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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Jim Barton

Hi Rockhounds,

By the time you get this, the CFMS Business Meeting in Visalia will only be a few days away (November 12, 2022). Hope to see many of you there.

Marcia Goetz, Past President and Electronic Communications Chair, is currently emailing the CFMS Newsletter to Societies (Clubs), CFMS Directors, CFMS Officers, and CFMS Chairs; she would like to also include all Society Editors and or Membership Chairs for distribution to all members with email addresses. Please contact Marcia Goetz at marciagoetz195@gmail.com with your editor's or membership chair email contact information.

As stated previously in my messages, individual CFMS Committees are being highlighted to show what CFMS does for the membership. There are two remaining CFMS Committees to be highlighted this year:

November 2022 – Earth Science Seminars

December 2022 – Junior Activities.

Since there are 35 Committees that I did not cover this year, I would like to continue highlighting what CFMS does for you in a separate newsletter column next year. Let me know what you think as your feedback would be appreciated. Send comments to me at geologist1@surewest.net.

The CFMS Operating Rules state that:

a. An Earth Science Seminars Committee is established, whose primary duties are to provide an educational experience to the membership at least once a year.

(1) The Committee shall consist of a Chairman and an assistant (who may be designated Co-Chairman), the current CFMS Second Vice President, and Committee members as appointed by the Chairman. Rev. 11/01.



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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Nov 1. Deadline for Visalia reports
Nov 5. Deadline for Dec newsletter
Nov 11-13. . . . Fall Business Meeting—Visalia
Dec 5. Deadline for January newsletter

CFMS INSURANCE CONTACTS

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Editors are invited to download articles for their bulletins from this website. Be sure to cite the source.

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 bpalarue@earthlink.net. “snail mail”? Please send to the CFMS PO Box 1657, Rialto, CA 92377-1657. Articles without a byline are written by the editor.

DONATIONS

Donations to any of the funds administered by CFMS and/or AFMS are tax deductible under the rules governing tax exempt organizations which are 501(c)(3). Your cancelled check or receipt is considered to be proof of your donation for purposes of filing your federal tax return. If a personal donation is \$250 or more, a letter attesting to that amount is also required. Member clubs and individuals are encouraged to donate to any of the following:

CFMS Scholarship Fund
CFMS Endowment Fund
CFMS General Fund
Diedrick Memorial Scholarship Fund
AFMS Scholarship Foundation
AFMS Endowment Fund
Burns Memorial Camp Fund (benefits Earth Science Studies)
Facilities Development Fund

Your donations should be sent to:
Pat LaRue, Exec. Sec/Treas
PO Box 1657
Rialto, CA 92377-1657

Receipts and any supporting documents will be forwarded on to the committee member responsible for acknowledgment. Please make all checks payable to CFMS or AFMS as appropriate and note the fund in the memo section.

FALL BUSINESS MEETING REPORTS

By Pat LaRue, Executive Sec/Treas

November 12 will be here before we know it, so now is the time for all chairmen to be thinking about their annual report to be included in the information packet distributed to Directors, Officers and Chairmen in attendance at the Fall Business Meeting in Visalia. In order to allow for any needed formatting, printing and putting into the envelopes, I will need to receive your reports by November 1. If unable to meet that deadline, please bring 75 copies of your report to the meeting.

President's Message cont...

b. The Committee shall:

(1) Select a site that includes facilities for classes, lodging, meals, camping and meetings. Rev. 11/01.

(2) Maintain a permanent list of available speakers, programs, instructors, and field trips. The speakers and instructors may be professional or hobbyists.

(3) The Chairman shall appoint the assistant and select committee members as needed.

Suggested assignments for Committee members would include Treasurer, Registration, Correspondence Secretary (including facility reservations), Instructional Programs, First Aid, Field Trips, Food Advisor, publicity and physical arrangements. Rev. 11/01.

(4) Prepare a budget for the approval of the Executive Committee listing projected number of paying guests and charges per guest. Any proposed increase or decrease in the charge per person for attendance at the seminars should be specifically noted. This budget should also include a breakdown of all projected expenses. The budget should be furnished to the Executive Committee prior to committing the CFMS to any expenditure. Rev. 11/01.

