



# CFMS NEWSLETTER

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Marcia Goetz

Hello Everyone,

As I write this we're a little more than 6 weeks into our quarantine. It feels like someone has put time on hold. I find myself wishing that I could get together with my rock friends and family. It'd be nice to be able to go to a meeting to visit with friends, talk about rocks, and enjoy an educational program - but that's still going to have to wait a while as we don't know how long it'll be before we can all meet in large gatherings. Many of the facilities that our societies use for regular meetings are government owned and it may be longer for those groups to get back together for a meeting. Here in Los Angeles County we still have increasing numbers of persons who have contracted the Corvid 19 virus and the deaths are still increasing. At least some the counties in California that have a smaller population and that are more spread out will soon be able to resume somewhat of a daily life, and I will bet that will include some getting out in the nice weather and doing some rock hounding.

Many of the CFMS and Societies activities have been canceled and will have to wait until next year. It's a sad time so see. The CFMS Show and Convention, Zzyzx, and now Camp Paradise have been cancelled. Many of us fall in the "over than" category and now need to be more vigilant about contacts with others. I'm sure many of us will not be too quick to get out and about yet. The Executive Committee will hold a virtual meeting sometime in June and Pat tells me the minutes can be approved at the November Director's Meeting in Visalia.

However, while staying at home there is a lot of information out on the Internet that we can refer to and educate ourselves with either through YouTube or logging onto various educational websites. You could find almost a years' worth of things to watch on YouTube from field trips to faceting. Some websites with educational information are: Rock and Gem Magazine ([rockngem.com](http://rockngem.com)) where you can find lots of information in the way of videos, tools of the trade, and their blog; GIA (Gemological Institute of America)

has an educational section available to the public including a 'GemKids' area, a gem encyclopedia, a birthstone section, and articles; Fire Mountain has a video section on jewelry-making instructions; Mindat has a broad mineral database to help ID those rocks you found while cleaning up the backyard; and ICA has an educational section ([gemstone.org](http://gemstone.org)). If a person started researching at the beginning of the stay-at-home time they most certainly would have a head full of knowledge by now.

I hope soon it will be safe to lift the regulations and life can get back to a version of our former life. In the meantime please stay well.

*Marcia*

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**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**  
no newsletter in July  
July 5 Deadline for August newsletter

## CFMS INSURANCE CONTACTS

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## CFMS WEBSITE

The CFMS website is accessible at [www.cfmsinc.org](http://www.cfmsinc.org)  
Editors are invited to download articles for their bulletins from this website. Please be patient as our new webmaster builds our new website.

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## NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

The deadline for the newsletter is the 5<sup>th</sup> day of the month prior to the month of publication. Articles should be sent to the editor at [bplarue@earthlink.net](mailto:bplarue@earthlink.net). "snail mail"? Please send to the CFMS PO Box 1657, Rialto, CA 92377-1657. Articles without a byline are written by the editor.

**NO NEWSLETTER IN JULY!!**

## 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.





## JUNIORS ACTIVITIES

By Jim Brace-Thompson, CFMS  
Juniors Activities Chair

### Engaging Your Club's Kids While Social Distancing

With social distancing and stay-at-home orders, school closures, and mandates barring group gatherings in light of the COVID-19 pandemic, we in my own Ventura Gem & Mineral Society have had to cancel membership and board meetings, workshop days, educational outreach efforts, and our monthly Pebble Pup activities. If you are like us, you are searching for ways to keep your society relevant and meaningful to club members and your broader community.

To hold our group of Pebble Pups together, here are some things we in the Ventura society are trying. Lisa Batchelder Hetrick, our Pebble Pups Program Coordinator, is scouring the web and Facebook pages to seek activities kids can do at home. She's found one that incorporates food (as well as other fun things) at [www.teachjunkie.com/sciences/rocks-for-kids-15-fun-activities](http://www.teachjunkie.com/sciences/rocks-for-kids-15-fun-activities). She also stumbled across a National Fossil Day poster contest sponsored by the U.S. National Park Service which I'll describe in next month's CFMS Newsletter (meanwhile, see [www.nps.gov/subjects/fossilday/art-contest-2020.htm](http://www.nps.gov/subjects/fossilday/art-contest-2020.htm)).

