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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE By Juanita Pardun

Hello! Well the elephant is still in the room. We've been getting our shots, but there are still those who haven't. Some shows have been cancelled, including the CFMS

show. But Roseville had one. Paradise had one in March in Chico. There are others being held or in the planning stage. Lots of the cancellations are due to a variety of causes. After calling 75% of the Societies I found some Societies are not holding meetings of any kind. Others have closed down any activity, including calling their members. Roseville Rolling Rocks have both an inperson educational meeting and are broadcasting it via Zoom.

AFMS has moved their joint show with RMFMS to June 17 to 21 at Sublette County Fair Grounds near Big Piney, WY. Some of us are attending. Some will be camping at the Fair Grounds and others like me will be staying at a hotel. I will try to get a briefing of the joint meeting to our CFMS meeting June 26th by emails to Federation Directors. So make sure we have your email, or it will be August before it shows up in the Newsletter. **MAKE SURE YOU SAVE THE JUNE 26TH DATE FOR THE ZOOM MEETING.**

Fire season has started. If you haven't taken steps to prevent damage to your home or business, now is the time to get it done. Help yourself, your neighbors, and don't forget your shop. Clear brush and remove dead trees and bushes. If you have to evacuate, what will you take with you and were will go? If you have pets and/or livestock, what plans do you have for them? If you lose power, what will you do for electricity for your freezer, etc.?

Juanita



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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

June 1... Deadline for Directors Meeting reports June 26..... CFMS Directors Zoom Meeting July 5.... Deadline for Aug newsletter Aug 22-27.... Camp Paradise Aug 29- Sept 4... Camp Paradise

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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 <u>bplarue@earthlink.net</u>. "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:

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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.

SOCIETY ROSTER INFORMATION DIRECTORS MEETING REPORTS

By Pat LaRue, Exec. Sec/Treasurer

The Society Roster is nearly complete and ready to take for copies. This will be available in time for the June Directors meeting and will be mailed with the meeting materials. All will be mailed to the Federation Director of record. If no Federation Director is named, I will mail to the society/club mailing address. If you wish to have this mailed to the club address, let me know.

Please note that the report deadline for the June 26 Directors Meeting is June 1. This will allow time to compile and prepare the materials for mailing prior to the AFMS meeting. As before I will email the materials in pdf format if preferred. Thank you.



JUNIORS ACTIVITIES

By Jim Brace-Thompson, CFMS Juniors Chair

Seeking Kids' Help Crafting an FRA Mascot & Oath

Cheryl Nearly, from the AFMS

Central Office, noted briefly in last month's AFMS Newsletter that two new contests are in the works as a part of AFMS Junior Programs. I'm joining forces with Cheryl to square away the details of these contests toward a more formal announcement.

In short, we envision contests seeking the involvement of pebble pup and junior members to craft a "mascot" for the juniors program and an oath or pledge kids would take upon joining a club with a juniors group. We are currently envisioning a deadline around November 2021. This would allow time for entries to be crafted, sent, and judged from all seven regional federations and then for awards to be made at the January 2022 AFMS Show & Convention in Texas.

The contests will be announced formally at the upcoming June 2021 AFMS Show & Convention in Wyoming and full details will be published in the pages of both the AFMS Newsletter and our own CFMS Newsletter. Details will also be emailed to the junior leaders of local CFMS clubs using the AFMS/FRA Badge Program. Stay tuned for more fun to come! lapidary equipment maintained and functioning well and also helps maintain the property. He has taught cab classes and is very active in assisting in the club's activities at the Riverside County Date Festival where we are in charge of the Gem & Mineral building. Peggy has held positions on the board as the club secretary and currently as the bulletin editor. She helps with hospitality at meetings when food was able to be served and in greeting new members. We are very grateful and appreciative for their contributions and teamwork supporting our club.

Submitted by Letha Grisham, Treasurer San Gorgonia Gem & Mineral Society

Ray Pearce, Vista Gem & Mineral Society Vista Gem & Mineral Society is proud to nominate Ray Pearce as our Rockhound of the Year for 2021. Ray retired after 40 years in the Marines where he was stationed for 13 years in Okinawa. He and his lovely wife have 3 children Ray has been in our club since 1975. He also belongs to Fallbrook, Palomar & El Cajon clubs. For Vista, he has been President 3 times, Field Trip Chair forever (his words) and Show Chair for 15+ years. Vista has a great workshop where Ray taught silversmithing for 15 years. He makes spheres, cabs, jewelry & intarsia. I love his Surfite spheres! He worked for years at the San Diego County Fair in Del Mar in the Mineral Hall where he was a docent and judge.

