



CFMS NEWSLETTER



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Jennifer Haley

Dear Societies,

I hope you all are getting ready for the CFMS Directors Meeting & CFMS Awards Banquet BBQ during the Feather River Lapidary & Mineral Club's show in Chico, CA., this Sept. Not only is it going to be a fun event, but as Federation Directors, CFMS Officers and CFMS Chairmen, we will be working together during the business meeting and at the Cracker Barrel to work on important issues regarding your Federation.

Please review the proposed Amendment to the CFMS Bylaws with your society prior to the September event. The proposal appeared in last month's newsletter and is included in this issue.

Please note! Our Cracker Barrel get together will follow a short break right after the noon Awards BBQ. This way there will be more of a larger gathering of societies to "talk turkey," while still having time to enjoy the show in the afternoon, and get an early start if you need one to head home. This is your time as a society to formally meet with fellow representatives of the other member societies, to participate in the review and direction of your Federation. Some of you have sent in excellent topics that concern you as societies today. We will be discussing these together, and there will be ample opportunity for you to get the mic also.

Remember, get your reservations in if you plan on attending the Vendor's Dinner Sept 14th and the CFMS Awards BBQ Sept 15th. The Feather River cooks need to know how many of you are coming so they can plan ahead.

I am really looking forward to this assembly of our mineralogical societies. I look at this event as a "trail of gems," as representatives from each of our Federation's societies makes the journey near and far, to come to this event.

Jennifer



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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Sept 1. . . . Deadline for Directors packet reports
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

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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.

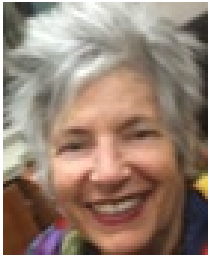
ROCKHOUND OF THE YEAR

By Gary Levitt
garytherockhound@sbcglobal.net

Greetings rockhounds. I have received one submission for Rockhound of the Year for this year. It is time to honor an individual or couple and/or a junior from your society.

There are so many candidates in each society worthy of being honored as their society's Rockhound of the Year. As you look around your last meeting, I am sure you can point out members who have given efforts for your group that should be recognized.

Presently I have received one request. I know virtually all the societies have individuals who deserve this honor. So don't put this off any longer. Let's honor one of your members.



CFMS ENDOWMENT FUND

By Sharon Rogow, Chairman

Our 2018 Annual Convention and the Feather River Lapidary & Mineral Society, Inc Show will occur on September 15th & 16th. It will take place 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 special 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 next CFMS Newsletter. Also, please send or bring items to the Endowment Fund booth at the show. This is our fund raiser this year since we will not have a Federation Show.

Tickets for the raffle are \$5.00 per ticket or 5 for \$20.00. All donations including checks, rock related gift type items and anything else that you wish to donate may be sent to:

Sharon Rogow
PO Box 35078
Las Vegas, NV 89133
(702) 499-0272

If you bring items to the show, just bring them to the Endowment Table. Anyone who would like to help out at the table (actually 3 tables), you are welcome to stay as long as you want. Your help and company will be greatly appreciated!



CFMS FALL BUSINESS MEETING

By Pat LaRue

The annual Fall Business Meeting and election of 2019 Officers will be held November 9-11, 2018 at the Wyndham-Visalia, off Hwy 198 in Visalia, CA. For those who have not been to this location in the past, take Hwy 198 exit east from Hwy 99. You will see the hotel located just south of the first off ramp past the airport.

Room reservations can be made by phone at **(559) 651-5000**. To receive the special CFMS rate of \$97 per night, tell them you are with CFMS. Cut-off date for this price is **November 1, 2018**. The first night's deposit or guarantee by credit card must accompany your reservation. Do not make reservations through the website; call them directly.

An informal **Cracker Barrel** will be held **Friday** evening at **7:30 p.m.** As in the past, hotel policy forbids our bringing snack foods to any of the meetings. The **Business Meeting** will be called to order on Saturday, **November 10, at 9 a.m.** President-elect Tony Fender will have a brief meeting of his 2019 committee chairpersons on Sunday a.m., time to be announced.

Banquet Menu Beef and Chicken Duo

Marinated Charbroiled Bistro Filet Served with
Cabernet Reduction
Grilled Chicken Breast in Mushroom and Sun Dried
Tomato Cream Sauce
Chefs Choice of Starch
Seasonal Vegetables
Mixed Green Salad
Dinner Rolls with Butter
Chef's Dessert Buffet Extravaganza

\$40 tax and gratuity included.

Vegetarian and gluten free options available upon request.

