

FEBRUARY IS GEOLOGY MONTH



at Santa Rosa & San Jacinto Mountains National Monument!

JOIN THESE PROGRAMS AND EXPLORE WITH US

GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY

Fri, Feb 6
6-9 pm

Learn more about the Shadow Mountain Gem and Mineral Society at their monthly meeting at Palm Springs United Methodist Church, 1555 Alejo Rd in Palm Springs. Guest lecturer Dr. Byrne is presenting a program on oceanic fossils. Free. Call 251-7347 for details.

GEOLOGY TALK

Sats, Feb 7 & 21
1-2 pm

Joe Migliore, Desert Naturalist, explains local landforms such as Martinez Avalanche, escarpments and the 'ancient bathtub ring' located in the National Monument. Free at the national Monument Visitor Center at 51-500 Hwy 74, Palm Desert. An optional, easy walk for on-site examples follows.

GEM, MINERAL & FOSSIL DISPLAY

Feb 13-22
10 am - 10 pm

See gem, mineral and fossil collections of local desert residents at the Indio Date Festival, 46350 Arabia St. in Indio. Call 1-800-811-FAIR for more information.

NATURE HIKE TO STONE POOLS

Mon, Feb 23
8 am - Noon

Take a quick descent into Palm Canyon and follow a trail to water-carved granite pools. Rated as a moderate hike, call the Palm Springs Desert Museum for more details 325-7186.

EARTHQUAKES AND FAULTS

Thurs, Feb 26
9:30 - 11 am

Hear about earthquake faults in the Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains National Monument from Steve Kupferman, BLM geologist. Find out how our local mountain ranges are related to earthquake faults and where the faults are in this area. Free at the Mizell Senior Center at 480 S. Sunrise Way, Palm Springs. Call 862-9984 or more information.

PALM SPRINGS 'ROCK-FEST'

Fri - Sun
Feb 27 - 29
9 am - 5 pm

Gems and minerals are provided by a variety of earth science organizations along with all kinds of activities. Stage shows, gold panning, and rock collections and more can be found at this exciting event. Held at the Palm Springs Market Fair (on Ramon Rd just east of the airport). Call Specialty Productions for more information, 602/923-7381 for more information.

Visitor Center
51-500 Highway 74
in Palm Desert, CA
760/862-9984

Web site:
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