PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE
By Juanita Pardun

From December to January
I love this quiet time of year
Seeds have been planted, grown,
and harvested.

Children have grown so high.
We have time to look at the past
And look what we missed.
OH! What a change has occurred.

How are the Juniors Rockhounds doing? What are their plans?
Are we missing someone?
Membership is lagging? Call them all back.
When is your show? Don’t forget to let Marcia Goetz know. She’ll put it on the website and let Pat La Rue know, too.

Do you know CFMS show will be from May 6th to 8th?
AFMS is Oct. 6th to 9th in New Orleans.
Are you submitting a Bulletin for the contest? Due in January, February, and March.
How about your website? Are you sending it to Merryan O’Neill?

Now is the time to look forward to make things better.
We don’t want to make the same mistakes twice.

New Officers, new Chairs. What will they bring?
Who will be your Federation Director for 2022?
So as you gather for the holidays, plan for the future.
For this is why we have this quiet time of year.

Juanita
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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Dec 5. .......... Deadline for Jan newsletter
Jan 5. .......... Deadline for Feb newsletter
May 6 - 8. ....... CFMS Convention & Show

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JUNIORS ACTIVITIES
By Jim Brace-Thompson,
CFMS Juniors Chair

The 2022 CFMS Junior Achievement Award: Can You Help Judge?

In 2021, we held our first ever CFMS Junior Achievement Award to acknowledge and reward especially active and outstanding club kids in two age groups: under 12 and ages 12-to-18. Kids submit applications and winners earn a Certificate-of-Achievement and $100. This issue of the newsletter includes an application form with full details. This also will be posted to the CFMS website. In order to announce winners at our next CFMS Show & Convention (currently scheduled for April), the deadline is March 1, 2022.

Rules call for members from three different CFMS clubs to serve as judges so as to avoid bias in evaluating entries, and each year I’d like to strive for a new set of judges rather than putting it all on the same shoulders each and every year. Can you help? If you are interested in serving as a judge for the 2022 CFMS Junior Achievement Award, please contact me (805-659-3577 or jbraceth@roadrunner.com). Let’s all join together to recognize and honor the outstanding kids within our ranks!

Announcing a New AFMS Junior Programs Chair

Margaret Kolaczyk has become AFMS President for 2022. As is her prerogative, she is entitled to choose her committee chairs, and she has chosen to replace me as AFMS Junior Programs Chair and, thereby, as director of the AFMS Badge Program that I instituted and have developed, revised, expanded, and overseen since 2003. If your club is using the AFMS/FRA Badge Program or any other AFMS youth program, going forward you should contact Ms. Lora Hall, silvertipminis@msn.com. Should you have questions about this transition, I refer you to Margaret or Lora. I remain the CFMS Juniors Activities Chair and will continue overseeing CFMS youth projects, such as our Junior Achievement Award.

It has been a supreme privilege serving clubs and kids all across America for nearly two decades, and I thank the past 19 AFMS Presidents for granting me this privilege and for trusting in the value of my initiatives and endeavors. I hope I may have made a modest contribution and difference in helping kids enjoy our great hobby and avocation. It has been an honor, and I thank the many AFMS officers and local club leaders and junior program directors who have helped me along the way. Not least, I especially thank the kids!

IN MEMORIAM

We were saddened to learn that Vivien Roberts passed away October 12 after a long illness. Vivien was a long time supporter of the CFMS Earth Science Studies program and worked continuously behind the scenes to support Marion in his work on behalf of both CFMS and AFMS.

She was a long time member of the Calaveras and Mother Lode Societies and could be counted on to assist wherever she was needed. She served on the Golden Bear Committee for CFMS, but her first love was always the Earth Science Studies program.

Our sincere condolences are with Marion and their extended family. She will be greatly missed.

Submitted by Pat LaRue
ROCKHOUND OF THE YEAR
By Chris Ward-ROTY Chair
chris_ward678@yahoo.com

Greetings! Rockhounds. As the year winds down, here are a few more Rockhound of the Year honorees for 2021. I will continue on as ROTY chair for 2022 so keep those honorees coming my way.

