



C.F.M.S. NEWSLETTER

XLI No. 3 _____ MARCH 2005

Presidents Message

A hearty hello to all readers, and I hope there are many more people than just the ones that this is mailed to get to read or at least hear about what goes into a newsletter like this. You cannot believe how pleased I am to see the reports of as many committees that sent and had published. My kudos to you, Dick, for your persistence and good work. I'm hearing great response to the A.F.M.S Scholarship help and encourage those who have not done so yet, so please present the proposed fifty cents per member donation to your executive committee. We as an executive board are still looking for some serious help in the Public Lands Advisory Committee in the North, most special the extreme North, Alturas area. Contact Frank Monez or Norvie Enns for details. This is the committee that helps as well as keeps us informed on the collection areas and restrictions. Without their help, we are at the government's mercy.

I just got back to this ugly fog and cold of the central valley from the sunny Arizona desert at Quartzsite. Three weeks of that can be very addictive, but reality has to come to be. Ye Old Timers were present and active with field trips and their live auction. The auctioneers were in good form and their comedy was well rehearsed as they got good reviews and lots of laughs. This was merged with a serious note occasionally. Bidding even over ran the auctioneers at times. Bargain were there to be had for those who would spend the time looking. The best part for me was the opportunity to talk to many people on many subjects. Because I'm on short time to get this off to our editor I will just remind you to prepare for the Roseville competition and show and to the recipients of this letter to do your part and pass on the information to all of your fellow members. For another month I bid you good health, good fortune and good rockhounding.

Marion Roberts
President 2005

NEWSLETTER SUBSCRIPTIONS

The CFMS Newsletter is published eleven (11) times a year by the California Federation of Mineralogical Societies, Inc., PO Box 1657, Rialto, CA 92377-1657. Subscription: \$5.50 per year, Jan. through Dec. Not prorated. **Postmaster: send change of address to above address.**

CFMS Website

CFMS on the Internet is accessible at www.cfmsinc.org. Web Master is Don Ogden. Editors are invited to download articles for their bulletins from this website.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY/TREASURER

Pat LaRue
 PO Box 1657
 Rialto, CA 92377-1657
 (909) 874-5664 FAX:(909) 874-7430
 Email: bplarue@earthlink.net

TO REPORT A CLAIM: Report claims as soon as possible to Patt McDaniel at 1 (800) 400-7288. If no one is immediately available, and/or during non-business and weekend hours, call 1 (800) 252-4670.

CFMS INSURANCE CONTACT

McDaniel Insurance Services, Inc.
 PO Box 1294, Ojai, CA 93024
 805-646-9948 or 800-400-7288
 805-848-9976 Fax
 Email: mcins@west.net

Fred Ott, Chair, Insurance Committee
 3420 Coach Lane, Suite #4
 Cameron Park, CA 95682
 (530) 677-8440, wk (530) 677-5211
 Email: fred.ott.b8t5@statefarm.com

ARTICLES FOR YOUR NEWSLETTER DUE TO EDITOR BY 5th OF MONTH

Richard Pankey, Editor
 4310 Kingsly Dr.
 Pittsburg, CA 94565
 (925) 439-7509
 Email: dickpankey@juno.com

ANYTIME

Send donations for CFMS Scholarship Fund to:

Pat LaRue
 PO Box 1657
 Rialto, CA 92377-1657

Send donations for AFMS Scholarship Fund to:

Montella Lopez
 676 Hermitage Place
 San Jose, CA 95134

Send donations for CFMS Endowment Fund to:

Pat LaRue
 PO Box 1657
 Rialto, CA 92377-1657

Send donations for AFMS Endowment Fund to:

Toby Cozens
 4401 SW Hill Street
 Seattle, WA 98116-1924

ARTICLE INDEX

President’s Message.....	1
Contacts & Article Index.....	2
Calendar & Editor Desk.....	3
New Rockhound Sticker.....	4
‘America the Beautiful’	5
Sample Letter.....	6
Juniors Activities	7
Show	8
Rules, & Slides/Video	9
Earth Science Studies, & Safety	10
Insurance & AFMS Endow. Fund	11
Historian & Obituary	12
Education Thru Sharing.....	13
Tax Advisor & Golden Bear.....	14
By-Laws.....	15
Publicity/Public Relations & Museum	16
Shows Dates.....	17,18
Officers, Chairs, Committees	19,20

CFMS CALENDAR 2005

MAR. 1	Officer Change List & Club Rosters Due
MAR. 15	All Am. Club Books due
APR. 3 – 10	Earth Science Seminar at Zzyzx
APR. 9	Open House at Zzyzx 20th. Anniversary
MAY 1	Golden Bear Nominations Due
MAY 10	Golden Bear Nom. Due
JUN. 10 – 12	CFMS Show
JUN. 11	Directors' Meeting
SEP. 11 – 17	Camp Paradise Earth Science Seminar
SEP. 18 - 24	Camp Paradise Earth Science Seminar
NOV. 12	Directors' Meeting

2006

MAR. 19-26 Zzyzx Earth Science Seminar

Officers and Committees: send me event dates and due dates to include in this section

Look for the **new, little
ROCKHOUND STICKER**



From The Editor's Desk

"Three moons ago I couldn't even spel scribe and now I are one."

That's right, I attended my first meeting of SCRIBE on Saturday, January 29th at Quartzsite and joined up. Chuck McKie, our Safety Chairman, who also edits the Fairfield Lapidary newsletter went with me and joined, too. What a great group of enthusiastic, involved, fun people. I guess that I shouldn't be surprised. All the newsletter editors that I have met and that I Know are dedicated, hard working, involved members of their clubs. The attendance at this meeting was small, only about 25 members and guests. There were a couple of familiar faces – Don Ogden, Shirley Leeson and Dee Holland; some new faces to go with names of people with whom I have exchanged emails or phone calls.

The meeting was very interesting and interactive. Peter Martin was installed as the new president of SCRIBE. He made a few brief remarks that included a "call to arms" for all editors to alert their clubs and start a letter writing campaign against a new threat to our use of Public Lands called 'America the Beautiful'. See Peter's article on page 5. Kevin Cloe, Editor/Publisher of the Wickenburg Sun gave a talk about working with your local newspaper. He gave us insight and too many ideas to list here. That's another article, – more on this later.

During the discussion on 'America the Beautiful' and writing to our government representatives the idea to use the new, little Rockhound Sticker™ on our letters and envelopes was born. What a great way for rockhounds to identify themselves. See my article on page 4.

I can hardly wait for the Editor's Breakfast at the AFMS Show in St. Louis, MO this coming August.

CONTINUED THANKS TO ALL OFFICERS, COMMITTEE CHAIRS AND OTHERS who provide articles each month. For those committees that haven't sent in any articles yet, we need to hear from you. I am saving room for your articles.

Dick Pankey, Editor



The Rockhound Sticker™ has a little brother

By Richard Pankey, Publicity/Public Relations Committee

There is a *new, little* Rockhound Sticker that promises to have many uses for all rockhounds. It became available the first of this year and is selling fast. It was introduced at Cloud's Jamboree at Avi and at the Shows in Quartzsite, and at the SCRIBE meeting in Quartzsite.

The new sticker is the same bright, attention getting yellow with the black rock hammer as the 3 and a half-inch version, but is only one inch in diameter. This new sticker is inexpensive and can be used in many ways by rockhounds and by rock clubs. They stick easily and well to clothing, hats, paper and even rocks. They are great for an award for completion of a junior's activity at your show or meetings; a simple "pin" for shirt or hat to identify oneself as a rockhound. Stick one on a slab for case favors, or on a nice polished rock for a grab bag or on the "Wheel-Of Fortune" table.