We're also encouraging families with Pebble Pups to try working through activities on their own that are part of the AFMS Future Rockhounds of America Badge Program (see [www.amfed.org/fra/fra\\_badge.htm](http://www.amfed.org/fra/fra_badge.htm)). For instance, one that is easily done at home is the "Rocking on the Computer" badge. This might also be a good opportunity to help a child organize his or her collection toward earning the "Collecting" badge. You don't need to have a full group meeting to earn badges in the AFMS/FRA Badge Program; in fact, we welcome home-schooling that brings together kids and their parents! The web address I've just provided takes you to a page with a link to the full Badge Manual. Share it with parents in your society!

Finally, just today I've kicked off a contest for our Pebble Pups that I hope to conduct weekly, a contest I've entitled "Name the Specimen – And It's Yours!" Once a week, we'll email a photo of a mineral, rock, or fossil to our Pebble Pups and Junior members and will give them one

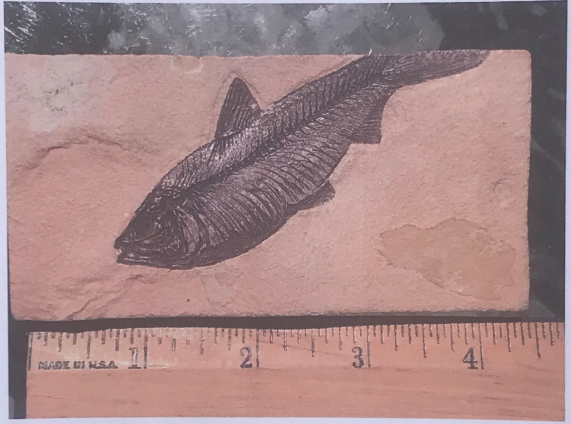
week to get back to me with a correct identification. The child who provides the most accurate and complete answer gets the specimen. If multiple kids send the same answer, their names will be put in a hat to select the winner. The main goal is to keep our club kids engaged and excited so that they'll still be with us when once again we are all able to meet in-person.

I hope these ideas spur further thinking within your club, and I welcome hearing about other creative ideas—and not just ideas geared toward kids. What ways are you exploring to stay meaningful and relevant to your adult members and within your broader community? I'd love to hear what's being tried. Email your thoughts to me at [jbraceth@roadrunner.com](mailto:jbraceth@roadrunner.com). Despite the pandemic and social distancing, there are ways of engaging our kids at a distance while still having fun!

Calling all VGMS Pebble Pups & Junior Members!

*It's time to play...*

**NAME THE SPECIMEN – AND IT'S YOURS!**



Can you name this specimen? If so, it may become yours! The Pebble Pup or Junior member who provides the most accurate and complete answer by next Wednesday may become the lucky owner of this fossil. (The most complete answer would include such details as common name, genus and species, age/geological time period, general locality, etc.) If more than one person sends the correct answer, the winner will be drawn from a hat.

Send your answer to Jim Brace-Thompson at [jbraceth@roadrunner.com](mailto:jbraceth@roadrunner.com) by Noon on Wednesday, April 29. Later that day we'll announce the winner and post a new fossil, mineral or rock to continue the game!

## SAFETY MESSAGE

By Joe Goetz, Safety Chair

I hope when you read this article you are all safe and healthy I offer my condolences to any families who had loved ones who didn't recover from the virus. Since the vast majority of rockhounds are 60 and older we must take extra care and do what the experts tell us to do. If you are tired of making jewelry and cutting stones and long to go on a field trip, try going into your backyard and sorting the rocks you have. You will come across those special stones that spark a memory of camaraderie with fellow rockhounds. And they even spark the memory of where you collected it.

Be sure to wear safety glasses and gloves because you don't know what's creeping around in the buckets or rock piles. Now that the heat has arrived be sure to hydrate - whether with cold water or lemonade and be sure to keep your electrolytes up ie salt, potassium and don't overdo. We will all get through this and soon we'll be on group field trips.

## CAMP PARADISE REPORT

With the ongoing pandemic and the uncertainty of what the future holds we believe that it is necessary to cancel Camp Paradise for this year. We have discussed the situation with the instructors, and some of them are reluctant to attend. It takes several months of planning and organizing to host an ESS camp, so the decision had to be made now.