Brian Jarvis - Vallejo Gem & Mineral Society
Vallejo Gem and Mineral Society, established in 1954, is proud to nominate Brian Jarvis as Rockhound of the Year 2021. Brian has been a member of our group since 2017, and while this is a relatively short time compared to others who are Lifetime members, or long timers he has exemplified himself as a bona fide Rockhound - a man with a rock-solid bent, driven to discover yet or more geologic wonder to add to the weighty aggregate of hard-won treasures from earth’s crust.

A gem of a man, Brian is more than the proverbial rockhound. His background in maintaining marine laboratories made it a stone’s throw to knowledge of lapidary equipment. Using his knowledge of geology, he has been a bolder-sized asset for our members and club, stepping in as a foreman who helped many new members gain their lapidary skills to create their own geological treasures. In turn they become accomplished lapidaries, avid Rockhound and participating members of V.G.M.S. Being a many faceted man, Brian has lent his expertise to maintaining and repairing shop equipment. This is the kind of behind-the-scene work members don’t see. Every piece of equipment needs maintenance hours for every hour spent merrily grinding, cutting and polishing. Brian has been a core part of making our club a brilliant sample of the C.F.M.G. Family. We look forward to many more happy rockhounding days with this solid gold fellow!

Submitted By: Karen Ortega, Vallejo Gem & Mineral Society

David Springer – Ventura Gem & Mineral Society
Congratulations to David Springer – As an Elected Officer (2nd VP, Field Trips for 2 years now) David sought out knowledge and experience from predecessors and experienced rockhounds from various clubs and rockhound communities to learn about popular collecting locations and discover new ones. When Covid prevented groups from gathering, David scouted potential locations with a few individuals and suggested easy local trips that families could take on their own. When groups were allowed to assemble, he was ready to schedule a variety of field trips for the club.

As 2021 Club Steward of the workshop, David was present to maintain equipment and supervise workshop attendees and he frequently volunteered his time to clubhouse maintenance projects.

David also made numerous newsletter contributions, donated material for Pebble Pup Challenges and Rock Swap Boxes, inspired members by sharing his sphere-making endeavors and motivated members through his positive influence and enthusiasm.

Submitted by: Diane Cook, Ventura Gem & Mineral Society

Valerie Churchill – Ventura Gem & Mineral Society – Junior Member
Valerie had a great year in Pebble Pups. She regularly attends club meetings and field trips. Her Little Rock Library has seen over 400 rocks donated to her neighborhood community this year, both from VGMS members and her own efforts tumbling Ventura beach stones. She has participated in every Name the Specimen contest this year and written a birthstone report (“Emerald”, May 2021) and an article (“Panum Crater: Step into a Young Volcano”, August 2021) for Rockhound Rambling. At the federation level, Valerie won first place in the CFMS Junior Achievement Award contest. She is really enthusiastic about rockhounding and excited to share her hobby with others. Also, very active in our community through Girl Scouts.

Submitted by Diane Cook, Ventura Gem & Mineral Society

Stan Bogosian – Peninsula Gem & Geology Society
Peninsula Gem and Geology Society names Stan Bogosian as our Rockhound of the Year for 2021. Stan started young going for rocks with his parents and has continued his interest all these years. Stan has been involved with numerous local clubs for many years and we have been lucky he focused on our club for these recent years. Stan has been our field trip chair many times leading trips around California, Nevada and Utah. He is now our President from 2018 to 2021 having taken over one year when our President moved out of state in the middle of the year. He has given us programs using photos and material from his numerous field trips and mining experiences. He has given his programs on zoom to other CFMS societies and clubs in other states. He has helped ID minerals we received as donations. He has been a good leader and friend to all of us. It has been a real pleasure to have his expertise and leadership in our club.

Submitted by Colleen McGann, Federation Director, Peninsula Gem & Geology Society
LATEST INFORMATION ON CALIFORNIA BLM OFFICES
CFMS PLAC - John Martin
plac@antelecom.net

As of time of Publication:

California State Office - Public Room
8:30 am-4:30 pm M-F by appointment only.

