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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Juanita Pardun

Hi! Everybody,

Well, everyone makes mistakes and I am not exempt. I am lucky to have an Executive Board, extended, who do not hesitate to tell me when I make a mistake. So the newsletter on the website is slightly different than the March mailed newsletter.

The Executive Board has selected Margaret Kolaczyk as the AMFS' President-Elect to replace Jim Brace-Thompson. A thank you to all of the CFMS Past Presidents who responded.

Sue Webb has resigned as CFMS Bulletin Editors' Advisory Chair. She says the job is as follows: 1. Put articles regarding the Bulletin Contest in the CFMS Newsletter. 2. Check with AFMS the contest requirements 3. Review and update the rules for the CFMS contest. 4. Find judges for the contest. 5. Set deadlines for submission 6. Receive entries 7. Distribute entries to judges. 8. Receive judges' results. 9. Send top 3 scorers in each category to AFMS. 10. Announce results of CFMS and AFMS at Awards event. If interested, contact me at president.CFMS2021@gmail.com.

By the way, CFMS is going to be looking for a Treasurer for 2023. You will be working with Pat La Rue, Executive Secretary/Treasurer. If you are interested in the position, please contact Susan Chaisson-Walblom, Chair of the Nominating Committee.

John Martin is also looking for members of the Public Land Advisory Committee. plac@antelecom.net

Now, for the bad news. CFMS show in Lodi in June has been cancelled. Marcia Goetz is setting up a ZOOM meeting for June 26th. So watch for the invite to Directors' meeting.

Juanita



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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Apr 5. Deadline for May newsletter
May 5. Deadline for June newsletter
June 26. CFMS Directors Zoom Meeting

CFMS INSURANCE CONTACTS

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Fax (805) 646-9976; email: mcins@west.net
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CFMS WEBSITE

The CFMS website is accessible at 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.

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. Articles without a byline are written by the editor.

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

DUES ARE DUE

It's that time of the year again. Dues and insurance were due as of January 1. A copy of the payment form was included in the January newsletter if you no longer have the one from the Directors meeting packet which was mailed to you prior to the November meeting. It is also on the CFMS website. Any society not paid by March 1 is considered to be not in good standing.

As noted last month, the general liability insurance policy premium was discounted a small amount this year. We are pleased to pass this savings along to our societies/clubs so you will notice that the per member cost of the insurance will be \$5 for 2021. Dues remain the same. The total cost per member for 2021 will be \$7—a savings of \$1 per member.



JUNIORS ACTIVITIES

By Jim Brace-Thompson, CFMS
Juniors Chair

What's Needed for a Successful Juniors Program? Committed Adults Who Serve as Magical Mentors!

Usually, I write my Juniors column, but this month I defer to the Pebble Pup Program Chair of the Ventura Gem & Mineral Society, Lisa Batchelder-Hetrick. In the January issue of her club newsletter, Lisa provided sage advice about what it takes to craft a vibrant and successful juniors program. Without further ado, here's her story...

Sharing Across the Ages:

A Successful Pebble Pup Program for the Young & Young at Heart

By Lisa Batchelder-Hetrick, Ventura Gem &
Mineral Society

My Experience. I firmly believe that each one of us has something to share and teach another human being. As a lifelong learner, I search for learning opportunities anywhere and everywhere. I don't want to miss something good! One of my favorite places to learn is from people who have done something before me. I learn best by doing, by demonstration; and I find that when I have more questions, that's where the research begins. I have tried to impart that learning passion in my daughter Lucia and the students that I have worked with over the years. While I respect it's not the only way everyone learns or teaches, it is one of my gifts.

I grew up in a traditional Italian family. We always had our older family members around us. We learned to listen and try to follow their example. Now as an adult, I long for those traditions and lessons to continue. It was a safe place for me to grow with the support of people who cared about me. Keeping with that theory, as a teacher, I adopted a Montessori style of teaching others. That means I am a guide for self-directed activity, hands-on learning and collaborative play. I present learning opportunities that encourage independence and watch what happens in the learning process.

I learned of the Ventura Gem & Mineral Society Pebble Pups Program in Spring 2016, and I brought my daughter to a class in June. Lucia absolutely fell in love. She found her people. Her passion. We have been a part of

this ever-evolving program since. As a mom, I saw something my daughter didn't realize. I saw opportunity for her to learn from a generation of experts. I knew we had found a special place, with incredible people.

