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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Juanita Pardun

HI!

The AFMS meeting in Big Piney, Wyoming, was a great show. John has pictures and they are in the process of getting them on the website. Most of the attendees were either in Pinedale or Marbleton. Pinedale is a rather cosmopolitan town, Comfort Inn, etc. and a wider range of restaurants. However, the Country Chateau motel in Marbleton gave me 7 days for the price of 3 in Pinedale. I like to try small places.

Of course, life is what happens when you are planning. A gentleman friend of 16 years had a small heart attack. By the time I got him to the VA hospital on the old Mather AFB (Sacramento) he was having another one. Transferred to Travis AFB and then to a Cardiology Hospital nearby. All this was over night. Spent two nights at a motel, no change of clothes or anything. He's home now and improving. Thought for a while he was going to quit smoking and all the sweets. But he is back to old habits.

Jim Barton and John Martin went as Directors. They reported the activity at the meeting. Our own Margaret Kolaczyk will be the President of AFMS with Matt Charsky from EFMLS as President Elect. Donna More (AFMS secretary) has not released the minutes to the meeting. There may be a problem when using links to EFMLS. The links are being changed.

Fire season is here. It is going to be worse due to the drought. The Antelope Valley Fault line (highway 395) is having a lot of earthquakes. So are you and your Society prepared? Long Range Planning is meeting to look at the impact this will have on Camps, now and in the future. CFMS will be needing a Treasurer and several committee chairs and members. If you are interested in taking part in the decision making process, please give me or Jim Barton a call.

Juanita



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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Aug 5. Deadline for Sept newsletter
Sept 5. Deadline for Oct newsletter
Aug 22-27. Camp Paradise
Aug 29- Sept 4. Camp Paradise
Nov 12-14. Fall Business Meeting–Visalia

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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
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AFMS Scholarship Foundation
AFMS Endowment Fund
Burns Memorial Camp Fund (benefits Earth Science Studies)

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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.



CFMS FALL BUSINESS MEETING

By Pat LaRue

The annual Fall Business Meeting and election of 2020 Officers will be held November 12-14, 2021 at the Wyndham–Visalia, off Hwy 198 in Visalia, CA. For those who have not been to this location in the past, take Hwy 198 exit east from Hwy 99. You will see the hotel located just south of the first off ramp past the airport.

Room reservations can be made by phone at **(559) 651-5000**. To receive the special CFMS rate of \$99 per night, tell them you are with CFMS. Cut-off date for this price is **October 29, 2021**. The first night's deposit or guarantee by credit card must accompany your reservation. Do not make reservations through the website; call them directly.

An informal **Cracker Barrel** will be held **Friday** evening at **7:30 p.m.** As in the past, hotel policy forbids our bringing snack foods to any of the meetings. The **Business Meeting** will be called to order on Saturday, **November 13, at 9 a.m.** President-elect Jim Barton will have a brief meeting of his 2022 committee chairpersons on Sunday a.m., time to be announced.

Banquet Menu Lemon Pepper Chicken

Marinated and Grilled 6 Oz Breast of Chicken Served in a White Wine Sauce with Lemon, Shallots and Peppercorns
Roasted Red Potatoes
Baby Carrots
Mixed Baby Greens Salad
Dinner Rolls with Butter
New York Style Cheesecake

\$40 tax and gratuity included.

Vegetarian and gluten free options available upon request.

Make banquet reservations by November 5, 2021.

Mail your check payable to CFMS to:

CFMS
PO Box 1657
Rialto, CA 92377-1657

To make a guest room reservation under the following block: CA FEDERATION MINERALOGICAL SOCIETY on November 12-14, 2021, \$99+ (12.19% tax) room rate on standard rooms.

You can call the following and mention your date, and block name:

(559) 651-5000

Or go to:

www.wyndham.com

1. Enter dates
2. Click on "special rates and codes"
3. Click on "group code"
4. Enter 111121CAL

Please reserve no later than October 29, 2021. Cancel at no penalty by 4 pm one day prior to arrival if needed, to avoid one night's room/tax penalty.

Yes, you're reading this correctly. We are planning to return to our traditional "in person" meeting at Visalia. Being at the recent AFMS meeting in Wyoming brought home the fact that Zoom might be fine in a pinch, but there's no substitute for a good old fashioned face to face get together.