Submitted By: Nancy Bird, Federation Director, Vista Gem & Mineral Society

Reprint from last month

ROCKHOUND OF THE YEAR By Chris Ward-ROTY Chair chris ward678@yahoo.com

Greetings Rockhounds! Here is the latest batch of Rockhound of the Year awardees. Remember, you too, can send me your club's nominees and we can get them recognized for their extraordinary contributions to your club.

Fred & Peggy Richard San Gorgonio Mineral & Gem Society

Fred & Peggy Richard have been solid contributors to the success of the San Gorgonio Mineral & Gem Society. Fred has been President of the club in the past and held other positions on the board. He has worked to keep the



CFMS JURY OF AWARDS

Seeking Nominations for AFMS Scholarship Foundation Honoree

It is time again for the nominations for CFMS Jury of Awards for an AFMS Scholarship Foundation Honoree. November 1, 2021 is the latest date that nominations may be received, as the selection will be mad by the CFMS Jury of Awards Committee at our Fall Business Meeting.

Six of the seven AFMS Federations participate in this awards program each year. Each of these Federations chooses an Honoree. The six Honorees are given the privilege of choosing a University within the territory of their Federation, and on behalf of the AFMS Scholarship Foundation two students pursing graduate studies in the Earth Sciences receive a scholarship in the amount of \$4000.00.

The Guidelines for Nominating an Honoree:

1. The individual or couple must not know that their name is being considered.

2. Should be well versed in the Earth Sciences.

3. Should have helped further the knowledge and skills of rockhounds and the Earth Sciences to societies as well as individuals.

4. Need not be a member of a CFMS Society

5. The Honoree may receive this honor only once.

At this time, the nominee's name and the documentation for his/her nomination should be sent to: CFMS Jury of Awards Chairman Kimberly Fiala 3735 Argonaut Ave Rocklin, CA 95677 Email: fialakimberly@yahoo.com

Please send me an email letting me know the documentation is forthcoming through the US Postal Service.

Reprint from last month.



GROWING YOUR CLUB-Part 3

By Dr. Ken Zahn (past President of NFMS 2020) and Boseman GMS (Montana)

Besides these common features of successful clubs that I've noticed over the years, there are also some more subtle leadership elements that are even more important to assuring a stable, productive club. A "Top Dozen" come to mind from observing the Bozeman Club and many others. Each, when done well, can spur stability among those who join; but done poorly, can yield disappointment and shrinking membership.

1. Acknowledge and praise - OFTEN - the work efforts of members; try not to miss anyone who has contributed. This is often a core group of dedicated members plus new volunteers.

2. Nominate Executive Board members carefully, with a mix of very experienced and newer but willing members; try for built-in diversity of capabilities across the main functional areas of the club. A good Board will usually surface issues early and assure a forum for a good discussion of solutions and initiatives for improvement or expansion that can be thoughtfully researched and presented to the general membership. Watch for potential leaders within the club.

3. Aim for an Executive Board meeting between most regular monthly meetings as a way to bring up ideas and suggestions and to "check in" on the status of issues, projects, and general club "health." Avoid long "communication dead spaces" between monthly meetings by sending both a newsletter and club wide email reminders of upcoming activities and field trips. Members are busy with normal life activities; reminders help them plan in advance for club functions.

4. Address issues head-on and quickly. Rumors, concerns, and misinformation usually travel fast and color perceptions before leadership even realizes what is happening. Base discussions on research and facts. To minimize apprehension, "report out" to the general membership promptly.

5. Delegate project leadership, but check in on progress. Offer to help find volunteers if asked. Then, praise and recognize the work done. It has always amazed me how often members volunteer to do or lead special projects. Often, others then also volunteer on upcoming projects—be they doing paperwork or research or "pounding nails."

