PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE
By Tony Fender

The Federation Show and convention are now behind us, there were a few problems because of the early date of the CFMS show and the fact that the AFMS show in Cedar Rapids followed immediately. Sandie and I left on the Wednesday after the show to drive to Iowa, avoiding the winter storms and river flooding on route. We have now returned and are trying to catch up on a month’s worth of emails. Coming home, Sandie and I couldn’t resist stopping at Lavic Siding and doing a bit of collecting. The winter storms have unearthed masses of material, and the wild flowers are just starting to come into bloom so now is a good time for a field trip. We would like to thank the Pasadena Lapidary Society for all their hard work and dedication to make the show successful.

At the CFMS convention the directors discussed and voted to pass the updates to the Federation By-Laws. We have appointed a new webmaster to start developing a workable website for the Federation. By the time you read this, you should be able to see the work that Ben has put into the website. Obviously, the work to completely redo the website is a monumental task, so I ask that any corrections, updates etc. that you feel are necessary you let me know and I can pass along to Ben the information. I don’t want to swamp Ben with too many requests all at once.

In conjunction with the AFMS convention there is the AFMS Scholarship Foundation meeting. The AFMS Scholarship Foundation is a separate and independent entity from the AFMS. The Foundation gives out two graduate level scholarships each year to each of the 6 Regional Federations that belong to the Scholarship Foundation. At the second CFMS meeting of the year, the AFMS scholarship committee reviews the recommendations for honorees and selects one to be honored. That honoree then selects two students to receive the scholarship. If there is somebody in your organization who should be recognized for their work please write up why they should be recognized and submit it to the AFMS scholarship committee.

By the time you read this, Sandie and I should have taken the lapidary equipment and material that has been donated and collected to the Feather River Club and the Paradise Club. Both clubs were devastated by the fires of last summer, and the Federation is trying to give those clubs a kick start to get them back on their feet. I would like to thank all the individuals and societies who have so generously contributed to this program.

Tony
MARK YOUR CALENDAR

May 5 ............... Deadline for June newsletter
June 5 ............... Deadline for July newsletter
Aug 25–31 ............. Camp Paradise wk 1
Sep 1–7 ................. Camp Paradise wk 2
Nov 8–10 ............ Fall business Meeting–Visalia

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.

A NOTE FROM THE EXECUTIVE SEC/TREAS

Now that tax season is finally over I can get caught up on CFMS stuff. To date all but a handful of our affiliated clubs and societies have paid dues and their share of the liability insurance. Thank you for taking care of this matter. Your ongoing support is greatly needed and appreciated and will allow the Federation to continue to offer educational programs and support to the membership.

Many of the reports included in the Directors packet at the March meeting are published in this newsletter. I no longer mail packets to those societies/clubs not in attendance at the two Directors meetings. If anyone wants a full copy I will email the paperwork in pdf format.

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Web Site: www.mcdanielinsuranceservices.com

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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.
JUNIORS ACTIVITIES
By Jim Brace-Thompson, CFMS & AFMS Juniors Chair

Spotlighting Your Best & Brightest Kids in Rock & Gem

As many of you know, I write articles for the Kids’ Page section of Rock & Gem magazine. Within this section, I have occasionally run articles about outstanding juniors in an informal series called “Spotlight on Juniors.” In the past few years, I’ve spotlighted seven kids, in particular, but I would like to spotlight many, many more. For this, I need your help!

The intent of my “Spotlight on Juniors” series is to highlight interests and accomplishments of kids, both to honor those who deserve special recognition and to provide role models for other kids. Do you have a pebble pup or junior member (up to age 18) in your society who is completely “rock crazy” and gung ho for our hobby? If so, please contact me with names and details about kids whom you believe deserve special recognition, along with a photo or two. I’ll be happy to do a write-up on them for Rock & Gem Kids.

As a start, consider kids that your club has nominated to CFMS for Junior Rockhound of the Year recognition. I know that many such kids have been honored in this way in recent years. Please contact me (jbraceth@roadrunner.com, 805-659-3577) and we’ll get the ball rolling on an article honoring and sharing the unique and individual fun and joy each child brings to our hobby!

