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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Juanita Pardun

Hi!

First thing, I am continuously tired. Been working on a half-acre and helping my partially disabled daughter and her children. Jim Barton (first vice president) is ill and Kimberly Fiala (second vice president) lost her mother. Bob (treasurer) is doing better. Heidi Hall is doing great, thank heaven. No one has Covid 19 and all have shots. I hope everyone out there have gotten their shots and are doing well.

Secondly, I have been fielding calls from societies having internal problems. I will make this brief; I do not demand anything of a society except common sense. If what you are doing or saying is not for the good of your society, you should not be doing it. If one member of the society is harassing another member, who now wants to sue, then they have a personal problem. This is not covered by the Federation general liability insurance.

Thirdly, Cooperation is the name of the game. Everybody has someone they don't like. Everybody can think of ways of doing something better. But nobody wants to be responsible for the final word. If you don't like what your Board is doing, step up to the plate, and run for an office or position. VOLUNTEER. Don't ENGINEER.

Is your Federation Director going to the annual business meeting in November? Why not? The Federation needs each and every one of you to participate in the operations of the Federation. We are working on carpooling, room sharing, RV parking, etc.

We are currently looking for a Treasurer for next year, Bulletin Aids, Field Trip South, and there will be others.

The Facility Development Committee has been made permanent. After all Camp Paradise has been threatened twice with fires. XXYZ may have problems with accommodating us. Our records and collections are kept in a storage unit. This is a 20 year project. Please let me know your thoughts.

Juanita



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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Sept 5. Deadline for Oct newsletter
Oct 5. Deadline for Nov newsletter
Aug 22-27. Camp Paradise
Aug 29- Sept 4. Camp Paradise
Nov 3. Deadline for Directors packet Reports
Nov 12-14. Fall Business Meeting–Visalia

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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.

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

Your donations should be sent to:
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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.

CALL FOR MEETING REPORTS

By Pat LaRue, Exec Sec/Treas

The Fall Business Meeting will be here before we know it. This is a reminder that I will need the Chairmen's reports for the Directors Packet no later than November 3. Office Max which does the copies requires a 48 hour turn around on copy jobs and it takes more than a few minutes to prepare the packets for distribution. If unable to meet this deadline, you may bring your report to the meeting. 75 copies are recommended.

A special mailing will go out to all Directors and Chairmen approximately 30 days prior to the meeting which will contain the proposed budget for 2022, a registration slip and the minutes of the June Directors meeting. As in the past, I do not mail unclaimed packets to those members who do not have a Director at the meeting.

CFMS FALL BUSINESS MEETING

By Pat LaRue, Exec Sec/Treas

The annual Fall Business Meeting and election of 2022 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.** Join us at the **Banquet** that Saturday evening. 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:

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Rialto, CA 92377-1657

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 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

Last month, I reported results of our very first **CFMS Junior Achievement Award**, and I posted a photo of Valerie Churchill (Ventura Gem & Mineral Society), who won 1st Place in the Pebble Pups division (age 11 and under). This month, I am pleased to post a photo of Jaiden Smith (Mother Lode Mineral Society), who won 1st Place for the Junior Members division (age 12-18). I regret we were not able to present these awards in-person at our Annual CFMS Show & Convention due to the pandemic, but I am pleased to include these photos of our winning kids within the pages of our newsletter.



Photo: Jaiden Smith proudly holds his CFMS Junior Achievement Award certificate and \$100 check. (Photo courtesy of Jaiden Smith family.)

This will be an annual competition, so we encourage Pebble Pups and Junior Members all across the CFMS to enter. 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. Before year's end, I will announce 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 enthusiastic and creative kids!

