the picnic afterward

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## Elected Officers and Club Information

### Elected Officers:

**President** Rich Hunt (925) 443-5525  
**V. President** Lee Davisson (925) 371-0699  
**Secretary** Larry Patzkowski (925) 426-7768  
**Treasurer** Shelley Buchberger (925) 292-7122

**Membership:** The Livermore Valley Lithophiles invites to its membership anyone genuinely interested in minerals, gems, lapidary, geology or any of the other earth sciences, and who desires association with others of like interests. Membership in our club consists of three classes: Senior, anyone eighteen years or older; Junior, anyone under eighteen; and Honorary. Dues are for the calendar year and are as prescribed in the by-laws, Article III. \$25.00 per family, \$20.00 per individual and \$10.00 for Juniors (twelve and older.)

**Meetings:** General Meeting – Second Thursday of each month, 7:30 p.m. (**Locations change goto Lithophiles WEB-SITE**). Board Meeting – Fourth Thursday of each month, 7:30 p.m. at the Club Shop or to be announced in the *Lithogram*. Any special meetings or places will be published in the *Lithogram*.

**Club Shop:** The shop at the Barn is open to club members 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.. on Tuesday nights. If no one arrives by 7:30 p.m.. or if the Shop Foreman has not been informed a member will arrive late, then the shop will close at 7:30 p.m. Shop Foreman, OPEN.

**Field Trips:** Location and date will be published in the *Lithogram*.

**Bulletin:** *Livermore Lithogram*. Published monthly and mailed or emailed to active members and guests. News of interest, reports and articles must be received by the first Tuesday of the month. Articles may be reprinted by giving proper credit.

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**Shop open every Tuesday at 7:00 PM**

**General Meeting Oct. 10th, at 7:30 PM**  
**Board Meeting Oct. 24th, 7:30, At the SHOP**