More GEM boree Highlights

Seaside GEM boree

Space Rock Day ~ Sunday, June 7 will be 'Space Rock Day'. Robert Varish, discoverer of two of the Mars Meteorites, and fellow meteorite hunter, Dale Lowdermilk, will speak on finding and identifying meteorites. Meteorites are masses of metal or stone that have fallen to earth from outer space. You will have a chance to see a Mars meteorite, other meteorites and tektites. There will also be a replica of "The Old Woman" meteorite, the second largest meteorite discovered in the United States that was found in the Mojave desert. Miniature Mars Rover vehicles from the Planetary Society's *Red Rover Goes To Mars* project will be on hand to give kids the opportunity to direct a mini-Mars Rover across an alien landscape.

Field Trips ~ The Field Trip Committee is developing plans for some interesting trips. A couple of different sites are being considered, based on type and availability of material, accessibility and distance. Additional information will be forthcoming as details are finalized.

Mermaid Contest ~ Get your entry form in soon to participate in the Mermaid Contest. We're looking for jewelry, lapidary, sculpture-- anything that has been worked in rock, mineral, gemstones, or a combination thereof that depicts a mermaid. Deadline is May 1, 2003. (See form in this Newsletter) Forms can also be downloaded from the website, or contact Keri Dearborn at (818) 883-5253 or GemboreeDisplay@aol.com. Mail completed forms to Keri at 20982 Ave. San Luis, Woodland Hills, CA 91364.

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Teen Talk: Pam: "Are you entering the Mermaid Contest?"
Jen: " Oh, I don't think so. I'm afraid I'd look ghastly in that swimsuit."