AFMS Juniors Mascot and Oath Contests

The American Federation of Mineralogical Societies Future Rockhounds of America (AFMS/FRA)

announces two new contests. One is for an official mascot to represent kids enrolled in the AFMS/FRA program. The other is for an oath that newly enrolling kids would take. Winners of each contest will earn \$100 and a Certificate-of-Achievement from AFMS and will have their accomplishments posted to the AFMS website. Kids participating in these contests must be members of local clubs or societies holding an affiliation with AFMS via one of the seven regional federations. *Please note that both the winning Mascot and Oath will become full and complete property of AFMS in perpetuity.*

AFMS Juniors Mascot Contest.

The Bald Eagle has long represented the United States of America. Smokey Bear is an icon of the U.S. Forest Service. Mr. Peanut has represented the Planters Peanut brand for over 100 years. The Walt Disney Company is instantly known by Mickey and Minnie Mouse.

Can you suggest a mascot to represent the AFMS Future Rockhounds of America kids programs? How would you, yourself, like to be represented? By a "Rockhound puppy"? By a "Mr. or Ms. Crystal"? By "Dinny the Dinosaur" or some other fossil? By something else altogether?? Send *your* suggestion along with an original design. Who knows? Perhaps that design will be represented on the AFMS/FRA website and on a badge issued to all kids participating in the program in years to come!

If you would like to enter this contest, here are the rules:

1. Come up with a suggested mascot and explain the reason behind your suggestion in a cover letter. That letter also should include your name, age, the rock club you belong to, and the name of the leader of your juniors group and/or club. Also include full contact information of your parents or legal guardians: name/s, address, phone, email address.
2. Prepare and send a design in color on letter-size paper (8.5 X 11 inches) illustrating your mascot. You can use pencil, pen, crayons, markers, or computer-generated art. Be sure not to include any copyrighted images in your design.
3. A parent of legal guardian must sign the drawing on the back and state whether they will allow you to have your full name disclosed in the AFMS newsletter and

website or just a first name in the event that your design is chosen.

4. Send a letter explaining your mascot, along with your design, to Jim Brace-Thompson, 7319 Eisenhower Street, Ventura, CA 93003. Alternatively, you may email both your letter and a pdf of your design to Jim at jbrace@roadrunner.com, along with a scan of the parental approval statement and signature.

Please note that once the winning design is accepted, it may be modified for badge manufacturing or other publishing or processing specifications.

AFMS Juniors Oath Contest.

Many countries, associations, organizations, and other groups ask folks to make a pledge when becoming a member. For instance, immigrants to the United States are asked to devote themselves to their new country and to take the Pledge of Allegiance. Kids joining Boy Scouts of America are asked to take the following oath and promise: "On my honor, I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law; to help other people at all times; to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake and morally straight." Even U.S. Presidents are required to take the Oath of Office: "I do solemnly swear that I will faithfully execute the Office of President of the United States, and will to the best of my ability, preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of the United States."

In 50 words or less, what do you suggest as an oath or pledge for kids joining the AFMS/FRA program?

If you would like to enter this contest, here are the rules:

1. Prepare an oath consisting of 50 words or less.
2. Include a cover letter telling why you think this oath is appropriate. That letter also should include your name, age, the rock club you belong to, and the name of the leader of your juniors group and/or club. Also include full contact information of your parents or legal guardians: name/s, address, phone, email address.
3. A parent of legal guardian must sign on the back the paper containing your oath and state whether they will allow you to have your full name disclosed in the AFMS newsletter and website or just a first name in the event that your oath is chosen.
4. Send your suggested oath and cover letter to Jim Brace-Thompson, 7319 Eisenhower Street, Ventura, CA 93003 or email your oath and letter to

jbrace@roadrunner.com along with a scan of the parental approval statement and signature.

Please note that the winning oath may be modified; for instance, for length, grammatical, or other considerations.

Deadline.

The deadline for both the Mascot contest and the Oath contest were originally December 1, 2021, but we have extended this to May 1, 2022 to allow more time for more participants. Winners will be announced at the very next AFMS Show & Convention, currently scheduled for October 22, 2022 in New Orleans. Here's hoping to see *your* suggested mascot and oath! Best wishes to all entrants!