VISUAL PROGRAMS
By Sharon Rogow, Chair

Think of the visual programs for general club meetings, kids meetings, at shows as an additional activity or for any other use that your creative minds come up with. There are rockhound, educational, instructional and mine location/materials among many additional programs. These are all available as a service to member clubs.

Sharonrr@cox.net

Excerpt from Directors Meeting report, 3/19

PROGRESS WITH DIGITIZING
By Steve Collett, Historian

In early December, I made two visits to the cache of documents in Lancaster. I have now removed all materials that I feel will need to be scanned, and I have stored in Lancaster two boxes of duplicates of newsletters and of newsletters of member societies.

The materials are now organized by decade into fourteen banker’s boxes. During the seventies and eighties, two boxes are required each decade. Apparently the Federation generated a lot of paper in those days. A number of “problem documents”, whether undated or spanning several years, fill two boxes. I also have a box for items from individual clubs and from AFMS or another Federation. These I will make available at this meeting.

As I wind down the project of digitizing newsletters, I must now shift my attention to other records, such as rosters, minutes, show folders, field trip handbooks, and so forth. I will continue to emphasize those materials that can be easily unbound (e.g., removing staples) simply because the scanning goes much faster.

I continue to appeal to members to check their storage areas for issues of Gems and Minerals Magazine from 1951 through 1963. Heidi Hall of Santa Rosa has contacted me about some issues her club possesses, and has agreed to bring those to this meeting for me to borrow. I hasten to add that I do not need to keep your magazines indefinitely. Once scanned or photographed, the magazines can be returned to your club if you wish.

Historian’s report at Pomona Directors Meeting, 3/19
CFMS MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
By Bob Rush, Chair

For the last few months I have been working with the new Rock and Gem Magazine Managing Editor, Antoinette Rahn regarding discount subscriptions for CFMS member club and society members. In the distant past the magazine offered discounts to these members as well as a program where if a club group had significant subscriptions then the organization got a share of the subscription money.

So far, the magazine subscription team has been working on these issues and there is a probability that they could be enacted. Concurrently with this program they are seeking volunteers from the CFMS member clubs and societies to have a table at their annual shows to help sell discount subscriptions to the attendees at their shows.

At our show which happened to be running concurrently with the CFMS Annual Show and Convention, the Mother Lode Mineral Society will be the first society to have a trial run of the discount subscription program for show attendees. It will some version of a discount coupon that will be handed out to the attendees. I haven’t seen a copy of the coupon yet. They will be sending me a considerable number of copies of the latest issue (April) of the magazine to hand out to our show attendees. Obviously, your club members will be eligible to use the coupons (they are show attendees, right?).

A new program called the “Weekly Review” for subscribers either mailed copy or email copies is a weekly message discussing some of the previous articles, new information articles or a newly created category called “Club Corner”. This category will be featuring clubs throughout the realm of the magazine. The Club Corner report will be featuring a demonstration, group outing or dig, community support project or any special activities that the club has been participating in or special activities held during an annual show. This is an outstanding opportunity to promote your organization! The first issue of this Weekly Review featured the Mother Lode Mineral Society and one of our demonstrators - Jack Hoque.

We were fortunate to have Jack Hoque the glyptic artist featured in an article that I wrote for the December issue to come down from Medford, Oregon to do a demonstration at our monthly meeting of his fantastic artistic carving intaglio images on the back of quartz crystals. This was a trial run to test our lighting and camera setup because he will be a featured guest exhibitor at our show on March 9-10 in Turlock, CA.

Because we continue to have a dedicated membership table at our show, we will be using it to also present the discount subscription program to anyone and everyone at our show. We expect this table to be much busier than usual and that is great for us because it will give us more visibility and more opportunities interact with the show attendees and to recruit new members.

I continue to highly recommend that all clubs and societies have a fully manned and dedicated table with a prominent membership sign out in the dealer mix of tables on the showroom floor. This is your best opportunity to recruit new members that you will have all year. Don’t squander the opportunity. This table should be given maximum importance for your show. It definitely works! We signed up 41 new families/individuals at our show last year!