We have watched this program grow from less than 5 children to over 50 at its peak. We pivoted when life dealt us The Thomas Fire in December 2017 (which, sadly, wreaked havoc with our then-Pebble Pups chair, Raul, whose home was completely destroyed) and once again with the challenges of 2020 and COVID-19. We have learned at the VGMS clubhouse, out in the field on collecting trips, and now in the online world called ZOOM. We have had different leaders and teachers. Through it all, our children have had many unique experiences. But so have the adult club members. Together, this is where the magic happens. I have been honored to be a small part of it.

Being a Mentor. As a mentor, you can discover as much about yourself as the children who are learning from you. Mentoring allows adults to give something of themselves in a way that's both selfless and deeply fulfilling. Mentoring can bring upon a special friendship for both adult and child. It is satisfying to see when the children connect for the first time or when experiencing the children really engaging with an activity and their passions developing. As a child's self-esteem builds and develops, so does yours as a mentor. You may discover that the teaching role is comfortable and easier than imagined. Mentors bring wisdom, experience, encouragement, motivation and bonding to their time with children. Also, by modeling positive behaviors and sharing yourself and your talents, the child will more likely make positive and healthy lifestyle choices in the long term.

Being Mentored. Children benefit in so many ways when working with a mentor. They feel it when someone cares to spend time with them and share an experience. The gift of time is powerful. It makes a difference when adults invest in a child. "By spending time with an adult outside of their families, they improve their communication and interpersonal skills—both of which help with relationships in childhood and adulthood." (<https://theblueheartfoundation.org/>).

When a mentor has helped to build a child's confidence, it will spread into all aspects of that child's life. That confidence boost can improve performance in school and show them pathways to higher education opportunities. Children adapt to learning in new environments. For example, they have learned how to behave in settings like

museums, group settings and have taken the opportunity to become peer mentors to other children. It is a joyful feeling to see their confidence take them from being a student to becoming teachers themselves.

Conclusion. If there is one thing we all have experienced during COVID times, it is loneliness; lonely for people and for our routines. We long to be connected and to pursue things we enjoy. By being able to embrace online tools, we have continued the VGMS Pebble Pup Program and have even grown with new and returning members. Learning and fun hasn't stopped. It has just taken a new shape. We all have had to adapt and get creative.

I have found that when I've asked members to step out of their comfort zone, they have been willing to try, and it truly has been inspiring. Members have created content for classes, have been interviewed sharing their passions, and have supported behind-the-scenes activities to make the Pebble Pup Program run smoothly.

I've witnessed magical moments at VGMS between the pups and the members who have volunteered their time. I've seen the club celebrate the children and support their curiosities. I am so grateful for this program personally for my daughter. It has become that safe space where she can learn, experience, question, and participate in a wonderful program for a club she will be involved in for years to come. I am just the tool necessary to help put the pieces together for the program. I enjoy creating unique learning environments for the kids. We have made new traditions here, with new friendships that will last for a long time.

I challenge you to become a superhero to a child and share what you know and love. Be a part of helping them reach their full potential. The VGMS Pebble Pup Program is a win for the club, a win for the mentors, and a win for the kids. Together, we are making a difference and setting an example for other clubs, adults, and kids. Pandemic or no pandemic, it is a wonderful time to be a member of VGMS!



ROCKHOUND OF THE YEAR

By Chris Ward-ROTY Chair

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Hello CFMS Societies! A friendly reminder to all the Presidents, Federation Directors or any other members from your Executive Committees. Here we are already entering April of 2021 and I have yet to hear from any of you regarding nominating a single member, couple and/or child member for Rockhound of the Year. The forms are available on the CFMS website (www.cfmsinc.org) or you can email me directly at chris_ward678@yahoo.com and I'd be more than happy to forward the forms to you.

This is an easy and free way to recognize members from your society for outstanding service to your club and to the community. Recipients will receive a custom certificate suitable for framing as well as an official CFMS Rockhound of the Year lapel pin they can wear to your meetings to show all that they are recognized by the CFMS as Rockhounds of the Year. You do not need to wait until the end of the year to make nominations. Each society can only submit a nominee once a year so why not send yours to me now so I can get them recognized.

Please feel free to contact me directly via email if you have any questions or concerns and I'll gladly walk you through the process. I'm excited about getting your nominee's stories published in the next CFMS Newsletter so don't wait any longer...Send me your nominees now!

CAMP PARADISE 2021

Camp Paradise has informed us that they are open and operational, so we are planning on having our classes this year. The dates are from August 22nd to August 27th, and August 29th to September 4th. We will have safety protocols in place to the extent that they are practical. We hope to see everybody there.