SAFETY-COMMUNICATION

By Ellery Borow, AFMS Safety Chair

Why is communication a matter of safety? Sometimes it is not a matter that communication is needed but what method of communication would be most effective. It used to be a club's bulletin distributed the word regarding safety matters. Things have changed. Now we have an instant age where communication is, shall we say, a bit faster. I get it; it's how we live now-a-days. Faster is better. But it's only better if the message gets to where it needs to go and in a timely manner.

It used to be that most folks had a land line telephone for such messages. Telephones still serve that purpose; however, while some people still have land lines, one can't take it (a land line) with one. How does your club contact its members in an emergency? One can start with land line and cell phone calls. Instead, some members may prefer internet options - FacePage, Yahooot, Gaggle, Tweeting, Link-Out, Skype, D-Mail, Snap Chat, Texting, WhatsDown, ...whatever. Say one member uses Yahooot exclusively, and another only Face Page, and a third only Tweets? Does your club have a list of the internet contact preferences for each member's household, or a reliable cell number?

Is it really necessary to have an emergency contact method for each and every member household? Well, maybe, maybe not. How often might such a list be needed? The answer to that is easy- hopefully as seldom as possible. Most reasons for contacting

members are usually not urgent. The main reason for making note of the many ways to contact members is to raise the 'what if' awareness. Having many options for contacting members is great. However, the one charged with doing the contacting needs to have access to all those many internet options as well. One answer to that is to have several people as contactors - each knowledgeable with several internet options. Another answer is to utilize a super-connected internet expert. In an internet-connected world it's good to have options.

Be safe out there on the internet and with Covid-19. Be safe with doing what we need to do to manage in this ever changing world and its new normal. Your safety matters.

From *AFMS Newsletter*, Sept 2020

TURNING TO THE BEAUTY—ROCKS

By Jennifer Haley, AFMS Historian

The Lapidary Arts and Crafts movement of our hobby has long been a joy in our lives. For all of us, no matter what our age, the fascinating world of rocks and minerals draws us to a life-long adventure, to explore and discover more of their beauty. Our companionship with rocks and minerals is like a constant friend. We always feel good when we are around them, and we have such a good time working with them.

If you are looking for inspiration and new ideas, it's there more than ever. It used to be, you could only find a sewing fabric in a brown river-pebble design, which was really wonderful at the time because that's all there was. Now, there are quilting cottons and upholstery fabrics in gorgeous patterns of agate, geode and many others to sooth our rockhounding souls. If you are into dinosaurs, or know someone who is, there are new fabric designs in those themes too.

People who love to bake and are into cake decorating in rockhound themes are making spectacular cakes with amethyst geode crevices, and 3D dinosaur cookies.

Mail order catalogs are selling more rock-themed décor, as people are leaning towards bringing the outdoors into the habitats of their homes and offices. Some hotels are rethinking their interior design look, and leaning towards installing giant natural quartz-point chandeliers, and decorating their halls and

guest rooms with geode wall sconces and polished geode slabs within frames.

Sometimes something new and exciting happens when you least expect it, especially during times like the pandemic we've been experiencing. What I have been observing during lockdown, through reading mainstream news articles and listening to reports of rock and gem shows, is that there is a momentum growing within the United States. People are turning to the landscapes and geology of public lands to find a new feeling of kinship in their lives. More people are finding that connection in a personal exploration in the curiosity of the historical mysteries and uses of rocks and gems, often referred to as the metaphysical.

The timing couldn't be better for us as societies to experience a new resurgence in the number of people discovering there are rock and gem clubs. Just imagine what it will be like for a family or a person who has always picked up a rock from the ground as a memento of their vacation or camping trip, to discover there are rock clubs with interesting programs, wonderful people and field trips. Imagine the excitement those guests and children will feel when they find out the rock they picked up has quite a story to tell based on its geology. And imagine what it will be like for a person who is exploring the metaphysical aspect of rocks and gems to discover there are clubs with friendly members, and guided field trips where they can find their own special stone and learn about it in geology terms.

