

Mark your calendar!
SDMG's
Annual Picnic & Silent Auction
is returning this spring!

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When: Saturday, May 3, 2025 9am to 3pm

What: Instead of a BBQ, it is a real picnic, so bring your own lunch and maybe something to share!

Where: Balboa Park – the lawn at Park Blvd. & the s.w. corner of President's Way

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THE ANNUAL PICNIC will be back in 2025 at the usual spot – Park Blvd & Presidents Way Lawn (back lawn at the southwest corner corner, next to 163 onramp.) It's a great open lawn setting, with many trees. The **Spring Picnic and Silent Auction** is one of **SDMG's** biggest annual events. This event provides a great opportunity to invite your friends and family and meet up with your workshop mates. Parking is Free.

Have something you want to auction?
Bring it!

There will be our world famous **Silent Auction**. Bring up to 15 rock-related items to sell, with 10% of the proceeds going to **SDMG**.

Ugly Rock Contest

HEY, THIS IS a serious competition! Bring an **Embellished** (decorated to look like something), **Mimic** (already looks like something) or **Just Plain Ugly** rock, and beat your fellow twisted club members' ugly finds. Enter your rock between 9 and noon on the day of the picnic. There will prizes. Voting occurs during lunch, and winners are announced around 1pm.

Note: Plan on arriving early to avoid Balboa Park traffic – carpool, bike in, or get dropped off / picked up afterward.

Look for more details to come in the April issue of The Pegmatite

~ Calling All Volunteers ~

This month we need you to sign up to help make this event happen

1. Manager and Assistants – Hostess table: Manage food and coffee for volunteers, sales of water and sodas, log in event attendees, and register Silent Auction bidders.
2. Manager and Assistants – Door Prizes Display, Ticket Sales, and Assist Emcee.
3. Manager for the Ugly Rock contest.
4. Emcee – Door Prize Winners and the Silent Auction.
5. Event Treasurer and Assistants – Auction Sales Proceeds Collection table.
6. Helpers – Set-Up (starts at 7:00am): Move tables, chairs, and pop-ups.
7. Helpers – Bring coffee, pastries, and O.J. from retailers to the Set-Up volunteers (save your receipt, you'll be reimbursed).
8. Helpers – Bring door prizes to the event venue.
9. Photographer: Record our event and people having fun.
10. Auction Security: Walk the tables, oversee registered bidding. Keep outsiders out.
11. Helpers – Break down (starts at 3:00pm): move tables, chairs, and pop-ups.
12. Someone to lend a quiet generator for the sound system.
13. and... Other Kind and Flexible Souls: Bring desserts, a couple of spare coolers, ice for refreshments, and stuff you thought of but we may not have.

If you want to volunteer or if you have any questions, please contact:

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