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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Tony Fender

The annual Federation Show and Convention is just around the corner. If you haven't done so already send in your registration for the show and exhibit cases. The deadline for competitive exhibits is February 6th 2019. All competitive applications should be sent to Margaret Kolaczyx. The deadline for non-competitive exhibits is February 25th 2019, and should be sent to Jennifer Lang. All the forms for the show are on the show website—<http://pasadenalapidary.org/2019-show>. Make sure that your dues are paid for 2019. Any society that has not paid by March 1st is considered delinquent and the Director would be ineligible to vote at the Directors' meeting.

The deadline for this year's All American Competition was January 15th because of the timing of the CFMS and AFMS shows, so now is a good time to start collecting material for your 2020 competition. The All American is just scrapbooking everything your society does during the year, and if you collect everything as you go along, it isn't very much work. There is a historical value to your society as well which will help future officers of your society in remembering things of the past. The AFMS has a manual on preparing an All American entry, and it is available at www.amfed.org/allamericanguidebook.pdf.

January 20th was the annual BLM Desert Clean Up out at Quartzsite, AZ. This is an activity which is promoted by ALAA and John Martin does a great job of interfacing with the BLM to organize these events. Last year when I was in Quartzsite I found a sign erected by the BLM giving ALAA credit for these events, and the PR the rockhound community gains is immense.

Zzyzx is full for this year, so start thinking about a trip to Camp Paradise in late summer. The ESS camps offer a wide range of classes, some of the more popular classes have a beginner class and an advanced class so there is education for all skill levels. These camps are a great place to explore new areas of the hobby to see if they are right for you as well as fine tuning your skills in your favorite area.

Marion Roberts has been working valiantly on updating the By-Laws of the Federation. This has been a monumental task trying to keep the By-Laws and the Operating Regulations consistent and to clarify the wording to allow the Federation to function efficiently. The proposed updates are presented elsewhere in this newsletter and will be voted on by the Directors at the Convention Directors Meeting.

Tony



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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Feb 5..... Deadline for March newsletter
Feb 25..... Reports due for Directors packet
Mar 8-10... CFMS Convention & Show Pomona
Mar 24-31..... Zzyzx
Apr 5. Deadline for May newsletter

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

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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.

DUES ARE DUE

A form for payment of dues and insurance was included in last month’s newsletter. Please be sure to pass this along to your treasurer if that person is not already receiving a copy of the newsletter. It is also available on the CFMS website at www.cfmsinc.org.

Also included in the same newsletter was the officer change form. Please mail or fax this to me prior to April 1. I use this information to keep the records current, maintain the mailing list for the newsletter and create the Society Roster.

Have you recently moved? Please provide your new address so you can continue to receive your newsletter. The PO does not forward non-profit bulk mail. Prefer to read the newsletter on the website? If so, let me know and I’ll remove you from the mailing list.

CFMS SHOW AND CONVENTION

By Marcia Goetz, co-chair

Everyone loves a show! And we are having one! This year's (2019) CFMS Show and Convention will be held in Pomona CA at the Fairplex - a good location for those of us who live in Southern California. We will be in Building 6 and parking is through Gate 17 off of McKinley Ave. Set up is on Thursday, March 7 for everything...display cases, the kid's area with their sand scoop and spinning wheel, raffle with great prizes, silent auction with awesome buys, a gold panning station, and dealers. It is going to be a lot of fun and work.

We will be holding all of the meetings at the DoubleTree, 555 W. Foothill in Claremont which is about 4.5 miles from the Fairplex. We did this to keep the costs of the meetings and meals down.

Friday night's Cracker Barrel (DoubleTree Hotel) will be a casual get-together to enjoy each other's company. It will be fun to sit and relax. If it's cold weather bring a sweater as it will be on the patio. Or, it could hot weather - we've had both on that weekend. If wet we will be indoors.

On Saturday at the DoubleTree, we will have the Director's Meeting, Editors and Webmasters Lunch, and the Awards Dinner. The Awards Dinner is always fun getting to applaud the competitive case winners. We are also going to have a live auction of a benitoite crystal from the Bill and Izzy Burns collection which will be exciting (benefiting Earth Science Studies).

