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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Jennifer Haley

Happy news! The Pasadena Lapidary Society is hosting the Annual CFMS Show & Convention next year! The event will be held in the spring at the Fairplex, Pomona, CA., on March 8, 9, 10, 2019.

Previously, the Pasadena society hosted a CFMS show and convention for our federation back in 2014, at the same facility the event will be held at in 2019. They did a great job then, and the show was a big success.

When Pasadena's society members tossed around the idea of hosting the show next year, they all loved the idea, and eagerly were volunteering to help. Their members are to be commended for their society spirit, and for their enthusiasm in celebration of hosting an assembly of all our mineralogical societies for the Federation.

I want to personally thank all the societies who quickly responded by casting your vote in support of the event. As you know we could not wait until our next Business Meeting in September to take a vote, because it would not give the society enough time to reserve the facility and to organize the event. The call for a vote went out on Sunday evening, May 5th. By that evening votes started coming in. The next 24 hrs I made close to fifty phone calls to help bring in votes and answer any questions societies had. We received a quorum very quickly in favor of Pasadena Lapidary Society hosting the show. There were no votes in disfavor.

"Name That Dino" Contest- For those of you who have juniors in your society, don't forget to give the kids some fun by naming that dino! The due date to enter is July 31, 2018. A link to the entry form is on the CFMS website calendar page.

CFMS Convention Sept 15, 2018 with the Feather River Lapidary & Mineral Society, Inc. Show, Sept 15 & 16, 2018, at the Silver Dollar Fairgrounds, Chico, California. It is very important to have your society's Federation Director attend this convention, or to send your Alternate to the meeting. We've had feedback from a couple of our societies who would like to host future CFMS shows and conventions for us. However, their annual show dates are during the month or one month away from our annual November Business Meeting. Given the distances within the CFMS territory of societies scattered across three states, we would be hard pressed to ask our directors to make two long trips so close together.

To remedy that, the Santa Rosa Mineral & Gem Society, Inc., has proposed an Amendment to the CFMS Bylaws for our Federation to vote on. Please read the CFMS Bylaw Chairman's article about it in this newsletter, along with a copy of the proposed Amendments.

We are invited for dinner! The Feather River Lapidary & Mineral Society has generously invited us as their guests to attend their **Vendor Dinner** on Friday, Sept 14th. Get your reservation in early, as they only have room for 75 extra guests besides their vendors. **CFMS Awards Banquet BBQ!** The annual awards banquet this year is going to be a fun BBQ at noon, following a quick break after the Business Meeting of directors. Tickets are only \$15 each for great food cooked by the Feather River society. Menu includes: BBQ pork ribs and chicken, tossed salad, corn on the cob, baked beans, rolls and dessert! I am looking forward to their cooking and being with you all. (See the CFMS Calendar page for the link to the Feather River event's Advance Registration Form)

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

July 5. Deadline for August newsletter
Sept 5. Deadline for October newsletter
Aug 26-Sept 1. Camp Paradise wk 1
Sept 2-8. Camp Paradise wk 2
Sept 15-16. CFMS Convention

CFMS INSURANCE CONTACTS

McDaniel Insurance Services
PO Box 1294, Ojai, CA 93024
Tel (805) 646-9948 or (800) 400-7288
Fax (805) 646-9976; email: mcins@west.net
Web Site: www.mcdanielinsuranceservices.com

CFMS Insurance Chairman

This information will be provided as soon as possible

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CFMS WEBSITE

The CFMS website is accessible at www.cfmsinc.org the email for the web site is cfmswebsite@yahoo.com. Editors are invited to download articles for their bulletins from this website.

NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

The deadline for the newsletter is the 5th day of the month prior to the month of publication. Articles should be sent to the editor at bplarue@earthlink.net. "snail mail"? Please send to the CFMS PO Box 1657, Rialto, CA 92377-1657.

DONATIONS

Donations to any of the funds administered by CFMS and/or AFMS are tax deductible under the rules governing tax exempt organizations which are 501(c)(3). Your cancelled check or receipt is considered to be proof of your donation for purposes of filing your federal tax return. If a personal donation is \$250 or more, a letter attesting to that amount is also required. Member clubs and individuals are encouraged to donate to any of the following:

- CFMS Scholarship Fund
- CFMS Endowment Fund
- CFMS General Fund
- Diedrick Memorial Scholarship Fund
- AFMS Scholarship Foundation
- AFMS Endowment Fund
- Burns Memorial Camp Fund (benefits Earth Science Studies)

Your donations should be sent to:

Pat LaRue, Exec. Sec/Treas
PO Box 1657
Rialto, CA 92377-1657

Receipts and any supporting documents will be forwarded on to the committee member responsible for acknowledgement. Please make all checks payable to CFMS or AFMS as appropriate and note the fund in the memo section.