Tony and Sandie Fender

SAFETY MATTERS: SAFETY IN THE NEW YEAR

by Ellery Borow, AFMS Safety Chair

Dedicated readers of this column, it has been an honor to bring these messages of safety to you. Thank you for reproducing some of them in your own newsletters. It has been a pleasure presenting safety messages so we might help one another keep your club members safe. Thank you for sending your safety ideas to me these past few years - by doing so you too have had a hand in keeping others safe...what a team! Thank you, kind readers, for your thoughtful words of encouragement. They have been appreciated. Please be safe. Your safety matters.

Safety guidelines, rules, parameters, restrictions, advisories and more--Oh My. What a lot of safety. What are all these safety documents? They are documents, the following of which are meant to keep people safe from harm. That is straight-forward, but how, where, and when do rules apply and how does one make those judgements? In a word (or three) - practice, judgement, and understanding.

A medical kit is an extremely helpful thing to have in an emergency. But a better use of the kit will be made when the user is familiar with the contents, how to use the items, notes expiration dates before needing the supplies in the kit, and has it available when needed. There are rules and guidelines for almost everything; however, the wise use of those rules often makes the difference of being safe or having problems.

Here are a few ideas worth considering:

- Have multiple people read and understand the guidelines.
- Know where the guidelines apply and where they might not.
- Safely practice the guidelines.
- Get help or research areas where rules are unclear.
- Become knowledgeable where judgements apply, know the risks, and err on the side of safety.
- Make sure everyone knows the rules applicable to the task.
- Common sense goes a long way in being safe.

Here are a few good starting places for safety guides:

- Medical emergency kit safety booklets
- Equipment guides
- Personal protective gear instructions

- Hand / power tool maintenance recommendations
- Meeting place / show facility rules
- Mine, quarry, pit procedures and restrictions

Your safety matters. That is not a judgement. It is a rule.

From *AFMS Newsletter*, March 2021

ROCK TUMBLING CONTEST

2021 Worldwide Tumbling Contest!

Update: December 17, 2020

The rock for 2021 is Burris Creek Jasper from the northern part of the Sacramento Valley of California. Entry fee is \$35 for 3 pounds of rough rock for continental US residents. This includes shipping the material to you. Outside the USA will be \$35 plus any additional shipping. Contest rules and application (pdf). Form is fillable via free pdf software. Details are included in the following web link: <https://www.featherriverrocks.org/show/rock-tumbling-contest-drop-down2>

3 lbs of rough rock will be shipped to you when the application and payment is received beginning in early January 2021. Deadline for application is June 1, 2021. Mail 5 (yes only 5) of your best finished rocks and a copy of the entry form postmarked no later than August 15. Apply early in the year to have plenty of time to tumble. Take your time tumbling!

Cash prizes = \$250, \$100, and \$50 for first, second, and third place winners!

To enter the contest:

Digitally: fill out the application above and email the completed form to Tumbling@FeatherRiverRocks.org (save completed document to your computer or print to pdf) and pay via PayPal (see link below on page)
Hard Copy: print and fill out the application. Mail the application and payment to FRLMS to: Tumbling Contest, c/o Lori Millard, 2660 Cherokee Road, Oroville, CA 95965.

For more information, call Lori at (530) 533-2968 or email Tumbling@FeatherRiverRocks.org

Results will be posted on Facebook and here after the show in mid-September.



ROCKHOUND SOAP BOX

CFMS – PLAC

John Martin – Chair 2021

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With all of the changes going on in Washington, DC this year the 117th Congress is very confused at the moment. Bills are being introduced, sent to committee and some things are moving swiftly, some are not moving at all and other are changing drastically as they progress the process. Early in January 2021 a multitude of bills affecting Public Lands were introduced, some of them have a very good chance of passing both the house and the senate and becoming the law of the land. One of the bills is H.R. 803 which started out as the Colorado Wilderness Act of 2021 which would have little or no effect on the CFMS area. Over time as it went through the process Amendments were made and bills that had a small chance of passing were added. The Bill number, H.R. 803, stayed the same and the entire text was changed and the current bill now contains 7 bills that would not pass on their own and are now going through congress and have a 90% chance of passing into law. H.R 803 is now titled “Protecting America’s Wilderness and Public Lands Act.” When this bill is passed into law it contains legislation that will, for the most part, withdraw over 3 Million acres of Public Lands in 6 states from public access, unless you are willing to hike in and out. The bill is now over 400 pages long. If you are interested in learning more about this bill and its progress through Congress information is available at: <http://www.amlands.org/6652/index.html>

On to Recreational Rockhounding: Most collecting areas within CFMS Boundaries are currently open and accessible with the recommendation of protection from the COVID-19 virus. There is one area of collecting that may have a major problem for the Recreational Rockhound and that is the Davis Creek area for collecting of Obsidian. Information is circulating that the area may be closing to public collecting in favor of commercial extraction through land lease mining by the Land Manager in charge of the area. I have not yet been able to confirm the validity of the circulating information. I am still working on locating the correct information. When I get the information it will be made available. If anyone has more information on this matter please pass it on.