Sunday at 4 we will start the teardown and it becomes a madhouse with everyone getting their stuff together to go home.

The information for the cases, reservations for the DoubleTree is found under Lodging, meals (found under Registration/Tickets), maps to the Fairplex, signups to volunteer and a contact for being a demonstrator can all be found at <https://pasadenalapidary.org/2019-show>. Also dealer spots are still available!

A preregistration form is provided in this newsletter. There is a link to all forms and additional information on the home page of the CFMS website.

CFMS Electronic Communication Committee

Jennifer Haley, Chairman

If your society has a new Federation Director for 2019, please be sure to contact me asap with the following information:

1. Federation Director's name
2. New Federation Director's email address
3. Name of your society

If your society hasn't received any Electronic Communication announcements since November 2018, please let me know. I may have made a typo when I entered your email address. The only way I can correct that is for you to send me an email to let me know. Thank you!



AFMS JUDGES SEMINARS & CFMS RULES

By Marion Roberts, Chair

I am writing this as a desperate attempt to reestablish a proper list of eligible judges. Due to a computer disaster, the last updated list was lost. It is known that we have lost judges through attrition and relocation and need to find a contact information for as many as possible. Also, I am looking for the opportunity to organize judges seminars in conjunction with any regional show, either just before or just after. I am asking for this information from anyone, but especially from regional rules chairs or committee people. If you are a certified judge or know one, please contact me. This may not sound of interest to any one individual, but it is very important to the Federations with larger numbers of competitive cases or items. I implore you not to ignore this as it is very important.

Mvroberts1@comcast.net

Marion Roberts
Chair

SAFETY

By Joe Goetz, Chair

A day at the workshop can be a lot of fun or perhaps you learned something new. However afterward you find yourself saying HUH alot when someone talks to you. If this is you, you might need to have hearing protection. It usually clears up after a couple hours, but as time goes on it takes longer to clear up. What is happening is your hearing is getting damaged due to noise that is above 85 decibels average (8-hour Total Weighted Average) the closer you are to the source the louder it is. Sound meters are available from several sources for approx. \$50 to \$400.

If your shop is really noisy find out which of the machines in the shop are the biggest offenders. If it's a saw, it may just be to have to change the feed setting to a lower feed rate. If it's a grinding unit, well, you may just have to wear ear muffs. If the your shop or the club shop is above the 85dB noise level and quieting the machines hasn't done enough then using personal hearing protection is in recommended.

This protection comes in the form of ear plugs or muffs. Each has it benefits and drawbacks. Disposable foam earplugs 29 NRR to 33 NRR, Reusable earplugs and hearing bands 25NRR to 28NRR, Ear muffs 25NRR The disposable foam are less expensive those which are molded to your ear canals. These are not to be reused after one day or dropping them in the dirt. This helps keep infection out of the ear canal. Follow the directions from the manufacturer which basically is as follows; take the foam earplug between your forefinger and thumb and roll it between them to a smaller diameter and with your hand opposite of the ear you are going a insert it. Grasp the top of the ear and pull gently upwards (to straighten out the ear canal) while inserting the pug in the ear canal. Don't try to jam it in all the way as you're going to need to remove the later (without needing to go to urgent care or the emergency room). About half way will do and release and you'll feel the ear plug fill your ear canal and things will get quieter. If it doesn't get quieter you'll need to

repeat the insertion process and hopefully it will be quite. You see it is the seal that is created that provides the noise attenuation (ie. making it quieter).

The reusable earplugs can in fact provide a good seal. To get these into the ear the procedure is a little different. You still tug the top of your ear the straighten

the ear canal and possibly twist the plugs in, but there is no squeezing of the plug. This goes for both the non-corded or the corded ear plugs. At the end of the day after removing them you'll have to clean them before the next use.

The head band plugs or caps just get pushed in without being twisted while grasping the top of the ear and gently pulling upward. These are fairly convenient to use, however they do not seal as well. These too need to be cleaned each day before being used.

The most convenient are the muffs which can be quickly put on or off as needed. Make sure there isn't hair or any obstructions that will interfere with the cup sealing against your skin. Again it's the seal that gives to noise attenuation (quieting of the noise).