.....President's Message continued

CFMS Endowment Fundraiser at the Feather River event...As a reminder, because we are not having a hosted show this year, we are having a convention only, while enjoying a fun society show. We will be "pulling out all the stops" at the CFMS Endowment Fund Table and Endowment Fund Raffle as our means of drawing income this year. To make this a success, we need your help bringing items for the table to sell, and the donation of special items for raffle ticket sales. We would love to hear about what you are donating for the raffle early, so we can mention those items in the Federation newsletter.

Go out and play, put your hearts and souls into the hobby and make wonderful memories. It's what we do best and it's our gift to give.

Jennifer

CFMS FIELD TRIPS - NORTH

Field Trip to Davis Creek/Lassen Creek

July 26 – 29, 2018

By Dick Pankey



The flyer is out, there is lot a of interest and we have many signups. We are having a field trip!!! Most attendees will be camping with us at the Lassen Creek Campground but at least one will be "moteling it" it nearby. Because our group is expected to be more than 75 people the Forest Service requires that we get a Special Use Permit that outlines our expected numbers and our activities. Since our field trip is a non-commercial activity this is a free permit. Acquiring this permit is a good thing; it documents our use of our public lands for the legal and prescribed use of casual rockhounding.

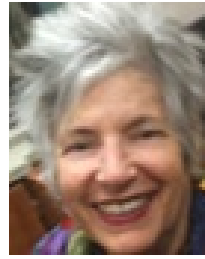
Obsidian can be used and is used in many lapidary and craft applications. My wife Betty cuts 1/8" thick slabs and uses them in stunning creations using the stained glass techniques. Obsidian needles are used to make wind chimes. And of course obsidian has been knapped for thousands of years to make arrowheads, knives and scrappers. Sheen obsidian is used to make stunning cabs and jewelry. What have you done with obsidian? Bring your creations to share at a "Show and Tell". If you knap bring your tools and have a "knapp in" and demonstrate your talents

Davis Creek/Lassen Creek is the premier California obsidian collecting area with an abundance of a great variety of beautiful obsidian. This area is located on Buck Mtn. in the heart of the Modoc National Forest. In addition to the daily collecting trips we will have a potluck dinner, happy hours, evening campfires, knapping demonstrations, and a great rockhound get-together.

Contra Costa M&GS will host the CFMS FT-N field trip to Davis Creek and Lassen Creek to collect the abundant and beautiful obsidian of Buck Mtn. on July 26 to 29, 2018. This trip is open to all members of the California Federation of Mineralogical Societies and their guests. Everyone who agrees to adhere to the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies Code of Ethics, abide by the direction of the field trip leaders, and practice safe rockhounding is welcome to attend.

There is still plenty of time to signup. Join Jim Barton and me for this a great rockhounding adventure. Please notify me no later than 7/23/18 if you plan to attend; a trip flyer with directions and details is available. Contact me if you have any questions or need more information:

Dick Pankey, Email: dickpankey@juno.com (preferred) or Ph. (925) 439-7509.



CFMS ENDOWMENT FUND

By Sharon Rogow, Chairman

Our 2018 Annual Convention and the Feather River Lapidary & Mineral society, Inc show will occur on September 15-16 at the Silver Dollar Fairgrounds in Chico, CA. There will be a Worldwide Rock Tumbling Contest with cash prizes. For more information access <http://featherriverrocks.org>

CFMS needs donations of specials items from all of you talented members for the raffle and the Endowment table sale at the show. Please send photos of items or send the items themselves. We want to include them in the newsletter. You can also bring items to the Endowment Fund booth at the show. This is our fund raiser for the year since we will not have a Federation Show. Raffle items that we have gratefully received so far are tools from Kingsley North, a \$50 gift certificate from diamond Pacific and beautiful jewelry made by Jennifer Rhodes of the Reno Gem & Mineral Society. Tickets for the raffle are \$5 a ticket or 5 for \$20. All donations including checks, rock related gift items and anything else that you wish to donate may be sent to:

Sharon Rogow
PO Box 35078
Las Vegas, NV 89133

If you bring items to the show, bring them to the Endowment Table. Anyone who would like to help out at the table (we have 3) is welcome to stop by and stay as long as you want. Your help and company will be greatly appreciated. For questions call (702) 499-0272.