However, one of the best and most important uses may be the one that came out of a discussion at the SCRIBE meeting in January at Quartzsite. Peter Martin, the incoming president of SCRIBE made a few brief remarks that included a "call to arms" for all editors to alert their clubs and start a letter writing campaign against a new threat to our use of Public Lands called 'America the Beautiful'. He proposed to all newsletter editors to help get the word out to their members about this threat to our use of public lands and help with example letters and encouragement to start writing letters to our representatives and government officials, **now**. I had brought several rolls of stickers with me to show at the meeting. Suddenly it occurred to me "what better way to identify that our letters are from a rockhound than to put a sticker on the envelope and letter of all of our correspondences to our representatives and government agencies." The idea was quickly and excitedly accepted by all. The bright color will attract attention, immediately identify that the letter is from a concerned rockhound, add impact to our message, and it will be remembered

The *new, little* Rockhound Sticker is a fun, inexpensive way to promote rockhounding and to identify yourself as a rockhound, and your correspondences as being from a rockhound. I have started using them in addition to my return address labels on mail to other rockhound and clubs. I plan to give them out to kids at rock swaps, talks to youth groups, at shows, and anywhere else to attract attention and promote our hobby. That is the purpose of the Rockhound Sticker – to identify and promote.

To get the *new, little* Rockhound Sticker for yourself or your club contact Frank Mullaney. The new Rockhound Stickers cost \$3.00 for a roll of 100 stickers. The price includes postage and handling. Frank will accept checks or credit cards. When ordering make check payable to: ROCKY FIVE. To order stickers, contact:

Frank Mullaney
5705 Begonia Dr.
San Jose, CA 95124-6535
Ph.: 408-266-1791
E-mail: rockyfiv@aol.com

Promote rockhounding. Proudly display your Rockhound Sticker.

‘America the Beautiful’

By Peter Martin, President of SCRIBE

That beguiling phrase is not the title of a song or a statement of faith; it is a phrase, which may become a serious threat to all our rockhounding and collecting activities in the USA in the coming year.

The rump of the last Congress, in the days after the election and before the holidays, late one night, passed an appropriations bill 3,000 pages long. Apart from the necessary budgets for departments, in it were thousands of ‘pork barrel’ projects by which our Senators and Representative get Federal funds for projects in their districts, and then go home and trumpet what great representatives they are. Most of the bill is never read or discussed in either the Senate or the House. The bill was signed into law by President Bush a few days later, and in that bill, never read in Congress, never discussed, was the America the Beautiful bombshell.

In summary this is what the legislation does. Sometime in the next year or so it cancels the legislation which covers the Golden Age and Golden Access passes, once in a lifetime payments to allow Seniors into National Parks, US Forests and BLM land. In their place will be an ‘America the Beautiful’ card, whose estimated cost will be \$100 per year, every year adults would need to buy such a card. This would allow the user access to all USFS and BLM lands for the purposes of recreation, and entry to National Parks, which are not ‘improved’ and have no facilities. Failure to produce such a card on demand could result in a fine of up to \$5,000 and 30 days in jail. As the USFS and BLM do not have enough staff for enforcement and collection, they are allowed in the legislation to outsource these activities.

The threat to Gem and Mineral and Rockhounding clubs is clear, but we are not the only ones affected. Consider the impact on a church picnic into a USFS forest, and the need to ensure everyone has their pass. Perhaps the commercial collecting agents will turn their primary focus on rockhounds and the Godly, and leave hunters alone; who will demand a pass from someone with a loaded rifle.

Like so many acronyms invented nowadays ‘America the Beautiful’ is meant to mislead, ‘America the Overtaxed’ would be a better fit.

So what can we do about it? All may not be lost. Other interested groups have been protesting and it is having some effect. A spokesman for the Parks Service has been rapidly backtracking stating that the initial fee for seniors will only be \$10 and few of the provisions will be implemented, so protest can make a difference. The States, which will be hit hardest, because they have the most USFS and BLM land, are the west and those same ‘red’ states, which voted Republican last November, and in these partisan days, something may yet be done. In November the late night deal was stitched together between a Representative from Alaska and one from Ohio who has no public lands in his district. It has created anger among numerous of their colleagues and there is talk of reversing this legislation. Politicians listen to their voters, so the SCRIBE plan is to send as many letters as we can to complain and ask whether they agree with legislation, and if not, what do they intend to do about it. To help we will draft a sample letter and ask you to ask all club members to send four letters, one to each of your Senators, one to your Representative and one to President Bush, and more to anyone you might think it worth influencing. Where possible add a yellow rockhound sticker to your letter, that will help our Representatives recognize our concern.

The full wording of the act may be found under <http://www.wildwilderness.org/docs/therat.htm>

If you want to read more about this matter check some of these web sites:

<http://www.sespewild.org/HR3283analysis.html>

http://www.planetjh.com/klobnak_2004_12_01_pay.html

http://www.traditionalmountaineering.org/News_FeeDemo_Permanent.htm

<http://www.americantrails.org/NewsAction/feedemo04.html>

<http://www.aznofee.org/aznofee/home.php>

(Ed. Note: Check out these web sites to find out more about the “America the Beautiful Act and what others think and are doing about. Become an informed and involved Rockhound.)

“America The Beautiful” Sample letter

Send to both your Senators, your Representative and to the President



Yellow Rockhound Sticker here

Your Address
Date

Dear xxxxxx,

In the Appropriations Bill, which was passed into law at the end of the last Congress in November, a section was inserted at the last moment as a late night deal between two Representatives. This section has a fundamental effect on access to Public Lands throughout the USA. This section was never introduced nor discussed on the floor of the House or the Senate.

The legislation is HR3283 which cancels Golden Age and Golden Access passes and introduces a new pass; ‘America the Beautiful’. It opens the doors for the National Parks, the USFS, and the BLM to introduce fees for many activities not previously charged, in many places where no fees had formerly applied. It mandates draconian punishments for fee evasion. Although Agencies have since commented that they do not intend to instigate all the fees allowed, we are all aware that if it is allowed, in future it is likely to happen. The new law does not stop any of the activities, which are at present permitted, including rockhounding, in which I am particularly interested, but it does permit stiff fees for doing so in many places where such activity has always been free of charge.

I strongly object to this legislation and to the corrupt manner in which it became law.

I ask you to act to reverse the legislation in full and to guard against its reintroduction.

I would like your opinion as to whether passing far reaching legislation in the above manner fits your understanding of democracy in the United States at a time when we are lauding the ideas of freedom and democracy throughout the world.

Yours Truly,

(Ed. Note: Send this letter or one in your own words to your Senator, Congressman, the President, Secretaries of Interior and Agriculture, and BLM and US Forest Service personnel in your area. Other suggestions: include information on you as a rockhound, and your club; how this is a hardship on you and fellow club members; and how it will restrict your use of public lands, etc.)

Surfing the Web, Part Two: Minerals & Earth Resources

By Jim Brace-Thompson, Chair, Juniors Activities

In my February column, I noted how today's kids are "wired-to-learn" via computers, the Internet, and the Google search engine. To help youth leaders capitalize on this now-natural proclivity of today's kids, this month's column is Part Two in a four-part series to provide annotated listings of Web sites organized around various aspects of the rock-hounding hobby. Last month, it was fossils. This month: minerals and earth resources. Here are a few helpful sites to check out:

www.usgs.gov

This is the official web site of the United States Geological Survey. Go to their "Education" section. They have a nice link to the "Earth Science Information Center" where experts will answer kids' earth science questions via the U.S.G.S. education web site: <http://www.usgs.gov/education/>.

www.geol.ucsb.edu/L2/Outreach-FR.html

Geology departments at universities are wonderful resources. Some have community outreach programs and will send professors into the classroom and/or lead group tours of university collections by advance arrangement. One such department is at the University of California, Santa Barbara, which also has a wonderful on-line display of their Bancroft Mineral Collection that provides a photo of each mineral in the collection with information about locality, chemical composition, and so forth.

www.mii.org

www.womeninmining.org

The web sites of the Mineral Information Institute and the Women in Mining organization both provide a wealth of information and resources on minerals, uses of minerals in everyday life, and careers in the earth sciences. Both also offer links to other interesting earth science sites.

www.geocities.com/CapeCanaveral/Hall/1410/mobile.html

A terrific, hands-on way to illustrate crystal shapes is by making models by folding colorful construction paper, cardstock, or thin cardboard and pasting or taping them together. Cut-out patterns for making such models may be found on this web site.

www.amfed.org/kids_links.htm#crystals

After learning about crystal shapes in the previous web site, this link on the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies site takes you to sites providing recipes and instructions for growing crystals.

www.friendsofmineralogy.org

Friends of Mineralogy promotes, supports, and protects the collection of minerals and works to further the recognition of the scientific, economic, and aesthetic value of minerals and mineral collecting. Their web site contains past newsletters and links to the Mineralogical Society of America, the American Geological Institute, the web site of *Rocks & Minerals* magazine and the *Mineralogical Record*, and others.

www.theimage.com

This web site allows you to wander through a Mineral Gallery of gorgeous gemstones to learn about the chemical properties of nearly 200 different types of minerals.