Get your welcoming society doors ready for when people can begin to meet together again. People are not only looking for the connection your societies have to offer, they are also craving it more than ever. You just have to work on letting them know you are here.

From *AFMS Newsletter*, June 2021

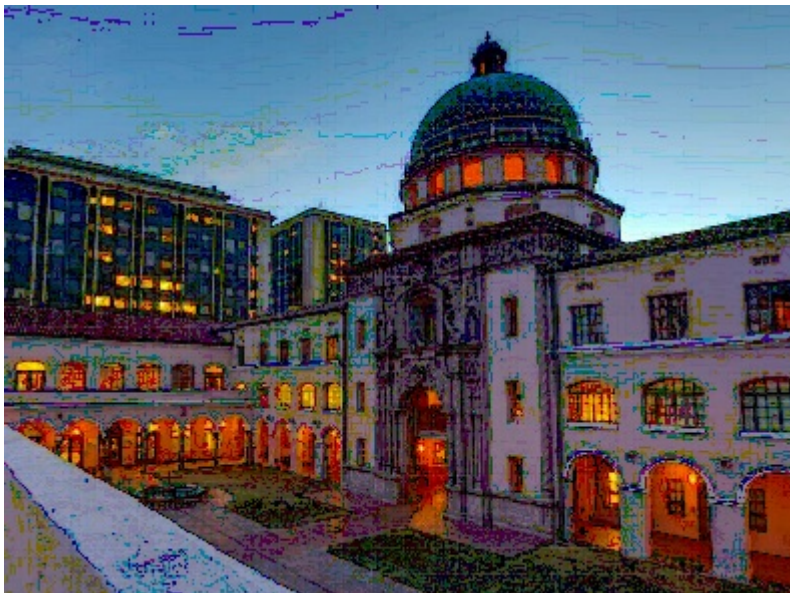


The new University of Arizona Alfie Norville Gem and Mineral Museum at the Historic Pima County Courthouse, is Now Open!

By Steve Kaminski, Mineralogical Society of Arizona

A new gem, and mineral museum has opened in Tucson, Arizona. The University of Arizona Alfie Norville Gem & Mineral Museum (UAANGMM) is located within the historic Pima County Courthouse, an iconic and historic building of magnificent Spanish Revival architecture in the heart of Tucson.

Following the completion of a \$13.5 Million renovation and buildout project, UAANGMM is dedicated to providing public education, the curation of minerals, gems, fossils and meteorites while also serving the research needs of professionals, students and collectors. The collection is literally universal in scope, but with specific emphasis on minerals from Arizona and Mexico. Eric Fritz is the museum's Director.



Previously housed in the basement of the UofA's Flandrau Science Center and Planetarium, the UArizona mineral collection has a new home with 12,000 square feet exhibit space. The Flandrau will continue with new exhibits featuring specimens on loan from UAANGMM. UAANGMM adds an exciting element to the TucsonGem, Mineral and Fossil Showcase which occurs in late January and early February. Of course, the museum will attract attention year-round. The museum space will not only be exhibiting world-class minerals, gems and jewelry, but also provide immersive activities, graphics and videos as well as interactive experiences. The visitor experience will be enhanced by the integrated exhibits highlighting research from the UArizona gem science and mineralogy programs.

Above Right: The Pima County Courthouse,
Lower left: Director Eric Fritz of the University of Arizona Alfie Norville Gem and Mineral Museum.
Courtesy of the University of Arizona Alfie Norville Gem and Mineral Museum.

UAANGMM will have four major exhibit areas; each will change on a regular basis. The four primary areas are: a Mineral Evolution Gallery, an Arizona-Mexico Gallery; a crystal interactive lab; and a Gem Gallery. In addition to the public museum space, an additional 9,000 square feet on the lower level of the courthouse will be dedicated to a reference library, research lab, and community classroom.

