



CFMS NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

By Margaret Kolaczyk

This year is just rushing by and I thought I would review some of the accomplishments achieved by the CFMS Committees.

The All American Club, Bulletin Aids, Rules and Webmaster received many entries and did an excellent job at the AFMS/CFMS Show presenting the awards.

The Earth Science Studies program has added Camp Manager North and Camp Manager South to help manage the growing tasks at the camps. The Internet Committee is working on updating the CFMS website and is in the process of installing a new software program to ease maintaining the website.

The Membership Committee has updated information on how a society/club can become a member of CFMS and what documentation is needed to become a society for the states of California and Nevada. The Museum Committee is completing the inventory of all CFMS material held at museums in California.

The Program Aids has updated the speaker's list. The Public Lands Advisory Committee has continued to keep the societies/clubs abreast of the latest happenings. The Safety Committee has put together an excellent Safety Guidelines Manual for all societies/clubs to use in helping setup a safety program.

This is just the tip of the iceberg of all that the CFMS Committee are working on and/or have completed this year. The Committee Chairs continue to do a wonderful job to move CFMS forward.

Now a heads up for all societies/clubs. All nomination letters for AFMS Honorees need to be sent via email or snail mail to Tony Fender by November 1st. All nominations for CFMS Honorees need to be sent via email or snail mail to Jennifer Haley by November 1st. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Margaret Kolaczyk



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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Oct 5 Deadline for November newsletter
Nov 5. Deadline for December newsletter
Nov 1. Deadline for packet reports
Nov 10-12. . . . Fall Business Meeting–Visalia

CFMS INSURANCE CONTACTS

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The CFMS website is accessible at www.cfmsinc.org the email for the web site is cfmswebsite@yahoo.com. Aitors 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
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- AFMS Scholarship Foundation
- AFMS Endowment Fund

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 acknowledgements. **Please make all checks payable to CFMS or AFMS as appropriate and note the fund in the memo section.**

DIRECTORS MEETING REPORTS

The deadline for submitting committee reports for the Visalia Fall Business Meeting is November 1. If unable to submit your report prior to that date, please bring at least 75 copies for distribution at the Directors Meeting.

Since registration opens at 8 am bringing the copies to the registration table no later than 8:15 would be greatly appreciated.

I am also seeking a volunteer who is not a Director to sit at the registration table during the meeting to safeguard against “sticky fingers”. Hopefully the hotel can place the table inside the meeting room, but this may not be possible due to lack of space.

CFMS FALL BUSINESS MEETING

By Pat LaRue

The annual Fall Business Meeting and election of 2018 Officers will be held November 10-12, 2017 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 \$95 per night, tell them you are with CFMS. Cut-off date for this price is **November 5, 2017**. 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 11, at 9 a.m.** President-elect Jennifer Haley will have a brief meeting of her 2018 committee chairpersons on Sunday a.m., time to be announced.

Banquet Menu Night in Tuscany Buffet

Traditional Caesar Salad

Platter of Shaved Coppa, Prosciutto and Dry Salami
garnished with Olives

Tortellini Salad in Vinaigrette Dressing

Sliced Roasted Beef Filet Marinated in Aged Balsamic
Vinegar, Red Wine Sauce

Chicken Carbonara with Pancetta and Mushrooms on a
Bed of Penne Pasta

Risotto Milanese

Roasted Garlic Red Potatoes and Fresh Seasonal
Vegetables

Chef's Dessert Buffet Extravaganza

\$45 tax and gratuity included.

Vegetarian and gluten free options available upon request.

Make banquet reservations by November 5, 2017.

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BULLETIN AIDS

By Suzanne Webb, Chair

Calling all editors of CFMS society and club newsletters: the deadline is nearly here. Your entries are due to me by the 10th of October. You can send them as attachments to email if that works for you. (I like them that way.) Or, if hard copy works better for you, you can send entries to me at 9895 Kerrydale Court, Reno, NV 89521. If you do send hard copy, however, please just be sure that you also send a DVD or flash drive with it.

