

# Livermore



# Lithogram

Livermore Valley Lithophiles

Livermore, CA

## Next General Meeting

**Oct 12, 2017, 7:00pm**

Community Room

*Civic Center Library*

**Program:** Bill Beiriger will present a program on his and Joan's trip to Craters of the Moon, Yellowstone and Grand Teton Parks.

**Refreshments:?**

## Next Board Meeting

4th Thursday of the month  
at the Shop.

All Members are welcome  
to attend!

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## President's Message

Lee has stepped down as our President and has also stepped down from our 4-H Program. At the September meeting Lee informed us, via email, that a couple of months ago he learned that he has ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease).

I asked the officers to let me fill out the last three months of Lee's presidential period. I will ONLY step in as President until the end of 2017. I am doing this because our vice president can't get to the meeting until after the meeting has started because of a NEW start time, more info below.

One major item is the hours that we have our meetings. The library requires that we are to be totally out of the building by 8:45, that includes putting the room back as we found it, that means chairs, tables, etc. This change is so they can make a security sweep of the rooms to make sure that no one is hiding anywhere before they lock up. That means we will have to start our meetings earlier so we will have time for the business and the program sections. If we have a program we should start the business portion of the meeting no later then 7:15, if members can make it by 7:00 that will be better. If there is a program then we should start the program no latter then 7:30 or 7:45. In the future we may have to adjust the meeting start time or we may have to find a new meeting location.

Another important item at the October meeting is the nomination of officers, the nomination of the officers should have taken place in August, here we are in September and we haven't nominated anyone for any office; please consider running for an office. If you want the Lithophiles to continue as an organization we need officers. The Vice President, Secretary and Treasure said that they would continue on for another year, a President is badly needed.

For the October meeting I will give a program on a trip that Joan and I took to Craters of the Moon, Yellowstone and Grand Teton Parks. This program is a repeat of one I gave in 2008. I will be talking to a dealer at the Placerville Show to see if he will give us an interesting program after the beginning of the year.

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## President's Message (cont.)

If any of you know of someone from outside the society that can give us a program, or if one of you would like to give a program to the group, PLEASE LET ME KNOW.

And finally, LITHORAMA is just around the corner and we will need everyone's help. The Lithophiles only have 22 paid and 3 life members to put on our show. If members don't give their 100% support to the show, this may be our last LITHORAMA.

PLEASE attend the next two meetings, October 12 and November 9. These two meetings will be when all the final preparations for Lithorama will be discussed; everyone's input is needed.

Thank you,

Bill Beiriger, Acting President

## Minutes of Lithophile Meeting

**September 14, 2017**

Lithophiles have been invited to set up a table at the Livermore Airport Open House on October 7th.

On Friday, Nov. 17, 2017 at 9:00 am need help setting up Lithorama - no parking signs, food, dinner afterwards.

Suggestions for speakers - Ohlone College in Fremont has two geology professors and meteorite speaker.

Suggestions for field trips - Bob Avera owns the ranch that backs into Site 300, could have petrified wood and fossils; mahogany obsidian at Alteras, Davis Creek, past Burney Falls; Jade Cove.

Members can go on field trips of other North Bay rock and mineral clubs.

October 12, 2017 meeting - Bill Beiriger will do a travel presentation.

November 9, 2017 meeting - Bill Beiriger will arrange for a meteorite speaker.

## Minutes of Lithophile Board Meeting

**September 28, 2017**

Present: Molly Alexander, Diane Day, Bill Bish, Dick Friesen, Andrea Rodriguez, Stephanie Goldsmith, Bill Beiriger

Bill Beiriger has offered to be President until Dec. 31, 2017. Molly Alexander will continue as Secretary, and Bill Bish as Treasurer.

Lithorama: There are 15 spaces in The Barn and so far 12 spaces have been claimed.

Joe the Gold Panning Guy will be here for the show.

The advertising banner will go up on Oct. 30, 2017.

Bill Bish finished the straps for the hoist to the loft and needs help putting them on.

Livermore Airport Show - Saturday, Oct. 7, 2017 - 10:00 am-4:00pm

Bill Bish is going to have a table to display minerals and will have fossil digging. He will also advertise the Lithorama with the postcards. Homeschooled and 4H students will help him.

The monthly Lithophile meetings at the Livermore library have to start at 7:15 pm instead of 7:30 pm.

The next meeting is Thursday, October 12, 2017 at 7:15 pm. Bill Beiriger will do a travel presentation. minerals used in the construction of aircraft. He'll have a fossil dig for kids as well. Jenny is getting 4H and teen members to help. Tom Manger who is setting up the STEM groups also donated some blue bins to the club and has more if we want them.

# State Fossils

## New Mexico State Fossils

**Bill Beiriger**

***Coelophysis bauri***, this dinosaur lived during the Triassic Period in the southwestern United States approximately 225 million years ago. The animals were small bipedal carnivore about 10 feet in length with a weight of 60 pounds.

The animal had a long narrow head with large forward-facing eyes giving it good stereoscopic vision with excellent depth perception. Its vision compared with that of many of our modern birds of prey.

They were found in the Siltstone Member of the Chinle Formation at Ghost Ranch, New Mexico. It was first identified in 1887 and then in 1947 a graveyard of the fossils was discovered at the Ghost Ranch site.