VISUAL LIBRARY

By Sharon Rogow

The year started out wonderfully but requests for programs have really slowed down. We have many excellent educational and travel/ visit DVDs available. Many locations for specific material are covered in various presentations. Complete the online form and e-mail it to me. If you want additional info you can even call me. Think of us for not only meetings but show features and kids and adult education!

sharonrr@cox.net
(702) 499-0272

FROM THE BY-LAWS CHAIR

Marion Roberts

In all reality, this change in the BY-LAWS has become a necessity. Due to the show venues for shows becoming harder to find and more expensive it is without a doubt time to ensure that Societies with shows that are in late summer and in the fall have an opportunity to host a show. In many cases if a Society moves their show date they will lose their normal date. It is also very difficult to handle two shows in one year. It is also necessary to secure the bids and approvals with more lead time because a location to hold our non-show meetings is also a serious concern.

Proposed changes to be voted on at the Feather River Directors meeting:

ARTICLE VI (As stated currently in the Bylaws)

Section 1: Convention Meetings

The Federation shall hold one Convention Meeting each calendar year, to consist of convention, show and Director's Meeting, at a place and time agreed upon by the Host Society and the Directors at a previous meeting.

Section 2: Fall Business Meeting

There shall be another business meeting of the Board of Directors in or about November of each year. The time and place of the Fall Business Meeting shall be designated by the President, and ample notice thereof shall be given to the Member Societies.

[\(The EC's rewording of the proposed Amendment to Article VI, affecting Section 1: Convention Meetings\)](#)

MEETINGS

Section 1: Convention Meetings

The Federation shall hold one Convention Meeting each calendar year, to consist of convention, show and Director's Meeting, at a place and time agreed upon by the Host Society and the Directors at a previous meeting. Societies submitting a bid to host a Federation show and convention during the months of October, November or December, must give CFMS two or more years notice.

[\(Proposed Amendment to Article VI, only affecting Section 2: Fall Business Meeting\)](#)

MEETINGS

Section 2: Fall Business Meeting

Change to Section 2: Board of Directors Business Meeting

(Additional sentence added)

There shall be another business meeting of the Board of Directors in or about November of each year, or during another month that year, if the Convention Meetings fall too close to November. The time and place of the Business Meeting shall be designated by the President, and ample notice thereof shall be given to the Member Societies.



ALL AMERICAN CLUB

By Ofelia Warthen, Chairman

Hello Everyone, Everyday is a good day especially when it brings good news!

We received congratulations from AFMS All American Club Chair, Regina Kapta, on award winners for the CFMS entries covering 2017. This program highlights club activities throughout the year in the community and the active participation of individuals in the club.

I am proud and happy to announce the following Society winners:

Bronze Award to Santa Rosa Mineral & Gem Society with average of 74.5 pts.

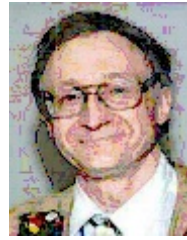
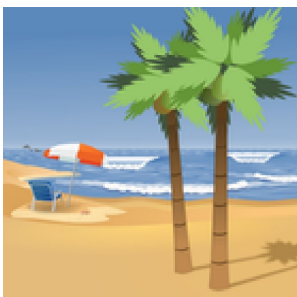
Bronze Award to North Orange County Gem & Mineral Society with average of 75.5 pts.

First Place GOLD Award to Pasadena Lapidary Society with an average of 106 pts.

There will be Sections of these award-winning books in the All American Award portion of the AFMS website, as examples of how to create and continue a successful club book. Please take a look.