All of these options for hearing protection helps protect your hearing. So as time passes you'll be hearing the sounds of the world as opposed to HUH!

Going safely,
Joe Goetz

Info via OSHA





JUNIOR ACTIVITIES

By Jim Brace-Thompson, AFMS
Junior Programs Chair

Growing a Juniors Program with the 3 P's

In the decades since I stepped into the role of overseeing the CFMS Juniors Activities program, I've frequently been approached by clubs wishing for a vibrant juniors program but perplexed as to how to even start. Thus, this month I offer "The 3 P's": Planning, Persistence and Patience.

Planning is key. While serendipity certainly happens, more often than not if you want anything of value in life, you need to plan for it. If your club wants a vibrant juniors program, sit down with fellow members who share that interest and envision a full year in advance. My wife Nancy and I have hosted such sit-downs in our own home on weekends, offering lunch and goodies to entice fellow members to attend.

Your main topic for consideration: what programs can you offer that will create and sustain maximum interest among kids? Select several, then match topics to club members who can offer expertise and who can serve as mentors with engaging hands-on activities. Plan out several months or—better yet—a full year of activities, with each activity including specimens kids can take home for their personal collections. Follow up by publicizing the full calendar every month in your society newsletter, on your club's website and Facebook page, in handouts for distribution to schools, youth groups, and elsewhere in your community. And send monthly reminders to any club members with kids or grandkids.

Persistence and Patience. Once you've made a plan, stick to it! Persistence and patience are key. We've seen that both within the Ventura Gem & Mineral Society and our neighboring Oxnard Gem & Mineral Society. When each club decided to rejuvenate and kick-start their juniors programs, plans were laid out and publicized; then, we

waited. During the first few sessions, only a couple pebble pups attended. Frustration mounted, particularly when plans had been made, ample supplies had been gathered, volunteer teachers had stepped forward, and considerable effort had been extended, yet

few pebble pups showed up. Some suggested calling it quits, given that—obviously—no one was interested.

Well...That was then, but now is now. Within our Ventura club, we currently have something like 40 juniors. Nearly 20 regularly engage in our monthly programs. Louisa Carey in the Oxnard club saw a similar evolution with her program; in fact, she provided the model that we in Ventura subsequently followed.

If you and fellow club members have made plans for a great juniors program and are frustrated to see little interest, don't give up! As the saying goes, "If you build it, they will come." All it requires is Planning, Persistence and Patience, along with a fourth P: a Pinch of faith!

IN MEMORIAM

Jim Nelson who served as CFMS President in 1994 passed away December 29 following a brief illness. Jim was a long time member of the Santa Clara Valley Gem & Mineral Society. Services were held January 15. Our condolences go out to his family.

Also gone from the CFMS family in early December is Addie Davis who with her late husband Chuck were long time supporters of CFMS. She was 92. Addie was a long time newsletter editor and served as "ghost editor" of the CFMS Newsletter for a few 2nd Vice Presidents during the time 2nd Vice Presidents were responsible for producing the newsletter. Our condolences go to her daughter and other family members.



Reasoning behind proposed changes:

Changes to allow a show to be held in the fall and to allow the Federation to host its own show.

Article VI, meetings:

Section 1. There have been situations where no society has placed a bid to host the annual show. Removing the reference to the host society will allow the Federation to host its own show.

Section 2. There has been a request to allow societies to host a convention show during the fall season. This change will allow the Federation to have two meetings of the Directors, spaced through the calendar year.

Article VII, Officers:

Section 2 clarifies the question of the nominations committee being selected at the second directors meeting. It also clarifies which president selects the chairman for the nominating committee. (This is specified in the Operating Regulations, adding it here is to eliminate confusion).

Section 3 clarifies the question of the elections being held at the second directors meeting.

Changes to make the By-Laws reflect what we do.

Article III, Membership:

Many of the tasks which are designated for the Federation Secretary or the Federation Treasurer have actually been performed by the Executive Secretary/Treasurer. These changes will bring the By-Laws into conformity with practice.

Article VIII, Duties of Officers.