### Livermore Airport Open House & Air Show

The Lithophiles have been invited to set up a table at the airport open house on October 7th (10am-4pm). There will be a number of STEM related hobby clubs from the area participating. If you would like to help out please contact Bill Bish ([bcbish@att.net](mailto:bcbish@att.net)) or Jenny Siders ([jsiders@gmail.com](mailto:jsiders@gmail.com)).

**2017 Lithorama**  
**November 18-19**

**The Barn**

**3131 Pacific Ave, Livermore**

**Contact Dick Friesen to request a display case at the show!**  
**[dandjfriesen@gmail.com](mailto:dandjfriesen@gmail.com)**

**We need volunteers!**

**Please contact Bill Beiriger**

**[info@lithophiles.com](mailto:info@lithophiles.com)**  
**to see how you can help.**

## Beading Buddies

Next session will be Saturday Oct 28, 1-4pm at Dick and Andrea's. We will be making a kumihimo bracelet. Here are a few pictures from Saturday's meeting.



# California Shows & Events

**October 21 - 22:** PLACERVILLE, CA  
 El Dorado County Mineral & Gem Society  
 El Dorado County Fairgrounds  
 100 Placerville Drive  
 Hours: 10 - 5 daily  
 Contact: (530) 676-2472  
 Email: [info@rockandgemshow.org](mailto:info@rockandgemshow.org)  
 Club Website: [www.eldoradorocks.org](http://www.eldoradorocks.org)

**October 21 - 22:** SANTA ROSA, CA  
 Santa Rosa Mineral & Gem Society  
 The Veterans Memorial (new date & location)  
 1351 Maple Avenue  
 Hours: Sat 10 - 6; Sun 10 - 5  
 Contact: Jolene Coon  
 Email: [santarosarockshow@hotmail.com](mailto:santarosarockshow@hotmail.com)  
 Website: [www.srmgs.org](http://www.srmgs.org)

**October 28 - 29:** LOS ALTOS, CA  
 Peninsula Gem & Geology Society  
 Los Altos Youth Center  
 One North San Antonio Road  
 Hours: 10 - 5 daily  
 Contact: Steve Jobe, (408) 834-5384  
 Email: [steve\\_job@sbcglobal.net](mailto:steve_job@sbcglobal.net)  
 Website: [www.pggs.org](http://www.pggs.org)

**October 28 - 29:** SACRAMENTO, CA  
 Sacramento Mineral Society  
 Scottish Rite Temple  
 6151 H Street  
 Hours: 10 - 5 daily  
 Contact: Alyssa Mesiznger, (916) 662-5819  
 Email: [gemshow@sacramentomineralsociety.org](mailto:gemshow@sacramentomineralsociety.org)  
 Web Site: <http://sacramentomineralsociety.org>

**November 4 - 5:** CONCORD, CA  
 Contra Costa Mineral & Gem Society  
 Centre Concord  
 5298 Clayton Road  
 Hours: 10 - 5 daily  
 Contact: Mary Hicks, (925) 289-0454  
 Email: [maryhicks@comcast.net](mailto:maryhicks@comcast.net)  
 Website: [www.ccmgsshowcoupon.com](http://www.ccmgsshowcoupon.com)

**November 18-19:** LIVERMORE, CA  
 Lithorama 2017, Livermore Valley Lithophiles  
 The Barn  
 3131 Pacific Ave.  
 Saturday, 10 - 5, Sunday, 10 - 4  
[www.lithophiles.com/lithorama.html](http://www.lithophiles.com/lithorama.html)

**February 17 - 18:** ANTIOCH, CA  
 Antioch Lapidary Club  
 Contra Costa County Fairgrounds  
 1201 West 10th Street  
 Hours: 10 - 5 daily  
 Contact: Brenda Miguel, (925) 301-6957  
 Email: [brenda.miguel@yahoo.com](mailto:brenda.miguel@yahoo.com)  
 Website: [www.antiochlapidaryclub.com](http://www.antiochlapidaryclub.com)

**February 24 - 25:** VALLEJO, CA  
 Vallejo Gem & Mineral Society  
 Solano County Fairgrounds, McCormack Hall  
 900 Fairgrounds Drive  
 Hours: 10 - 5 daily  
 Contact: Dan Wolke, 707 334-2950  
 Email: [dncwolke@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dncwolke@sbcglobal.net)  
 Website: [www.vjgems.org](http://www.vjgems.org)

**March 2 - 4:** NEWARK, CA  
 Mineral & Gem Society of Castro Valley  
 Newark Pavilion  
 6430 Thornton Avenue  
 Hours: Fri & Sat 10 - 6; Sun 10 - 5  
 Contact: Cathy Miller, 510-887-9007  
 Email: [showchair@mgscv.org](mailto:showchair@mgscv.org)  
 Website: [www.mgscv.org](http://www.mgscv.org)

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## Elected Officers & Club Information

### Elected Officers:

**President** Bill Beiriger([info@lithophiles.com](mailto:info@lithophiles.com))

**V. President** Stephanie Goldsmith

**Secretary** Molly Alexander (925) 606-6977

**Treasurer** Bill Bish ( [bcbish@att.net](mailto:bcbish@att.net) )

**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 younger.)

**Meetings:** General Meeting – Second Thursday of each month, 7:30 p.m. Civic Center Livermore Library Community Room (**Locations change go to 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, Stephanie Goldsmith (925) 447-1722.

**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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