PLEASE NOTE: Next year's contest will cover January 1 through November 30, 2018, a very short year, since the convention will be in Cedar Rapids, Iowa on MARCH 16-17, 2019. Our entries to AFMS must be submitted by February 2, 2019. Therefore, our CFMS entries will have deadline of JANUARY 15, 2019. Let us make this a wonderful year and start now working on 2018 entries. For more information, please call me at following:

Ofelia Warthen, AACA Chair
15051 Leffingwell Rd. Ste. 103
Whittier Ca. 90604
Cell Tel: (626) 826-8974 or (626) 330-8974



SAFETY MATTERS

By Ellery Borow, AFMS Safety Chair

You are Being Watched

You are indeed being watched. While out on a club dig or field trip searching for some nice collectables people are mostly interested in looking at the hole they are digging. Next, people are looking at the marvelous 'sparklies' they are finding in the hole. Lastly, they are looking at the people all around them to see what is going on nearby. If you are near one of those intrepid diggers you are being watched by them.

So, because you are being noticed by other collectors, are you setting a good example for them? Are you wearing appropriate footwear? Do you have on suitable protective garments? Might the safety goggles you are wearing be proper for the site? Gloves, are they being worn? Seriously, people are watching you. Are you setting a good example for them?

Many a time it has been said kids sometimes do not take instructions well. They are, after all, moving toward finding their own independence. Kids however are also little sponges, soaking up information about everything and everyone around them. Kids can't wait to be grown ups, and so are always watching adults... what we are saying, what we are doing, what we are wearing... all while pretending to be ignoring us.

With all that said - kids are hungry for example setters and role models. Therefore, we adults should be aware of the examples we are setting for all the kids around us. So, I ask again, are you setting a good example for your kids, and all the other kids around you? Even adults learn from those who set good examples.

Please consider this: utilizing your personal protective equipment is great for you and your family... and it may also be setting a great example for those around you. You can do this: wear good footwear, proper protective clothing, gloves, goggles, and keep those tools in good repair. Be a trend setter. Be a good example. As a bonus, you will be safer, and you will be helping other people learn to be safer as well!

Your safety matters, as does everyone else's!

From *AFMS Newsletter* May, 2018

IN SEARCH OF VANDEREIKE – PART I

By Steve Collett, Historian

My late father, a native of Utah, was discharged from the Army Air Corps at Minter Field in Shafter in February, 1946. He hitch-hiked to Bakersfield, where he got a job as a plumber and met my late mother at a USO dance. They spent the rest of their lives in Bakersfield, raising five children. Other than a few years away at UC Davis and Michigan State University, I have spent my entire life in Bakersfield as well. It turns out that, like me, CFMS was born in Bakersfield.

I've been scanning some very precious documents from the 1930's. Recently I scanned the December, 1937 issue of *The Pacific Mineralogist* (vol. III no. 2). Page 5, an extract of which is shown below, is the program for the then-upcoming second convention of the Federation. It was to be held January 2nd and 3rd, 1937. The venues are the Auditorium of Bakersfield College, and, just four blocks away, the Hotel El Tejon.

Bakersfield College started out as a small program, known simply as "The Junior College", on the campus of Kern County Union High School, now known as Bakersfield High School. No physical trace of the auditorium exists, since Bakersfield College moved to a large campus on the northeast edge of town in the 1950's and Bakersfield High School built a huge new auditorium in the 1950's. Hotel El Tejon was demolished in 1970 (at which time I was a student at Bakersfield College!).

SECOND ANNUAL CONVENTION

California Federation of Mineralogical Societies

January 2 and January 3, 1937

Program of Convention

Submitted by

Gertrude S. McMullen, Program Chairman

Saturday, January 2nd

BAKERSFIELD JUNIOR COLLEGE AUDITORIUM

- 8:00 A.M.—Doors open—Registration and preparing exhibits.
 9:00 A.M.—Meeting of delegates—Business and electing nominating committee.
 10:30 A.M.—Meeting called to order—Minutes and business.
 11:00 A.M.—“Benitoite and Neptunite”.....by John Melhase
 Illustrated
 12:00 M.—Luncheon.
 2:00 P.M.—“The Fluorescence of Minerals”.....Vincent C. Kelley
 Assisted by Robert Rowland
 3:00 P.M.—“New Developments in Chemistry, Genuine and Otherwise”—
 John Herman, D. Sc.
HOTEL EL TEJON
 6:30 P.M.—Banquet. Auction. Initiation of new societies, John Melhase, Pres.

Enter Paul VanderEike. At the time of the founding of the Federation in 1936, VanderEike was president of Kern County Mineral Society (KCMS, my club), chairman of the Science Department at Kern County Union High School, and teaching chemistry, geology, and mineralogy at the small junior college, still a part of the high school campus. He hosted the 1937 convention. He was rather a driving force both for KCMS and for Kern County Union High School District. He would edit and publish *Mineral Notes and News* until his retirement in 1950. More about VanderEike next time.