As with the sites I shared last month, these sites scratch just the surface of what's out there. You can make this into a fun activity for your juniors by encouraging them to surf the Web themselves for interesting mineral sites and having them share and report on what they find with their fellow members at your next meeting. Let's capitalize on the tools today's kids use for learning while—as always—having fun!

CALLING ALL EXHIBITORS! CALLING ALL EXHIBITORS



Well folks the clock is ticking, the CFMS show in June will be here sooner than you expect! This month I would like to extend an invitation to **ALL** of you, to consider submitting an exhibit case. **ALL** rockhounds have special or favorite items; why not share your treasures with our visitors at the 2005 CFMS show in Roseville? I know the mere thought of collecting your items, making them sparkle and presenting them in a case may

seem intimidating, especially with the variety of exhibits already out there. However, if you have never submitted an exhibit before, please keep in mind, these long time award-winning exhibitors started out brand new to the game, but perseverance along with desire was the key to their success. Share the things you are proud of!! Show off your gems, jewelry, minerals, fossils, gold or other related items. So maybe the thought now intrigues you, well there are two categories in which you may participate:

COMPETITIVE – Your entry will be judged according to CFMS standards, and scored by CFMS judges followed by an award.

NON-COMPETITIVE – Your display is for pure enjoyment, a feeling of accomplishment, and it provides enjoyment for all our visitors. This year you have the option to request the judge's comments, for future improvement, if you so wish.

CASE SIZE: a standard case is approximately 2 feet high x 4 feet long x 2 feet deep (exterior). This is the preferred display size, however upon request, the Roseville Rock Rollers (RRR) will attempt to accommodate other special sized displays, so the bottom line is; if you want to show it, the RRR will help you make it happen!

Ok so now you are going to give it a go! You may obtain an exhibitor form from either the Roseville Rock Rollers' website www.rockrollers.com or from your Club's Federation Director. **Competitive Exhibits:** To better enable your success in this category, it could be advantageous to you, to request the CFMS Rules Book from Pat LaRue, Executive Sec./Treas. E-mail: bplarue@earthlink.net or phone (909) 874-5664. Please complete the correct form and US mail to the Chairperson identified on that form. **Non-Competitive Exhibits:** You may download this form from the RRR website as noted above. If you have special size or space requirements, please contact Florence Brady at (916) 961-6868, or E-mail to: fhbrady@jps.net. Florence will get you all squared away in no time! The RRR will supply cases for those who do not have their own, however, approximately over 66 spaces are already reserved, so don't be left out send your entry form now! Thank you to Florence & Hugh Brady for contributing to this update.

THE ROSEVILLE SHOW COMMITTEE INVITES YOU TO BE A PART OF THE 2005 SHOW!

Hope to see all of you soon!

GloriaTomczyk, Show Chair for the "Roseville Gem and Mineral Blast"

WHOOPS, I GOOFED!

By Dee Holland, Chair, Rules Committee

In getting out the competitive forms for the coming CFMS show in Roseville, I inadvertently left out one of the most important supplemental trophy sponsors.

The FACETER'S GUILD OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA has been sponsoring the Northern California Faceter's Trophy for a number of years. This trophy is meant to interest faceters in entering competition without having a whole case of stones. This competition is for TWO STONES, one natural and one synthetic. This year there is an additional requirement: YOU MUST INCLUDE A PATTERN WITH EACH STONE.

The supplemental rules in the January CFMS Newsletter left off the important addition of the patterns having to accompany the stones. It will be adjusted on the CFMS Website, but for those of you who don't have access to the website, please note on your January supplemental, this important addition.

Because we left the Faceter's Guild of Northern California off the entry form, and if you plan to enter this category, please write it in. Norvie Enns, the competition registrar will send you confirmation regarding your application.

Sincere apologies to the Faceter's Guild of Northern California, and potential competitors for this trophy.

CFMS SLIDE AND VIDEO PROGRAMS

By Bill Gissler, Slide and Video Librarian

The Slide and Video Program Library has over 110 videos and 150 slide programs to loan to CFMS Clubs for meeting and study group programs. A program catalog with order forms is available from your Club Federation Director or can be found on the CFMS website (www.cfmsinc.org).

During 2004 thirty clubs requested over 80 programs from the library. The most popular video program was "The California State Mining and Mineral Museum." The most popular slide program was "Agates uber Alles."

The library receives its programs from the annual AFMS Program Competition Awards and gifts by individual Club members.

The library is promoting the development of CD power point programs. Two currently available are "Agates uber Alles," a narrated program, and "Hyde Park Mastodon Recovery" with a written script. If you have a Club member with equipment and expertise to present a power point program, the library will loan the CD.

Cost for programs are minimal to recover mailing, packaging and reproduction expenses. The library is totally run by volunteers.

EARTH SCIENCES

By Cal Clason, Chairman, Earth Science Studies

If you read no other part of this report, PLEASE read and pass on the information contained in the first paragraph!!! In the Publicity Chairman's report it was stated that 2005 would be the last year for the seminar at Zzyzx. This is not the case. I have confirmed dates for 2006; March 19 – 26. Although this announcement is much earlier than I would have preferred the date is confirmed. This mix-up is probably my fault; during a discussion with Steve Blocksage concerning alternate sites I didn't stress enough that we still have access to the Desert Studies Center; but the weather at that time is quite unpredictable and can become very disagreeable. Many of our activities, including meals are outside and this I am concerned about. At any rate, please pass on the information that the site for 2006 will be Zzyzx. Sufficient notice will be given by the Earth Science Chair if at any time there is a change in venue.

As many of you are aware, we are celebrating our 20th year at Zzyzx with an Open House on Saturday, April 10, 2005. Pre-registration is a must, so we can have sufficient steak or chicken on hand; a donation of \$12.50 is requested for the meal. That does not preclude a visit to the center if you wish to visit without the meal; there are no restrictions. Along this same line you are welcome to make a visit to the facility anytime we are there. We have not received any confirmation on whether or not Huell Houser will do a segment on our activities, we can only hope that he will.

With the preparation for Zzyzx we have not done too much toward the finalization of Camp Paradise. That will be the next thing to work on. As you are probably aware, Jack Williams has agreed to coordinate that event, and I'm sure he will do all that he can to insure it's a success. At present the plans are to have the applications read for the May issue of the CFMS Newsletter. The dates will be September 11 – 16, and September 17 – 24, 2005. More on that subject as the date draws nearer.

Again, there will be an Earth Science Seminar held at Zzyzx in 2006. Please pass this information along to alleviate any doubts

March Safety Tips

By Chuck McKie CFMS Safety Chairman

National Poison Prevention Week

The third week of this month is National Poison Prevention Week. By following these guidelines, you will be able to prevent most poisoning emergencies:

- Keep all medications and household products well out of reach of children. Special latches and clamps are available to keep children from opening cabinets.
- Use childproof safety caps on containers of medication, vitamins, and other potentially dangerous products.
- Never call medicine or vitamins "candy" to get a child to take it, even if it has a sweet, pleasant flavor.
- Keep products in their original containers, with labels in place.
- Use poison symbols to identify dangerous substances, and teach children what the symbols mean.
- Dispose of outdated medications and household products properly and in a timely manner.
- Use potentially dangerous chemicals only in well-ventilated areas.
- Wear proper clothing when recreation or work may put you in contact with a poisonous substance.