As above.

Changes to allow the EC to operate more efficiently.

Article V

The By-Laws currently don't allow the EC to conduct the business of the Federation. For example if there is a BLM proposal to close a collecting area, the Federation cannot write a letter to the BLM until after the next Directors Meeting which may be after the deadline.

Article VII

Same problem, The EC is directed to conduct the business of the Federation, but is not allowed to do so.

Article VI

This allows e-mails when appropriate.

Article XV

This brings the By-Laws into alignment with the Operating Regulations.

JUNIORS ACTIVITIES

By Jim Brace-Thompson, CFMS Juniors Activities Chair

A Year of Juniors Communicating

When he was sworn in as CFMS President, Tony announced a presidential theme for 2019, declaring "The Year of Communication." He encourages better, more frequent communication within and between clubs, between clubs and the Federation, and among individuals. Encourage your club's juniors to join in on that theme! In fact, you can offer the added enticement of an AFMS Future Rockhounds of America badge (http://www.amfed.org/fra/fra_badge.htm).

There's an array of 7 activities to choose from to earn a Communication badge. A junior member need only pick and complete 3 of those 7. These range from preparing a brief oral report or presentation, writing a club newsletter article, preparing a bulletin board or poster board display, corresponding with an expert (for instance, sending an email to a paleontology professor with a question about dinosaurs), gathering fellow junior members and holding a "symposium" or discussion group on a topic of mutual interest, and/or writing a brief, one-page field trip guide. Whichever activity your club's kids choose, help and encourage them along—and make it fun!



Changes to By-Laws

Article VI

MEETINGS:

Section 1: Convention Meetings

The Federation shall hold one convention meeting each calendar year, to consist of convention, show and Directors 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~~ *approximately six months separated from the Convention Meeting*. 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.

Article VII

OFFICERS:

Section 2: Nominating Committee

1. At the ~~Fall Business Meeting~~ *second meeting of the calendar year*, four (4) members of a Nominating Committee and an alternate member shall be elected by the Directors. The person receiving the fifth (5th) highest number of votes shall be the alternate number. A fifth member, the chairman, shall be appointed by the *Incoming* President at that meeting or at any time within thirty (30) days thereafter. The committee thus formed shall function for the ensuing year. Current Federation Officers are ineligible to serve on this committee.

Section 3: Elections

(ii) The officers shall be elected at the ~~Fall Business Meeting~~ *second meeting of the calendar year*, and shall serve for one (1) year beginning the first of January following election, or until their successors are elected and qualified.

ARTICLE III

MEMBERSHIP:

Section 3: Responsibility of Member Societies

It shall be the responsibility of each Member Society to furnish the Federation *Executive Secretary/Treasurer* with a mailing address to which Federation mail may be sent, the name and address of the Federation Director (and alternate) and an annual membership list as of December 31st.

Section 6: Delinquency:

A Member Society shall become delinquent if either the annual dues or insurance premium has not been paid by March 1st of each year and the Federation *Executive Secretary/Treasurer* shall so notify each delinquent Society at that time.

ARTICLE VIII

DUTIES OF OFFICERS:

Section 5: Treasurer

The Treasurer, Chief Financial Officer, shall be responsible for accurate accounting of Federation accounts. *The Executive Secretary/Treasurer* shall receive all monies and disburse them as authorized by the Board of Directors; keep full and accurate account of such transactions; and shall render a written report to the Directors at each regular meeting.

The following changes are to facilitate the EC to function efficiently:

ARTICLE V

Section 3: The Board of Directors shall conduct the business of the Federation. Any activity, to have the sanction of the Federation, must be approved by the ~~Board of Directors~~ *Executive Committee*.

ARTICLE VII

Section 1(b):

The Executive Committee shall have interim power to conduct the necessary and normal business of the Federation, ~~subject to the approval by the Board of Directors at its next meeting.~~

ARTICLE VI

Section 8: Voting by mail

Voting by mail, *or by electronic means*, may be used when directed by the Executive Committee, except for the election of officers. Matters to be voted upon shall be submitted by the Secretary to the Member Societies at least forty-five (45) days before the time set for counting such votes. Mail votes shall be signed by the Federation Director and Member Society President. A majority affirmative vote of the votes cast shall pass any action except for amendments to the Bylaws.