What to send? Was there a particularly interesting article one of your members wrote for your newsletter? Perhaps there was an account of a field trip, an explanation about a mineral, a profile of a special member, and so on. If you have an author who has won a first place in an earlier contest, published an article or book, or has worked in the earth sciences, his or her article qualifies for the original adult article advanced category. Entries by junior members are always appreciated as are poems and drawings. I've seen entries that are thank you articles as well as president's messages, cartoons, and how-to articles.

Did someone create a field trip manual or a members' guide? Those qualify as special publications for the AFMS contest. Take a look at the CFMS web site to see the score sheets for each category to help you decide what you've published that you might send in (http://cfmsinc.org/forms10/contest_forms.htm#BULLETIN_CONTEST). And don't worry about not being able to mine your November and December issues. I feel confident that they'll be eligible for the contest the following year.





SAFETY GUIDE TO BE AVAILABLE

by Mark Nelson, Safety Committee Chair

Our clubs and societies thrive on serving the interests of the members. Activities that offer stimulating mental and physical activity in a safe environment are key to attracting new members and retaining existing ones. CFMS recognizes this and has tasked the Safety Committee to develop a tool by which our clubs can communicate safety to their members during those activities that the clubs sponsor.

The Safety Committee has developed a Safety Guide. A draft version of this guide was approved by the Executive Committee and was distributed to Federation Directors at the mid-year meeting at Ventura, in June. The Committee will submit it for approval at the Annual Meeting in Visalia, and an approved version will be sent to all clubs and made available on the CFMS web site.

Your input is both encouraged and valued! A pdf copy of the preliminary CFMS Safety Guide was emailed to all society contact people in September. Please have those people in your club read it and suggest improvements. While improvements will be made on a continual basis, CFMS would like the initial version to be as complete as possible.

If you are interested in submitting input and did not receive a copy, please let me know by email at m.nelson@cfmsing.org. Thank you!



ROCKHOUND OF THE YEAR

By Gary Levitt

garytherockhound@sbcglobal.net

Greetings rockhounds. You may have noticed that the focus of the monthly bulletin from the CFMS is busily addressing the November CFMS meeting. With that in mind (and of course not forgetting your members and selecting one of your members for recognition as Rockhound of the Year), this is a wonderful time to take care of the paperwork associated with selecting your club's Rockhound of the Year.

Please get your selection for Rockhound of the Year information to me as soon as you can. That will give me sufficient time to create the certificate and have your member recognized in both the CFMS and AFMS bulletins.

Do a writeup (a form to help you with this is described below) that tells why this member should be recognized. Keep in mind the Rockhound of the Year award is an annual award. Thus the present award is for the year 2017. A society may select an individual, or couple as their honoree. Also your society may select a Junior Rockhound of the Year.

Using the form that is available on the CFMS website (CFMS Forms > Rockhound of the Year > Recognition Form - pdf), simply email the filled out form to me. As you can see my email is listed at the beginning of the article. I urge you to get this info to me as quickly as possible so that I may give you the certificates at the November CFMS meeting.

PROGRAM UPDATES

By Emmy Silverman, Chair

Hello, everyone, we have updated the CFMS Speakers listing. We have added several fantastic speakers: Dick and Mary Pat Weber, Bradford Smith, Renee Newman, Walter Lombardo and Steve Hardinger.

Please spread the word and invite all these amazing speakers to your clubs. If you know of any quality speakers who would like to be on the list, please email Emmy at cfmsprogramaids@gmail.com. Thank you!

CFMS, PLAC South Report

By Lisbet Thoresen
5 September 2017

Dept of Interior Reviews:

Advisory Councils and 27 National Monuments on the block

September 1, 2017

Article available online at:

http://www.sdmg.org/articles/201709/201709_DOI_Reviews_RACs-DAC_Natl_Monuments.pdf

or short URL: <https://goo.gl/zQdPch>

enclosed: draft DAC reinstatement letter to DOI Secretary Zinke

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Summary report, 5 September 2017

Lisbet Thoresen, PLAC – South Chair DOI review of RACs and DAC meetings

In May, the Department of Interior (DOI) suspended all meetings of BLM's advisory boards and councils, including 220 Resource Advisory Councils (RACs) and the Desert District Advisory Council (DAC) in California. The councils were established by FLPMA as a citizens' advisory group in 1976. Inadequate public engagement in some regions was said to have prompted the review and temporary suspension of activities. San Diego Mineral & Gem Society submitted a letter to DOI supporting reinstatement of the DAC meetings, BLM field offices in southern California work hard to make the DAC a productive channel of communication with the public.