NEW REQUIREMENTS FOR VENDORS ON FAIRGROUNDS

Sales Made on State-Designated Fairgrounds Must Be Separately Reported Effective July 1, 2018

Effective July 1, 2018, if you are a retailer who makes sales of tangible personal property that take place on the real property of a California state-designated fair ("state-designated fairground"), you must separately state the amount of those sales on your sales and use tax return. ([Assembly Bill 1499](#)). The separately reported amount will be used for funding allocation purposes only. *There is no additional tax or fee due on these sales.*

A "state-designated fair" means the California Exposition and State Fair in the City of Sacramento and those fairs specified in Business and Professions Code sections 19418.1 (district agricultural associations), 19418.2 (county fairs), and 19418.3 (citrus fruit fairs).

New reporting requirement

The separately-stated amount must include sales that take place at any time and at any event on the state-designated fairground, not just during an actual fair.

Sales that take place on state-designated fairgrounds include over-the-counter sales on the fairgrounds and may also include sales in which the property sold is shipped or delivered to or from the fairgrounds. For more information about sales that are considered to take place on the fairgrounds, please see our [Reporting Requirement for Sales on State-Designated Fairgrounds](#) webpage.

How to separately report state-designated fairground sales.

For return periods starting on or after July 1, 2018, the online and paper returns will include an additional line for sales that take place on a California state-designated fairground. Reporting an amount on this line will not change any other part of the return. You will continue to report these transactions as you currently do, and in addition, report them on the new line for fairground sales.

When filing your return online, you will be asked

whether you made any sales of tangible personal property on a state-designated fairground. If you select:

Yes. You will be taken to the next screen which will ask you to enter the amount of sales of tangible personal property you made on a state-designated fairground. Instructions and a link to a complete list of state-designated fairgrounds are provided on this screen to assist you in completing this field. After you enter the amount, you will then proceed to the next screen to complete the rest of your return.

No. You will proceed to the next screen to complete all other areas of your return as you did prior to this new requirement.

For more information

You may review a list of all state-designated fairs or fairgrounds by visiting our [Reporting Requirement for Sales on State-Designated Fairgrounds](#) webpage. If you have any questions regarding this notice, you may call our Customer Service Center at 1-800-400-7115 (TTY:711). Customer service representatives are available Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Pacific time), except state holidays.



CFMS SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT LETTER

By Margaret Kolaczyk

Have you ever wondered about the students that have received a CFMS Scholarship. Well just recently I was contacted by the "First" recipient of the CFMS Scholarship. His name is Stephen Knuttel and he was kind enough to send a letter on his career as a geologist. I believe you will find he has had an interesting life.

Hi Margaret,

I have been thinking about the question you asked, how the California Federation of Mineralogical Societies (CFMS) scholarship helped to achieve my goal and my career as a geologist? In short, I don't think it was the scholarship money, that unfortunately was swallowed by the University of Redlands (UR) and I never saw it. I think it was the fact that people believed in me and it was the first time that I was really acknowledged as a geologist.

I think it was Claude Schapers from the CFMS that first approached my major professor, Dr. Walter W. Wornardt and asked if he had a likely candidate for the scholarship award. Dr. Wornardt was familiar with my background (as he had set me up as a lab aid in the geology department), but realized I didn't have any other financial backing. In reality, I was at UR on a wing and a prayer. The added money from the CFMS may have aided in my financial aid package, but the scholarship and people around it definitely gave me the incentive to push on.

After receiving the CFMS scholarship, my time at UR was brief. With transferred units from my former community college, I completed my UR requirement in a year and an half and spent my final semester at UR with the Salzburg program in Austria.

After my graduation with my Bachelors of Science from UR in May of 1980, I spent another several months in Germany, Switzerland, and Austria to improve my German language skills and then returned to the USA where I eventually found a mud logging job. One winter spent on the North Slope of Alaska, and I came to the realization that a little more education may be required for a better position as a Geologist.