ARTICLE XV

AMENDMENTS

Section 1 (a):

Amendment may be proposed by any Member *Society or by the Executive Committee*. The proposal and reasons therefor shall be sent to the Federation Secretary.

Section 1(b):

The name of the Society or Societies *or Executive Committee* proposing the amendment, together with an explanation why the amendment has been proposed, must accompany the proposed amendment.

CFMS SHOW DATES

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SHOW DATES

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within 5 days after submitting your
Show Date information!*

2019

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 15-24; Banning, CA
San Geronio Gem & Mineral Society
Riverside County Fair & Date Festival
82-502 Hwy 111
Hours: 10-10
Contact: Bert Grisham, 951-849-1674
Email: bert67@verizon.net

February 16-17, 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

February 23-24, Vallejo, CA
Vallejo Gem & Mineral Society
McCormack Hall, Solano County Fairgrounds
900 Fairgrounds Drive
Hours 10-5 Daily
Contact: Dan Wolke, 707-334-2950
Email: dncwolke@sbcglobal.net
Website: www.vjgems.org

March 1-3, Newark, CA
Mineral & Gem Society of Castro Valley
Newark Pavilion
6430 Thornton Ave
Hours: Fri, Sat 10-6, Sun 10-5
Contact: Cathy Miller, 510-305-4196
Website: www.mgscv.org

March 2-3, Ventura, CA
Ventura Gem & Mineral Society
Ventura County Fairgrounds
10 W Harbor Blvd
Hours: Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4
Contact: Diane Cook, 805-312-8467
Email: info@vgms.org
Website: www.vgms.org

March 8-10, Pomona, CA
90th CFMS Show & Convention
Hosted by Pasadena Lapidary Society
Fairplex Building 6
Hours: Fri-Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4
Contact: Marcia Goetz, 626-260-7239
Email: showdealers@pasadenalapidary.org
Website: www.pasadenalapidary.org/2019-show/

March 8-10, Victorville, CA
Victor Valley Gem and Mineral Club
43rd Annual Stoddard Wells Tailgate
Stoddard Wells Road off Dale Evan Pkwy
Hours: 9-5 Daily
Contact: Sandy Skidmore 760-617-6001
Email: info@vvgmc.org
Website: vvgmc.org/tailgate.html

March 9-10, Turlock, CA
Mother Lode Mineral Society
Stanislaus County Fairgrounds
900 N Broadway
Hours: 10-5 Daily
Contact: Bud & Terry McMillin, 209-524-3494
Email: terry.mcmillin@yahoo.com
Website: www.turlockgemshow.com

March 16-17, Lemoore, CA
Lemoore Gem and Mineral Club
Trinity Hall
470 Champion St.
Hours: Sat 10-6, Sun 10-4
Contact: Dave Morrell, 559-362-8904
Email: Dmorrell321@gmail.com
Lemooregemandmineralclub.wordpress.com

March 16-17, San Jose, CA
Santa Clara Valley Gem & Mineral Society
Santa Clara County Fairgrounds
344 Tully Road
Hours: 10-5 Daily
Contact: Sonia Dyer, 408-629-5735
Email: Sonia.dyer@sbcglobal.net
Website: www.scvgms.org

March 23-24, Roseville, CA
Roseville Rock Rollers GMS
Roseville Fairgrounds
800 All America City Blvd
Hours: Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4
Contact: James Hutchings, 916-995-7380
Email: jhutchings22@hotmail.com
Website: www.rockrollers.com

March 30-31; Torrance, CA
South Bay Lapidary & Mineral Society
Ken Miller Recreation Center
3341 Torrance Blvd
Hours: Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4
Contact: Kathy Polliard, 310-533-4931
Email: kjpolliard@yahoo.com
www.southbaylapidaryandmineralsociety.com

April 13-14; Mariposa, CA
Mariposa Gem and Mineral Club
Mariposa County Fairgrounds
5005 Fairgrounds Road
Hours: Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4
Contact: Meredith Meehan
Email: mngmc@sti.net