At the recent Long Range meeting, it was suggested that those who are concerned about cost might consider car pooling if workable. Many members (at least in the past) chose to share a room. The hotel still allows self contained RV parking at the rear of the buildings. This is just something to think about.

Many of the clubs do offer some amount of assistance to their Director to help defray cost. I've seen this range from providing a small amount to help pay for gas to larger amounts which cover most of the cost of the hotel and even the Saturday evening banquet. Talk to your club to see if they can provide this type of assistance.

If you haven't attended a Federation Directors meeting in the past or it has been some time (pandemic notwithstanding) since you've come to one, we'd love to see you. You'll meet some new people, get reacquainted with others and get the opportunity to swap stories and experiences with your fellow "rockhounds".



JUNIORS ACTIVITIES

By Jim Brace-Thompson, CFMS
Juniors Chair

CFMS Junior Achievement Award Acknowledges Four Kids

Last fall, I proposed and obtained approval from the CFMS Executive Committee and Directors to initiate and host a contest for a brand new **CFMS Junior Achievement Award**. This contest will now happen every year prior to the CFMS Show & Convention. The contest awards a certificate and \$100 cash payment to outstanding junior members who submit an application detailing efforts in four areas: hobby- and club-related, education, community involvement, and work-related. Kids are encouraged to submit applications in one of two age groups, Pebble Pups (age 11 and under) and Junior Members (age 12-18). These are then judged by members of three different CFMS-affiliated clubs, with scores then averaged to prevent potential bias.

The deadline for applications was May 1, and we had entrants in both age groups. Lucia Hetrick, Theodore Gallegos, and Valerie Churchill entered as Pebble Pups. Jaiden Smith entered as our sole Junior Member. My thanks to judges Nancy Brace-Thompson (Ventura Gem & Mineral Society), Terry McMillin (Mother Lode Mineral Society), and Susan Chaisson-Walblom (Antelope Valley Gem & Mineral Club). After compiling and averaging their scores, I am happy to report the results:

1. Jaiden Smith, Mother Lode Mineral Society, 1st Place, Junior Members
2. Valerie Churchill, Ventura Gem & Mineral Society, 1st Place, Pebble Pups
3. Lucia Hetrick, Ventura Gem & Mineral Society, 2nd Place, Pebble Pups
4. Theodore (Theo) Gallegos, Sacramento Mineral Society, 3rd Place, Pebble Pups

Congratulations to each and every one! And sincere thanks to the kids and their parents who took the time to complete very full and impressive applications detailing accomplishments, complete with photos.

As noted, this will now be an annual competition, so we encourage Pebble Pups and Junior Members all

across the CFMS to enter next year's competition. We will announce it along with full details and rules in the pages of this newsletter and on the CFMS website. Let's do all we can to acknowledge and honor the efforts and achievements of our most enthusiastic and creative kids!



Photo 1: Valerie Churchill accepts her Junior Achievement Award in the Pebble Pup division.



Photo 2: Jaiden Smith's Junior Achievement Award certificate for the Junior Member division.

CFMS Member Lucia Hetrick Wins Big with her Creative Artwork

In October 2020, as AFMS Junior Programs Chair, I was approached by Michelle Cauley, leader of a kids-only club, North Lakes Academy Rockhounds of Minnesota in the Midwest Federation. Michelle wished to resume a **National Youth Poster Contest** that was conducted for many years by the Summit Lapidary Club of Ohio but that had gone by the wayside in recent years. Michelle was happy to take charge of getting the contest back up-and-running with her club as its formal sponsor. She chose a theme of **"Rockin'**

Around the USA” – Rocks and Minerals from around the USA.

In turn, I was happy to lend a hand in promotional aspects. Working with Michelle, I spread word of the newly revived contest via the AFMS Newsletter, newsletters of the 7 regional federations, email alerts to leaders of clubs using the AFMS/FRA Badge Program, and within the pages of *Rock & Gem* magazine. Michelle, who is a teacher, used her connections via teacher groups and associations. The contest was open to ALL kids, whether in a rock club or not.

In May, the contest concluded and winners were announced. In all, 40 posters were received from kids in 15 states. Significantly, the kids of the North Lakes club served as judges, so this was an instance of kids judging fellow kids as opposed to the sometimes jaded and bureaucratic opinions of us old adults. First Place awards were given by grade level from first through eighth grade. Then, from among the top winners in each grade level, three Overall Champions were selected. Ribbons were given to participants, while Overall Champions will receive gift certificates to a geology store.