Make banquet reservations by November 4, 2018.

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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.

A TRIBUTE TO (IZZIE) ISABELLA BURNS

by Marion Roberts

Putting my thoughts and memories on paper is a very difficult process for me, and this is no exception. Izzie was a rock, and a go to person in so many ways, both to the CFMS as well as the AFMS. Izzie served in so many ways on both levels. I hope I mention them all.



She went through the chairs on the executive board and served as President of the CFMS. She received the honored Golden Bear Award, and the Jury of Awards honor. Izzie also served as President of the AFMS.

She served on many of the Committees on both levels that make the organization as a whole run in its functional and successful way. However there is one project that Izzie and Bill Burns were heavily responsible for, and that is establishing the Earth Science Studies program.

It was established and running, a little by chance, with a lot of persistence, hard work and time involved. In 1986, the first program was held at the Zzyzx Desert Studies Center five miles south on the playa near Baker, CA and near the Nevada border. To this day we are still holding a week at the same facility, as well as programs in the North Central part of CA. There were two Camps, White Meadows and Camp Minaluta in the early 90's that did not work out. The Committee, still led by Izzie, was approached by Darryl and Jean Krug who introduced them to Camp Paradise at Clipper Mills, Calif., where we still hold Camp.

For 32 years, Izzie and Bill, in the hearts and minds of many of us are still present and a part of each Camp. Their efforts, time and far-sightedness has put a program that is by far the best project ever established for the CFMS membership. I say this, because of its educational value, not only for the uncountable number of participants, but also our volunteer instructors who not only have instructing skills, but also learn new techniques from others too. I will end by saying, I hope your legacy is never forgotten and grows for all times, and we **THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THE MEMORIES**

I enclosed a song from a binder that was dedicated to Izzie in 1987.

ECHOES FROM ZZYZX

Thanks for the Memories Isabella

For days that end too soon,
For bright and shiny moons,
For Triple Octave Shaker Chimes,
And rocks that can play tunes!

We thank you so much!

Thanks for the memory,
For deserts full of blooms,
For clean and white-washed rooms,
For walks and talks and crafts galore,
And yuccas full of bloom!

We thank you so much!

Many are the times that we feasted,
And not once have we ever fasted.
And it's been great as it lasted,
We have had fun!
And so sad it's done!

So thanks for the memory,
For fellowship and fun,
For school bells bravely rung,
To tell us when it's time to eat,
Or listen to someone!

Izzie

WE THANK YOU SO MUCH!

The above was written and sung by Bob and Bev Berg at Zzyzx for the graduation ceremony in 1987.



**CFMS FIELD TRIPS-NORTH
FIELD TRIP TO HAWTHORNE &
MINA, NV AREAS**

Sponsored by Roseville Rock Rollers Society
OCTOBER 6 & 7, 2018

This trip is open to all rockhounds who agree to abide by the AFMS Code of Ethics, the directions of the field trip leader and practice safe rock hounding.

Call the field trip leader beforehand to sign up and for further information. CO-OP website has information: www.ourfieldtrips.org (Password is needed).

A Consent and Assumption of Risk Waiver of Liability form must be signed upon arrival at meeting site. The use of intoxicating substances during the effective hours of this field trip is expressly prohibited.

TRIP DIFFICULTY RATING: Trip will require a High Clearance Vehicle at the least, a 4x4 would be desirable for access on poorly maintained and rutted roads. Vehicles should be equipped with good tires and a good spare tire, jack, and recovery equipment.

This is **NOT** a dude ranch. This not a casual day-in-the-park trip. This is some serious travel into remote desert locations, with long drives from site to site. If your vehicle is not reliable, this may not be the trip to take with it.

If your 2-WD truck does not have rear lockers you may find yourself sitting on the side of the road at some sites until we return. Loading heavy rocks into the bed of a pickup will help considerably with traction. No motorhomes, no trailers. Show up at the meet site with a full tank of gas, and plenty of food and water should you get lost or get stuck and require some hours of work to get “unstuck”! Some sites may require hiking up to waste piles on the sides of hills. Some collecting will be in and around loose rubble and old mine metal and trash. Scouting the larger area is encouraged but carry FRS radios as described below. I would caution folks to make any arrangements for ride sharing prior to the trip. It is rare that other participants have any room in their vehicles for additional passengers and their gear on the morning of the trip.

SPONSOR CLUB: Roseville Rock Rollers Gem & Mineral Society

MEMBER'S GUESTS: Allowed

LEADER & CONTACT INFO:

Jim Barton, CFMS Field Trips North Chairman, (916) 847-7321, geologistl@surewest.net. **MUST SIGN UP BY WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3.** Will be on the road after that date.