6. If elected to an office, LEAD—AND DO THE JOB PROACTIVELY. Be dependable and reliable in task execution; then fully brief any incoming new officer on history, procedure, and recordkeeping to assure an efficient transition of the functions at the end of your term.

7. Keep up-to-date on the financial, legal, and paperwork elements: yearly tax and non-profit reports, liability insurance, Director & Officer insurance, fundraising opportunities (donations of materials, live and silent auctions, raffles, annual show), club membership rosters, and meeting minutes. Attention to detail in these areas engenders a feeling of competency in the club's leadership.

8. Be sure to place club brochures at any local "rock shop" or other venue that has "rocks for sale" (e.g., also often at antique stores or flea markets). Respond to requests from the public when called by a customer of those local shops. Our club picks up about 10 memberships a year through those responses, in addition to the 20 or so from the summer show.

9. Take some risks in proposing, discussing, and executing some new initiatives that gain visibility or good will for the club. In 2012, for example, it was suggested that our club refurbish an unused, large (6' x 6' x 4') and heavy glassed-in display case, fill it with good Montana specimens, and place it in the Airport's public waiting area. We got some of the expected membership reactions: "too much work," "who's going to do it?," "too much money for tempered replacement glass," "no one wants to donate nice pieces," "who will transport it up and down stairs?," what about security?," etc., etc.

Five members took it on, getting \$1000 of donated glass from local firms, donated woodwork refinishing and transportation by the airport maintenance staff, and lots of very nice donated or loaned specimens. About a year later, it was complete and installed at NO COST to the club.

Since 2008, we've also filed 2 mining claims for club-member use (again over the usual concerns about the work required, cost, paperwork, liability risk, etc.) In 2013, one member took on a project to replace a run-down ranch gate and build/install a footbridge over a ranch canal so that the club could continue to have permission to collect material on private ranch land. Great good will-and a feeling of accomplishment for the volunteers involved, all of whom are still members. By 2014, with a larger membership and years of careful fundraising, it was proposed that the club take the next step to grow in capability by renting a "clubhouse," rebuild the many old donated saws, grinders, polishers, drills, and associated equipment; and start offering lapidary instruction. After the obvious concerns were discussed, the membership decided to take the plunge and try for success over a 2015-2016 trial period. Again, a

core group of volunteers stepped up, and we're now one successful year into our new level of capability and member engagement.

As a final example, after addressing many security and liability concerns, the Bozeman club assembled 100 of its members' best collected specimens (on loan) and displayed a large case at the 2015 Tucson Gem and Mineral Show. The club paid for insurance, but all other costs (paperwork, time, packing, transport, security, travel, lodging, etc.) were donated. Again, the resulting generation of club pride has been helpful in unifying the club.

10. Reach out to new members immediately. Make them feel welcome, understand their hopes and interests, and encourage early participation in field trips and activities. Our engaged members usually become long-term members. On "first field trips" by new members, assure that they have (or borrow) the right tools and have a mentor willing to help select a good spot to "dig." Stay with them awhile as they learn what to watch for and how to identify local material.

11. Cultivate "helping relationships" within as wide a member base as possible – certainly within the core membership. Building personal friendships that are not only based on monthly meeting gatherings will greatly enrich everyone. If someone needs a new job, try to help suggest options. Someone "laid up"?—arrange meals, etc. I have found that my rockhounding relationships are some of the strongest and most enduring I've had in my 80 years. I suspect that is true for many who, at some time, also started as "new growth" in a Gem and Mineral club.

12. Finally, make it ALL fun, interesting, and educational.

From Northwest Newsletter 3/16 via AFMS Newsletter 2/21

A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

There will be no CFMS Newsletter published in the the month of July. Newsletters are not published for the month following the annual Show and Convention meeting. The next newsletter will be published for the month of August.



A FEW LAST WORDS OF COPY-EDITING ADVICE

By Sue Webb, 2017-2021 CFMS Bulletin Editors' Advisory Chair

Dear Editors,

I have a few last words of copy-editing advice for you. When you do receive a submission from one of your members, it is your job to check it carefully for several things, and if you find something is incorrect or ineffective, to remedy the defect. In years past, all the following issues have occurred in entries submitted for the Bulletin contest and may very well have cost the author a winning score.