The review was originally expected to conclude sometime in September, so BLM staff looked forward to scheduling the next DAC meeting in October or November. At press time, a date certain had not been set.

National Monuments review

Secretary Zinke submitted his final report on DOI's review of 27 national monuments (NM) on August 24. President Trump ordered the review of monuments designated or expanded under authority of the Antiquities Act of 1906 by his three predecessors – Obama, Bush, and Clinton. President Trump has publicly advocated transferring control of federal lands to the states, which would enable them to greenlight commercial development such as mining, oil drilling, and utility-scale renewable energy projects.

Zinke's report was not made public, but a summary issued by DOI reiterated some preliminary recommendations he issued during the review period: no monuments would be abolished, and downsizing would be recommended for "a handful" of monuments.

Three of the monuments are in Southern California: Sand to Snow, San Gabriel Mountains, Mojave Trails. In July-August, Zinke took Sand to Snow off the list of downsizing candidates; however, the fate of the other two is not known.

On June 30th, in a letter to Secretary Zinke, 17 House Republicans, including California representatives Paul Cook (8th district), Darrell Issa (49th district), and Tom McClintock (4th district), advocated eliminating nine monuments and reducing the size of 14 others, including San Gabriel Mountains and Mojave Trails.[See short URL: <https://goo.gl/u5xYBr>] ALAA has supported the recommendation, citing inputs Rockhounds.[See short URL: <https://goo.gl/RgTvaj>]

Mojave Trails's 1.6 million acres is vulnerable to being reduced by as much as one-third. Prior to the monument designation, 600,000 acres that are now within the monument's boundaries had been approved for renewable energy projects. House Majority Leader Kevin McCarthy (R-Bakersfield) and Rep. Paul Cook (R-Inyo, Mono, and most of San Bernardino Counties) favor reducing it significantly, with Rep. Cook looking for a scaling back of at least 500,000 acres to benefit mining and other economic interests, notably Cadiz Inc., which proposes to tap the aquifer beneath the monument and sell it to Orange County.[See short URL: <https://goo.gl/Nvq6if>] Mojave Trails completely surrounds Cadiz's 9,000-acre tract, and it now represents an encumbrance to the company's plans for obtaining the needed right-of-way along the railroad to build the pipeline.

Anticipating the possible downsizing of Mojave Trails to accommodate Cadiz, Inc, on July 5th, Assembly Member Laura Friedman (D-Glendale) introduced AB 1000, the California Desert Protection Act, specifically to stop the company's water extraction project. The bill died in committee on September 1st. Recreational users hoping that Mojave Trails will be downsized and access will revert to what they enjoyed previously may be chagrined to find that fences will go up around all the new-built facilities, including the railroad right-of-way that Cadiz is seeking.

In the meantime, BLM is working on the management plan for Mojave Trails and are looking for a final draft plan ready for public comment and reviews to be released in mid-2019. The roads from the WEMO maps already in BLM's database, will be incorporated into the draft plan. I visited with Peg Margosian last October and additional route data had been entered by Kim Erb and a now-retired BLM geologist (and rockhound.)

What influence Zinke's report has on the President and how events unfold in the coming months is anyone's guess. Conservation and public access advocates promise that scale-backs will engender litigation. One thing is clear from Secretary Zinke's monument review – current public sentiment on the is strongly in favor (99% of respondents) of retaining, growing, and adding national monuments. DOI received 2.9 million letters – more than for any other issue – ever.[See short URL: <https://goo.gl/C3p7hV>]

ONE OF OUR OWN IS HONORED BY AFMS AT AFMS/CFMS BANQUET

The 2017 AFMS Recognition Award was presented at the AFMS/CFMS Annual Banquet held in Ventura, CA to an individual who has been President of the California Federation and has worked long and hard at this level in a leadership role for many years as a Director, Officer, and Committee Chair.