If you suspect a poisoning emergency, immediately contact your Poison Control Center, call 911, or the local emergency number. American Association of Poison Control Centers (AAPCC) National SAFE KIDS Campaign. The American Red Cross Child Care Course can help child care providers and others keep children safe from poisons and other hazards.

Via the American Red Cross

Insurance INFO

By Fred Ott, Insurance Chair

Use of Release of Liability/Waiver Forms

Whenever a club hosts an activity such as a field trip, it's important that the event leader have each participant sign a "release of liability" or "waiver" form. The primary purpose of such forms is to alert participants as to the possible hazards that may exist and have the participants acknowledge that they understand the risks and their obligations. By signing the form, the participants release the society, directors, officers and individual members from liability for claims arising from such field trip.

A sample of such Informed Consent/Assumption of Risk/Waiver of Liability form can be found on the Federation's website, www.cfmsinc.org, under Section H of the Federation Insurance portion of the CFMS Menu.

Are your rocks, minerals and gems covered?

Throughout the years, many rockhounds accumulate a variety of rocks, minerals and gems as well as lapidary and rockhounding equipment (gold/metal detectors, dredges, etc.), the value of which can often be quite substantial.

It would be prudent for each member to contact his-or-her insurance agent and discuss exactly what coverage their homeowners or renters insurance policy provides. Typically, such policies provide coverage against loss by fire, theft and other "named perils" for these items, but other kinds of losses (such as "breakage" or "damage") are not usually covered. Additionally, all policies place certain "special limits" on several "classes" of personal property (such as: jewelry, money, gold, silver, certain "collections", property used in a business, occupation, profession or trade, etc.). A quick phone call to your agent may prevent an unwelcome surprise should a claim occur.

You Won't Want to Miss This!

By Joy Bourne, AFMS Endowment Fund Chair

As the new year begins, your AFMS Endowment Fund Committee has already been hard at work for several months lining up some ever-more-spectacular prizes for the 2005 AFMS Endowment Fund Raffle to be held at the 58th AFMS Convention in St Louis, on August 20, 2005.

Your regional committee chairmen will shortly begin selling tickets so that you, too, can participate in this drawings for these great prizes offered in the annual fund-raiser to benefit the AFMS Endowment Fund. For the updated listing of who your regional chairman is, and color pictures and descriptions of all prizes being offered, Marty Hart, AFMS webmaster, assures us he will have the latest updates posted on the AFMS website at: <http://www.amfed.org>

As of the first of December, we already had four great prizes donated by AFMS members for the 2005 raffle. Thanks to Dee Holland (NFMS) and Shirley Leeson (CFMS), we have two more beautiful opal pendants, crafted from stones in the Endowment Fund inventory by Dee and Shirley, and set in 14k gold. We also have a gorgeous necklace of Pecos "Diamonds," from Howell Whiting, past president of RMFMS, (see picture on web page). Howell says he wants people to know that Herkimer "Diamonds" are not the only "Diamonds" in the USA, and he wants everyone to see the western version! Bural LaRue, of CFMS, has promised to send us another of his famous gold lost-wax casting pieces, and although we don't yet know just what this year's contribution will be, we know it will be a spectacular piece of jewelry! We will shortly be showing pictures of his gift and more in this newsletter, and on the website, and will be giving details about all the prizes as we receive them.

Our goal is to have at least one item from each of the seven regional Federations, and we'd like to invite anyone who is interested in contributing a special prize this year to contact us as soon as possible. If you or your club would be interested in sending a special prize for this worthy effort to help build the AFMS Endowment Fund, please get in touch now. We thank you all for your help.

Historian's report

By Shirley Leeson, CFMS Historian

I have just received a beautiful colemanite with brown calcite from the Boron Open Pit Mine at Boron California. The miniature specimen originally belonged to Vincent Morgan, our CFMS President 1955-56. Vince gave it to Jim Minette of Boron, California. I was searching for a colemanite specimen that would represent Vince when I was introduced to Dawn Minette at the Tucson Gem and Mineral Show, February 2004. I told Dawn what I was trying to accomplish and she generously offered the specimen Vince had given Jim. I have just received the specimen from Dawn and a letter of thanks has been sent.

Of real importance, she enclosed a black and white formal picture of Vince from the era when he was president. We didn't have a picture of this quality in either the CFMS or the AFMS collection of Past Presidents. I have copied the picture for the files and scrapbooks.

I have also heard from Jack Donahue, CFMS Past President 1962-63. He is sending a micro specimen of Galkhaite with a photo. So we now only need items from the families of the following CFMS Past Presidents:

John Melhase, Jan 1936-Feb 1938
 R.O. Diedrick, 1950 - 52
 Jub Dafoe, 1954-55
 Howell Lovell, 1958-59
 Veryle Carnahan, 1960-61
 Ennis Scott, 1964-65
 Lee Hollinshead, 1977-78
 Bill Aprile 1993.

Ernest Chapman, Feb 1938 - Apr 1940
 C.A. Dietrich, 1952-53
 W.A. Stephenson, 1956-57
 Alden Clark, 1959-60
 Col Daniel Mullany, 1963-64
 LaDocia Ellis, 1971-72
 Ellen Schultz, 1986, and

If any of you can help, please let me know

VERYLE CARNAHAN CFMS PRESIDENT 1960-61

The CFMS Historian was notified by the niece of Veryle Carnahan that Veryle had passed away on September 24, 2004. The following information has been obtained from a number of sources regarding Veryle:

Veryle and her husband Jim were very knowledgeable about minerals. Veryle did articles for Gems and Minerals Magazine when she was Vice President of the CFMS and anyone reading those articles today would realize what an interest she had. Her library must have been extensive because of the references she used for her articles.

Mike Kokinos, an early CFMS Past President said that she was well known among Southern California mineral collectors and professional mineralogists. Mike contacted Bill Wise, professor emeritus, UC Santa Barbara and he said, "Any obituary should mention her keen ability to collect good specimens and to pursue those things that she didn't recognize. A new mineral now in process, MAZZITE-NA soon to be published resulted from her efforts."

Juanita Curtis, former CFMS Executive Secretary, and her daughter Julie, wrote "Wow, what an end to an era!" Veryle and her husband Jim were members of a mineral research society along with Juanita and Julie. Their recollections of Veryle and Jim helping children collect on field trips are still vivid.

Veryle had been ill for a number of years, according to niece Sue Kelly. She had dropped out of all association with the CFMS, but was still getting the CFMS Newsletter. Her husband, Jim passed away about five years ago.

Among those we contact for information, all said Veryle was very knowledgeable about Crestmore minerals from the Crestmore Quarry in Riverside, CA and also Boron minerals from Boron, CA.

Shirley Leeson, CFMS Historian

Education Thru Sharing

By Loretta Ogden, Chair

As the Education Thru Sharing Chairperson I would like to see a nomination from each and every club, each and every year. It is a wonderful way to honor members that has given so much of themselves. If you make a special event of it every year, members will look forward to seeing their friends honored or possibly work toward the award themselves. It would be terrific to be able to give certificate to a person from each club at the show in Roseville this June. Let me hear from each club in the next three months. Your club has a deserving member—why don't you honor them.