(5) Notify the Executive Committee of the addition of a new Seminar, cancellation of a Seminar, or the change in location of any Seminar. Rev. 11/01.

(6) All monies received shall be deposited by the Executive Treasurer and bills shall be paid by the Executive Treasurer. Rev. 11/01.

(7) The maximum amount ESSC shall have in reserve is \$5,000. Rev. 11/01.

(8) Inform the membership of places and dates of the seminars through the CFMS Newsletter and other methods, as soon as the facilities are booked.

Happy Thanksgiving! 🍂🍂

Jim Barton

CFMS FALL BUSINESS MEETING

By Pat LaRue, Exec Sec/Treas

The annual Fall Business Meeting and election of 2023 Officers will be held November 11-13, 2022 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 \$102 per night, tell them you are with CFMS. Cut-off date for this price is **October 28, 2022**. The group code is 111022CAF. 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 12, at 9 a.m.** Join us at the **Banquet** that Saturday evening. President-elect Kim Fiala will have a brief meeting of her 2023 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.

As in past years, we will not have a bar in the room, but a cocktail server will be available to take your orders and deliver them to the room.

Make banquet reservations by November 5, 2022.

Mail your check payable to CFMS to:

CFMS
PO Box 1657
Rialto, CA 92377-1657



JUNIORS ACTIVITIES

By Jim Brace-Thompson, CFMS
Junior Activities Chair

Assessing the State of Our Juniors Programs: *Thank You for Your Help!*

In earlier newsletter articles this fall, I've been noting how—in light of the COVID pandemic—many clubs saw serious declines in membership, particularly within the ranks of pebble pups and juniors. With a brief survey (sent via the newsletter, via the CFMS email list, and via mail), I've been seeking help to assess just how serious this decline has been, and how we are all recovering (or not) from it.

Over a third of our CFMS-affiliated clubs and societies have chimed thus far, and I offer a sincere “Thank you!” for your helpful responses. I look forward to still more to come! I'll be collating responses toward a report at the Fall CFMS Directors Meeting so that we can all know where we currently stand and so that we might share best practices toward reinvigorating our local pebble pup and juniors programs.

ROCKHOUND OF THE YEAR

By Chris Ward ROTY Chair
chris_ward678@yahoo.com

Greetings! Rockhounds. Here are our latest submissions for the CFMS Rockhound of the year for 2022. We're rapidly approaching the end of the year. Don't forget to honor your Rockhounds of the Year before 2022 is gone. Send your submissions by email in them to me at chris_ward678@yahoo.com.

Fernando Guerrero - Vista Gem & Mineral

Society. I am writing to you about an outstanding Member of Vista Gem and Mineral Society, (VGMS): Fernando Guerrero. Fernando has been a member for four years. He began by taking our beginners lapidary and silversmithing class. He is now considered one of our best instructors, teaching both beginners and advanced students. Fernando enthusiastically helps in

numerous ways around the shop and shows, contributing his time and money.

Fernando has visited several opal mines in Mexico and brought back some very interesting and beautiful opal. He also visited the green striped marble mine up near Victorville CA with Ray Pierce, Rick Webber and myself. Around the Club, he is referred to as “the best”..

**Submitted by: Nancy Bird - Federation Director - Vista
Gem & Mineral Society**

Julie Wade - San Joaquin Valley Lapidary

Society. The San Joaquin Valley Lapidary Society (SVJLS) would like to recognize Julie Wade for 2022 Rockhound of the Year. Julie has only been a member for three years, but during this time she has made major contributions to the growth of the SVJLS. Julie does a lot of work behind the scenes. She makes time for and puts so much into supporting the success of the Club. She tumbles rocks for the grab bags that we sell at the Kern County Fair. Additionally, she also sews the grab bags that holds the tumbled stones. Julie does an amazing job teaching us various wire-wrapping techniques, including the “Trees of Life.” Julie has also won several ribbons for her unique display cases at the Fair. She participates in field trips, and she may even wake up one morning and say, “let's go rockhounding today.” Julie goes annually to Quartzsite to partake in field trips, and enjoys the festivities that occur around the campfire at night. The SVJLS cannot thank Julie enough for everything she does for the Club, and we are proud to recommend her for the San Joaquin Valley Lapidary Society 2022 Rockhound of the Year.