This individual also received the prestigious California Federation’s Golden Bear Award. This individual is a member of the host club, Ventura Gem and Mineral Society. Our recipient served as President as well as 3rd VP – Show Chair; Membership Secretary; 1st VP – Programs; Past President/Parliamentarian; Scholarship Chair and Educational Outreach/Museum Chair.

Our recipient has also served on the AFMS Board of Directors; Scholarship Foundation; and Boundaries Committee, and a judge for the AFMS Bulletin Contest. This individuals’ biggest claim to fame, however, is being Chair of the AFMS Junior Program since 2003 and the CFMS Junior Activity Chair since 1998. Our recipient constructed the AFMS program for juniors; updated the program every four years; and maintains a badge program called the Future Rockhounds of America Badge Program.

Our recipient instituted a program that all clubs can use to teach various age groups in a myriad of subjects such as geology; mineralogy; and gemology just to name a few. Students receive badges a membership patch (3,946 to date), activity badges demonstrating their proficiency in a particular area (currently 20 total badges) and yes our recipient designed all the badges. To date, over 11,900 badges have been handed out. If a student masters all the subjects they are awarded an AFMS pin – a special mark of distinction (28 to date) and the best part is the program is free.

Besides the Badge Program, our recipient uses other tools to help juniors of all individual clubs such as: 1) a menu of Kids Show Activity Suggestions; 2) Earth Science Activity Presentations; 3) the Patricia Egolf Rock Pals Program; and finally 4) our own AFMS Bulletin Contest for Youth Articles.

In his spare time, our recipient is also a regular contributor to Rock and Gem Magazine, the publication that continually supports the mission of the AFMS. Our recipient writes general interest articles for adult readers

and monthly articles aimed at kids, exploring different minerals, fossils, or special topics currently totaling about 200 articles.

In conclusion, I continuously hear members of the AFMS ask how we can best achieve the survival of our hobby. Well what better way than to educate our youth and instill a life-long knowledge and appreciation of all the aspects of our hobby. Therefore, I was pleased to present to **Jim Brace-Thompson** the 2017 AFMS Recognition Award for his outstanding service to the AFMS.

Matt Charsky
AFMS Past President

From *AFMS Newsletter*, Sept 2017

SLATE OF OFFICERS FOR 2018	
President.....	Jennifer Haley
1 st VP/President Elect.....	Tony Fender
2 nd VP.....	Marcia Goetz
Secretary.....	Ellen Ferrell
Treasurer.	Al Bolshazy
Present by:	
Shirley Leeson	
Chair, Nominating Committee	





THE PASADENA LAPIDARY SOCIETY,
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An educational, non-profit, community organization dedicated to the goals of expanding public awareness of the use of gemstone materials in design and construction of jewelry and works of art.

September 7, 2017

California Federation of Mineralogical Societies
Shirley Leeson, Chair of Nominating Committee
6155 Haas St.
La Mesa, CA 91942

To Whom It May Concern,

The Pasadena Lapidary Society Board of Directors would like to nominate Ellen Ferrell for the position of Secretary for the upcoming term of office of the CFMS..

Ellen Ferrell is a member in good standing of the Pasadena Lapidary Society and currently serves as President and PLS Annual Show Committee Chair.

Ellen has an extensive background in serving as a legal secretary, legal assistant, defense contract administrator, operations manager for manufacturing company providing goods to defense contractors, and the last seven years prior to her retirement, she managed eight non-profit organizations which included record keeping in accordance with Florida Law, prepared monthly financial statements, prepared annual budgets, supervised monthly board meetings and yearly officer elections.

Her past experience displays her abilities to serve in the capacity of Secretary for CFMS.

Thank you for your consideration of our nomination.