April 13-14; Paso Robles, CA
Santa Lucia Rockhounds
Paso Robles Event Center
2198 Riverside Ave.
Hours: 10-5 Daily
Contact: Kim Noyes, 805-610-0603
Email: kimnoyes@gmail.com
Website: slrockhounds.org/show.html

April 27 & 28, Lancaster, CA
Antelope Valley Gem & Mineral Society
Antelope Valley Fairgrounds
2551 West Avenue H (Hwy. 14 & Ave. H)
Hours: 10 - 5 daily
Contact: Susan Chaisson-Walblom, 661-406-0143
Email: slchaisson@yahoo.com
Website: www.avgem.weebly.com

April 27-28, Reno, NV
The Reno Gem & Mineral Society, Inc.
Reno Sparks Livestock Events Center
1350 North Wells Ave
Hours: Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4
Contact: Dan Ellis, 775-229-4420
Email: sailondan55@aol.com
Website: www.renorockhounds.com

April 27-28, Santa Cruz, CA
Santa Cruz Mineral & Gem Society
Santa Cruz Civic Auditorium
307 Church St.
Hours: 10-5 Daily
Contact: Sarah Hawklyn
Email: shawklyn@yahoo.com
Website: www.scrockngem.org

June 8-9, Glendora, CA
Glendora Gems
Goddard Middle School
859 E. Sierra Madre Ave
Hours: Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4
Contact: Bonnie Bidwell, 626-963-4638
Email: ybidwell2@aol.com
Website: NA

September 21, Long Beach, CA
Long Beach Mineral & Gem Society
Expo Arts Center
4321 Atlantic Ave
Hours: 10-5
Contact: Carol Kron and Karin Alvarez,
562-577-9044
Email: lmineralgemsociety@gmail.com
Website: www.facebook.com/LBMGS/

October 12-13, Trona, CA
Searles Lake Gem & Mineral Society
Trona Gem Building
13337 Main St.
Hours: Sat 7:30-5, Sun 7:30-3
Contact: Jim & Bonnie Fairchild, 760-372-5356
Email: slgms@iwvisp.com
Website: www1.iwvisp.com/tronagemclub/S

National/Regional Shows:

***Eastern Federation
June 1-2, 2019
Monroe, NY***

***California Federation
March 8-10, 2019, Pomona, CA
Hosted by The Pasadena Lapidary Society
& California Federation of Mineralogical
Societies
Fairplex, Building 6
Hours: Fri-Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4
Contact: Marcia Goetz, 626-260-7239
Email: showdealers@pasadenalapidary.org
Website:
www.pasadenalapidary.org/2019-show/***

***Midwest Federation
AFMS
March 21-24, 2019
Cedar Rapids, IA
Hosted by The Cedar Valley Rocks &
Minerals Society
Hawkeye Downs
4400 6th St. SW
Hours: Sat 8:30-6, Sun 9:30-4
Contacts: Ray Anderson, 319-337-
2798; rockdocanderson@gmail.com
Sharon Sonnleitner, 319-396-4016
sonnb@aol.com
Website:
www.cedarvalleyrockclub.org/AFMS
home.html***

***Northwest Federation
October 18-20
Lewiston, ID***

***Rocky Mountain Federation
August 2-4
Prescott, AZ***

***South Central Federation
January 19-20 Fredericksburg, TX
In conjunction with the 2019
Fredericksburg Rockhounds Show
Pioneer Pavilion, The Lady Bird
Johnson Municipal Park
342 Lady Bird Drive
Hours: Sat 9-6, Sun 10-4
Website: www.scfms.net/show.htm***

***Southeast Federation
2020
June 25-28, 2020
81st CFMS Show & Convention
Lodi, CA
Hosted by California Federation of
Mineralogical Societies
Details to Follow***

**EACH CLUB/SOCIETY SHOW
SHOULD BE LISTED HERE

**DON'T FORGET TO UP-
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WEBSITE WITH YOUR
NEW SHOW DATE**

**Check for show links at
www.cfmsinc.org/shows**

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3. Local TV stations,
4. Community calendars!
5. Other Local Shows

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