COLLECTION MATERIAL: Microcline Feldspar, Copper minerals, Black Quartz Crystals, Epidote, Epidote in Quartz, Epidote in Calcite, Cassiterite, Grandradite and Grossular Garnet. Fossils, and possible petrified wood. The roads in Nevada have been thrashed in the last few years. The actual sites and available material will depend upon access issues determined just before the actual trip.

PROPOSED SCHEDULE: Arrive Friday night or Saturday morning in Hawthorne, NV. You may depart anytime on Sunday. **Saturday** morning we will meet in the parking lot of the El Capitan Casino in downtown Hawthorne at 9 AM, depart at 9:15, (There is only one main casino in Hawthorne on SR 95, can't miss it!). **Sunday** meet at the Casino at 9:00 AM. Depart at 9:15.

DIRECTIONS TO SITE/CAMP: East Interstate 80 through Reno to SR 95 South to Hawthorne, Nevada, via Yerington or Fallon. Drive time from Roseville should be around six hours.

CAMP/FACILITIES: There are several hotels and motels in Hawthorne. The Best Western on the East end of town. The Desert Sands is a little less expensive, the Casino Hotel which is a Travel Lodge across the street from the El Capitan, The Monarch. A few “low rent” motels are available. There is Whiskey Flats, an RV park for those wishing to tent or RV camp. There is plenty of BLM land in the area for those who are roughing it. Contact the Chamber of Commerce for Hotel and RV contact information.

TOOLS: Shovels, rock picks, hand sledges and cold chisels, collection bags, goggles, pry bars, Zip lock bags and paper towels for delicate specimens should you find some!

SAFETY CONCERNS: This is tough and dirty rock hounding! Bugs, snakes, ticks, holes, mine shafts, nails, barb wire, and heaven knows what else is out there! This one is for the tough guys and gals, but it will be a great adventure. For safety and convoy coordination, we recommend you invest in the Family Radio Service radios (FRS). We will operate on channel 10, with no tone code (O). If you need help setting up your radio, bring it and fresh batteries to the meet site before 9 AM. We will have a safety briefing and drivers instruction for convoys

at the meet site at 9 AM both days.

CLIMATE/WEATHER: Weather should be nice at this time of year. Rain or snow will limit our number of collecting sites but should not shut us down. We could get a late season hot spell, so bring lots of extra water and check ACCU-WEATHER for long range and departure weather for “Hawthorne, Nevada”

CLOTHING: No flip flops or open toed shoes. Bring layered clothing with you, in the car, not in your hotel room.

OTHER REMARKS: We will NOT be entering old mine shafts or adits’. We will repeatedly warn you of the hazards of getting too close to adits’ and pit edges. These are unstable, and dangerous. We will remind you that the Rockhound Ethics suggests that we take only the best of the best of available material, for personal use, and maybe a little for sharing. We would want to make sure that these sites remain...collectable... for the next expedition.

This trip is not designed for the collection of lapidary materials. It is primarily, an opportunity to locate and collect mineral specimens. We will stop at a few sites to better to understand the geology of the area. Most importantly, we are out to commune with the rocks where they live, get to know their feeding habits, their hiding places, and identify the clues they leave behind! We hope to help folks understand the lay of the land and learn how the desert mining districts work. This should be a lot of fun, especially for folks just getting into the rockhound game.

JUST A REMINDER...

There will be no newsletter published for the month of September. The next newsletter will be for October. Deadline is September 5.

Chairmen are reminded that I will need your reports for the Feather River Directors meeting by September 1. If unable to meet that deadline please bring 75 copies for distribution at the meeting. See you at Feather River!

IN SEARCH OF VANDEREIKE – PART II

By Steve Collett, Historian

Last time I introduced you to Paul VanderEike, who helped found the Federation in 1936 and 1937. During the 1940’s, he would have *Mineral Notes and News* printed by walking across the street from the Kern County Union High campus to Anderson Printing (still in business), which is why we had such a quality offset-printed bulletin in the Forties. VanderEike was at the 1936 meeting in Riverside when the Federation was established. As Federation Secretary-Treasurer, he signed our Articles of Incorporation, along with then-President C. D. Woodhouse, on May 22nd, 1946.

Herein lies the rub. When, about six years ago, I joined KCMS (one of seven founding clubs of the Federation), much of our cultural DNA and most of our history had already disappeared. The elderly historian at the time focused on her albums of emulsion-based photographs, did not have a computer, and most of our documents and newsletters from our early decades had by then been lost. One of the reasons I (selfishly) volunteered to serve as Chairman of the Historian Committee is the hope that the early years of Kern County Mineral Society can be gleaned from our archive in Lancaster.