•First, make sure every word is spelled correctly—and especially all proper nouns. If you are unsure about the correct spelling of a proper noun, find out what it is. Don't rely solely on spell check—it regularly misses incorrect homophones and a few other errors.

• Microsoft Word's new Editor function is fairly good for finding wordiness, but your own editorial eye is surely better and will not prompt you to make a "correction" that is actually not correct. Further, never allow a grammatical error to persist in any article you publish. Fix them. BOLO for improper verb constructions such as *I seen* and Mary had went. Fix them: I saw and Mary went (or had gone). You should not need to get permission from the writer. Also, learn the correct use of *its it's* if you don't already know it. Never allow *it's* unless you mean *it is*. (By the way, Editor incorrectly advised me to insert a comma after seen in a previous sentence, but the clauses are used as a pair of examples and need no separation.)

•However, for clarifying murky constructions, you may need to confer with the writer. You will know how best to approach that person who may be sensitive to correction. If you are blessed, as I am, with writers who beg me to "fix my messes," you can do so silently unless what you do may change meaning or intent. If it does, I suggest creating your edit and then presenting it to the author as clarifying the point for you.

•Punctuation is always a swamp. What to do about the commas in a series (*the Oxbridge comma* is what some call it after the two UK universities)? For example, *I like apples, cherries, and apricots*. Do you use that one after *cherries* or not? The grammar police are still divided on that issue, so choose what you are most comfortable with

(I always use the final one), but whatever choice you make, be consistent. And that is true about all your editorial decisions—be consistent.

•Generally speaking, it is best to use active constructions rather than passive. If a passive crops up, it can easily be made active. Check out the passive in the preceding sentence. Wouldn't it be better to say, "crops up, you can easily make it active . . . "? (Question marks go outside the quotation marks, commas and periods go within, always.)

•Pet peeve—Never use an apostrophe with a plural; for example, "do not allow *noun*'s that are plural to sport an apostrophe" as the italicized one in the quoted sentence does. The apostrophe indicates possession, not plural.

I'm sure other issues will arise, but you can get good advice from online grammar and writing handbooks such as ProWritingAid—which has a free version, but the paid version seems to be unmatched in quality <u>http://prowritingaid.com</u>. *Grammarly*, <u>http://grammarly.com</u> is a free, "American-based" Ukrainian technology company that provides a digital writing assistance tool. It detects spelling, punctuation, and other" issues) and may be a free alternative, unless you would rather not use software not developed by Amercans or *Hemingway Editor* <u>http://www.hemingwayapp.com</u>, but it's not free.

Some more notes from the editor:

It has been my pleasure to serve as a judge for the annual Bulletin Contest for the past several years. I've had the pleasure of evaluating every category of newsletter for both regional and AFMS levels. The one thing I've noticed is that the overall quality of the newsletters gets better and better. I think the participants are taking the scoring guidelines to heart.

We've come a long way from the days of newsletters produced on a typewriter and reproduced on a mimeograph or ditto machine. (If you're under 50 you probably don't know what those "dinosaurs" were.) Today, the computer makes producing a newsletter a breeze compared to back when. The use of images as space allows adds a visual appeal to the document especially if it is available to the reader on line. The biggest challenge will always remain getting articles from the membership. Any suggestions about how to increase audience participation would be greatly appreciated by all editors. Please share.

WORD SAFETY

By Ellery Borow, AFMS Safety Chair

What does one do when they hear someone shout, "No, Stop!" Doesn't everyone stop, look around and assess the situation? So, what might one do when they hear someone shout, "Crumbles!" if a quarry rock face suddenly crumbles? Words can have safety meanings. Crumbles just does not have it. What about words such as "Person overboard!", "Fire!", "Flood!", "Help!", "Run!", "Watch Out!"... Shout "Hamburger!" and see what happens besides people showing up with plates and appetites. Some might shout back "Where?" or "It's about time!"

Perhaps there is a class on word safety. I don't know of one, though words used during duress or emergency has potential for a class. The ideal situation would be that there never be a need for words needed in an emergency--would that people not wander near working faces or well beyond the drop zone of falling material; people stayed off dangerous/loose rock slopes; people did not collect under overhangs; people heeded warning labels of chemicals for rock cleaning solutions; people minded safety protocols for torch handling.