Membership report at Pomona Directors Meeting, 3/19

From MWFMS Bulletin Editor News 1/84
via Golden Spike News 9/00

Let go me ankles, Murphy or I'll hit you on the head with this pick
ROCKHOUND OF THE YEAR
By Gary Levitt garytherockhound@sbcglobal.net

Greetings!

Well Rockhound of the Year has gotten off to a rather slow start. I attribute this to having the Federation Show occurring so early this year. I hope you aren’t deterred from entering a member of your club society.

We have worked on creating a new form which, hopefully, will make the task of submitting information about the member of your society that has been selected as Rockhound of the Year easier.

Kate Van Linden
Peninsula Gem and Geology Society

Peninsula Gem and Geology Society selects Kate Van Linden as our 2019 Rockhound of the Year. Kate has been a member for several years and so very active in many areas of our club. She brings a wonder of rocks that is contagious, always showing us every rock is special and unique in her eyes.

She has been the founding chair for our kids treasure wheel for our show since we started having a wheel. She works every month making rock items for the wheel. She works the wheel every year for both days tirelessly with her wonderful sense that draws in every child to the wonder of our earth science rock prizes. Kids return every year for this event, saving up their nickels and dimes all year long. It is such a treat to help her at the wheel table every year.

She has worked as our hostess greeting members and guests as they attend our monthly general meetings. She also has been our social chair, bringing coffee pot and ensuring refreshments are available for meetings and potluck events. Her energy and enthusiasm are felt by all who she comes in contact with. We are proud she is such a special woman.

By Jo Burchard, PGGS Editor,
Colleen McGann, PGGS Vice President

CFMS WEB SITE CONTEST
By Merryan O’Neill, Chair

Web sites and newsletters are key factors in educating and keeping members informed about society activities. Web sites also help inform the public about club events and learn about our wonderful hobby. The purpose of the annual CFMS Web Site Contest is to aid webmasters develop and maintain web sites that reach these goals.

Please join me in congratulating the following dedicated webmasters who entered the 2019 CFMS Web Site Contest.

First Place: Terry Wilson
Ventura Gem & Mineral Society
www.vgms.org

Second Place: Alyssa Meiszinger
Sacramento Mineral Society
www.sacramentomineralsociety.org

Third Place: Marjorie Ann Woodbridge
South Orange County Gem & Mineral Society
www.socgems.com

We look forward to these webmasters and many others entering our future Web Site Contests.

CFMS 2020 CONVENTION AND SHOW

CFMS will be having a show at the Lodi Grape Festival and Harvest Fairgrounds on June 26 – June 28 in 2020. Planning is just beginning. Frank Mullaney ordered business cards to begin our advertising. A large number of cards were distributed at the Pomona Directors Meeting. Margaret has contacted dealers in Northern California and received positive responses.

As anyone knows who has worked to put on a CFMS show, there are many tasks to be done. Just as in 2015, it will only be successful with a team effort. Margaret Kolaczyk and Pat LaRue are co-chairing this event. We will be reaching out for help and are looking for folks willing to step up to the plate. Don’t be afraid to volunteer!

Submitted by Margaret Kolaczyk and Pat LaRue
BULLETIN CONTEST RESULTS

By Suzanne Webb, BEAC

The CFMS Bulletin Contest is history, and congratulations are in order to the authors and editors who submitted their work, and heartfelt thanks to the judges who generously read and evaluated the entries and provided comments that gave both praise and encouragement. One article was submitted that was ineligible for the CFMS contest because its author had won a first place in that category less than two years previously, but it was submitted directly to the AFMS contest. That author’s work will be eligible in that category in 2021. Editors, please remember that this year’s first place winners will not be eligible again until 2022. Ties were split by the Bulletin Advisory Chair. They are not allowed in the AFMS contest.

The schedule for the 2019 AFMS convention drove the contest deadlines as it always does, and this year, like last year, the dates were devastatingly early. The judges did their work while also negotiating their personal holiday seasons. It looks as though next year’s dates will be much more comfortable for all. Perhaps that will encourage greater participation. So without further ado, here are the results of the 2019 CFMS Bulletin Contest.