In the Spring of 1981, it was again Dr. Wornardt who put me in contact with Dr. Shewood W. Wise (Woody). It was Woody's question at the time that changed

things, "How would you like to go to school in Tallahassee and study Calcareous Nannofossils?" I did, I went to Florida State University (FSU) and in the Spring of 1983, I was on Leg 92 of the research vessel Glomar Challenger in the South Pacific as a micropaleontologist with an international scientific research team. That was really a highlight of my career as a geologist. I finished my Masters of Science at FSU in the fall of 1984.

In 1985 I tried to start my PhD in Zurich, Switzerland, but a little addition to the family changed my career as micropaleontologist to dad and consulting geologist to make a better life for my family. After that, I continued my life as a geologist working in Germany, Florida, New York, New Jersey, North Carolina, South Carolina, Wyoming, and finally back to California.

I am semi retired now and working at a small environmental consulting firm in the North Bay of the San Francisco Area. I have many fond memories from my career as a micropaleontologist/ consulting geologist, but even more fond memories of the people that I have met along the way.

Stephen Knuttel
Professional Geologist



A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

Normally there is no newsletter published following the month of the Convention and Show. This year I'm making an exception to that practice. There will be no newsletter published for the month of September. There will be an October newsletter.

CFMS SHOW DATES

Shows and Events

Sponsored by

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Please submit your

*Show or Event as soon as possible
to receive maximum advertising value!*

Email to:

SHOW DATES

Use the Online Show Form

at www.cfmsinc.org

(click on Shows)

*You should receive a confirmation
within 5 days after submitting your
Show Date information!*

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August 3-5, Nipomo, CA
Orcutt Mineral Society
Nipomo High School
525 Thompson Avenue
Hours: Fri-Sat 10 - 5, Sun 10 -4
Contact: Sylvia Nasholm, 805- 481-0923
Email: sylviaandon@cs.com
Website: www.omsinc.org

August 4-5, San Francisco, CA
San Francisco Gem & Mineral Society
SF County Fair Building (Hall of Flowers)
9th Avenue & Lincoln Way , Golden Gate Park
Hours Sat 10-6, Sun 10-5
Contact: Ellen Nott
Email: Ellen_nott@yahoo.com
Website: www.sfgms.org

August 18-19, Tehachapi, CA
Tehachapi Valley Gem and Mineral Society
Tehachapi Senior Citizen Center
500 E "F" Street
Hours: 9-4 Daily (tentative)
Contact: Chuck Overall; 661-821-4650
Email: luckydog5433@aol.com
Website: www.tygms.org

September 15-16, Chico, CA
Feather River Lapidary & Mineral Society, Inc.
Silver Dollar Fairgrounds
2357 Fair St.
Hours: Sat 9:30-5, Sun 9:30-4
Contact: John Scott, 530-321-6331
Email: hweazel@sbcglobal.net
Website: www.featherriverrocks.org

September 15-16, Monterey, CA
Carmel Valley Gem & Mineral Society
Monterey County Fairgrounds
2004 Fairgrounds Road
Contact: Janis Rovetti, 831-372-1311
Email: Janis12@sbcglobal.net
Website: www.cvgms.rocks

September 15-16, REDWOOD CITY, CA
Sequoia Gem & Mineral Society
Harvest of Gems and Mineral Show
1400 Roosevelt Ave
Hours: 10-5 Daily
Contact: William Spence, 408-398-7502
Email: bill.spence777@sbcglobal.net
www.sequoiagemandmineralsociety.org

September 22-23, Lodi, CA
Stockton Lapidary and Mineral Club
Lodi Grape Festival Grounds
413 E Lockeford St.
Hours: 10-5 Daily
Contact: Mike Mathis, 510-301-3612
Email: mmathis@nwp.org
Website: www.stocktonlapidary.com

October 6-7, Grass Valley, CA
Nevada County Gem and Mineral Society
Nevada County Fairgrounds
11228 McCourtney
Hours: 10-5 Daily
Contact: Mitchell Frank Van Hecke; 530-274-2425
Email: 4vanclan5@att.net
Website: www.ncgms.org

October 13-14, Los Altos, CA
Peninsula Gem and Geology Society
Los Altos Youth Center
One North San Antonio
Hours: 10-5 Daily
Contact: Steve Jobe 408-834-5384
Email: steve_jobe@sbcglobal.net
Website: www.pggs.org

October 13-14, Trona, CA
Searles Lake Gem & Mineral Society
Searles Lake Gem & Mineral Society Bldg
13337 Main Street
Hours: Sat 7:30-5, Sun 7:30 -4
Contact: Jim & Bonnie Fairchild 760-372-5356
Email: slgms@iwvisp.com
Website: www1.iwvisp.com/tronagemclub