Sandie and I are very sorry that both ESS camps had to be cancelled this year, and we have put off the decision as long as we dared, but we cannot delay any further.

We hope that this situation will be over by the end of the year so that we can look forward to Zzyzx and Camp Paradise for next year.

Tony and Sandie Fender



From Shirley  
Leeson, ALAA  
President, 2020.

March 23, 2020

We, at ALAA, want to extend our sincere concern for all of you all over these United States. It's been troubling times for all of us. This global corona virus pandemic is affecting all of our families, our businesses, our communities, even our way of life. We urge you all to take precautions for your safety and health and that of your families. We are strong, we are Americans and we have been through trying times in the past. Nothing will keep us down.

Let's all hope and pray that this curse will come to an end soon and we can get back to what recreational rockhounds do best....collect rocks.

So, rock on!

Shirley and the officers and directors of American Lands Access Assn.

From *AFMS Newsletter*, May 20







## AFMS SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

Sandie Fender,  
AFMS Scholarship President

The AFMS Scholarship Foundation is a separate entity from the AFMS.

**AFMS SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION.** For the purpose of financially aiding young men and women in acquiring an education in the field of Earth Sciences, this Federation shall organize and form a Division of the Federation to be known as the 'AFMS Scholarship Foundation'. The Federation shall so organize this Foundation as to be incorporated and have its own Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws apart from the Federation; such laws to be formed as set forth by the Board of this Federation.

Did you know that the AFMS scholarship foundation runs on donations only? I was not aware of this before I became President. Knowing all of the good that this organization does, I am sending out a request that all clubs and federations make a small donation to the Scholarship foundation. How much should you make? If every club in every Federation of the participating federations donated 50 cents per member, the foundation would have most of their necessary budget. Having been a teacher, watching 6th graders asking how much it would cost to go to college, I would always tell them to look for scholarships. Having met college students at Caltech, I truly understand the importance of scholarships. Many Universities and Colleges will match a student's scholarship, so AFMS is really helping the student.

### *AFMS Scholarship Foundation - A Resume to Refresh Our Memories*

The establishment of the Scholarship foundation was authorized by the addition of an Article to the By-Laws of the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies in 1958. The AFMS Scholarship Foundation, Inc. was set up as a separate corporation with its own officers and directors.

**Organization:** The Foundation was incorporated as the AFMS SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION, INC., a Minnesota Corporation on March 18, 1964. A Tax Exemption Certificate was obtained from the Internal Revenue Service on November 6, 1964. The Board of

Directors consists of: The President of the AFMS who is automatically both the Vice-President and a Director of the Foundation. The other Directors are: the AFMS President-Elect, and the President and the Vice-President of each of the six participating Regional Federations. The Board of Directors has the management of the Foundation.

The Board elects a President, a Treasurer, and a Secretary, each for two-year terms, the President being elected one year, the Treasurer and Secretary being elected the next year to insure continuity of experienced management. It will be seen that the Foundation, while an independent Corporation, is entirely in the control of AFMS Federation personnel.

**Purpose of the Foundation:** The object of the Foundation is to accumulate a Fund, using only the income from the Fund to finance Scholarships. The principal cannot be used for any purpose whatever, hence the usefulness of the Fund is perpetual.

**Awards to Beneficiary Students:** Beginning in 1965, one student received a scholarship grant of \$300.00 per year for two years to help achieve an advanced degree in any of the Earth Sciences. In 1966, the grant was increased to \$400.00 per year for two years; in 1967, the grant was increased to \$500.00 per year for two years.

As the Fund, and hence the income from it, increased, the grants were increased and, subsequently, more students received scholarship grants. By 1972, each Regional Federation received one grant of \$750.00 per year for two years. Grants were increased to \$1,000.00 per year in 1976; to two scholarship grants per each Regional Federation in 1981. In 1983, each grant was increased to \$1,500.00 per year for two years; and the amount was increased to \$2,000.00 per year for each grant in 1988. In 2009-2010 additional funds were raised to allow the educational grants to increase to a single \$4,000 educational grant starting with 12 students selected in the 2009-10 school year.