Large Bulletin

First
Laura Driskell, editor
The Rock Bag
Oxnard Gem and Mineral Society

Second
Amy Phillips, editor
Rockonteur
Santa Lucia Rockhounds

Original Adult Article

First
Barbara Bilyeu, author
Five Fine Jaspers
Rockonteur
Santa Lucia Rockhounds, Amy Phillips, editor

Second
Ralph Bishop, author
Whispering Pines
Ore-Cutts
Orcutt Mineral Society, Elizabeth Nybo, editor

Written Feature

First
Wayne Mills, author
Reading a Lot into Geology, Ore-Cutts
Orcutt Mineral Society, Elizabeth Nybo, editor

Second
Elisabeth Nybo, author
The Value of Volunteering Ore-Cutts
Orcutt Mineral Society, Elizabeth Nybo, editor

Third
Sylvia Nasholm, author
The Pres Box—March 2018 Ore-Cutts
Orcutt Mineral Society, Elizabeth Nybo, editor

Fourth
Webb Varnum, author
Labradorite
The Conglomerate
Reno Gem and Mineral Society, Suzanne Webb, editor

Special Category—Drawn Feature, Jr.

First
Katherine Nybo
Mountains
Ore-Cutts
Orcutt Mineral Society, Elizabeth Nybo, editor

Second
Stephanie Hagiwara, author
A Visit to the UCLA Meteorite Gallery
The Rock Bag
Oxnard Gem and Mineral Society, Laura Driskell, editor

Third
Suzanne Webb, editor
The Conglomerate
Reno Gem and Mineral Society, Suzanne Webb, editor
AFMS BULLETIN CONTEST
CFMS ENTRIES
By Suzanne Webb, BEAC Chair

New Editor

3rd Place
Elisabeth Nybo, Editor
*Ore-Cutts*
Orcutt Mineral Society, Inc.

Large Newsletter

7th Place
Laura Driskell, Editor
*The Rock Bag*
Oxnard Gem and Mineral Society

Honorable Mention
Amy Phillips, Editor
*Rockonteur*
Santa Lucia Rockhounds

Original Adult Article

4th Place
Stephanie Hagiwara
*A Visit to the UCLA Meteorite Gallery*
*The Rock Bag*
Oxnard Gem & Mineral Society

8th Place
Dale Sworthout
*Rock On*
*The Conglomerate*
Reno Gem and Mineral Society

Honorable Mention
Elisabeth Nybo
*Mission to Mars: The Ultimate Armchair Geologic Field Trip or How I Experienced the Making of History from My Street*
*Ore-cutts*
Orcutt Mineral Society

Original Adult Article Advanced

6th Place
Ralph Bishop
*Whispering Pines*
*Ore-Cutts*
Orcutt Mineral Society

9th Place
Stephen P. Mulqueen
*Mining History of Silver Reef: Silver Reef Mining District near Leeds, Utah*
*The Rock Bag*
Oxnard Gem & Mineral Society

10th Place
Barbara Bilyeu
*Five "Fine" Jaspers*
*Rockonteur*
Santa Lucia Rockhounds

Written Features

1st Place
Sylvia Nasholm
*Reading a Lot into Geology*
*Ore-Cutts*
Orcutt Mineral Society

Honorable Mention
Wayne Mills
*The Value of Volunteering*
*Ore-Cutts*
Orcutt Mineral Society

Elisabeth Nybo
*Mission to Mars: The Ultimate Armchair Geologic Field Trip or How I Experienced the Making of History from My Street*
*Ore-cutts*
Orcutt Mineral Society

Junior Drawn Feature Under 12

1st Place
Katherine Nybo
*Mountains*
*Ore-Cutts*
Orcutt Mineral Society

Junior Poetry

1st Place
Katherine Nybo
*My Reflections on Mountains*
*Ore-Cutts*
Orcutt Mineral Society
PUBLIC LANDS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
By John Martin, Chairman

To start with, all of the legislation that was being proposed to limit access to public lands in the area covered by CFMS died in committee on January 1, 2019. By February 15, 2019 more than 54 new bills have been introduced in congress under the heading of Parks, Recreation Areas and Trails and may have affects on Recreational Rockhounding on Public Lands across the nation. If any of these new bills before congress appear to have a negative effect for Recreational Rockhounding the CFMS PLAC Committee will strive to inform the Executive Committee of the situation and will attempt to provide a reasonable course of action which CFMS may decide to follow.