I am very pleased to report that, from within the ranks of CFMS, our very own Lucia Hetrick (Ventura Gem & Mineral Society) earned First Place for the Fifth Grade level and then earned Third Place among the Overall Champions across all grade levels. Her poster was entitled “Lake Superior Agates.” Congratulations, Lucia, and sincere thanks to Michelle Cauley for resuming this great contest! I’ll be detailing full contest results in the next issue of the AFMS Newsletter. Michelle reports that she held a vote with kids in her club, and they overwhelmingly supported hosting the contest again next year. Stay tuned for details as they emerge!



Photo 3: Kids of the North Lakes Academy Rockhounds of Minnesota hold the three Overall Champion posters, including Lucia Hetrick’s on Lake Superior Agates.

Photos courtesy of Jim Brace-Thompson & Michelle Cauley

ROCKHOUND OF THE YEAR

By Chris Ward - ROTY Chair

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Greetings Rockhounds. Here is our latest batch of Rockhounds of the Year as of July 11, 2021. Let’s send a big shout-out to all our recipients to let them know we recognize their accomplishments.

Cathy Phalen, Sequoia Gem & Mineral Society of Redwood City

The Sequoia Gem & Mineral Society of Redwood City nominates Cathy Phalen as our 2021 Rockhound of the Year. She is truly the glue that keeps our club together as she holds the role of Lapidary Shop liaison, instructor, Club Sunshine, keeper of the club rocks, historian and more. A member for over 30 years, she started off at the lapidary shop and was taught by Preston Bingham. A quick study, Cathy soon mastered making hearts and gorgeous cabs. Later, she finally joined the club. She has mentored and taught a lot of people in the shop. And always has a kind word and smile. She especially delights in introducing kids to rocks and helping them make a collection of their own. Cathy has been a club speaker on many topics, has attended Camp Paradise and has gone on many field trips including a foray to Quartzsite where her pocketbook showed damage at the end of the event and the trunk of her car sagged down a bit from the weight of her purchases. “She is a Jack of all trades. She helps everywhere! She is awesome! She fixes things and makes beautiful stones!” Exclaimed CFMS chair Paul Rose. We at SGMS are proud to have Cathy Phalen as a member. We really think she deserves this accolade.

Submitted by: Catherine Fraser – VP – SGMS

Marvin Belcher, Delvers Gem & Mineral Society

Marvin has been a member for 5 years and has been supportive to every member through all the rough times. He is an awesome leader and well deserving. He is always engaged in the hobby and in the health and welfare of each member and the club as a whole. He continually rock-hunts, shares his knowledge and continues to inspire others in rockhounding. Marvin served as VP in 2019 and as President in 2020 and 2021.

Submitted by: Guynell Miller – CFMS Director – DGMS

Kim Patrick Noyes, Santa Lucia Rockhounds

Kim Noyes has been a member of Santa Lucia Rockhounds for 15 plus years and has performed numerous duties throughout those years, including show chairman, club president, and field trip coordinator. He has made several educational presentations at our monthly club meetings. Throughout the COVID shutdowns, Kim organized and led safe, monthly (sometimes more than monthly), collecting fieldtrips. His commitment to the continued viability of the club resulted in several new memberships, even during a 16-month period without monthly meetings. Kim is also a member of the San Luis Obispo Gem & Mineral Club, among others, and has served as their show chairman, as well.

Submitted by: Lisa King – President - SLR



RESULTS OF 2021 CFMS BULLETIN EDITOR CONTEST

By Suzanne Webb, BEAC Chair

Written Feature:

1. Webb Varnum, "Opal," Reno GMS, *The Conglomerate*, Suzanne Webb, Editor
2. Lynn Varon, "A Policy of Protection, Insurance and the CFMS," Ventura GMS, *Rockhound Rambling*, Lynn Varon, Editor
3. Jim Brace-Thompson, "Colorful Characters from California's Mining History: Mary Elizabeth White Morphs into 'Panamint Annie'," Ventura GMS, *Rockhound Rambling*, Lynn Varon, Editor

Original Article:

1. John Cook/Ron Wise, "Squeezing the Most Slabs Out of Your Rock," Ventura GMS, *Rockhound Rambling*, Lynn Varon, Editor
2. David Springer, "Figueroa Mountain Scouting Trip for Jasper," Ventura GMS *Rockhound Rambling*, Lynn Varon, Editor
3. Gina Malcolm, "Adventures of a Rockhound, Part 2," Sacramento MS, *The Matrix*, Alicia Meiszinger, Editor