If you are interested in visiting your National Parks or Monuments, providing the COVID restrictions are lifted,

listed here are the FEE FREE Days that you can get free entrance in to Parks and Monuments:

April 17: First day of [National Park Week](#)

August 4: One year anniversary of the [Great American Outdoors Act](#)

August 25: [National Park Service Birthday](#)

September 25: [National Public Lands Day](#)

November 11: [Veterans Day](#)

HAPPY ROCKHOUNDING and ENJOY
YOUR PUBLIC LANDS

A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

Each month getting appropriate content for the newsletter is getting to be a real challenge. Some of you are regular contributors and provide valuable information for the clubs. You know who you are and your dedication to bringing quality content to the readers is greatly appreciated.

Fortunately I do have a cache of information that can be called upon in a pinch to fill a page or a column. Thank goodness for the AFMS newsletter! But our readers would really like to find out what is going on at the CFMS level.

If you are a committee chair, please consider writing a brief article showcasing what your particular committee is doing. Your regular input helps answer that time honored question—“What does CFMS do for me?”





PROVIDING PROOF OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

By Fred Ott

From time-to-time, we may be asked to provide someone with a proof of liability insurance' for such activities as rockhounding on private property/claim or using a facility (such as a fairgrounds or school for a show).

One of the benefits of the Federation's insurance policy is that the \$1 Million of liability insurance coverage applies to any sanctioned society event at which fewer than 500 people will be in attendance at no additional premium. For events (such as rock-and-gem shows) where 500-or-more people will be in attendance, there is an additional premium (which is determined by providing McDaniel Insurance Services a completed form called a **Special Event Questionnaire** which is found on the Federation's website, www.cfmsinc.org).

For the owners of property who require a 'written document' to confirm the existence of the \$1 Million of coverage, the 'proof' of liability insurance is a document called a 'certificate of insurance' which is issued by the insurance company through its agent/broker (in our situation, by McDaniel Insurance Services, Inc.). The form can be found on the Federation's website, www.cfmsinc.org and, when completed, can be emailed or faxed to McDaniel Insurance Services, Inc.

On occasion, the owner of the property may insist upon being named an "Additional Insured" together with the Certificate of Insurance. In such circumstances, there must be a 'written agreement' between the owner and your society requiring such Additional Insured endorsement and such document needs to be provided to McDaniel Insurance Services, Inc. when requesting a certificate of insurance.

For further information, please go to the Federation's website, www.cfmsinc.org, and clicking on the various forms that can be found under the home-page tab (right hand side) entitled: **CFMS INSURANCE FORMS**

Originally published in *CFMS Newsletter*, 1/2017

Who May File Form 990-N to Satisfy Their Annual Reporting Requirement?

In general, exempt organizations have an annual reporting requirement although there are exceptions.

Most small tax-exempt organizations that have an annual reporting requirement can satisfy the requirements by submitting Form 990-N, Electronic Notice (e-Postcard.) Form 990-N is submitted electronically, there are no paper forms.

An organization eligible to submit Form 990-N can instead choose to file Form 990 or Form 990-EZ to satisfy its annual reporting requirement.

Small tax-exempt organizations generally are eligible to file Form 990-N to satisfy their annual reporting requirement, if their annual gross receipts are normally \$50,000 or less.

Gross receipts are the total amounts the organization received from all sources during its annual accounting period, without subtracting any costs or expenses. Gross receipts are considered to be normally \$50,000 or less if the organization: Has been in existence for 1 year or less and received, or donors have pledged to give, \$75,000 or less during its first taxable year; Has been in existence between 1 and 3 years and averaged \$60,000 or less in gross receipts during each of its first two tax years; and Is at least 3 years old and averaged \$50,000 or less in gross receipts for the immediately preceding 3 tax years (including the year for which calculations are being made).