The issue of Recreational Rockhounding areas and their access routes continues to be a major issue for Rockhounds to grasp. The Recreational Rockhounding areas within the area covered by the CFMS is not secure and may be in jeopardy of closure at any time when Public Land Management and Travel Plans becomes a public issue.

A prime example of this is the Mojave Trails National Monument. When the monument was formed all Rockhounding activities within the boundaries of the monument was suspend and was not allowed by congressional definition of a National Monument. (No Natural Resource may be removed from a National Monument) Because Rockhounding had been allowed as a Recognized Recreational Activity prior to the creation of the monument, Senator Feinstein sent a letter to then, Secretary of the Interior Sally Jewell asking her to allow Recreational Rockhounding to continue as allowed by law until the final Monument Management Plan is complete. This is the reason collecting is allowed in the monument. The BLM was given 3 years to complete the Monument Management Plan. If Recreational Rockhounding is not in the final Management plan as a Recognized Recreational Activity, Collecting of Rocks, Minerals, Fossils, etc., will not be allowed.

After attending several BLM Meetings on this issue and talking with the Field Office Managers responsible for the Monument Management Plan their comments were that Recreational Rockhounding will not be allowed as a Recreational Activity in the Monument as a whole and their advice was to submit to the BLM, during the Public Comment Period, a list of collecting sites and access routes required to get to and from the sites.

So, in order to provide a united front of Recreational Rockhounding to the BLM when called upon, a “Fieldtrip Journal for Public Lands” has been created and is in Beta Test with several Clubs/Societies. After the Beta Test is complete and the form finalized, the form will be made available for all Clubs and Societies to use. We will be asking for the Field Trip Leader to see the forms are completed as much as possible and be kept available so when a threat of access and site closure becomes of public interest, the area and the data can be compiled, put into the proper format and submitted to the Public Land Management for consideration. We are not looking for any “Secret Collecting Sites” but if that site becomes in Jeopardy of Closure by Regulation or Management Decision, the information can be used to help keep the site and site access open for Recreational Rockhounding. As part of any Public Land Management Plan, All Access Routes must be identified and assigned a Route Number. If the route to a collecting site is not identified with a Designated Route Number that Route, Road or Trail is closed to all mechanical travel and the collecting site is lost. Therefore it is imperative to the Recreational Rockhound that this data be collected in order to preserve the Recreational Activity of Rockhounding. This is true in the recently created National Monuments and all collecting sites on all Public Lands within the area of CFMS. This needs to be accomplished using current 21st Century information. Just remember that We, The Recreational Rockhound must speak in a United Voice to be heard and to make a difference.

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From Directors packet, 3/19
May 3, 4, 5; Yucaipa, CA  
Yucaipa Valley Gem and Mineral Society  
Yucaipa Music and Arts Festival  
Yucaipa Blvd and Adam Street  
Hours: Fri 6-10, Sat 12-10, Sun 12-6  
Contact: Chuck Barlick, 813-767-6718  
Email: chuckbarlick@gmail.com  
Website: www.yvgms.org

May 4-5; Anaheim, CA  
Searchers Gem & Mineral Society  
Brookhurst Community Center  
2271 W. Crescent Ave  
Hours: Sat 10-5; Sun 10-4:30  
Contact: Margaret Hogarth 909-815-3045  
Email: Hogarth.m@gmail.com  
Website: www.searchersrocks.org

May 4-5; Jackson, CA  
Amador County Gem & Mineral Society  
Kennedy Mine  
Hwy 49/88  
Hours: 10-4 Daily  
Contact: Gaylene Lichty, 916-698-9853  
Email: mountaingirl@volcano.net  
Website: www.amadorgemandmineral.org

June 7, 8, 9; La Habra  
North Orange County Gem & Mineral Society  
LaHabra Community Center  
100 W La Habra Blvd  
Hours: Friday 5-8, Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4  
Contact: Armando Pedroza 909-598-2456  
Email: foreststandsun@yahoo.com  
Website: www.nocgms.com