Jack Williams

The El Dorado County Mineral and Gem Society is proud to recognize **Jack Williams** as our society's candidate for the Education Through Sharing Award. Jack has been one of our club's most active members since joining in 1987, serving as Club President, Parliamentarian, Program Chairman and Show Chairman for our club's show as well as the 2002 Federation show. He has made us proud by representing our club while serving the California Federation of Mineralogical Societies as Treasurer, 2nd Vice-President, 1st Vice-President and ultimately as President in 2002, and continues to be very active in service to our club and to the Federation. Jack has educated himself over the years with many classes in lapidary, jewelry-making, wire-wrapping and silversmithing and now teaches many of these classes to others at our annual show, monthly lapidary programs, Camp Paradise and Zzyzx as well as other club shows throughout the Federation. He is recognized by our members for his service to our club and as a true artist and craftsman in his wire art endeavors.

Fred Ott, President 2005

Michael Humenik

Our President, **Mike Humenik**, was unanimously selected as this year's outstanding "Education Through Sharing" member of Santa Cruz Mineral and Gem Society. He has actively contributed his time and talents for the past 15 years. In the past he has served as Secretary, and he continues to be a Shop Steward, helping to keep our Lapidary Workshop open and teaching others its use and care. He has also presented original programs for our monthly meetings on subjects such as local geology, chemistry, and the kinds of environments in which to look for specific types of rocks and minerals. He has brought some of his extensive collection to meetings, and he has displayed exhibits at our annual shows. He has encouraged talented non-members to bring excellent exhibits to our shows, too, and he has made the souvenir trophies given to all exhibitors at several shows. Mike has also volunteered as a docent and trail guide in nearby state parks, sharing his knowledge with the whole community.

Marion Fowler, CFMS Dir.

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS - 2005

By Michael Kokinos, Tax Advisor

Internal Revenue Service

For societies that use a calendar year for financial records, Form 990 or 990EZ needs to be filed by May 15 unless gross receipts for 2004 are less than \$25,000. For fiscal year societies, file not later than four months and fifteen days after the end of the fiscal year. If your society is a California corporation, I recommend you obtain Form 990EZ and complete it for possible attachment to the Registry of Charitable Trusts Form RRF-1.

If the Internal Revenue Service sends you a form 990 or 990EZ, you must complete it and mail the original to the Service even if gross receipts are less than \$25,000.

Franchise Tax Board

For calendar year California non-profit corporations, Form 199 needs to be filed by May 15 unless gross receipts for 2004 are less than \$25,000. As long as your gross receipts are less than \$25,000 you needn't file even if Form 199 is sent to you.

Registry of Charitable Trusts

California societies exempt from tax under I.R.C. Section 501(c)(7) are not generally required to report to the Registry of Charitable Trusts. However, unless a society obtains at least 85 percent of its gross receipts from members, exemption under Section 501(c)(7) is not appropriate.

For California societies that use a calendar year for financial records, the Form RRF-1 should be filed by May 15. For societies that use a fiscal year, the Form RRF-1 should be filed not later than four months and fifteen days after the end of the fiscal year. If gross receipts or assets are less than \$100,000 no fee is required.

If a Society has gross receipts or assets of \$100,000 or more, the Form 990 or 990EZ must be attached to the Form RRF-1. A fee of \$25.00 must also be sent with the Form RRF-1.

Some California societies have not been receiving the Form RRF-1 even though it is required. It is recommended that those societies have someone access the Attorney General's website (www.ag.ca.gov/charities) to obtain the necessary instructions and form(s) to apply for registration with the Registry of Charitable Trusts. There is a simplified form for registration of organizations with minor gross receipts and assets. Once the Registry acts on the application for registration, a CT number will be assigned to your organization.

Those California Societies that conduct raffles must register with the Attorney General on form CT NRP-1. The registration is for the period 9/1 thru 8/31. Reports of raffles must be filed on CT NRP – 2 on or before 9/1.

Golden Bear Nominations

By Ruth Bailey, Golden Bear Chairman

The Golden Bear Award was established in 1961, to give members and societies a way to honor those Federation members who have given outstanding service to the Federation. Many of our hard working members have been honored in this way.

It is time now for us to consider those who should be honored in this way. Nominations are made directly to the Award Committee and can be sent by a member of the Executive Committee, the Federation Director of a member society or by a Committee Chairperson. If you know of a person who should receive this honor please send your nomination in by May 1.

Proposed Changes to the CFMS By-Laws or Operating Regulations

By Beverly Moreau, Chairman, By-Laws Committee

Officers, Directors and Committee Chairs, please note that any proposed changes to the CFMS By-Laws or Operating Regulations need to be presented to the Executive Committee for review and approval prior to ultimately being presented to the Directors at the semi-annual Directors' Meeting.

If you have any recommended changes, please send them to me ASAP so that I may present them to the Executive Committee in a timely manner for presentation at the June Directors' Meeting. By-Laws changes require a longer time frame and presentation to the Member Societies prior the Meeting.

Those Directors attending the November 2004 CFMS Directors' Meeting in Fresno will recall a discussion regarding some proposed Operating Regulation changes to the CFMS Scholarship Committee. These changes were proposed in order to improve the operation of the Committee, as there have been problems in the past with members rotating to new functions after only one year. It had been recommended that the changes be effective immediately.

Certain Directors, however, proceeded to stall the passage of the changes, stating that more time was needed to consider the proposal. To prevent this same action at the upcoming Directors' Meeting in Roseville, I am presenting the changes to you via the CFMS Newsletter, so that you will have time to digest the proposal pending the presentation at that time.

The Scholarship Committee now consists of five persons: a Chairman, First Year Member and Second Year Member, plus the CFMS Secretary and CFMS Treasurer. According to the Operating Regulations, the three appointed committee members each now serves for three years, rotating to different responsibilities in first and second year, and serving as Chairman in their third year.

It is proposed that the Chairman be appointed on an ongoing basis, with the two remaining appointed members being appointed for a four-year period, one being named Junior Member and one being named Senior member, serving in each of their two capacities for two years and rotating to the higher position for two years. Duties of the two appointed members would remain the same as in the present OR's, but would simply be for a period of two years instead of one. This would provide continuity, better historical record keeping and a more stable method of operation, thus avoiding the past problems with rotation after only one year. The current CFMS Secretary and CFMS Treasurer would continue to complete the Committee.

In your packets at the Roseville Directors' Meeting my report will contain the official recommended wording for the Operating Regulations.

Meanwhile, if you have any other recommended changes, please get them to me so that I may begin the process of referring them to the Executive Committee for their review.

Sponsorship and Your Club

By Stephen Blocksage, Publicity and Public Relations Committee

Often clubs struggle with funding to put on a show and therefore put on limited show with limited results. One answer is a sponsor or sponsors. Often businesses will support a 501 (C) (3) corporation because they need at tax deduction or write-off. You will need to make them aware of your existence by a concerted campaign to contact businesses such as car dealerships, real estate agencies, and other businesses that are local and publicly based. Often these businesses support Little League, Pop Warner football, the local high school teams, American Legion baseball teams and many other charitable functions. The advertising the business gets in the community often pays back the cost of the funding.

In order to take full advantage your club must qualify as a 501 corporation on file with the state so that the sponsor can take full advantage of the tax write offs offered by the state. Your club needs to be fully versed in the tax codes supporting your clubs 501 status so that the sponsor can make proper application for the benefits for assisting your club in fund raising. Often a several thousand dollars in advertisement or space rental in better location with better parking can make the difference between marginal and greater monetary success in putting on a show.

I should point out that many of the states funding projects such as the Mariposa Mineral and Mining Museum are underwritten by sponsorships and donations. About 25 million dollars of the cost of the new State Mining Museum will be funded in just such a fashion. The people out seeking the funding are professional fundraisers who contact larger corporation with larger write off budgets. There is no reason that your club cannot benefit especially where your club gets some advertising benefit from the sponsor and the sponsor gets a write off a win-win situation for both your organizations.

If your CFMS club has not qualified as a corporation then you might want to contact Mike Kokinos for information as to how to form a 501 corporation from your present club and begin to reap the rewards of being incorporated. The club needs of course to mention the sponsorship in its shows and public relations situations so that the sponsor is given recognition publicly for their help.