4. Brett A. Johnson, "Field Trips Are Fun, October Report," Oxnard GMS, *The Rock Bag*, Laura Driskill, Editor
5. Richard Slyker, "Sand Casting a Silver Arrowhead Pendant," Ventura GMS *Rockhound Rambling*, Lynn Varon, Editor

Original Article Advanced:

1. Jim Brace-Thompson, "Lazy Man's Silver Sand Dollar Pendant," Ventura GMS *Rockhound Rambling*, Lynn Varon, Editor
2. Ralph Bishop, "Those Were the Days, Thanks for the Memories," Orcutt MS, *Ore-cutts*, Wayne Mills, Editor
3. Wayne Mills, "Alaskan Adventure," Orcutt MS, *Ore-cutts*, Wayne Mills, Editor

Junior-under 12:

1. Lucia Hetrick, Ventura GMS, *Rockhound Rambling*, Lynn Varon, Editor

Large Bulletin:

1. Janet Gampe, *Nugget*, Culver City RMC
2. Josephine Borucki, *Breccia*, Santa Clara Valley GMS
3. Laura Driskill, *The Rock Bag*, Oxnard GMS
4. Lynn Varon, *Rockhound Rambling*, Ventura GMS
5. Alicia Meiszinger, *The Matrix*, Sacramento MS

Small Bulletin:

1. Wayne Mills, *Ore-Cutts*, Orcutt MS
2. Amy Phillips, *Rockonteur*, Santa Lucia Rockhounds

Mini Bulletin:

1. Jolene Coon, *Gem-N-I*, Santa Rosa MGS

Poetry:

1. Michele Smith, "Geographed," Santa Clara Valley GMS, *The Breccia*, Jo Borucki, Editor
2. Wayne Mills, "Mountain Marvel," Orcutt MS, Wayne Mills, Editor



MUSEUM REPORT

By Frank Van Hecke, Museum Chair

Most, if not all the Museums are still closed. All of the 2021 contracts have been sent to all the institutions that are currently up for renewal at this time. These include the Jurupa Mountains Discovery Center in Riverside, the Buenavista Museum in Bakersfield and the Keck Museum in Reno. The return of the contracts, due to staff being out of museum offices has been held up at some of the institutions. The Buenavista has returned their contract and the directors of both the Jurupa Mountains and Reno have both responded to my emails that they are aware that their contracts have been mailed to their respective museums.

The contract for the San Diego Natural History Museum is current until June 2022, and the contract for the Los Angeles County Museum of Natural is up for renewal at the end of July 2021.

The Buenavista Museum (Bakersfield) has decided to return the CFMS's 50 State Rocks display, as they need that space currently taken by that collection for a new future exhibit of their own. There will be a new contract written up that will reflect the change in material held by them. I will arrange to pick up the 50 State Rocks collection the first week in July. While there at the Buenavista Museum, I will upgrade the display cases that will remain. New necklace stands with the same color, size and design will replace the mishmash of stands now in place, along with uniform mineral stands, and new CFMS signage. There is also an unsightly heater vent between the two displays that will be covered.

I am also currently working with Debbie Bunn, past museum chair, to pick up the six CFMS display cases that she currently has in storage at her residence. Also to be picked up is the chrysanthemum stone she has at her home as well.

Lastly, in prior Museum reports, I have addressed the need to re-appraise the valuation of the CFMS holdings to reflect the astronomical increases in fine mineral and lapidary pieces in the last few years. The current valuations are probably well below the current replacement prices for insurance purposes.

Report presented at CFMS Convention meeting, 6/26

ROCKHOUND SOAP BOX

CFMS PLAC

John Martin, Chair

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Davis Creek Obsidian Collection – Latest USFS News

There has been a lot of discussion about Davis Creek in the last several months. Davis Creek (Warner Mountain Sites) is going to open July 1, 2021 for Recreational Rockhounding. The rules have changed for collecting. Below is the news release from the Modoc National Forest. Please read before going to collect the Obsidian.

Personal-use obsidian collection to reopen at the four Warner Mt. sites. After a year off due to the pandemic and five plus years of coordination with tribal and county partners, the Modoc National Forest will reopen the four designated collection areas in the Warner Mountains to personal-users with a valid permit. The four collection areas shown on the map at <https://go.usa.gov/x6NKB> are the only locations obsidian collection is authorized on the Modoc National Forest.