**Submitted By: Bernie Bentsen, President - San
Joaquin Valley Lapidary Society**

Carin D'Innocente - Vallejo Gem & Mineral

Society. The Vallejo Gem and Mineral Society recognizes Carin D'Innocente for 2022 VGMS Rockhound of the Year. Carin has completed VGMS's transformation from a 501(c)(4) to a 501(c)(3) organization. She has worked tirelessly over several years to complete this transformation. The club will see benefits for years to come in the form of additional donations to the club and the potential for obtaining government grants for shop improvements. She has shown a dogged determination to complete this critical project for VGMS. We recognize and thank her for her

generous donation of time and professional talents. We applaud her volunteerism, and we give a gold star to all our volunteers. "We make a living by what we get. We make a life by what we give." – Winston Churchill

Submitted by: Janet Flint - Federation Director - Vallejo Gem & Mineral Society

Rylee Jones - Pebble Pup - Ventura Gem & Mineral Society. Rylee has been a member of the club for quite a few years. We have watched him grow up to the great age of 12. This year, he has attended all the pebble pups classes, he volunteered at the CFMS Show in the kids booth and demonstrated carving at the show. He exhibited at the CFMS Show in competition and won! He helped at the kids booth at our Ventura Gem show. He has volunteered at the Ventura County Fair, several days demonstrating carving. It is so nice to have a child demonstrating his carving skills, lots of kids and adults stop and ask questions. An outstanding Pebble Pup so happy he is part of VGMS.

Submitted by: John Cook- President - Ventura Gem & Mineral Society

Celia Churchill - Ventura Gem & Mineral Society.

Celia, as a new member to VGMS, became our bulletin editor and has been doing a fantastic job the last two years. She designed and developed a CFMS winning bulletin as our new bulletin editor. She helps with the Pebble Pup program every month. She is on the All American Committee, which has won at CFMS for 2 years in which she participated. Celia volunteers at our Show and she volunteered at the Ventura County Fair, in the gem & mineral building. She is the mother of a great pebble pup in our club, she helps by supporting her and makes sure she gets to events and participates in all activities. Congratulations Celia!.

Submitted By: John Cook, President - Ventura Gem & Mineral Society

Anna Marie Robertson - Long Beach Mineral & Gem Society. Anna Marie Robertson is our Federation Director at the Long Beach Mineral & Gem Society and we would like to congratulate her on ROTY 2022. Anna consistently contributes her time and energy to our Club by keeping our Facebook page updated, representing us at CFMS events, stepping in to volunteer at our recent show and tracking our new members. She also finds time to come into our lapidary shop to work on her cabs and just spent a wonderful week in Paradise learning all kinds of new skills at camp. When she is not doing ALL of this she enjoys riding her bike and recently came home from an

exciting bike riding vacation in Europe. She also loves to spend time with her precious granddaughter, Lily. We would like to thank Anna for all that she does for us at the Long Beach Mineral and Gem Society.

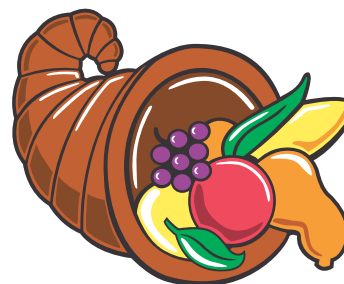
Submitted by: Karin Alvarez - President - Long Beach Mineral & Gem Society

ROCKHOUNDS ALSO COLLECT STAMPS

By Dick Pankey, Federation Director

We have come to an end of an era. For many decades members of the California Federation of Mineralogical Societies have sniped canceled stamps from envelopes and donated them to the Easter Seals of California in Sacramento. It started in the late 70's or early 80's. For many years CFMS Past President Ellen Schulte accepted and took the CFMS stamp donations to the Sacramento Philatelic Society for their sale. Debbie Bunn assumed the duties from Ellen some 15 to 20 years ago. At the Directors' Meeting people would parade up to Debbie to present the stamp donations. The program slowed down for a couple of years so I offered to help Debbie and do some promotion. The donations took off. When Debbie took in our 2021 donation last January she was informed that they were no longer collecting stamps.