Grants are restricted to Graduate students to avoid the possible waste of money on students who are not committed to Earth Science subjects, or who drop out before graduation (Any student working toward an advanced degree is presumed to have definitely decided to follow that field for his/her lifetime vocation, insofar as such decision is possible). Since our joint interests lie in that field, grants are restricted to Earth Science students who are U.S. Citizens.

**Selection of Beneficiary Students:** Until 1972, one person of prominence in the Earth Science field was selected from

among twelve nominees, 2 from each Regional Federation. That person, normally associated with a prominent University or College, selected the schools, and the students who received the grants. Since 1972, each participating Regional Federation has selected their own Honorary Award Winner who then selected the school(s) and assisted with the selection of the student, or students, who then received the scholarship grant(s). This indirect method has served our purpose perfectly in that it benefits needy students, yet avoids the enormous task and expense of receiving, sifting through and evaluating applications from hundreds of applicants, which would otherwise be necessary if selections were made by ourselves in the conventional manner.

**The Fund:** In the beginning, Betty Crocker coupons were accepted and turned in to General Mills at 1/2¢ per point until December 31, 1974, when the program was discontinued by General Mills. Coupons accounted for approximately 10% of the Fund at that time. Since that time, the trust fund has been supported by donations and memorials from "rockhounds", nationwide. The market value of the investments of the Foundation, as of October 31, 2010, stood at just over \$1,024,170.00. With the exception of a few hundred dollars received from outside organizations, the entire amount has been donated, by Earth Science Clubs and Societies throughout the entire nation, and by individual members of such groups.

**Gifts:** All gifts to the AFMS Scholarship Foundation are held to be tax-deductible to the donor, and are normally added to the "trust" account. Gifts should be sent to each Regional Federation's Scholarship Chairman, who will see that the donor receives proper credit, and will forward the gifts to the proper Foundation Officer. Founder's Certificates are issued to individuals, dealers, or firms that contribute \$500.00 or more to the Fund, either as one gift or cumulatively, but the individual's club does not receive credit for such gifts.

Gifts may be made directly to the "Unrestricted Fund" by marking "Unrestricted" on the donation check or in a letter accompanying the donation. Unrestricted funds are not automatically put in to the investment account and may be directly paid out as educational grants to students instead of using the investment income only from the trust (investment) account, for the educational grants.

**Goals for the Future:** Our first goal was to establish a Fund of \$50,000.00 which would provide an annual scholarship in Earth Science. This goal was reached in and we are providing a single year scholarship grant of \$4,000.00 each year to two students selected by each of

the six participating Regional Federations.

What do we see ahead? Wonderful additional opportunities for service and help for more and more students. Remember, the Fund itself is not consumed - only the income from it. Whatever is in the "restricted trust fund" keeps working year after year, indefinitely into the future. The larger it grows, the better it can do - not only once, but time after time as the years go by. After the 2010-11 educational grants were paid out, 566 students have received financial educational assistance because of your generosity. At that time, the total dollar amount of grants paid out since the program inception in 1964 totaled \$1,540,650.00.

*First written by W.H. DeHeui President (10/69); updated by Glenn Lee, President (10/83); updated (7/93) by Louellen Montgomery, President; up-dated (12/04) by Dee Holland, AFMS Scholarship Foundation President; updated (7/11) by Jon Spunaugle, Treasurer and Foundation Past President*

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## NOTES FROM THE EXEC. SEC/TREAS

I will begin working on the CFMS Society roster within the next few weeks. This will be distributed by mail to all societies which are in good standing as of the date of publication.

Second notices will be mailed to those clubs which have not paid their 2020 dues and insurance no later than June 1. As this is written there are about 13 procrastinators out there. Due to the Covid-19 stay at home orders none of our clubs are able to meet and it is possible that the first notice which was mailed about March 7 is still languishing on someone's desk somewhere and not forwarded on to your treasurer to take of.

Like most of our clubs CFMS is looking at lean times due to not being able to have our annual Convention and Show or either of the Earth Science camps. We depend on the dues to help pay the bills and your club's per member share of the insurance payments needed to help reimburse the cost of the insurance premium we pay on your behalf each October 16.

Don't forget to get all your tax filing done by July 15 if you are a calendar year society and would normally file by May 15.