Northern California District

Applegate Field Office
Public Room: 7:45 am-4:30 pm M-F
Surprise Field Station: The office is temporarily closed to in-person visits.

Arcata Field Office
Public Room: 9:00 am to 1:00 pm for in-person visits and 7:45 am - 4:30 pm M-F virtual only - via email or phone.

King Range NCA: Walk up window open 7 days from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm for contactless visitor support.

Eagle Lake Field Office
Public Room: 7:45 am - 4:30 pm M-F virtual only - via email or phone. The office is temporarily closed to in-person visits.

Litchfield Corral: Visitation by appointment. Please call 530-254-6575.

Redding Field Office
Public Room: 7:45 am to 4:30 pm Closed for lunch 11:30 to 12:30.

Central California District

Bakersfield Field Office
Public Room: 7:30am-4:15pm M-F virtual only - via email or phone. The office is temporarily closed to in-person visits.

Carrizo Plain National Monument Visitors Center: Closed for in-person visit.

Bishop Field Office
Public Room: 8:30 am-4:30 pm M-F virtual only - via email or phone. The office is temporarily closed to in-person visits.

Central Coast Field Office
Public Room: The office is temporarily closed to in-person visits. 7:30 am-4:00 pm M-F virtual only - via email or phone.

Mother Lode Field Office
Public Room: Virtual Office Hours by EMAIL or PHONE Monday - Fridays 8:00 am - 4:00 pm. Office Lobby Hours by APPOINTMENT ONLY Mondays and Wednesdays 10:00am to 2:00pm.

Cosumnes River Preserve Visitors Center: Open weekends from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Ukiah Field Office
Public Room: 8:30 am-4:30 pm M-F virtual only - via email or phone. The office is temporarily closed to in-person visits.

California Desert District

Barstow Field Office
Public Room: 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. M-F by appointment only (in-person and virtual appointments available).

El Centro Field Office
Public Room: 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, not to exceed 25% CDC occupancy requirements.

Needles Field Office
Public Room: 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, not to exceed 25% CDC occupancy requirements.

Palm Springs - South Coast Field Office
Public Room: 8:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, not to exceed 25% CDC occupancy requirements. Tuesday and Thursday remain virtual only by email or phone.

Santa Rosa & San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Visitor Center: The office is temporarily closed to in-person visits.

Ridgecrest Field Office
Public Room: 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. M-F virtual only - via email or phone. The office is temporarily closed to in-person visits.

Jawbone Canyon Visitors Center: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm Monday thru Friday; 9:00 am - 2:00 pm Saturday; 10:00 am - 2:00 pm Sunday.

SAFETY MATTERS - THE SIGNS  
By Ellery Borow, AFMS Safety Chair

Signs? Safety means different things to different people. Safety can mean locking the doors, keeping a medical kit handy, or reading the instructions before using your new "rock desctructo" tool. One of the issues with safety is reading the signs of a situation before it becomes a full-blown problem. If one sees a worn cord on one's lapidary equipment, a mushroom head developing on a chisel, a broken guard on a slab saw, or a tripping hazard at a gem show - those would be safety matter "signs".

Goggles hard to see through? Clean them or replace them. Mushroom head on a chisel? Grind off the damaged part. Worn electrical cord? Replace it. Those are relatively easy issues to address. If one sees a potential problem and addresses it before it become an active problem, one has correctly read the signs. What about the signs of someone's medical problems while participating in the hobby? Would one recognize the signs of a medical problem? What if there were a member's diabetic sugar level problem, a dehydration issue on a dig, a sun burn from a member's being too focused on hole digging, heat stroke, or heart attack at a club activity? It is not likely everyone in a club will want to be an expert in all matters of medical emergency but a smattering of knowledge and being aware of certain signs can be a good thing.

Here are some common medical safety matters—heart attack, dehydration, heat exhaustion, heat stroke, poisoning, concussion, shock. To give any complete and comprehensive descriptions of these conditions is beyond the scope of this column. However, some basic knowledge may be beneficial.