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

June 29-30; Culver City  
Culver City Rock and Mineral Club  
Veterans Memorial Auditorium  
4117 Overland Ave  
Hours: Sat 10-6; Sun 10-5  
Contact: Janice Metz 310-850-4398  
Email: culvercityrocks35@gmail.com  
Website: www.culvercityrocks.org/feista.html

June 29-30; Escondido, CA  
Palomar Gem and Mineral Club  
California Center for the Arts  
340 N Escondido Blvd  
Hours: 10-5 Daily  
Contact: Michele Shepherd  
Email: pgmchow@palomargem.org  
Website: www.palomargem.org

August 2-4; Nipomo, CA  
Orcutt Mineral Society  
Nipomo High School  
525 N. Thompson Ave.  
Hours: Fri – Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4  
Contact: Wayne Mills 805-481-3495  
Email: wwmlills50@hotmail.com  
Website: www.omsinc.org

September 7-8; Arroyo Grande, CA  
San Luis Obispo Gem & Mineral Club  
South County Regional Center  
800 West Branch Street  
Hours: 10-5 Daily  
Contact: N/A  
Email: info@slogem.org  
Website: www.slogem.org/show.html

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

September 21 - 22; CHICO, CA  
Feather River Lapidary & Mineral Society  
Silver Dollar Fairgrounds  
2357 Fair Street  
Hours: Sat 9:30 - 5; Sun 9:30 - 4  
Lori Millard, (530) 533-2968  
Email: lori millard58@yahoo.com  
Website: www.featherriverrocks.org

September 21-22: MONTEREY, CA  
Carmel Valley Gem & Mineral Society  
Monterey Fairgrounds  
2004 Fairgrounds Road  
Hours: 10 - 5 daily  
Contact: Janis Rovetti, (831) 372-1311  
Email: janis12@sbcglobal.net  
Website: cvgms.rocks

September 28-29; Stockton, CA  
Stockton Lapidary and Mineral Club  
Lodi Grape Festival Grounds  
413 E. Lockeford St.  
Contact: Mike Mathis, 510-301-3612  
Email: mmatis@nwp.org  
Website: www.stocktonlapidary.org/show

October 5-6; Grass Valley, CA  
Nevada County Gem and Mineral Society  
Nevada County Fairgrounds  
14534 Mumford Drive  
Hours: Sat 10-5; Sun 10-4  
Contact: Mitchell Frank Van Hecke  
530-575-4252  
Email: 4vanclans5@att.net  
Website: www.ncgms.org/show-info/P

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: sigms@iwvisp.com  
Website: www1.iwvisp.com/tronagemclub/S

October 19; West Hills, CA  
Woodland Hills Rock Chippers Gem Show  
22700 Sherman Way  
Hours: 10-5 Daily  
Contact: Virginia Rotramel, Phone N/A  
Email: whrc@rockchippers.org  
Website: www.rockchippers.org/shows.html
October 19 - 20: PLACERVILLE, CA
El Dorado County Mineral & Gem Society
El Dorado County Fairgrounds
100 Placerville Drive
Hours: 10 - 5 daily
Contact: Debbie Winterson
Email: info@rockandgemshow.org
Website: eldoradorocks.org

October 19 - 20: SANTA ROSA, CA
Santa Rosa Mineral & Gem Society
The Veterans Memorial
1351 Maple Avenue
Hours: Sat 10 - 6; Sun 10 - 5
Contact: Jolene Coon, (707) 849-9551
Website: jolene4srmgs@gmail.com
Website: srmgs.org

October 26-27; Sacramento, CA
Sacramento Mineral Society
Scottish Rite Temple
6251 H Street
Hours: Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4
Contact: Alyssa Meiszinger 915-205-4441
Email: webadmin@sacramentomineralsociety.org
Website: www.sacgemshow.com

November 2-3: 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: opalsociety.org

November 2 - 3: CONCORD, CA
Contra Costa Mineral & Gem Society
Centre Concord
5298 Clayton Road
Hours: 10 - 5 daily
Contact: Mike Hopkins
Email: mhopkins@ironhorsedesign.net
Website: contracostamineralandgemsoociety.org

November 9-10, Yuba City, CA
Sutter Buttes Gem & Mineral Society
Yuba/Sutter Fairgrounds
Franklin Hall, Franklin Blvd
Hours: Sat 10-5; Sun 10-4
Contact: Karen Horita, 916-677-6696
Email: horita@comcast.net
Website: sutterbuttesgem&min.org