Obsidian collection season will run this year from July 1 through Labor Day Weekend. Adults 18 years or older will be issued one-day permits authorizing collection of two five-gallon buckets of obsidian using hand tools only. A maximum of three permits per person per year can be issued up to three days in advance. **Permits are only available at the Modoc National Forest Headquarters at 225 W. 8th St. in Alturas, Calif. Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-12 p.m. and 1 p.m.-4:30 p.m.** Valid picture identification and vehicle information are required for each individual seeking permits. Permits for weekends and holidays must be obtained on days Forest Headquarters is open.

“We are happy to again offer this unique recreation opportunity and beautiful material for traditional cultural users and other artisans who use it to create amazing works of art,” said East Zone District Ranger Heidi Lowery. “It is not easy to find a balance between wise use and maintaining this nonrenewable resource for future generations, but it was clear the impacts of commercial and unpermitted mining were not sustainable or fair to the people most impacted. Hopefully all the hard work put into this new plan by forest staff and key stakeholders can offer collection opportunities, maintain the resource for future generations and limit the negative impacts on local

communities, including those who have stewarded this resource for millennia.”

Though permitted personal-use collection will resume, commercial obsidian mining is no longer authorized on the Modoc National Forest. Commercial mining impacts increased over the last decade as overseas purchasers sought large quantities of obsidian rocks. This led to unsustainable impacts to the resource, surrounding forest and nearby communities. Theft and illegal mining activities increased substantially with evidence of heavy equipment, unauthorized roads, wildfire ignitions, unsafe mining practices, impacts on other forest users and an overall unsustainable removal of this non-renewable resource.

Source: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/modoc/news-events/?cid=FSEPRD922994>

PHOTOGRAPHY REPORT

By John Martin, CFMS/AFMS Photographer

Let me start off by stating that I am not a Professional Photographer; I do not get paid for my work; and I have been doing photography since 1965 when I started as one of the High School Photographers. So, I am communicating from experience and not necessarily as a paid photographer.

As an AFMS Photographer, taking pictures for the last couple of years has been a little rough and we are all hoping that things will turn around and finally get back to normal, I do not necessarily suggest the “New Normal”.

Over the years the subject of Photography Copyright and Media Release has been discussed and it will be again here.

Several weeks ago I received an inquiry from a local club which received a inquiry from their website regarding copyright infringement of pictures on the website. The email was from an unknown person stating the club had posted some of their copyrighted photographs on the club website without permission. They demanded that the photographs be removed immediately or they would contact the website host. If the pictures were not removed they would seek legal action and take the club to court. I contacted the club President and the Website Manager and ask if they had looked at the website to confirm that the pictures on the

website were or were not from this person. Both the president and the Website Manager both confirmed that the pictures posted were not infringing on any copyright laws. In fact the Website Manager stated that all of the pictures posted were in fact taken by him. It was decided that the inquiry from the website was really a scam. Just as a reminder, when a picture is posted on a website, on Facebook or even in a Newsletter ensure that the copyright is not an issue or you and your club/society may end up in court. If for some reason you do use pictures that were not taken by a club/society member be sure to get permission to use the picture. Get the permission in writing and identify the source of the picture. Now that the copyright issue should be behind the next topic is Media Release.

Media Release – Model Release, there are several definitions of the form used to get permission of the person or persons in the picture, in the video or any form of media for the person taking the media or the sponsor of the event to use picture or likeness in publications of the sponsor. That is very difficult to accomplish during a Gem and Mineral Show or fieldtrip or any other function where members and/or public are in attendance.

What can be accomplished to make it easier and to provide some protection to the sponsor is to include at the bottom of all registration, contracts, display, banquet, or any pre-registration activity form a paragraph stating that by attending the activity the person signing the form acknowledges that pictures may be taken of them and they may be poster in the sponsoring body social media platforms and newsletters. All minors, under the age of 18, require a media release signed by the parent or guardian before they can be published. There is no statue of limitation on pictures of minors. As an example, a non-profit took a picture of a minor; the picture was not published for over 20 years. It was published in a publication depicting some historical event. The person in the picture recognized himself in the publication when he was a minor and filed a lawsuit against the nonprofit for using his picture without his permission. He won the lawsuit and collects a large settlement.