- Heart attack—For one reason or another heart cannot do its job. Symptoms: Time of essence, severe pain or discomfort in chest region, often radiating to arms / neck, sometimes denied / dismissed because it can feel like indigestion; if not breathing, initiate CPR, seek medical attention ASAP.
- Heat exhaustion—Symptoms: weakness, faintness, sometimes headache and nausea, skin pale, wet, and clammy from perspiring. Move to cooler but not chilly place, lay down, drink fluids if tolerated. Follow-up care suggested.
- Heat stroke—more serious than heat exhaustion.

Symptoms: mental confusion, staggering walk, delirium, skin flushed, dry, and hot. Person may mention being hot. Move to cooler but not chilly place, lay down with head elevated, sponge body with cool water. Seek medical attention.
- Poisoning—Can be by inhalation, ingestion, absorption or injection (bites). Symptoms: many and varied. Observe the situation and seek medical assistance immediately. If by ingestion of known source follow directions on container and seek medical assistance immediately.
- Concussion—Injury to head. Symptoms: depends upon nature of injury, may have loss of consciousness, breathing or vision issues, inability to move certain body parts, headache, nausea, vomiting. Seek medical attention.
- Shock—A response to severe or sometime slight injuries including fright, severe burns, circulatory issues, blood loss, pain. Symptoms: altered consciousness; skin pale, moist, cool; rapid breathing and pulse; irritability or restlessness. Treat base cause then lay down feet elevated except with head injury, keep warm and airway clear, offer water. Seek medical attention.

Sometimes the signs are confusing or not easy to ascertain, but they are still worth noting. Rockhounding is a hobby where it is still best when all end their day safe, healthy and happy—a hobby where being part of the rock collecting family and knowing the signs is a good thing.

The above is not meant to profess or prescribe current medical solutions. It is meant to convey the understanding that many medical emergencies have solutions that need quick action and club knowledge of solutions may be a part of a successful outcome.

There is a huge number of emergency medical and survival guides. The American Red Cross (copyright) has a substantial number of up-to-date health and safety publications. Please encourage your club’s safety committee to stay current with health and safety practices. Please consider encouraging an interest in safety being practiced by every club member. Your safety matters.

From AFMS Newsletter, 11/21
You can approach the prospect of exhibiting something by simply deciding what type of display you wish to create. Most of us are primarily interested in one or two areas of the gem and mineral realm. Some areas are highly specialized, others are more general.

My primary area of interest is minerals, specifically thumbnail (1" x 1") specimens. Someone else may specialize in some type of lapidary or jewelry arts. Maybe you prefer to develop a display which will help teach someone a concept or a skill. Whatever you decide to do is your biggest hurdle.

Once you decide what you want to do, it is important to look at the requirements for your display. If you are entering a display in competition, the guidelines are spelled out in a manual. If you are entering a non-competitive exhibit, I still recommend you consult the AFMS Rules book since the guidelines provided will help you create a display that will appeal to the viewing public.

Where is this manual, you may ask. The AFMS Rules Book is available on the AFMS website. Don’t be put off by the volume of sections and pages. All you have to do is go to the section which covers the type of exhibit you want to develop. There is some general information that applies to everyone who decides to enter competition, but for now just concentrate on the guidelines covering your proposed exhibit.

Now that you know what you want to display, it’s time to gather up everything that you will need. Does your club have a case you can borrow or will you be able to rent one from the club hosting the show? Measure the inside dimensions of the case so you will know what size to cut the forms you will use to create your liners. The easiest forms to make are cardboard. If you or a friend have access to a table saw you can use thin particle board or masonite. I personally like cardboard because all you need to cut it is a box cutter or exacto knife. Once the forms are ready, it’s time to cover them with some type of material. As mentioned in a previous article, smooth textured materials in neutral colors are recommended. Do avoid bright colors or shiny materials. Spray on adhesives are generally okay to use but be sure it doesn’t bleed thru. Packaging tape is okay but it sometimes pulls loose.