Sincerely,

Mona Ross
Mona Ross
Vice President

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September 23 – 24, LODI, CA
Stockton Lapidary & Mineral Club
Lodi Grape Festival Grounds
413 East Lockeford Street
Hours: 10 - 5 daily
Contact: Jerry Kyle, (209) 368-9411
Email: jeroldkyle@yahoo.com
Website: www.stocktonlapidary.com

September 23 - 24, 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: www.cvgms.org

October 7 – 8, BORON, CA
Mojave Mineralogical Society
Boron Community Center
26998 John Street
Hours: 9 - 4 daily
Contact: Bruce Davies, 760-338-8829
Email: daviesb@yahoo.com
Web Site: [Facebook page](#)

October 7 – 8, GRASS VALLEY, CA
Nevada County Gem & Mineral Society
Nevada County Fairgrounds
11228 McCourtney Road
Hours: 10 - 5 daily
Contact: Anita Wald-Tuttle, 530-277-6195
Email: anitaw1t3@gmail.com
Website: www.ncgms.org

October 7 – 8, VISTA, CA
Vista Gem & Mineral Society
Antique Gas & Steam Engine Museum
2040 N. Santa Fe Avenue
Hours: Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4
Contact: Kelly Hickman, 760-639-0447
Email: kellyahickman@hotmail.com
Website: www.vistarocks.org

October 8, FALLBROOK, CA
Fallbrook Gem & Mineral Society
Fallbrook Gem & Mineral Building
123 West Alvarado Street
Hours: 9-4
Contact: Janice Bricket 760-728-1130
Email: fgms@sbcglobal.net
Website: www.fgms.org

October 14-15 Anderson, CA
Shasta Gem and Mineral Society
Shasta County Fairground
1890 Briggs Street off SR 273
Hours: Sat 9-5, Sun 10-4
Contact: Steve Puderbaugh, 530-604-2951
Email: steve@applyline.com
Facebook page: Shasta Gem and Mineral Society

October 14-15, TRONA, CA
Searles Lake Gem & Mineral Society
Gem Show Building
13337 Main Street
Hours: Sat 7:30-5, Sun 7:30-4
Contact: Jim & Bonnie Fairchild 760-372-5356
Email: slgms@iwvisp.com
Website: www1.iwvisp.com/tronagemclub

October 21 - 22, PLACERVILLE, CA
El Dorado County Mineral & Gem Society
El Dorado County Fairgrounds
100 Placerville Drive
Hours: 10 - 5 daily
Contact: (530) 676-2472
Email: info@rockandgemshow.org
Website: www.eldoradorocks.org

October 21-22, SANTA ROSA, CA
Santa Rosa Mineral and Gem Society
The Veterans Memorial
1351 Maple Avenue
Hours: Sat 10-6, Sun 10-5
Contact: Jolene Coon, 707-849-9551
Website: www.SRMGS.org

October 21, WEST HILLS, CA
Woodland Hills Rock Chippers
First United Methodist Church
22700 Sherman Way
Hours: 10 - 5
Contact: Virginia Rotramel, 951-403-2634
Email: ginigem1@gmail.com
Website: www.rockchippers.org

October 21-22, Whittier, CA
Whittier Gem & Mineral Society
Whittier Community Center
7630 Washington Ave.
Hours: 10-5
Contact: Yvonne Morton, 562-895-8667
Email: will.yvonne.morton.verizon.net
Website: www.wgmsca.com

October 28 - 29, LOS ALTOS, CA
Peninsula Gem & Geology Society
Los Altos Youth Center
One North San Antonio Road
Hours: 10 - 5 daily
Contact: Steve Jobe, (408) 834-5384
Email: steve_job@sbcglobal.net
Website: www.pggs.org

October 28 – 29, SACRAMENTO, CA
Sacramento Mineral Society
Scottish Rite Temple
6151 H Street
Hours: 10 - 5 daily
Contact: Alyssa Meszinger, 916-662-5819
Email: gemshow@sacramentomineralsociety.org
Website: <http://sacramentomineralsociety.org>

November 3, 4, 5, EUREKA, CA
Humboldt Gem & Mineral Society
Redwood Acres Fairgrounds
3750 Harris Street
Hours: Fri 9-6, Sat 9-6, Sun 10-5
Contact: Toni L Tyson 707-502-9574
Email: bluiis911.msn.com

November 4 - 5, 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: www.opalsociety.org

November 4-5, CONCORD, CA
Contra Costa Mineral & Gem Society
Centre Concord
5298 Clayton Rd
Hours: 10-5
Contact: Mary Hicks 925-779-0698
Email: maryhicks@comcast.net

November 4-5, RIDGECREST, CA
Indian Wells Gem & Mineral Society
Desert Empire Fairgrounds
520 South Richmond Road
Hours 9-5 daily
Contact: John DeRosa 760-375-7905
Email: jfrocks@dslextreme.com