However, some organizations aren't eligible to use Form 990-N (e-Postcard) even if their gross receipts are normally \$50,000 or less. These organizations must file different forms instead to satisfy their annual reporting requirement.

Note: a subordinate organization in a group exemption that is included in a group return filed by its central organization does not file Form 990-N because the group return satisfies its annual reporting requirement.

Submitting Form 990-N (e-Postcard)

Are you eligible to submit Form 990-N (e-Postcard)?

Register for your account

Review the submission guidance

Gather the information needed

How to Register and Submit Form 990-N

Review the IRS Form 990-N Electronic Filing System (e-Postcard) User Guide PDF for step by step instructions on how to register and submit electronic Form 990-N (e-Postcard). Most common problems can be avoided by following the User Guide.

All filers must register at [IRS.gov](https://www.irs.gov) prior to filing their next Form 990-N. This is a one-time registration; you won't be asked to register again when filing next year.

Ready to File?

Form 990-N is easy to complete. You'll need only eight items of basic information about your organization.

Employer identification number (EIN), also known as a Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN).

Tax year (calendar or fiscal filer)

Legal name and mailing address

Any other names the organization uses

Name and address of a principal officer

Website address if the organization has one

Confirmation that the organization's annual gross receipts are \$50,000 or less

If applicable, a statement that the organization has terminated or is terminating (going out of business)

For more information about these items, see Form 990-N: Information Reported.

Filing Due Date

Form 990-N is due every year by the 15th day of the 5th month after the close of your tax year. You cannot file the e-Postcard until after your tax year ends.

Example: If your tax year ended on December 31, the e-Postcard is due May 15 of the following year. If the due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or a legal holiday, the due date is the next business day.

Late Submissions

If we don't receive your submission by the due date, a reminder will be sent to the address on file. Organizations should submit the required form, even if they are late. There is not penalty for late submissions.

While there is no penalty assessment for filing Form 990-N late, organizations that fail to file required Forms 990, 990-EZ or 990-N for three consecutive years will automatically lose their tax-exempt status. Revocation of the organization's tax-exempt status will happen on the filing due date of the third consecutively-missed year.

Search for Form 990-N Filings

To search for organizations that have filed Form 990-N and to view their filings, see Tax-Exempt Organization Search. You can also download the entire database of Form 990-N filings.

Problems Filing

If you experience filing system or website problems, see How to File: Frequently Asked Questions. If you can't fix the problem, call TE/GE Customer Accounts Services at 877-829-5500. A representative will file your Form 990-N information.

Information from www.irs.gov.

For details and useful links, please go to the IRS website and select the charities and nonprofits tab on the homepage of the site.

The majority of our societies/clubs use the calendar year. That means the due date for the filing is May 15. If you are required to use the more complex forms in the 990 series, the same deadlines apply. The 990N (postcard) is by far the easiest to do since it only requires basic information. The forms 990 and 990EZ may require the services of a professional.

Don't risk losing your tax exempt status. Getting it back requires a fair amount of paperwork and a fee. The process is outlined on the IRS site. My recommendation is that you designate a person to be responsible for filing the proper form and follow up to be sure that it is taken care of in a timely manner. This person usually turns out to be the treasurer but anyone in the society/club who is willing to take on the responsibility can do it. I would also recommend that there is a back up person to take over in the event the original volunteer is unable to follow thru.

Submitted by Pat LaRue, Tax Advisor.



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

(click on Shows)

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

****Please check the Society
Website before planning on
attending a show. Stay healthy and
safe where ever you are.
Sincerely, Jennifer Rhodes

2021

April 10-11 Mariposa, CA
Mariposa Gem and Mineral Society
Mountains of Minerals
Mariposa County Fairgrounds
5007 Fairgrounds Rd
Hours: Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4
Contact: Meredith Mehan
Email: mgmc@sti.net
Website: mariposagemclub.org

May 1-2: Jackson, CA
Amador County Gem & Mineral Society
Kennedy Mine Gem & Craft Show
Hwy 49
Hours: Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4
Contact: Cheryl Smith, 209-296-4061
Email: blackwolf@volcano.net

June 12-13 Escondido, CA
Palomar Gem and Mineral Club
Palomar Gem and Mineral Show
California Arts Center Museum and Ballroom
340 N Escondido Blvd
Hours: Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4
Website: pgmcshow@palomargem.org

June 25, 26, 27 Lodi, CA
California Federation of Mineralogical Societies
Lodi Grape Festival & Harvest Fair
413 East Lockeford Street
Hours: Fri and Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4