Now that you have your liners done, it’s time to decide what is needed to display the items going into the display. I sometimes refer to these accessories as “furniture”. These can range from risers made from fabric covered styrofoam to a dais on which to display the items. I will be the first person to admit that covering risers, especially those which have squared off corners is not easy. It helps if you use fabric which has an amount of stretch. As a person who displays minerals, I use a fabric covered wooden dais which a neighbor made for me many years ago.

When you decide what items are going in the display, it’s time to make your labels. It really isn’t necessary to go to the expense of having engraved plastic name plates made although I have seen these. There are less expensive alternatives. White cardstock or transparency material is what I recommend. Once the labels are created and printed, you can use a paper cutter to cut them to a uniform size. Scissors are okay in a pinch but a paper cutter makes the job easier and your labels will be more even. Hint: before you hit print, be sure to proofread everything to make sure all spelling is correct and needed information is there. There is nothing more annoying than to realize you have a typo after you’ve printed everything and have to redo one or more of the labels.

Why labels? You might know what everything is but remember you are putting in this display to help inform the viewers. People want to know what they are looking at. The whole idea behind this whole exhibiting thing is to get people interested in what we do and hopefully learn something new.

How much should I put in my display? Is there a preferred way to arrange everything? The quantity of stuff you put in is dictated by what it is you are displaying. If a case is too busy, the eye is confused and people will tend to walk on by because they are unable to focus on anything. Aim to set up a display which is pleasing to the eye; you might consider placing your showiest or most unusual piece toward the center where it is easily seen. Most people tend to view things from one side of the case to the center and on around to the other side.

Now that you have your case done and all set up, it’s time to get a second opinion. Have someone else take a look at the display to see what they think. Last but not least, take a moment and make a diagram of the display so when you get to the exhibit hall, you know exactly where everything is supposed to go.
There was no Zzyzx ESS camp this year because of the Covid 19 shutdown. In March it was decided to proceed with plans for Camp Paradise. We knew that attendance would be somewhat reduced as a result of the pandemic, but at that time things looked good for a reasonable recovery by August. We proceeded with plans which incorporated the CDC guidelines for health and safety. By mid-summer, the delta variant was gaining a foothold, which we had not expected, and in late summer there were several forest fires raging in the area of Camp Paradise. As a result of those two factors several people who had initially signed up to attend chose to withdraw, so the attendance was even lower than expected.

During camp there were two significant situations which needed to be addressed. The first was an individual who reported to Sandie and me that her daughter had come down with Covid, and that she had been exposed. We were able to administer a rapid result Covid test, and she showed positive. We tested the people that she had been in close contact with, all of whom tested negative. The infected individual left camp. The second incident was an individual who was on the deck when a rotten board broke and she fell with one leg through the deck, and landed on her other knee. She was extricated from the deck and on the advice of Tom Burchard she was transported to a medical facility in Marysville. She returned to camp and spent the rest of the week in classes.

This year the cost of rental for the camp was a few thousand dollars less than 2019, and the cost of food was a few thousand more than 2019, so the expenses were quite comparable. The attendance was significantly less than 2019, so the income was down considerably.

From a financial point of view, the Camp did not break even. From an educational point of view, it was a success. With the smaller class size, the student to instructor ratio was much better than in previous years, and the students were able to get individual learning from their instructors. The comments on the evaluation sheets were extremely positive on the quality of instruction, and extremely positive on the dining. This was due to the high quality of instructors that we have, and the excellent new chef that Marion found for us. They were positive on the Covid protection protocols we had in place. The areas they would like to see improvements were 1) more class offerings 2) improved safety of the facility.

For future years, I would like to encourage the Camp Paradise management to make significant improvement to the safety of the facility. I would propose that we add new skills to our classes. This year we restored enameling (taught by Heidi Hall) and it was a huge success. It was only taught during the first week, and several people were disappointed during the second week when they found it was not being offered. There were requests to have classes covering etching and intarsia.

We don’t know at this time if Zzyzx will be allowed in 2022. If the consortium cannot give us an answer very soon, we will have to make the decision to not have Zzyzx in 2022.