November 11 - 12, YUBA CITY, CA
Sutter Buttes Gem & Mineral Society
Yuba-Sutter Fairgrounds - Franklin Hall
442 Franklin Avenue
Hours: Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4
Contact: Karen Horita, (530) (916) 677-6696
Email: horita@comcast.net
Website: www.sutterbuttes.net

November 18 - 19, OXNARD, CA
The Oxnard Gem & Mineral Society
Oxnard Performing Arts Center
800 Hobson Way
Hours: Sat. 9 - 5; Sun. 10 - 4
Contact: Stephanie Hagiwara, 805- 394-8002
Email: webmaster@oxnardgem.com
Website: <http://oxnardgem.com>

November 18-19, Santa Cruz, CA
Santa Cruz Mineral and Gem Society
Santa Cruz Live Oak Grange
1900 17th Ave.
Hours: 10-5
Contact: Michael Cox, 831-459-0572
Email: scruzmgsg@gmail.com
Website: www.scrockngem.org

December 9-10, Rialto, CA
Orange Belt Mineralogical Society
Near Rialto City Hall
150 S Palm Ave
Hours 9:AM to DUSK
Contact: Jessica Pearson, 909-381-0089
Email: OBMSTailgateinfo@gmail.com
Website: <http://obmsrocks.yolasite.com>

2018

January 20-21, Exeter, CA
Tule Gem and Mineral Society
Exeter Veterans' Memorial Building
324 N Kaweah Ave
Hours: Sat, 10-5; Sun, 10-4
Contact: Margaret Buchmann, 559-799-6034
Email: margaretbu03@gmail.com
Website: www.tulegem.com

February 16-25, Indio, CA
San Geronio Mineral & Gem Society
Riverside County Fair & National Date Festival
82-503 Hwy 111
Hours: 10AM-10PM
Contact: Bert Grisham, 951-849-1674
Email: bert67@verizon.net

February 17-18, Antioch, CA
Antioch Lapidary Club
Contra Costa County Fairgrounds
1201 West 10th Street
Hours: 10-5
Contact: Brenda Miguel, 925-301-6957
Email: brenda.miguel@yahoo.com
Website: www.antiochlapidaryclub.com

February 24-25, Vallejo, CA
Vallejo Gem & Mineral Society
Solano County Fairgrounds, McCormack Hall
900 Fairgrounds Drive
Hours: 10-5
Contact: Daniel Wolke, 707-342-2950
Email: dncwolke@sbcglobal.net
Website: www.vjgems.org

March 2, 3, 4 Newark, CA
Mineral & Gem Society of Castro Valley
Newark Pavilion
6430 Thornton Ave
Hours Fri. & Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-5
Contact: Cathy Miller, 510-887-9007
Email: showchair@mgscv.org
Website: info@mgscv.org

March 10-11, 2018, Salinas, CA
Salinas Valley Rock & Gem
Spreckels Vet's Memorial Hall
5th & Llano Streets
Hours: 10-5
Contact: Gary Beck, 831-679-2896
Email: garybeckpca@yahoo.com
Website: salinasrockandgem.pagecloud.com

March 17-18 San Jose, CA
Santa Clara Valley Gem & Mineral Society
Santa Clara County Fairgrounds
344 Tully Rd
Hours: 10-5
Contact: Sonia Dyer, 408-629-5735
Email: sonia.dyer@sbcglobal.net
Website: www.scvgms.org

June 8, 9, 10 Escondido, CA
Palomar Gem & Mineral Society
Details to follow

September 23 - 24, REDWOOD CITY, CA
Sequoia Gem & Mineral Society
Details to follow

National/Regional Shows:

Eastern Federation
67th Annual EFMS Convention
October 21-22, 2017

Beals Community Center
Bristol, CT

Southeast Federation
Hosted by Knoxville G&MS
Kerbela Shriners Temple,
Oct 20-22, 2017
Knoxville, TN

South Central Federation
SCFMS Convention
Hosted by Houston G&MS
Humble Civic Center
8233 Will Clayton Pkwy
Nov 10-12, 2017
Humble, TX

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