October 14, Fallbrook, CA
Fallbrook Gem & Mineral Society
Fallbrook Gem & Mineral Museum
123 West Alvarado Street
Hours: 9 - 4
Contact: Janice Bricker, 760-728-1130
Email: info@fgms.org
Website: www.fgms.org

October 20 – 21; PLACERVILLE, CA
El Dorado County Mineral & Gem Society
El Dorado County Fairgrounds
100 Placerville Drive
Hours: 10 - 5 daily
Contact: Jean Klotz
Email: info@eldoradomineralandgem.org
Website: www.eldoradorocks.org

October 20-21, Santa Rosa, CA
Santa Rosa Mineral & Gem Society, Inc
Santa Rose Veterans Hall
1351 Maple Ave
Hours Sat, 10-6, Sun 10-5
Contact: Jolene, 707-849-9551
Email: coons@sonic.net
Website: srmgs.org/gemshow.php

October 20-21, Whittier, CA
Whittier Gem & Mineral Society
Whittier Community Center
7630 Washington Avenue
Hours: 10-5 Daily
Contact: Frank Winn; 626-239-5457
Email: RkhndFW@gmail.com
Website: www.wgmsca.com

October 20 Woodland Hills, CA
Woodland Hill Rock Chippers, Inc
First United Methodist Church
22700 Sherman Way
Hours: 10-5 Daily
Contact: Virginia Rotramel 818-349-2943
Email: whrc@rockchippers.org
Website: www.rockchippers.org

October 27-28, Sacramento, CA
Sacramento Mineral Society
Scottish Rite Temple
6151 H Street
Hours: Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4
Contact: Alyssa Meisinger; 916-662-5819
Email: gemshow@sacramentomineralsociety.org
Website: www.sacramentomineralsociety.org

November 3-4, Anaheim, CA
American Opal Society
Business Expo Center
1960 S Anaheim Way
Hours: Sat 10-6 & Sun 10-5
Contact Veronica Purpura 714-501-9959
Email: info@opalsociety.org
Website: <http://opalsociety.org>

November 10-11, Yuba City, CA
Sutter Buttes Gem & Mineral Society
Yuba/Sutter Fairgrounds
442 Franklin Ave.
Hours: Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4
Contact: Karen Horita 916-677-6696
Email: horita@comcast.net
Website: www.sutterbuttesgem&min.org

November 17-18, Oxnard, CA
Oxnard Gem & Mineral Society
Oxnard Performing Arts Center
800 Hobson Way
Hours: Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4
Contact: Stephanie Hagiwra, 805-394-8002
Email show_info@oxnardgem.com
Website: www.ornardgem.com

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January 19-20; Visalia, CA
Tule Gem and Mineral Society
Exeter Veterans' Memorial Building
324 N Kaweah Avenue
Hours: Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4
Contact: Laura Manser, 559-308-0632
Email: ldriggs5@gmail.com
Website: www.tulegem.com

February 16-17, 2019, Antioch, CA
Antioch Lapidary Club
Contra Costa County Fair Grounds
1201 West 10th Street
Hours: 10-5 Daily
Contact: Brenda Miguel, 925-301-6957
Email: Brenda.miguel@yahoo.com
Website: www.antiochlapidaryclub.com

National/Regional Shows:

California Federation

September 15, 16, 2018
Directors Meeting, Awards
Banquet, Endowment Table and
Raffle
Hosted by Feather River Lapidary &
Mineral Society, Inc. Show
Silver Dollar Fairgrounds
2357 Fair St.
Hours: Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4
Chico, CA
Website: www.cfmsinc.org

Midwest Federation

October 6-7 2018
Hosted by Lincoln Orbit Earth
Science Society,
Orr Building, State Fairgrounds
Hours: Sat 10-6, Sun 10-5
Springfield, Illinois
Website: www.loess.org/gem-show

Northwest Federation

***Rocky Mountain
Federation***

July 20, 21, 22, 2018
Hosted by Western Dakota
Gem and Mineral Society
Rushmore Plaza Civic Center
Barnett Arena
444 Mount Rushmore Road
Hours: Fri & Sat 9-6, Sun 10-4
Rapid City, SD
Website: <http://rmfms.org/conventions>

South Central Federation

Southeast Federation

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