UAANGMM's first gallery, the Mineral Evolution Gallery will explore and expand on the developing theories around the story of our planet's mineral evolution. The exhibit will chronologically explore how the solar system formed and minerals have co-evolved on earth alongside life over time. This scientific theory is supported by NASA space research.

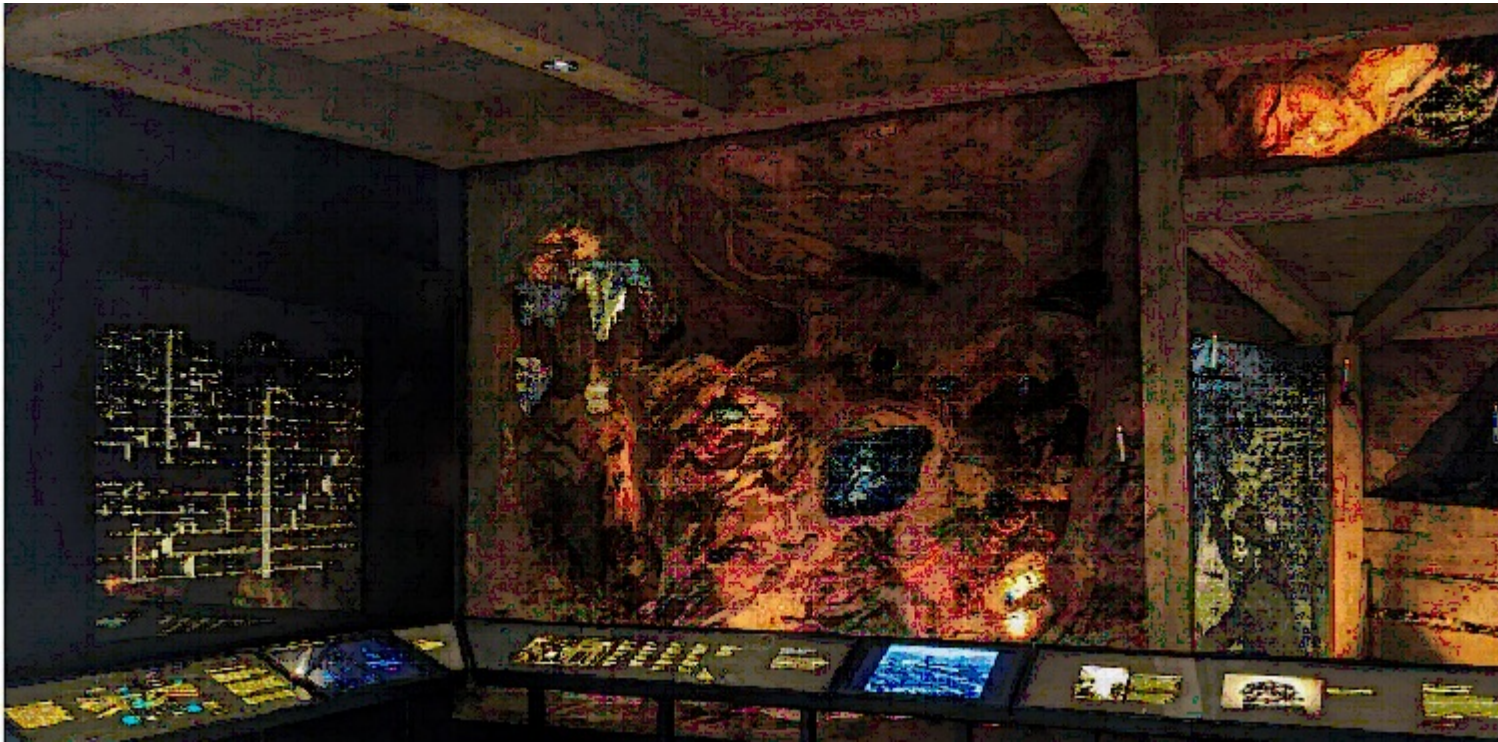


Rendering of the Planetary Evolution Hall inside of the University of Arizona Alfie Norville Gem and Mineral Museum. Courtesy of the University of Arizona

Similar to other rocky planets in our solar system and meteorites, Earth started with around 60 minerals. Earth is now home to over 5,600 minerals and the count continues. The museum will tell the story of how this happened. The expression of this story will touch on many topics, including, the interaction of life and oxygen and changes that followed the emergence of the new minerals.