Several of our first time students indicated that they had heard about Camp Paradise through a friend. It seems that the information in the CFMS newsletter isn’t being passed on to the society members by the Federation Directors. Sandie and I are working on an advertising program to get the word out to more prospective students.

Tony & Sandie Fender, Chairpersons.

Editor’s note:

At the Fall Business Meeting Tony announced that the Zzyzx ESS Camp will not be held in 2022. Currently the Consortium is limiting the facility to no more than seven people at a time. All persons who rolled their prior registrations to 2022 will be allowed to roll them over to 2023, apply the registration to Camp Paradise or request a refund.
2021 CFMS SHOW DATES
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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 www.cfmsinc.org (click on Shows)

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

2021

December 5; Lake Elsinore, CA
Lake Elsinore Gem & Mineral Society
Rock 'n Craft Festival
32097 Corydon Road
Hours: 10-4
Contact: John Frey 909-208-6956
Email: berylmans50@aol.com

2022

January 15-16; Exeter, CA
Tule Gem and Mineral Society
Exeter Memorial Bldg
324 N. Kaweah
Contact: Edward Bolton; 559-802-6029
Email: ebolton523@gmail.com

February 12-13; Antioch, CA
Antioch Lapidary Club
Jewelry, Gem & Rock Show
1201 West 10th Street
Hours: 10-5 Daily
Contact: Edy Snyder
Email: edysnyder@gmail.com
Website: www.antiochlapidaryclub.com

February 26-27; Vallejo, CA
Vallejo Gem and Mineral Society
Solano County Fairgrounds
McCormack Hall
Spring Bling 2022
Daily 10-5
Contact: Debra Duhon 415-254-1506
Email: dduhonvgms@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; Turlock, CA
Mother Lode Mineral Society
55th Annual Rock, Mineral & Jewelry Show!
Stanislaus Fairgrounds
900 N Broadway
Contact: Bud & terry McMillin
209-484-4416
Email: terry.mcmillin@yahoo.com
Website: www.turlockgemshow.com

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
Contact: Ellen Ferrell 1-727-512-0381
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

June 11-12; Escondido, CA
Palomar Gem and Mineral Club
California Center for the Arts
340 N Escondido
Hours: Sat 10-5 Sun 10-4
Contact: Toni Floyd 425-281-6218
Email: tonifloyd4165@gmail.com
Website: http://palomargem.org

September 10-11; Reno, NV
The Reno Gem & Mineral Society, Inc
Jackpot of Gems
Reno Convention Center
4390 S Virginia Street
Hours: Sat 10-5; Sun 10-4
Contact: Dan Ellis
Email: sailondan55@aol.com
Website: www.renogems.org

DON’T FORGET TO UPDATE YOUR CLUB WEBSITE WITH YOUR NEW SHOW DATE

National/Regional Shows:

California Federation
May 6-8, 2022
Antelope Valley Fairgrounds
2551 W. Avenue H
Lancaster, CA 93536
Fri & Sat 9-5, Sun 9-4
Contact: Susan Chaisson-Walblom slchaisson@yahoo.com

Eastern Federation
2022 September, Harrisburg, PA

Midwest Federation

Northwest Federation

Rocky Mountain Federation

South Central Federation
AFMS 2022
October 7-9, 2022
New Orleans, LA

Southeast Federation

REMINDER
Advertise your Show in as many Free locations as possible!

· Local newspapers
· Current events sections!
· Local TV stations,
· Community calendars!
· Other Local Shows

Advertise your shows in Rock & Gem Magazine!

www.rockngem.com/showdate-submissions/

Send the information in early so it’s published in the magazine as well.
CFMS SHOW DATES END OF YEAR
REPORT

Fall Business Meeting--Visalia, CA--Nov13, 2021
By Jennifer Rhodes, Chair

To date this year, the Show Dates Committee has new show submittals and only one cancellation. The following number of show submissions for Website Posting and inclusion in the CFMS Newsletter. Marcia Goetz has been posting the forms online, while I have been posting them for the CFMS Newsletter. We have been cross checking each other’s work for errors.