P.S. I want to thank those who reported on the status of the GEM Mine and its possible future availability for rockhounds to work the site in response to my article on television publicity. I have also heard that substantial quantities of poppy jasper from a location remote from the Lions Den Mine where recently obtained. These are two situations that need further investigation from Field Trips North Chairman to possibly open these sites to rockhounding on fee basis. There is also great interest in going back to Stone Canyon under like circumstances. Thanks again for your input I need to hear both the good and the bad to improve my work for the rockhounds of the region. If you have a sponsor I'd like to hear about your relationship and how its working out for your club.

Museum Corner

By Debbie Bunn, Chair, Museum Committee

If your travel plans include a visit to the northern California coastline, there are a couple of museums you might want to stop at. In the little town of Arcata--north of Eureka--be sure to visit the Humboldt State University's Natural History Museum. Some people might remember the fossil dealers, the Maloney's. Their personal collection was donated to Humboldt University and formed the basis for this small museum. Local fossils from Rio Dell, Trinidad, and other localities are featured. They also offer special lectures, fieldtrips, and children's programs. If you want to hunt local fossils, they can help you with some general suggestions. But even better, their displays can help you identify what you have found. Open Tuesday thru Saturday 10 AM to 5 PM. A \$2 donation is requested. They are located at 1315 G ST., #707-826-4479, www.humboldt.edu/natmus

Just south of Eureka on Highway 101 is the Chapman rock shop & museum. This is well worth a stop. There are some nice rocks, gems, minerals, fossils, books, etc. for sale. And their personal collection is on view in their free museum room. The petrified wood slabs are especially spectacular

Whenever you are traveling, keep your eyes open for the local museums and specialty shops. Sometimes, even in the smallest of towns, you can find some real gems. Eureka is fortunate to have at least two very nice museums of interest to rockhounds.



CFMS SHOWS AND EVENTS

We will put in all shows and events sponsored by a **CFMS Club or Society** and open to other **clubs/societies**. Please let me know as soon as you have a date for your event.

IT MUST BE IN WRITING.

Dee Clason, Show Dates
10100 Laurie Ave., Bakersfield, CA 93312-2330
E-mail <wirely360@aol.com>

2005 CFMS Gem Shows

February 18-27 2005, Indio, CA

San Geronio Mineral & Gem Soc.
Date Festival -
Gem & Mineral Bldg #1
Riverside County Fair & Date Festival
46-350 Arabia St.
Hours: 10:00 am - 10:00 pm
Bert Grisham (951) 849-1674

February 19-20 2005, Stockton, CA

Stockton Lapidary & Mineral Club
54th Annual Earth's Treasures
San Joaquin County Fairgrounds
1658 South Airport Way - Buildings 4 & 5
Hours: Sat 9-5 Sun 9-4
Laurie Haines (209) 838-0108
E-mail lhaines99@aol.com

March 4, 5 & 6 2005, Haward, CA

Mineral & Gem Society of Castro Valley
Centennial Hall,
22292 Foothill Blvd.
Hours: Fri, & Sat. 10 - 6; Sun. 10 - 5
Ron Miller (510) 538-2397
Email: mgsev@yahoo.com

March 4 - 13 2005, Imperial, CA

Imperial Valley Gem & Mineral Society
200 East 2nd. Street
Hours: Mon. - Fri. 4 -10; Sat.& Sun. 12-10
Ms. Trey Handy (760) 352-2273

March 4, 5, 6 2005, Mesa, AZ

Phoenix Gem/Mineral
"Rocks/Gems Alive in 2005"
Mesa Centennial Center, Centennial Hall
201 N. Center Street
Hours: Fri. & Sat. 10-5 Sun. 10-4

March 5-6 2005, Arcadia, CA

Monrovia Rockhounds Inc.
The Arboretum of Los Angeles County
301 N. Baldwin Avenue
Hours: 9 - 5 both days
Jo Anna Ritchey (626) 359-1624
Email: J.RITCHEY@VERIZON.NET

March 5-6 2005, Ventura, CA

Ventura Gem & Mineral Society
Seaside Park (Ventura Co. Fairgrounds)
10 W. Harbor Blvd.
Hours: Sat. 10 - 5; Sun. 10 - 4
Jim Brace-Thompson (805) 659-3577
Email: jbraceth@adelphia.net

March 12-13 2005, San Marino, CA

Pasadena Lapidary Society
"Magic From The Earth"
San Marino Masonic Center
3130 Huntington Drive
Hours: Sat. 10 - 6; Sun. 10 - 5
Marcia Goetz (626) 914-5030
Email: joenmar1@gte.net

March 12-13 2005, Turlock, CA

Mother Lode Mineral Society
Stanislaus County Fairgrounds
900 N Broadway
Hours: 10- 5
Bud McMillin (209) 527-8000 (Wk) or
524-3494 (H) E-mail:
Bud.McMillin.b7yj@StateFarm.com

March 19-20 2005, Angels Camp, CA

Calaveras Gem & Mineral Society
Calaveras County Fairgrounds
Hours: Sat. 10- 5 Sun. 10-4
Earl Klein (510) 632-9373

March 19-20 2005, Escondido, CA

Palomar Gem & Mineral Club
Army National Guard Armory
304 Park Ave., Escondido
Hours: Sat. 10- 5 Sun. 10-4
Annie Heffner (760) 735-067
E-mail: annieheffner@yahoo.com

April 2-3 2005, San Jose, CA

Santa Clara Valley Gem & Mineral Soc.
"Golden 50th. Anniversary Show"
Santa Clara County Fairgrounds
344 Tully Road
Hours: 10 - 5 both days
Frank Mullaney (408) 266-1791
Email: info@scvgms.org

April 2-3 2005, Torrance, CA

South Bay Lapidary & Mineral Society
"Nature's Treasures"
Torrance Recreation Center
3341 Torrance Blvd.
Hours: 10 - 5 both days
Omer Goeden (818) 383-9279
E-mail: sageit@aol.com

April 9-10 2005, Hacienda Heights, CA

Puerta Hills Gem & Mineral Club
Steinmetz County Park Recreation
Building
1545 S. Stimson Avenue
Hours: 10 - 5 both days
Paula Hess (562) 696-2270
E-mail: rphess@adelphia.net

April 9-10 2005, Paradise, CA

Paradise Gem & Mineral Club
Veteran's Memorial Hall
Sky & Elliott
HOURS: Sat: 10 - 5; Sun: 10 - 4
Anita Carter (530) 876-9466 Or
(530) 872-1983

April 9-10 2005, San Diego, CA

San Diego Mineral & Gem Society
Al Bahr Shrine Center
5440 Kearny Mesa Rd.
Hours: Sat. 9:30 - 5; Sun. 10 - 4
Wayne Moorhead (858) 586-1637

April 23-24 2005, Bakersfield, CA

Kern County Mineral Society
Kern County Fairgrounds
Hours: 10 - 5 both days
Nichelle Sebresos (661) 809-4705

April 23-24 2005, Lancaster, CA

Antelope Valley Gem & Mineral Club
Antelope Valley Fairgrounds
2551 West Avenue H
Hours: 9 - 5 both days
Armin Nimmer (661) 945-5769

April 23-24 2005, Santa Cruz, CA

Santa Cruz Mineral & Gem Society
Santa Cruz Civic Auditorium
Hours: 10 - 5 both days
Contact: Hubert Drake (831) 688-8086
E-mail: hmdrake@pacbell.net

May 7-8 2005, Anaheim, CA

Searchers Gem & Mineral Society
 Brookhurst Community Center
 2271 W. Crescent Ave.
 Hours: Sat. 10 - 5; Sun. 10 - 4:30
 H. Walter Mroch

May 7-8 2005, Bishop, CA

Lone Pine Gem & Mineral Society
 Tri County Fairgrounds
 Sierra Street & Fair Drive
 Hours: Sat. 9 - 5; Sun. 10 - 4
 Jeff Lines (760) 872-6597