**A “CO-OP MEMBER” and “CFMS NORTH”  
FIELD TRIP TO  
TOPAZ MT. & DUGWAY GEODE BEDS  
Sponsored by Roseville Rock Rollers Gem and  
Mineral Society**

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

- (ii) CO-OP website has information: [www.ourfieldtrips.org](http://www.ourfieldtrips.org) (Password is needed).
- (iv) A Consent and Assumption of Risk Waiver of Liability form must be signed upon arrival at meeting site.
- (vi) The use of intoxicating substances during the effective hours of this field trip are expressly prohibited.

**TRIP LOCATION: Topaz Mt. and Dugway Geode Beds, North West of Delta, Utah.**

**Vehicle access & parking:** # 3 at Topaz Mt. & Dugway geode beds. - Good for most vehicles and RV's, no specific handicap parking at Topaz Mt. and Dugway geode beds.

**Collection or View Site:** From a # 3 at the base of the Mt. to a # 7 at the Red Beryl site, ½ mile or more to site, difficult trails and ravines or water crossings. A # 4 at Dugway geode beds, flat ground, unpaved sections, handicap access with some help.

**WHEN:** October 1<sup>st</sup> through October 4<sup>th</sup>. This is a repeating site tour; you may show up and leave at any time during these 4 days. See schedule for optimum arrival dates.

**MEMBER'S GUESTS:** This is a public collecting area and anybody may camp and collect at the area concurrent with our activities. Those who choose to make the escorted trip to the Red Beryl site and convoy with us to the Dugway Geode Beds must sign the waiver.

**COLLECTION MATERIAL:** Topaz Crystals, Bixbite (Red Beryl), Pseudobrookite crystals, Hematite crystals, and Geodes.

**LEADER & CONTACT INFO:** Please contact ahead of time: Gene Doyle, CO-OP & Roseville Rock Rollers Field Trip Leader, Text or leave message, Cell (408)

605-9457, Email [eugene.doyle@sbcglobal.net](mailto:eugene.doyle@sbcglobal.net); Jim Barton, CFMS-N, Home 916-773-0458, Cell (916) 847-7321, Email [geologist1@surewest.net](mailto:geologist1@surewest.net). If you are interested in this field trip Gene Doyle will email you a more detailed write up upon request.

**PROPOSED SCHEDULE:** We will be meeting at 0900 hours on Thursday October 1<sup>st</sup> at the Topaz Mountain camp site and drive to Dugway Geode Beds (about an 45 minutes) for the dig. Friday and Saturday will be Topaz Mountain, with Thursday and Sunday at Dugway Geodes.

**MEET:** Gene Doyle will have a dark blue Toyota 4Runner camped at a suitable location near the entrance to the “cove” of Topaz Mt each morning before 9am on the October 1<sup>st</sup> thru October 4<sup>th</sup>. Look for the “RRR” sign at the turn off Hwy 174 and the “Roseville Rock Rollers” sign on the side of the 4Runner.

**DIRECTIONS TO SITE/CAMP:** General directions are: Catch Highway 50 East from Sacramento to Fallon, Nevada then to Ely, NV. Follow 50/6 East from Ely to Delta, UT. Turn north on 50 just East of Delta, UT, left on Brush Highway, follow signs to the Intermountain Powerhouse, a coal fired power plant seen on the horizon. Turning onto the road to the powerhouse, you will be following a good paved road for approximately 40 minutes to the entrance to Topaz Mt. Collection Area, a BLM controlled area. I will stake the dirt roads into the site with “RRR”. Those staying in Delta may wish to meet and convoy together to “the cove”.

**VEHICLE REQ'S:** A high clearance or 4x4 vehicle at the red beryl site. It is recommended to have a high clearance vehicle at the Dugway site. A 2 wheel drive vehicles should make it to the camp site without a problem

**CAMP/FACILITIES:** This camp site is primitive. No services of any kind. If you are going to camp, you will need to be fully self contained and equipped.

**TOOLS:** Wide and narrow cold chisels, along with a 3 or 4 pound hand sledge are necessary. A standard rock pick and narrow screwdriver and a coat hanger or a stiff wire with a hook bent on the end. A heavy full size sledge hammers and pry bars. A 1/4 inch and 1/8 inch screen (stackable classifiers).

A standard shovel and garden rake or hand rake, and rock pick. A roll of toilet paper and disposable plastic containers to put specimens in.