The Arizona and Mexico gallery, will feature the unique mineralogy of the region, highlighting Arizona's mining roots. One section of the exhibit will be modeled after a recreated stope within the Copper Queen Mine in Bisbee which will showcase some of the minerals that were mined during the early workings. The stope design was based on the contributions of Dick Graeme III (the expert Bisbee mineral collector, historian and miner) and his family.

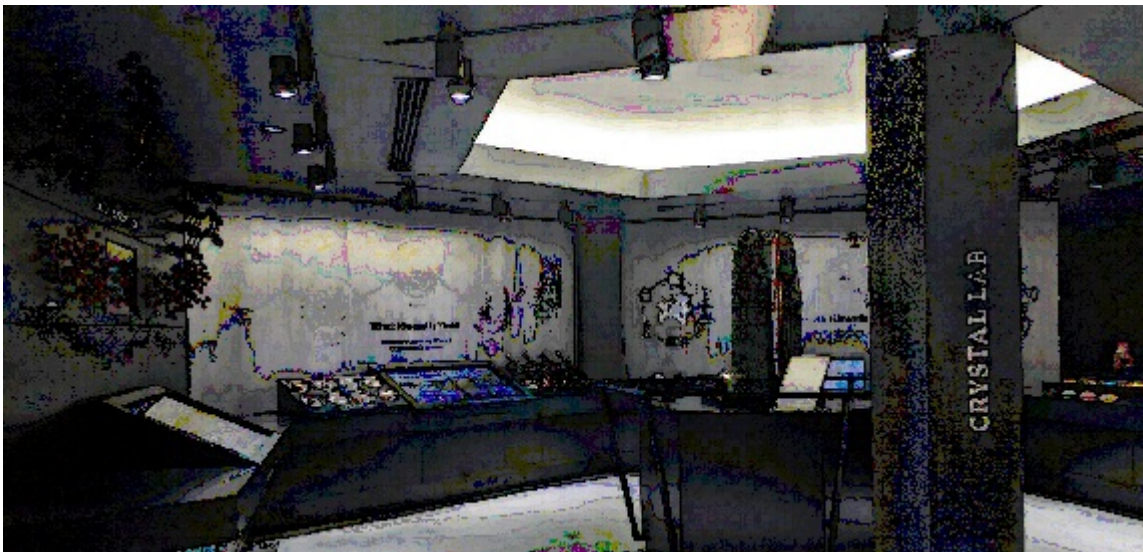




A rendering of Bisbee-Azurite stope inside the University of Arizona Alfie Norville Gem and Mineral Museum. Courtesy of the University of Arizona

“We’re telling the story of mining and how the copper mined in Bisbee basically set up the United States for the Industrial Revolution,” Fritz said. “Without that, we wouldn’t have had power and telecommunications.” Copper was mined here before Arizona before became a state. “...copper helped make this the last contiguous state in the U.S.”

In the Crystal Lab, visitors will have a chance to alter the crystal structure to cause a change in color in quartz, sapphire, or diamond. “For example, if you start with a clear quartz and add a little bit of iron, you’ll end up with amethyst,” Fritz said. “So, they’ll actually learn while doing something pretty cool.”