Below is a typical paragraph that can be used on event forms and modified to fit the needs of the event.

By attending this activity you are giving your consent for (Sponsor), to make photographs, videotapes, films or other likeness of me. I hereby grant to (Sponsor) unrestricted right to copyright any of the above-

mentioned materials containing images of me as well the unrestricted right to use and reuse them, with their caption information, in whole or in part. These rights include, but not limited to, the right to publish, copy, distribute, alter, license and publicly display these materials and images for editorial, trade, marketing and/or advertising purposes. I also grant (Sponsor) and its licenses the unrestricted right to use and disclose my name in connection with use of the above material.

The bottom line is: If you use pictures in your social media, make sure that you do not infringe on any copyright and if you publish persons pictures in newsletters or on your social media platforms you have their permission to do so.

**“Happy Rockhounding and Enjoy Your Public Lands
and take lots of pictures!”**

Report given at June Directors Meeting

**Automatic Revocation - How to Have Your
Tax-Exempt Status Reinstated**

Organizations whose tax-exempt status was automatically revoked because they did not file required Form 990 series returns or notices for three consecutive years can apply for reinstatement of their tax-exempt status.

Revenue Procedure 2014-11 explains the four procedures an organization may use to apply for reinstatement.

Streamlined retroactive reinstatement

Organizations that were eligible to file Form 990-EZ or 990-N (ePostcard) for the three years that caused their revocation may have their tax-exempt status retroactively reinstated to the date of revocation if they:

- Have not previously had their tax-exempt status automatically revoked.
- Complete and submit Form 1023, Form 1023-EZ, Form 1024 PDF or Form 1024-A with the appropriate user fee not later than 15 months after the later of the date of the organization's Revocation Letter (CP-120A) or the date the organization appeared on the Revocation List on the IRS website.

For organizations electronically submitting Form 1023, see Schedule E, Section 4; 1023-EZ see Part V; or 1024-A, see Part VI. For organizations submitting Form 1024, they should write on the top of the form “Revenue Procedure 2014-11, Streamlined Retroactive Reinstatement,” and mail the application and user fee to:

Internal Revenue Service
P.O. Box 12192
TE/GE Stop 31A Team 105
Covington, KY 41012-0192

In addition, the IRS will not impose the Section 6652(c) penalty for failure to file annual returns for the three consecutive taxable years that caused the organization to be revoked if the organization is retroactively reinstated under this procedure and files properly completed and executed paper Forms 990-EZ for all such taxable years. (For any year for which the organization was eligible to file a Form 990-N, the organization is not required to file a prior year Form 990-N or Form 990-EZ to avoid penalties.) The organization should write “Retroactive Reinstatement” on the Forms 990-EZ and mail them to:

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service
Ogden, UT 84201-0027

Retroactive reinstatement process (within 15 months)

Organizations that cannot use the Streamlined Retroactive Reinstatement Process (such as those that were required to file Form 990 or Form 990-PF for any of the three years that caused revocation or those that were previously auto-revoked) may have their tax-exempt status retroactively reinstated to the date of revocation if they:

- Complete and submit Form 1023, Form 1024 PDF or Form 1024-A with the appropriate user fee not later than 15 months after the later of the date on the organization's revocation letter (CP-120A) or the date the organization appeared on the Revocation List on the IRS website.
- Include with the application a statement establishing that the organization had reasonable cause for its failure to file a required annual return for at least one of the three consecutive years in which it failed to file.
- Include with the application a statement confirming that it has filed required returns for those three years and for any other taxable years after such period and before the post-mark date of the application for which required returns were due and not filed.
- File properly completed and executed paper annual returns for the three consecutive years that caused the revocation and any following years. The organization should write “Retroactive Reinstatement” on these returns and mail them to:

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service Center
Ogden, UT 84201-0027

These organizations should check the box on Schedule E for Section 5 when submitting Form 1023 electronically. For organizations submitting 1024-A electronically, check the box for Section 5 in Part VI. For organizations submitting Form 1024, they should write on the top of the Form 1024, “Revenue Procedure 2014-11, Retroactive Reinstatement,” and mail the application and user fee to:

Internal Revenue Service
P.O. Box 12192
TE/GE Stop 31A Team 105
Covington, KY 41012-0192

In addition, the IRS will not impose the Section 6652(c) penalty for failure to file annual returns for the three consecutive taxable years that caused the organization to be revoked if the organization is retroactively reinstated under this procedure.