May 7-8 2005, Reno, NV

Reno Gem & Mineral Society
 Ren Livestock Events Ctr Exhibit Hall
 1350 N. Wells Avenue
 Hours: Sat. 10 - 5; Sun. 10 - 4
 Jennifer Rhodes (775) 56-8820

May 14-15 2005, Newbury, CA

Conejo Gem & Mineral Club
 California Gems & Minerals
 Borchard Park Community Center
 190 Reino Rd.
 Hours: Sat. 9-5; Sun. 10-5
 Bob Stultz (805) 498-4220

May 14-15 2005, Yucaipa, CA

Yucaipa Valley Gem & Mineral Society
 Yucaipa Community Center
 349 Oak Glen Rd.
 Hours: Sat. 10-5; Sun. 10-4
 Lee Peterson (909) 794-0731
 Email: res09ayd@verizon.net

June 4-5 2005, Glendora, CA

Glendora Gems Goddard Middle School
 859 E. Sierra Madre
 Hours: Sat. 10-5 Sun.10-4
 Bonnie Birdwell (626) 963-4638
 Email: YBidwell2@aol.com

June 4-5 2005, La Habra, CA

North Orange County Gem & Min Soc
 Jubilee of Gems Show
 La Habra Community Center
 101 W. La Habra Blvd.
 Hours: 10-5 both days
 Don Warthen (626) 330-8974
 Email: warthen@earthlink.net

June 10-12 2005, Roseville, CA

CFMS & Roseville Gem & Mineral Blast
 Roseville (Placer County) Fairgrounds
 800 All American City Blvd
 (916) 630-1000
 Web Site: www.rockrollers.com
 Show : www.rockrollers.com/show.html

August 5, 6, 7 2005, Nipomo, CA

Orcutt Mineral Society
 St. Joseph's Church
 298 S. Thompson Avenue
 Hours: 9 - 5 Daily
 Lucky Virgin (805) 929-4525
 Email: lvirgin@impulse.net

September 24 2005, Los Altos, CA

Peninsula Gem & Geology Society
 Rancho Shopping Center
 Corner of Foothill Expressway & Springer
 road
 HOURS: 9:30 - 4:45
 Dave Smith (650) 967-7392
 E-MAIL: rdsmeks@sbcglobal.net

October 8-9 2005, Trona, CA

Searles Lake Gem & Mineral Society
 13337 Main Street
 HOURS: Sat: 7:30 -5: Sun. 7:30 - 4
 Bonnie Fairchild (760) 372-5356
 E-MAIL: jbfairchild@verizon.net

October 22-23 2005, Santa Rosa, CA

Santa Rosa Mineral & Gem Society
 Veterans Memorial Auditorium
 1351 Maple Avenue
 Hours: Sat. 10 - 6; Sun. 10 - 5
 Shirley Mottson (707) 795-1730

November 11-13 2005, Sacramento, CA

Sacramento Mineral Society
 Scottish Rite Temple
 6151 H Street
 Hours: Fri. 9 - 6; Sat. 9 - 5; Sun. 10 - 4
 George Sterpka (916) 984-9730
 Email: sterpka@comcast.net

AFMS REGIONAL SHOWS 2005

Rocky Mountain Federation (RMFMS)
 June 2005, Colorado Springs, Colorado

South Central Federation (SCMS)
 December 2-4 2005, Austin, TX

California Federation (CFMS)
 June 10, 11, 12, 2005, Roseville, CA
 CFMS Convention & Roseville Gem and
 Mineral Blast Roseville (Placer
 County)(Fairgrounds)
 800 All America City Blvd, Roseville, CA
 Hours: Fri & Sat 10-6 Sun 10-4
 Web <http://www.rockrollers.com>
 Show : www.rockrollers.com/show.html

Eastern Federation (EFMS)
 March 18 - 20 2005, Athens.
 Pennsylvania

Canadian Federation

Northwest Federation (NFMS)
 August 5-7, 2005, Albany, Oregon

Midwest Federation (MWF)
 August 19 - 21 2005, St. Louis, Missouri
 AFMS Show & Convention

Southeast Federation (SFMS)
 December 10-12

Only shows or events that are
 sponsored by a CFMS club in good
 standing will be publishedFor a
 Show Date information form to Dee
 Clason.

2005 CFMS Officers, Chairmen and Committee Roster

PRESIDENT

Marion Roberts (Vivien)
1505 Plumas Ave
Modesto, CA 95358
(209) 538-0197
mvroberts@bigvallev.net
Mother Lode Mineral Society

TREASURER

CJ Quitoriano (Ray)
7968 Elder Ave
Rosamond, CA 93560
(661) 256-4303
Quitoriano@earthlink.net
Palmdale G&MS

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

Colleen McGann
PO Box 224
Santa Clara, CA 95052-0224
(831) 212-1951
colleen.mcgann@hds.com
Peninsula Gem & Geology Soc.

SECRETARY

Bural LaRue (Pat)
PO Box 1657
Rialto, CA 92377
(909) 874-5664/(951) 233-9036 (cell)
bplarue@earthlink.net
Valley Prospectors

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT

Richard Pankey (Betty)
4310 Kingsly Drive
Pittsburg, CA 94565-6267
(925) 439-7509
dickpankev@iuno.com
Contra Costa Min & Gem Soc

EXECUTIVE SEC/TREAS

Pat LaRue (Bural)
PO Box 1657
Rialto, CA 92377-1657
(909) 874-5664
bplarue@earthlink.net
Riverside Treasure Hunters

ALL AMERICAN CLUB

Dorothy Beachler
89 Buckskin Lane
Rolling Hills Estates, CA 90274
(310) 325-3139
dotbeachler@cox.net

BULLETIN AIDS

Anna Christiansen, Chair (John)
245 N. 6th Ave
Oakdale, CA 95361
(209) 847-1173
achrist361@sbcglobal.net
Terry Yoschak, Asst. Ch.
5437 Thunderridge Cir. Rocklin, CA
95765

BY-LAWS COMMITTEE

Beverly Moreau, Chair
3113 Topaz Lane Apt. A
Fullerton, CA 92831-2374
(714) 577-8038
bcmoreau@adelphia.net
Isabella Burns (Bill)
1038 Bradshaw Ave
Monterey Park, CA 91754
(626) 288-2896
isnbil@aol.com
Bess Shields (Richard)
1235 Ken Ave.
Santa Maria, CA 93455
(805) 937-0357
bess.shields@earthlink.net

CFMS CAB CASES - NORTH

Bob Pevahouse
914 Dartmouth Way
Concord, CA 94518-3820
(925) 689-4676
rockmanrob@aol.com

CAB CASES - SOUTH

Robert Backus
5006 Topanga Canyon Blvd.
Woodland Hills, CA 91364
(818) 347-2056

CAB CASES - CENTRAL

CJ Quitoriano (See Treas)

CFMS DIRECTORS TO AFMS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Marion Roberts (See Pres)
Colleen McGann (1st VP)

CFMS JURY OF AWARDS

Richard Pankey, Chair (See 2nd VP)
Marion Roberts (See Pres)
Lois Allmen (See Long Range Plan.)

CFMS NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Richard Pankey (See 2nd VP)

CFMS REP. TO AFMS

Pat LaRue (See Exec. Sec. & Treas.)