**SAFETY CONCERNS:** There are scorpions, snakes, and other common desert animals in the area. Careful, rubble and boulders are everywhere so you must be very aware of those climbing or working up hill and below you. Be prepared at any moment to heed their warnings regarding falling rock or rubble. In turn, you must be very aware of those below you and not cause wasting or rock slides. Due to the potential for danger, **we will not be escorting young people under 18 years of age** into the Red Beryl area. Rhyolite dust is primarily silica dust and it would be wise to bring a dust mask if screening material.

**CLIMATE/WEATHER:** The weather at Topaz Mt. is rarely perfect! The average high in October is 65 degrees, with an average low of 37.

**CLOTHING:** Weather forecasts will dictate the necessary clothing. Full pants, closed shoes, gloves, and hat are strongly recommended.

**NOTE:** *This is not the full field trip write-up. Please contact the Field Trip Leader, Gene Doyle, for the full write-up if you're not scared by now about all those scorpions and stuff and you really want to go on this field trip!*

Note from the editor: I do not know the password to the COOP website. If you need additional information about this particular field trip, please do not contact me. Email your questions to the field trip leader or Jim Barton. Their contact information is in the writeup.



## AFMS Land Use Policy

1. Adherence to the AFMS Code of Ethics assures compliance with most statutes and regulations governing collecting on public lands and encourages respect for private property rights and the environment. Clubs are urged to read the AFMS Code of Ethics in at least one meeting every year, to publish the Code frequently in the club newsletter, and to compel compliance on club field trips.
2. Individuals and clubs are urged to write their elected representatives and land use management agency supervisors regarding issues of rule making, legislation and enforcement affecting field collecting of minerals and fossils.
3. Individuals and clubs are urged to join and support activities of the American Lands Access Association (ALAA), a sister organization with responsibility for advancing the interests of earth science amateurs with legislatures and land use management agencies.
4. The AFMS will receive a report from ALAA at its annual meeting.
5. The AFMS endorses the principle of multiple use of public lands as a guarantee of continuing recreational opportunities.
6. Wilderness and monument designations are inconsistent with the principle of multiple use. In view of the vast amount of public land already designated as wilderness and monuments, future such designations should be minimal, taking into account the increased demand for recreational opportunities, including rockhounding, created by a growing population.
7. In furtherance of the principle of multiple use, the AFMS believes that laws, regulations and rules established by relevant governmental authorities should be designed to allow freest possible access to all public lands, coupled with minimal restrictions on the recreational collection of minerals, fossils, gemstone materials and other naturally occurring materials.
8. A right to collect minerals and fossils on public lands should be protected by statute.
9. The AFMS urges its members to work with any or all government authorities to achieve a good working relationship in order to improve the public image of recreational collectors

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## CFMS SHOW DATES

Shows and Events

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Please submit your

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

Email to:

SHOW DATES

Use the Online Show Form

at [www.cfmsinc.org](http://www.cfmsinc.org)

(click on Shows)

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

### \*\*\*\*Special COVID 19 Message

Our shows are cancelling due the current mandates of not gathering people in groups. If I am notified, we immediately post on line the cancelled show. Notice the future shows listed here lined out are cancelled. If you have your new dates, get them to me and I will post them. 2020 Rescheduled Shows are shown in bold. Stay healthy and safe where ever you are.

Sincerely, Jennifer Rhodes

## 2020

June 6-7; 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](mailto:ybidwell2@aol.com)

June 13-14; Escondido, CA  
Palomar Gem and Mineral Society  
California Center for the Arts  
340 N Escondido Blvd  
Hours: Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4  
Contact: Toni Floyd, 425-281-6218  
Email: [tonifloyd41615@gmail.com](mailto:tonifloyd41615@gmail.com)  
Website: [www.palomargem.org/annual-gem-mineral-jewelry-show/](http://www.palomargem.org/annual-gem-mineral-jewelry-show/)

June 23-28; Lodi, CA—CANCELLED  
81<sup>st</sup> CFMS Show & Convention  
California Federation of Mineralogical Societies  
Grape Festival Fairgrounds  
413 E Lockeford Street  
Contact: Margaret Kolaczyk  
Email: [markolaczyk@email.com](mailto:markolaczyk@email.com)  
Contact: Pat LaRue  
Email: [bp1arue@earthlink.net](mailto:bp1arue@earthlink.net)