Retroactive reinstatement (after 15 months)

Organizations that apply for reinstatement more than 15 months after the later of the date on the organization's revocation letter (CP-120A) or the date the organization appeared on the Revocation List on the IRS website may have their tax-exempt status retroactively reinstated to the date of revocation if they:

Satisfy all of the requirements described under the "Retroactive reinstatement (within 15 months)" procedure EXCEPT that the reasonable cause statement the organization includes with its application must establish reasonable cause for its failure to file a required annual return for all three consecutive years in which it failed to file.

These organizations should check the box on Schedule E for Section 6 when submitting Form 1023 electronically. For organizations submitting 1024-A electronically, check the box for Section 6 in Part VI. For organizations submitting Form 1024, they should write on the top of the Form 1024, "Revenue Procedure 2014-11, Retroactive Reinstatement," and mail the application and user fee to:

Internal Revenue Service
P.O. Box 12192
TE/GE Stop 31A Team 105
Covington, KY 41012-0192

In addition, the IRS will not impose the Section 6652(c) penalty for failure to file annual returns for the three consecutive taxable years that caused the organization to be revoked if the organization is retroactively reinstated under this procedure.

Post-mark date reinstatement

Organizations may apply for reinstatement effective from the post-mark date of their application if they:

Complete and submit Form 1023, Form 1023-EZ PDF, Form 1024 PDF or Form 1024-A with the appropriate user fee.

These organizations should check the box for Section 7 on Schedule E for Form 1023 or Part V for Form 1023-EZ. For organizations submitting 1024-A electronically, check the box for Section 7 in Part VI. For organizations submitting

Form 1024, they should write on the top of the Form 1024, "Revenue Procedure 2014-11, Reinstatement Post-Mark Date," and mail the application and user fee to:

Internal Revenue Service
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TE/GE Stop 31A Team 105
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What's a reasonable cause statement?

A reasonable cause statement establishes that an organization exercised ordinary business care and prudence in determining and attempting to comply with its annual reporting requirement. The statement should have a detailed description of all the facts and circumstances about why the organization failed to file, how it discovered the failure, and the steps it has taken or will take to avoid or mitigate future failures. For a detailed explanation see Section 8 of Revenue Procedure 2014-11.

Reinstatements granted prior to January 2, 2014

Organizations that applied for and received reinstatement of exempt status effective from the post-mark date prior to January 2, 2014 (the effective date of Revenue Procedure 2014-11), and that would have satisfied the retroactive reinstatement requirements of Section 4, will be reinstated from the revocation date. Those organizations should keep their determination letters reinstating tax exempt status and a copy of Revenue Procedure 2014-11 with their books and records. See Section 10 of Revenue Procedure 2014-11 for details.

Avoid being automatically revoked again – file annual returns. An organization can be automatically revoked again if it fails to file required returns for three consecutive years beginning with the year in which the IRS approves the application for reinstatement. Organizations seeking reinstatement of tax-exempt status after a subsequent revocation are not eligible to use the Streamlined Retroactive Reinstatement Process.

Additional information
Annual Reporting and Filing
Online course- Applying for Section 501(c)(3) Status - An Overview (37 minutes)
Revoked? Reinstated? Learn more.
Revenue Procedure 2014-11 modified and superseded Notice 2011-44, Application for Reinstatement and Retroactive Reinstatement for Reasonable Cause under Internal Revenue Code Section 6033(j).SOME TAX INFORMATION FROM IRS

Source: IRS website www.irs.gov

Editor's Note: 401 (c)(4) organizations use form 1024-A.

CFMS SHOW DATES

Shows and Events

*Sponsored by
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*Please submit your
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*Email to:
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*Use the Online Show Form
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(click on Shows)*

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

2021

August 21-22, 2021 – Tehachapi, CA
Tehachapi Valley Gem and Mineral Society
TVGMS Gem, Mineral and Jewelry Show
500 East "F" Street,
Saturday and Sunday 9 AM to 5 PM
Contact: (661) 972-1117,
Email: travis462@outlook.com
Website: <http://tvgms.org>.