November 18-19; Exeter, CA
Tule Gem and Mineral Society
Exeter Veteran’s Memorial Building
324 N Kaweah Ave.
Hours: Sat 10-5 and Sun 10-4
Contact: Gayle Bringaman; 559-802-6029
Email: bandgbing@aol.com
Website: www.tulegem.com

December 12-15: ANAHEIM, CA
American Opal Society
Business Expo Center
1960 S. Anaheim Way
Hours: Fri-Sat 10-6; Sun 10-4
Contact: Veronica Purpura, (714) 501-9959
Email: info@opalsociety.org
Website: opalsociety.org

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Tule Gem and Mineral Society
Exeter Veteran’s Memorial Building
324 N Kaw Leah Ave.
Hours: Sat 10-5 and Sun 10-4
Contact: Gayle Bringaman; 559-802-6029
Email: bandgbing@aol.com
Website: www.tulegem.com

National/Regional Shows:

Eastern Federation
June 1-2, 2019
Monroe, NY
Museum Village
1010 ROUTE 17M

Northwest Federation
October 18-20
Lewiston, ID
Hosted by Hells Canyon Gem and Mineral Society
NezPerce County Fair Building
1220 Burrell Ave
Hours: Fri-Sat 10-6; Sun 10-4
Contact: HELLSCANYONGEMCLUB, INC. PO BOX 365 LEWISTON, ID 83501
Email: hcgemclub@yahoo.com

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2020

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

DON’T FORGET TO UPDATE YOUR CLUB WEBSITE WITH YOUR NEW SHOW DATE
Check for show links at www.cfmsinc.org/shows

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

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PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE REGISTERING

1. Any cancellation prior to August 1, 2019 will incur a $25 administration fee
2. No refunds or cancellations after August 1, 2019 unless a substitute is provided.
3. Do not mail your application before April 1, 2019.

Make checks payable to CFMS Earth Sciences 2019

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:
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Please note: Sign in will be on Sunday, August 25, 2019 and Sunday, September 1, 2019 from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm.
CAMP PARADISE is approximately 50 miles east of Marysville on Highway E-21 (Marysville Rd towards Brownsville).
Elevation is approximately 3500 feet. The facilities are at a rustic church camp, rooms are equipped with bunk beds in all
rooms and cabins. Bathrooms and showers are communal around located in each building. Housekeeping is the
responsibility of each guest. Also available, on a limited basis, are cabins for 4 or more persons–bathrooms and showers are
communal and located nearby. RV space with electricity and water for most spaces is available. It is a church camp–no
alcoholic beverages are permitted.

Room assignments will be made by staff.

Classes – Beginning Faceting, Lapidary, Soft Stone Carving, Silversmithing, Lost Wax Casting, Beginning through
advanced Wire Art, Lampwork Bead Making, Bead Weaving, PMC3 Clay and Dichroic Glass.
Please Note: There will be some classes with limited space. Preference will be given to first time students.

*****CHANGES MAY BE MADE AS NECESSARY*****

PLEASE CUT ALONG DOTTED LINE AND KEEP TOP PORTION FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

Registration Form –PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

_____Week 1 August 25–August 31, 2019 _____ Week 2 September 1–September 7, 2019

$405 PER PERSON – PER WEEK/DAY TRIPPER IS $255 FOR THE WEEK

Name 1___________________________________________ Name 2___________________________________________
Address ______________________________________City_______________________________CA Zip______________
Phone________________________________________Email__________________________________________________

Accommodations (circle one) Couples dorm Women’s dorm Men’s dorm Cabin RV Space

Would like to room with _________________________________________________________________ if possible.

Special Needs: __________Food _________Diabetic_________Vegetarian_________Other (please explain)

Due to the lack of dietary knowledge and various interpretations of different needs, we ask that you bring your special food
items and we will do our best to prepare them for you. Animals will be allowed in the RV area only and must be kept on a
leash at all times and picked up after. Any violations could result in adherence to their NO PETS Rule.

By attending this activity you are giving your consent to CFMS to make photographs, videotapes, films or other
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