EARTH SCIENCE STUDIES

Cal Clason, Chair (Dee)
10100 Laurie Ave.
Bakersfield, CA 93312-2330
(661) 589-4169
wirely360@aol.com
Jack Williams (See Show Coordinator)
Isabella & Bill Bums (consultant)
Florence & Ray Meisenheimer
(consultant)
Richard Pankey (See 2nd VP)

EDUCATION THRU

SHARING
Loretta Ogden
20904 Trigger Lane
Diamond Bar, CA 91765-3469
(909) 598-2456
donogden@aol.com

ENDOWMENT FUND -CFMS

Ray & Florence Meisenheimer, Chairs
101 N. Wake Forest Ave
Ventura, CA 93003-2246
Marion Roberts, (See Pres)
Colleen McGann (See 1st VP)

FIELD TRIPS - NORTH

John Stockwell
1807 San Lorenzo Ave
Berkeley, CA 94707
(510) 526-5346
kugeln@msn.com

FIELD TRIP - SOUTH

Bob Fitzpatrick
1507 Sequoia Drive
Beaumont, CA 92223
(951) 845-3051
RUROCKY2@aol.com

FINANCIAL ADVISORY COMM

Roy Foerster, Chair
1408 Norman Ave
Thousand Oaks, CA 91373-1569
(805) 373-1569
rfoerster@verizon.com
Newman Gill
PO Box 456
Shaver Lake, CA 93664
(559) 841-7765
Bud McMillin
1717 Oakdale Rd. Ste. O
Modesto, CA 95355
terrymcmillon14c@statefarm.com
Colleen McGann (See 1st VP)
CJ Quitoriano (See Treas)

GOLDEN BEAR

Frank Mullaney (See Trophy Coord)
Ruth Bailey
2857 Addison Place
Santa Clara, CA 95051-1705
(408) 248-6195
rba51825@aol.com

HISTORIAN

Shirley Leeson
6155 Haas St
La Mesa, CA 91942-4312
(619) 460-6128
shirleyleeson@msn.com and
beauholland@salmoninternet.com

INSURANCE

Fred Ott (Susan)
3420 Coach Lane #4
Cameron Park, CA 95682
(530) 677-5211
fred.ott.b815@statefarm.com

INTERNET COMM.

Donald Ogden, Chair (Loretta)
20904 Trigger Lane
Diamond Bar, CA 91765-3469
(909) 598-2456

donogden@aol.com

Beverly Moreau (see By-Laws)
Jay Valle (Kathy)
1421 Latchford Ave
Hacienda Heights, CA 91745
(626) 934-9764
valle@agmd.gov
Larry Bruce
Exoner8r@earthlink.net

JUNIOR ACTIVITIES

Jim Brace-Thompson (Nancy)
7319 Eisenhower Street
Ventura, CA 93003-2511
(805) 659-3577
jbraceth@adelphia.net

LEGAL ADVISOR

Jean Klotz (Morton)
2828 Easy Street
Placerville, CA 95667-3907
(530) 642-0881 (Office)

LONG RANGE PLAN.

Lois Allmen (Bill)
407 Magnolia Ave
Oxnard, CA 93030-5309
(805) 483-6871
allmenl.@vcss.k12.ca.us
All living CFMS Past Presidents 2005
CFMS Executive Com.

MUSEUM COMMITTEE

Dcbbie Bunn, Chair (Ray)
P.O. Box 255702
Sacramento, CA 95865-5702
(916) 929-6665
fossilsff@aol.com
Richard Knox
1514 Avenida Hacienda
San Clemente, CA 92672
(949) 492-2819
JoAnna Ritchey (see Scholarship-
CFMS)
Jack Rhodes (Jennifer)
(775) 672-4435

NOMINATING COMM.

Bill Gissler Chair (see Slide Lib.)
1. Beverly Moreau
2. Isabella Burns (See Earth Sci.)
3. Cal Clason
4. Ray Meisenheimer
Alt. Beth Pinnell

**OFFICERS & CHAIRMEN'S
MANUAL**

Lois Allmen (See Long Range Plan.)

PARLIAMENTARIAN

Cal Clason (See Earth Science
Studies)

PROGRAM AIDS

Cheri George
5006 N. Bintree Circle
Long Beach, CA 90807-1009
(562) 428 8240
lizardwoman3@yahoo.com

PUBLIC LANDS ADVISORY**- NORTH**

Frank Monez
407 Bluefield Drive
San Jose, CA 95136-2004
(408) 578-7067
frankm2@sbcglobal.net
Norvie Enns (Virginia)
1485 W. 4th St. #10
Reno, NV 89503-5002
(775) 786-9887
ginnyatreno@cs.com

PUBLIC LANDS ADVISORY**- SOUTH**

John Martin (Susan)
1309 West Ave L-4
Lancaster, CA 93534
(661) 942-8336
martin@antelecom.net
Jim Strain
Isabella & Bill Burns (See Earth
Sciences)

**PUBLICITY / PUBLIC
RELATIONS**

Teresa Masters, Chair
1644 Corte Verano
Oceanside, CA 92056-2038
tam2819@cox.net
Beverly Moreau (see By-Laws)
Richard Pankey (see 2nd VP)
Loretta Ogden (see Ed. Thru. Sharing)
Stephen Blocksage
2267 Gloryette Ave
Simi Valley, CA 93063
(805) 522-1420
similite@aol.com

RULES COMMITTEE

Dee Holland, Chair (see Shirley
Leeson, Historian)
Norvie Enns (see PLAC North)
Marion Roberts (see Pres)
Richard Pankey (see 2st VP)
Dick Friesen (Joyce)
787 Joyce St.
Livermore, CA 94550
(925) 447-8223
friesenr@ix.netcom.com

SAFETY COMMITTEE

Charles McKie (Dot)
1012 Mockingbird Lane
Fairfield, CA 94533-2426
(707) 425-9030
chuckmckie@aol.com

SCHOLARSHIP - AFMS

Montella Lopez
676 Hermitage Place
San Jose, CA 95134
(408) 248-6195

SCHOLARSHIP - CFMS

Isabella Burns, Ch. (see Earth Sci)
Jo Anna Ritchey
224 Oaks Ave
Monrovia, CA 91016-2115
(626) 359-1624
j.ritchey@verizon.net
Colleen McGann (see 1st VP.)
Bural Larue (see Treas.)
CJ Quitoriano (see Sec.)

**SEND ALL CHECKS TO PAT
LARUE EXEC SEC/TREAS****SHOW CONSULTANT****SHOW - NORTH**

Ruth Bailey (see Golden Bear)

SHOW- SOUTH

Bob Stultz (Jeane)
624 Randy Drive
Newbury Park, CA 91320-3036
(805) 498-4220

SHOW COORDINATOR-05

Jack Williams (Judy)
2608 Retirement Lane
Placerville, CA 95667-3027
(530) 622-3038
jwilliams08@comcast.net

SHOW DATES

Dee Clason (see Cal-Earth Sci.)

SLIDE & VIDEO**LIBRARIAN**

Bill Gissler
1075 Blossom Drive
Santa Clara, CA 95050-5163
(408) 241-0477
wgissler@juno.com
Colleen McGann (see 1st VP)
Richard Shields (see Bess- By-laws)

TAX ADVISOR

Mike Kokinos (Theresa)
4620 Doe St.
Shingle Springs, CA 95682-8478
(530) 677-9333
zeileitz@directcon.net

TROPHY COORDINATOR

Frank Mullaney (Julaine)
5705 Begonia Drive
San Jose, CA 95124-6535
(408) 266-1791
rockyfv@aol.com

2005 CFMS SHOW & CONVENTION
HOSTED BY
ROSEVILLE ROCK ROLLERS



**ROSEVILLE GEM &
MINERAL BLAST**

JUNE 10, 11, & 12, 2005



**FIRE IN THE
HOLE!!!**

*Vendors, Exhibits, Gold Panning, Demonstrations, Meteorites, Fossils,
Silent Auction, Youth Activities, Speakers, Food, Camping*

**ROSEVILLE (PLACER COUNTY) FAIRGROUNDS
800 All America City Blvd., Roseville, CA**

Friday & Saturday 10AM - 6PM Sunday 10AM - 4 PM
Adults - \$4.00 Children - 15 years & under FREE 3 Day Pass - \$10.00

Visit us on the web: www.rockrollers.com

C.F.M.S. NEWSLETTER
Richard Pankey, Editor



Pat La Rue
Executive Secretary-Treasurer
PO Box 1657
Rialto, CA 92377-1657

**NON-PROFIT ORG
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID**

San Bernardino, CA
Permit No. 1290



March 2005