September 4-5; 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: sailondan55@aol.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 1-3; Vista, CA
Vista Gem and Mineral Society
Vista Gem and Mineral Open Air Market
Antique Gas and Steam Engine Museum
2040 N. Santa Fe Ave
Hours: 10-5 Fri and Sat, 10-4 Sun
Contact: Jessica Harner, 760-214-8770
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Website: www.vistarocks.org

October 9; Antioch, CA
Antioch Lapidary Club
Antioch Lapidary Club's Annual Aritsan
Jewelry and Rock Sale
Antioch Lapidary Club's Clubhouse
425 Fulton Shipyard Road
Hours: 10-4
Contact: Vic McPherson, 925-240-2954
Email: vicmcpherson@sbcglobal.net
Website: www.antiochlapidaryclub.com

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_jobe@sbcglobal.net
Website: www.pggs.org

October 10, Fallbrook, CA
Fallbrook Gem and Mineral Society
Annual Fall Festival of Gems
123 W. Alvarado St, parking lot,
across the street from Fallbrook Gem and
Mineral Museum
Hours: 9-4
Contact: info@fgms.org

October 16-17, Placerville, CA
El Dorado County Mineral and Gem
Society
El Dorado County Fairgrounds
100 Placerville Drive
Hours: 10-5 Sat, 10-4 Sun
Contact: Jackie Cerrato, 530-676-2472
Website:
www.eldoradomineralandgem.org

October 16-17 Santa Rosa, CA
Santa Rosa Mineral & Gem Society
Santa Rosa Veterans Building
1351 Maple Ave
Hours: Sat 10-6, Sun 10-5
Contact: Janyce Vickers 707-217-0636
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Website: <http://www.srmgs.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

September 24-26; Apple Valley, CA
Victor Valley Gem and Mineral Club
45th Annual Stoddard Wells Rockhound
Tailgate
Dale Evans Parkway and Stoddard Wells
Rd
Hours: 9-5 daily
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Email: dwayna.barron@gmail.com
Website: www.vvgmc.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>

2022

January 15-16; Exeter, CA
Tule Gem and Mineral Society
Exeter Memorial Bldg
324 N. Kaweah
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Email: ebolton523@gmail.com

March 5-6; Ventura, CA
Ventura Gem & Mineral Society
Ventura County Fairgrounds
10 W Harbor Rd
Contact: Richard Slyker; 805-312-8467
Email: info@vgms.org
Website: www.vgms.org

March 12-13, Arcadia CA
Pasadena Lapidary Society
"Inspiration Unearthed", 62nd Annual
Tournament of Gems
Arcadia Masonic Center, 50 W. Duarte
Rd., Arcadia
Hours: 10-5 Daily
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Email: ellenbf2007@aol.com
Website: pasadenalapidary.org

April 30-May 1; Anaheim, CA
Searchers Gem and Mineral Society
Address to be Announced
Hours: 10-5 Daily
Contact: Kim Strange
Email: kimstrange01@gmail.com
Website: www.searchersrocks.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
2022 AFMS Show
October 7-9, 2022
New Orleans, LA***

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
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www.cfmsinc.org/shows**

REMINDER

**Advertise your Show in as many
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- 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.

SAFETY BRIEF

By Joe Goetz, Safety

We are coming out of the pandemic and things are beginning to open. For a Rockhound it mostly means fieldtrips and workshop meetings and even regular club meetings. There are also club shows which are probably in the planning stages.

So, what happens in early morning? The desert rats and their predators are already "playing their little games of survival". For us, our day has not begun yet as it may be too dark to see. So, we brew some coffee and await the light of day. As some light brightens the ground at camp you may want to look around camp or not extremely far. Now when I was leading fieldtrips I would give a little safety talk, which went like this...Here in So calif the deserts are heating up.

I tell people to have lots of water, a broad brimmed hat, sunglasses, or safety glasses which are made of polycarbonate, and it filters out all UV and if is equipped with clear lenses you will see the color of the stone. Of course, you have your container to collect the material and a rock hammer. When we start looking for the type of material we came for, I caution people to watch where they are placing their feet, least you would trip or worse. I would caution people that as the day gets warmer not to push thru two creosote bushes, so you do not get a rattlesnake tie'd at you and bite you so far from medical help. If it were to happen stay calm as best you can, and yell or blow a whistle to attract someone.

We can put ice on the area of the bite. We will get you in a vehicle and try to notify the highway patrol as we head to the nearest hospital. Of course, with us being rockhounds we may have to stop along the way and see what we can find, (just kidding). So, like an old TV show, let's be safe out there.

Lost somewhere in my backyard....

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