1. 24 show submittals have been received from June 1, 2021 through November 3, 2021. The National and Regional shows are listed until the show is past. These shows are listed with bold font and are a larger font size to draw attention to them.

2. Each month I cross check all show information that appears online against what I have received to make sure we match. Marcia and I contact each other if we find missing submittals, so corrections occur monthly before the newsletter is published. Pat LaRue has also told me she watches for missing shows and makes corrections.

3. I will always respond to the email submission that I received it. *If you don’t receive that email, I did not get your submission. I have had some email address issues with my personal email not wanting to load and in one case did not send my show dates update file email. To correct this I opened a new email gmail and Pat Larue has my new personal.*

4. Realize that this is free advertising and the longer it is posted, the more folks have a chance to see what is happening in the area they are visiting.

5. LAST, I have declined to continue in this position. Marcia Goetz has graciously volunteered.

VISALIA HIGHLIGHTS

Our Fall Business Meeting was held the weekend of November 12-14 at the Wyndham Hotel in Visalia. There had been concern over whether people would be willing to come to a face to face gathering. The response was outstanding. We actually had more societies/clubs represented this time around than at the Zoom meeting in June. I’ve been listening to the membership and it was clear that the majority were Zoomed out and wanted to return to a more normal experience. Speaking for myself, it was great to see so many people I hadn’t seen in person in nearly two years.

The hotel takes the CDC guidelines very seriously and practiced social distancing in the setup of the tables for our Saturday business meeting. The 6’ long tables were spaced at least 6 feet apart with two chairs at each table. If attendees wanted more than 2 people at their table they could choose to do so. Some people wore a mask, others did not. All the hotel staff was masked. There was plenty of hand sanitizer in public areas and even the sleeping rooms had a personal size container in the bathroom. I asked the hotel if they could set up the banquet room with 6 to a table instead of the customary 8 and they honored the request. One table had more than 6 but that was their choice so all the members of their group could sit together.

The highlight of the banquet was the installation of the officers for 2022.

From left: Jim Barton–President, Bob Rush–2nd VP, Kimberly Fiala–1st VP, Heidi Hall–Secretary, Diane Cook–Treasurer

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## 2021 CFMS Officers, Chairmen and Committee Roster

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Name:_________________________________________________ Age (as of 12/31/21):_____  
Mailing address:________________________________________________________________

street address or P.O. Box

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city, state, zip code

Email address of parent/guardian:_________________________________________________

Phone number:_________________________________________________________________

Name of your local club:__________________________________________________________

Signatures of 2 officers in your club: ______________________________________________

Instructions: Provide the info requested above and accompany this application with full responses to all sections/subsections listed below. Information should be provided for the past calendar year (2021). In addition, include a brief cover note highlighting accomplishment/s to which you wish to draw special attention. Mail or email this application with your responses to:

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All entries should be postmarked by March 1, 2022 (if sent by mail) or should be received via email not later than March 1, 2022. Should you have questions, call or email Jim at (805) 659-3577, jbraceth@roadrunner.com. Winners will be announced at the CFMS Show & Convention.

Section I. HOBBY RELATED (Possible 45 points)
A. Club involvement (field trips, committees, show participation, etc.). 20 points
B. Hobby/Craft involvement (faceting, lapidary, metalwork, beading, collecting, etc.). 20 points
C. Competitive involvement (displays, articles in competition, awards, etc.). 5 points

Section II. EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT (Possible 25 points)
A. Scholastic (GPA, honor roll, advanced classes, improvement of grades, etc.). 15 points
B. Extracurricular (sports, drama, debate, drill team, music, school clubs, etc.). 10 points

Section III. COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & ACHIEVEMENT (Possible 20 points)
A. Events involvement (charity, volunteer, donation programs, etc.). 10 points
B. Scouts, Campfire, 4H, church, or other community or youth groups. 10 points

Section IV. WORK RELATED (Possible 10 points)
A. Employment, home chores, neighborhood work, sidewalk or beach clean-up, etc. 10 points
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