June 27-28; Culver City, CA—CANCELLED  
Culver City Rock & Mineral Club  
59<sup>th</sup> Annual CCRMCI Fiesta of Gems  
Veterans Memorial Auditorium  
4117 Overland Ave  
Hours: Sat 10-6; Sun 10-5  
Contact: Janice Metz 310-850-4398  
Email: NA  
Website: [culvercityrocks.org/fiesta.htm](http://culvercityrocks.org/fiesta.htm)

July 4-5; Roseville, CA SHOW UPDATE\*\*  
RESCHEDULED  
Roseville Rock Rollers  
@the Grounds  
700 Event Center Drive  
Hours: Sat 10-5; Sun 10-4  
Contact: James Hutchins; 916-995-7380  
Email: [jhutchings22@hotmail.com](mailto:jhutchings22@hotmail.com)  
Website: [www.rockrollers.com](http://www.rockrollers.com)

August 15-16; Tehachapi, CA  
Tehachapi Valley Gem and Mineral Society  
Annual Gem Mineral and Jewelry Show  
500 East "F" Street  
Hours: 9-5 Daily  
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September 12-13; Arroyo Grande, CA  
San Luis Obispo Gem and Mineral Club  
Gems By The Sea  
South County Regional Center  
800 West Branch Street  
Hours: 10-5 Daily  
Contact: Mary Rafferty 805-458-9350  
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September 26-27; Lancaster, CA  
Palmdale Gem & Mineral Club  
Antelope Valley Fairgrounds  
2551 West Ave H  
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September 26-27<sup>th</sup>; Lodi, CA  
Stockton Lapidary And Mineral Club  
Earth Treasures Gems Minerals, & Jewelry Show  
Lodi Grape Festival Grounds  
413 E Lockeford St  
Hours: 10-5 Daily  
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September 26-27; Long Beach, CA  
Long Beach Mineral and Gem Society  
Gems by the Beach  
Long Beach Expo Arts Center  
4321 Atlantic Ave  
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October 10-11; Grass Valley, CA  
Nevada County Gem and Mineral Society  
2020 Earth's Treasures Show  
Nevada County Fairgrounds  
11228 McCourtney Road  
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October 10-11; Trona, CA  
Searles Lake Gem and Mineral Society  
Gem-O-Rama  
13337 Main Street  
Hours: Sat 7:30-5, Sun 7:30-3  
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October 11; Fallbrook, CA  
Fallbrook Gem and Mineral Society  
123 W Alvarado St  
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October 17-18; Santa Rosa  
Santa Rosa Mineral & Gem Society  
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1351 Maple Ave  
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October 31-Nov 1; Sacramento, CA  
Sacramento Mineral Society  
84<sup>th</sup> Annual Sacramento Gem, Mineral and Jewelry Show  
6151 H Street  
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November 14-15; Yuba City, CA  
Sutter Buttes Gem & Mineral Society  
29<sup>th</sup> Annual Festival of Gems & Mineral  
442 Franklin Hall  
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November 21-22; Anaheim, CA  
American Opal Society  
Business Expo Center  
1960 S Anaheim Way  
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March 13-14; Arcadia, CA  
Pasadena Lapidary Society  
Inspiration Unearthed  
62<sup>nd</sup> Annual Tournament of Gems  
Arcadia Masonic Center  
50 W Duarte Rd  
Hours: 10-5 Daily  
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Website: [www.pasadenalapidary.org](http://www.pasadenalapidary.org)

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**~~81<sup>st</sup> CFMS Show & Convention~~**  
**Hosted by CFMS**  
**413 E Lockeford Street,**  
**Lodi, California**

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Sept 18-20, 2020

Howell, MI

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& Mineral Club

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### Northwest Federation

Ogden, UT

### Rocky Mountain Federation

Big Piney, WY

### South Central Federation

Oct 10-11, 2020

In Conjunction with the  
51<sup>st</sup> Gem and Mineral  
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and Mineral Society  
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Convention Center

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AFMS

October 16-18, 2020

Knoxville, TN

## 2021 AFMS Show

Rocky Mountain

Federation

So. Jordan, UT

April 21-25, 2021

## 2022 AFMS Show

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January 29-30, 2022

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