Rendering of the Crystal Lab inside of the University of Arizona Alfie Norville Gem and Mineral Museum. Courtesy of the University of Arizona

The final exhibit, the Gemstone Gallery and Treasury, will showcase minerals that have been manipulated by humans and turned into jewelry, carvings and works of art, demonstrating human-kind's innate appreciation for natural beauty. The Treasury resides in the center of the gallery and displays a collection of minerals, jewelry and gemstones from all over the world. The majority of displays showcased in the treasury are on loan from the Somewhere in the Rainbow, a gem and jewelry private collection from Phoenix. The UArizona Department of Geosciences is offering a new track as the result of an endowed chair in gem science, funded by The RealReal. The gem science track is preparing students for careers in the gem trade. The University begins teaching classes in the program this Fall 2021. Eric Fritz and museum Assistant Curator Susan Leib will co-instructing the first undergraduate course. The upgraded mineral museum will contribute to the new gem sciences track, providing opportunities for students to study in the museum's labs and classrooms. According to Fritz, "The hope is that the classroom in the lower level will become the gem science classroom for students." Museum leaders are also hoping to make these areas available to school groups and local organizations to increase interest in gem sciences and mineralogy throughout the community.



Rendering of the Treasury inside of the University of Arizona Alfie Norville Gem and Mineral Museum.
Courtesy of the University of Arizona Alfie Norville Gem and Mineral Museum.

IT'S OPEN

The University of Arizona Alfie Norville Gem & Mineral Museum is now open with Summer Hours. Visit Monday-Friday from 10am-2pm (summer hours). Last Tickets sold at 1pm. The museum will open from Monday-Friday 10am-4pm starting on August 23th. Purchase tickets in-person at 115 N Church Ave, Tucson, AZ, 85701. Information can be found at: <https://gemandmineralmuseum.arizona.edu/>
Thanks to Eric Fritz, Selena Gabriella Valencia and W. Lesley Presmyk for their review and comments.

References:

UA's planned new gem and mineral museum downtown aims to enrich Tucson community; Alfie Norville Gem & Mineral Museum, Nov. 1, 2019; <https://gemandmineralmuseum.arizona.edu/news/2019/11/uas-planned-new-gem-andmineral-museum-downtown>

UArizona Alfie Norville Gem & Mineral Museum is One Step Closer to Opening; Alfie Norville Gem & Mineral Museum, Feb. 17, 2021; <https://news.arizona.edu/story/uarizona-alfie-norville-gem-mineral-museum-one-stepcloser-opening>

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within 5 days after submitting your
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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

September 11-12; Reno, NV (CORRECTED DATES)

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: sailondan5@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

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
Contact: Dwayna Barron, 909-234-5533
Email: dwayna.barron@gmail.com
Website: www.vvgmc.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
Email: vistarocksgms@gmail.com
Website: www.vistarocks.org

October 2-3; Grass Valley, CA

Nevada County Gem and Mineral Society
54th Annual Earth's Treasurers Show
Nevada County Fairgrounds, Main Street
Center
11228 McCourtney Road
Hours: Sat 10-5 Sun 10-4
Contact: Mitchell Frank Van Hecke
Email: 4vanclan5@att.net
Website: <http://ncgms.org>

October 8, 9, 10, 11 Clovis, CA

Central Valley Gem & Mineral
Clovis Rodeo Grounds
445 Rodeo Dr
Hours: Fri, Sat, Sun 10-5; Mon 10-4
Contact: Daniel Bolm, 708-821-7575
Email: danielbolm096@gmail.com
Website: <http://www.fgms.us/>

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: Victor McPherson, 925-240-2954
Email: vicmcperson@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_job@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
Email: santarosarockshow@hotmail.com
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
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November 6-7; Ridgecrest, CA

Indian Wells Gem and Mineral Society, Inc
Desert Empire Fairgrounds
520 South Richmond Road
Hours: Daily 9-5
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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
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December 5; Lake Elsinore, CA

Lake Elsinore Gem & Mineral Society
Rock 'n Craft Festival
32097 Corydon Road
Hours: 10-4
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January 15-16; Exeter, CA

Tule Gem and Mineral Society
Exeter Memorial Bldg
324 N. Kaweah
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March 5-6; Ventura, CA
Ventura Gem & Mineral Society
Ventura County Fairgrounds
10 W Harbor Rd
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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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April 30-May 1; Anaheim, CA
Searchers Gem and Mineral Society
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