Safety is many things--a situation, a knowledge, a balance of activity gone wrong, a rule, a reaction. Knowing the right word usually comes naturally. Professionals use words, well trained words. Professionals practice strategy, practice dangerous situations, prepare for emergencies and the right words to say. The average person does not. The average person rarely has the opportunity to rehearse in real life situations, and rarely has the means to practice responding to the unexpected.

A well-placed scream is effective in the movies. It certainly alerts the people in the area that something is amiss. In real life, it does much the same and still remains rather unspecific. It could be uttered in non-emergency situations as well. At least it draws attention. And that, in and of itself, might work.

There are many other words of safety. They reside in lecture language, warning label laments, tag talk, instruction manuals, pit protocols, quarry questions, fine print points, prescriptions pronouncements, flag fancies, tape barrier signs. etc. Would be that those words preceded and prevented the need for shouted expletives and warnings. It is up to us to use the words wisely, know the use and misuse of words and how they can help us be safe. One of the things that can be practiced is word safety. All the best words to you and yours. Be safe, please. Your safety matters.

EMERGING FROM THE PANDEMIC–HOW WILL YOUR CLUB RECOVER

As we begin to see light at the end of the tunnel, now is the time for club leadership to evaluate how to reenergize their remaining membership and somehow get things back on track.

As the clubs have submitted their dues payments, I've noticed some interesting data. Overall membership numbers declined in several of our member societies/clubs. Some of it is due to the normal attrition experienced every year, but in a few cases the numbers from the prior year amounted to up to a third or more fewer members than in the previous year. That's scary! What happened to those folks?

Despite the sharp decrease in membership numbers in a few clubs, there was an increase in membership in some of the others. What did those groups do to not only keep their members engaged but manage to attract others in the absence of shows and other public events that we've grown to depend on to attract new members. I know from reading newsletters and communicating with others that many of the societies/clubs are offering limited instructional programs for their membership. At least one club has field trips that keep their members and guests involved in the one activity that drew many of us to the hobby in the first place. We may be Zoomed out by now, but thanks to Zoom and similar apps, many of our groups bit the bullet and learned to use these tools to continue meetings and offer educational programs to their membership. And don't forget the newsletter!

Now that we are on the brink of returning to a time when we can resume shows, open our shops, go to a meeting and enjoy "in person" activities let's set our minds to what we can do to get back on track and get those membership numbers back up. It's just possible that some of the members who dropped out for COVID related reasons, may just decide to come back when they find out that their local society/club is back in business. It's worth a try, so have your most outgoing member get in touch and invite them back when you are open!

Some folks may still be hesitant to venture back out but as more of us get vaccinated that will change with time. Be patient and continue to reach out to your members.

Submitted by Pat LaRue, Exec. Sec/Treas

From AFMS Newsletter 4/21

CFMS SHOW DATES

Shows and Events Sponsored by CFMS Clubs & Societies!

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 <u>www.cfmsinc.org</u> (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

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

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 11-12; Reno, NV The Reno Gem & Mineral Society, Inc Jackpot of Gems Reno Convention Center 4390 S. Virginia St Hours: Sat 10-5; Sun 10-4 Contact: Dan Ellis Email: RGMS.JPOG@gmail.com Website: www.renogms.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: <u>steve jobe@sbcglobal.net</u> Website: <u>www.pggs.org</u>

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

November 13-14; Yuba City, CA Sutter Buttes Gem & Mineral Society 29th Festival of Gems and Minerals Yuba-Sutter Fairgrounds 442 Franklin Ave Franklin Hall Hours: Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4 Contact: Karen Horita; 916-677-6696 Email: horita@comcast.net Website: http://sutterbuttesgemmin.org

<u>National/Regional</u> 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 (postponed) Tyler, TX

Southeast Federation

EACH CLUB/SOCIETY SHOW SHOULD BE LISTED HERE

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

<u>Check for show links at</u> <u>www.cfmsinc.org/shows</u>

REMINDER

Advertise your Show in as many Free locations as possible!

Local newspapers

• Current events sections!

- •Local TV stations,
- Community calendars! • Other local shows

<u>Advertise</u> your shows in the *Rock & Gem Magazine!*

<u>www.rockngem.com/</u> <u>showdate-submissions/</u>

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