Both the Federation and KCMS are in a jam. We are behind times in adapting to the digital age. Time will destroy our carbon-based archive eventually, and we don’t have space for much more. We must digitize everything. That is my task. Don’t let your club be like KCMS. Get everything stored in digital form with multiple backups. Conserve data as much as we conserved paper. Be sure your historian takes charge of all documents every time you elect a new secretary, treasurer, or curator. Failure to do this may cause your club, like KCMS, to literally lose track of their heritage.



Paul VanderEike was born in Wisconsin on October 21, 1871. He earned an A.B. degree from Minnesota State University in 1911, and took further work in geology at that institution. From 1908 to 1911 he was Superintendent of the State Prison Night School, Stillwater, Minnesota.

In 1911, Mr. VanderEike became a faculty member of the Kern County Union High School District, Bakersfield, California. He also served as teacher and administrator for Bakersfield College, when a department of the high school for junior college students was established in 1913.

Mr. VanderEike was proprietor of a county newspaper from 1903 - 1906 and owned a flower shop, 1920-21. He had considerable interest in mineralogy and was editor and publisher of "Mineral Notes and News", a monthly magazine for "rockhounds" and "pebblepups" issued periodically for some years. Mr. VanderEike died August 1, 1956.

From "Minerals of California", Bulletin 189, Cal. Div. of Mines and Geology, 1966

Both Bakersfield High School and Bakersfield College have been central to the growth and development of Bakersfield and of Kern County. To date I have gleaned some information about VanderEike from googling (yes, it’s a verb) his name. Meanwhile, both Bakersfield High School and Bakersfield College have ongoing archive projects, so I expect to learn more about Mr. Paul VanderEike in the very near future.



INSURANCE

By Fred Ott, Insurance Chair

For those of us who have been members of the Federation for many years, we've become very familiar with the arrangements that have been made with McDaniel Insurance Services for various insurance coverages available to each Federation society and its individual members. All too often, however, we become complacent with the 'status quo' and fail to appreciate the value of the Federation's years of hard work in establishing the program that is now one of the primary benefits of being a member of the CFMS. Here is a brief 'refresher course'.

The 'nucleus' of the insurance program is the \$1 Million General Liability Insurance coverage for the Federation, its many societies and their individual members. What this means is that, first and foremost, the Federation's policy pays the legal defense costs for claims for bodily injury or property damage (we don't have to hire an attorney in the event of a lawsuit) and payment of up to \$1 Million if the Federation, a society or its members are found to be 'legally liable' for damages. Optional insurance coverages include:

- o Directors and Officers Liability Coverage – which is an absolute must for anyone serving in the capacity of an officer or director of a society.
- o Property and Premises Liability Coverage – for those societies who have 'things' to insure (buildings, office equipment, computers, lapidary equipment, land, merchandise, etc.) and liability insurance coverage for any location (owned or leased/rented) which is used 'exclusively' by a society.
- o Special Events (such as shows) liability coverage.
- o Vendor Special Event and Group Vendors liability coverage.

Certificates of insurance can also be issued by McDaniel Insurance Services, oftentimes at no additional premium for certain events.

There is a wealth of information about the Federation's insurance program on the CFMS website: www.cfmsinc.org, under the "Forms" tab at the top of the home page. Check it out!

A TRIBUTE TO ROB FULTON

By Jennifer Haley

For the past 33 years, the CFMS Earth Science Studies has been holding camp at a very special place in the Mojave National Preserve, fondly called Camp Zzyzx. Rob Fulton was the on-site manager there for the Desert Studies Center for nearly 40 years. Many of us who have enjoyed camp have had the opportunity to meet and talk with Rob. Each year he led the walking tour of the area for us and gave a slide presentation about the history of Zzyzx. He was always around whenever we needed anything, including picking up the occasional snake some years that might have been wondering too close to where we were traveling. When we had steak night, he was always invited to come join us.

This year when we arrived at camp, we found out he was retiring this summer. Our cooks were kind enough to help us surprise him one evening with a "going away" cake topped with a plastic desert lizard. We are really happy we were able to show him our appreciation and thank him for the many years we've been privileged to work with him. It is with a saddened heart to tell you Rob passed away in June. He was in a tragic traffic accident. He will be greatly missed. A couple of weeks just before Rob passed away there was a wonderful article in the Vegas Seven Newsletter about him and his experiences at Zzyzx for the many years he lived and worked there. Reading the article is certainly a celebration of his life and the gifts as the person he was to the Desert Studies Center and the public who knew him.