August 14-15, Arcadia CA
Pasadena Lapidary Society
"Inspiration Unearthed", 62nd Annual
Tournament of Gems
Arcadia Masonic Center, 50 W. Duarte
Rd., Arcadia
Hours: 10-5 Daily
Contact: Ellen Ferrell 1-727-512-0381
Email: ellenbf2007@aol.com
Website: pasadenalapidary.org

September 18-19, Chico, CA
Feather River Lapidary and Mineral
Society
Feather River Show
Silver Dollar Fairgrounds
2357 Fair Street
Hours: Sat 9-5, Sun 9-4
Contact: Manual Garcia, 530-586-7052
Email: N/A
Website: www.featherriverrocks.org

October 9-10; Los Altos, CA
Peninsula Gem and Geology Society
One No San Antonio Rd
Hours: Daily 10-5
Contact: Steve Jobe 408-834-5384
Email: steve_job@sbglobal.net
Website: www.pggs.org

October 30-31, Mariposa, CA
Mariposa Gem & Mineral Club
Mountains of Minerals
Mariposa County Fairgrounds
5007 Fairgrounds Rd
Hours: Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4
Contact: Meredith Meehan
Email: mgmc@sti.net
Website: www.mariposagemclub.org

National/Regional Shows:

California Federation
2021 Show Cancelled
2022 Date TBD
Lancaster, CA

Eastern Federation
2021 July, Syracuse, NY
2022 September, Harrisburg,
PA

Midwest Federation
2021 September 10-12
Toledo, OH

Northwest Federation

Rocky Mountain Federation
AFMS SHOW
June 17-20
Big Piney, WY
Sublette County Fairgrounds
10937 Hwy 189
Hours: Fri & Sat 9-5,
Sun 9-4

South Central Federation
AFMS 2022
January 29-30
Tyler, TX

2022 AFMS Show
January 29-30, 2022

Southeast Federation

**EACH CLUB/SOCIETY SHOW
SHOULD BE LISTED HERE**

**DON'T FORGET TO UP-DATE
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

**Advertise your shows in the
Rock & Gem Magazine!**

**[www.rockngem.com/
showdate-submissions/](http://www.rockngem.com/showdate-submissions/)**

**Send the information in
early so it's published in
the magazine as well as
online.**

THE CALIFORNIA FEDERATION of MINERALOGICAL SOCIETIES

ENDOWMENT FUND

Founded June 28, 1987 by CFMS Directors in Convention, Turlock, California

The CFMS Endowment Fund was formed to provide a stable source of income to financially assist the programs and services the CFMS provides to its members. All donations remain as principal and only earnings are available for distribution to the CFMS. The Fund is open to receive most types of assets.

(Non-cash items will be converted to cash as is prudent. Donating appreciated assets offers a charitable tax deduction without Capital Gains Tax).

Fund Categories:

Patron Society: A Society or Club having donated \$100 plus \$1 per member is given special recognition on a Patron Honor Plaque that is on display during CFMS shows and other events.

Patron: A person (may be a couple) having donated \$100 or more. Also has name(s) posted on the Patron Honor Plaque and receives a Booster Pin.

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PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE REGISTERING

Any cancellation prior to August 1, 2021 will incur a \$25.00 Administration fee.

1. No refunds or cancellations after August 1, 2021 unless a substitute is provided.
2. Do not mail your application before April 1, 2021.
3. All persons attending Camp Paradise **MUST** be fully vaccinated.
4. Face masks will be required in all Communal areas. Also, some instructors may require them for classes.

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Please Note: Sign in will be on Sunday, August 22, 2021 and Sunday, August 29, 2021 from 1:00pm to 4:00pm

CAMP PARADISE is approximately 50 miles east of Marysville on Highway E-21 (Marysville Rd. towards Brownsville). Elevation is approximately 3,500 ft. The facilities are at a rustic church camp, rooms are equipped with bunk beds in all rooms and cabins. Bathrooms and showers are communal and 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, PMC-3 Clay and Fused Glass, Chain Maille and Enamel.

Please Note: There will be some classes with limited space - Preference will be given to first time students.

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

A list of supplies will be sent to you with your confirmation. Please e-mail Sandi after 30 days if you have not received information.

**PLEASE CUT ALONG DOTTED LINE & KEEP TOP PORTION FOR FUTURE
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Registration Form - PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Week 1 August 22 - 29, 2021

Week 2 August 29 - September 4, 2021

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

Name 1 _____ Name 2 _____

Address _____ City _____ CA _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____ Club _____

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 (explain briefly)

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.

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