<http://vegasseven.com/2018/06/17/fulton-tolerates-the-intolerable-life-today-at-zzyzx/>



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2018

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: sylviandon@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, Boron, CA
Mohave Mineralogical Society
Boron Community Center
26998 John Street
Hours: 9-4
Contact: Bruce Davis, 760-338-8829
Email: daviesb@yahoo.com
Website: www.facebook.com/search/

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

October 6-7, Vista, CA
Vista Gem & Mineral Society
Antique Gas & Steam Engine Museum
2040 N. Santa Fe Ave
Hours: 10-4 Daily
Contact: Nancy Bird, 562-697-0636
Email: nancybird@verizon.net
Website: www.vistarocks.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_job@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: www.1.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 Meiszinger; 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

March 8-10, Pomona, CA
90th CFMS Show & Convention
Hosted by Pasadena Lapidary Society
Details to follow

National/Regional Shows:

AFMS/Eastern Federation

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

South Central Federation

Southeast Federation

DON'T FORGET TO UPDATE YOUR CLUB WEBSITE WITH YOUR NEW SHOW DATE

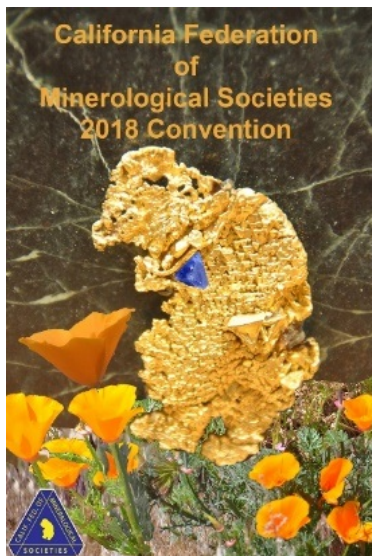
REMINDER

Advertise your Show in as many Free locations as possible!

1. Local newspapers
2. Current events sections!
3. Local TV stations,
4. Community calendars!
5. Other Local Shows

Advertise your shows in the Rock & Gem Magazine!
www.rockngem.com/showdate-submissions/
Send the information in early so it's published in the magazine as well as online.

EACH CLUB/SOCIETY SHOW SHOULD BE LISTED HERE



**California Federation
of
Mineralogical Societies
2018 Annual Convention
and the
Feather River Lapidary
&
Mineral Society, Inc.
Show
September 15, 16, 2018
Silver Dollar Fairgrounds
Chico, California**



Dear CFMS Societies,
Mark your calendars to attend the 2018 CFMS Convention, with the Feather River Lapidary & Mineral Society, Inc., Show-September 15th & 16th 2018. This society presents the **“Worldwide Rock Tumbling Contest.”** They give out 3 cash prizes. See the society’s website for more information. **Deadline to register for contest is June 1st!** <http://www.featherriverrocks.org>
Apply early and take your time to tumble!
Cash prizes of \$250, \$100, and \$50 for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places winners!
Trophy for the 1st place winner!
Winner will be announced in September 2018

CFMS 79th Convention

Vendor and CFMS Guest Dinner: Fri, Sept 14th, 3:30 p.m. (See Pre-Registration Form)

All CFMS meetings will take place in Harvest Hall at the Silver Dollar Fairgrounds

New Director’s Orientation Meeting: Sat, Sept 15th @ 8:30 a.m.

Directors Business Meeting: Sat, Sept 15th @ 9:00 a.m.

Awards Banquet: Noon (following the Directors Meeting and a short break)

CFMS Endowment Table & Endowment Raffle: Endowment table will be open all day Sat & Sun.
Endowment Raffle will be held on Sun.

RV Parking: (See Feather River Rock Show Application Form)

CFMS Committee Meetings TBA.

Show Hours

Sat. 10AM-5PM

Gems-Rough Rock-Jewelry-Beads-Opals-Crystals

Sun. 10AM-4PM

Kid’s Activities & much more



We’d like to thank the Feather River Lapidary and Mineral Society, Inc., for inviting us to hold our 1st Directors Business Meeting of the year and festivities, alongside their annual show this year. Because we are not having a hosted show this year, we are having a convention only, and will be “pulling out all the stops” at the CFMS Endowment Fund Table and Endowment Fund Raffle, as our means of drawing income instead of a usual show. Let’s make this a good year for the federation while enjoying a fun and wonderful show!

Preregistration form for Feather River meeting is available on the CFMS website.

Camp Paradise registration is available on the CFMS website.

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