Bummer!! So for now I have terminated our stamp 'snipping and saving', and we will no longer be saving and collecting the canceled stamps. So a big THANK YOU to the CFMS Directors and their societies who 'snipped' and brought in their stamp. And special thank you to Debbie Bunn who took our donated stamps to Sacramento and kept this program going.



PROPOSED SLATE OF 2023 CFMS EXECUTIVE BOARD OFFICERS

Submitted by 2022 CFMS Nominating
committee, Barbara Loudon, Chair

President.....Kimberly Fiala
Kimberly is currently the CFMS 1st VP –President
elect.

1st VP (President elect).....Bob Rush
Bob is currently the CFMS 2nd CFMS VP

2nd VP.....Heidi Hall
Heidi is currently the CFMS Secretary.

Secretary.....Frank Van Hecke

Treasurer.....Diane Cook
Diane is currently the CFMS Treasurer.

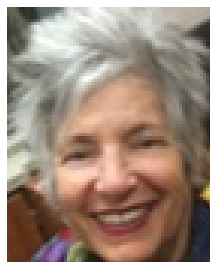
Additional Nominations for 1st VP, 2nd VP, Secretary
and Treasurer may be made from the floor at the
November CFMS Directors Meeting.

Frank Van Hecke is being nominated for the position of
CFMS Executive Board Secretary by the CFMS
Nominating Committee. Frank is currently the Chair
for the CFMS Museum Committee. Frank also exhibits
competitively at CFMS Shows, usually in the
educational classifications.

Frank is a valued member of the Nevada County Gem
and Mineral Society where he has served as the
Society's CFMS Director since 2017. Also, Frank has
served the Society as Vice-President/Programs 2016-
2017, Treasurer 2018-2021, and Show Chair/Co-Chair
2018-2022. In addition, Frank does educational
programs for non-profits, schools, libraries, and other
mineral clubs.

The Gem and Mineral Society of Nevada County
recommends Frank Van Hecke for the position of
Secretary of the CFMS Board without reservation.
Frank is, and has been, an integral member of NCGMS.
Frank's character and work ethic is to be commended
and has enriched and strengthened our club. He will be
an asset as Secretary to CFMS.

Respectfully,
Dennis Geare, Secretary & Officer of the Board of
Directors, Nevada Co GMS 2021-present



ENDOWMENT FUND

By Sharon Rogow, Chair

We are currently looking for
donations of rocks, lapidary, finished
jewelry and rock related items for
the Endowment Fund table at an
upcoming event. Many of you have
donated in past years and we hope
that you and even more people will support this
important Fund by making additional tax deductible
cash donations. Contact Sharon via text, email or
phone to do this. Phone/text: (702) 499-0272
text/phone; email: sharonrr@cox.net. Thanx in
advance.

VISUAL PROGRAMS

By Sharon Rogow, Chair

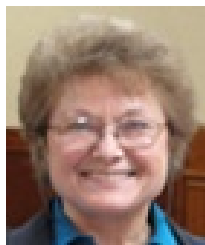
Visual programs 2022 has been a very slow year for
requests. We have DVDs of various types. Many are
instructional, others are educational and some are
almost like tours. These are useful for meetings, shows
and special events.

Reminders:

1. Submit requests 2 to 3 weeks in advance.
2. Return programs within 10 days of use with the \$10
fee and feedback form
3. Feel free to contact me for assistance in choosing
programs and the process of acquiring them.
4. Access the CFMS website and click on Visual
Programs along the side which will take you to the
request form and the listings.
5. Contact me for help. Sharon: sharonrr@cox.net.
Phone: (702) 499-0272



Happy Thanksgiving



2023 CFMS/AFMS WEBSITE CONTEST

Merryan O'Neill, Website Chair

It's time for CFMS webmasters to get ready for the 2023 AFMS/CFMS Website Contest. I'm told that, other than the date, there will be no changes to the forms and rules.

We can expect the forms to be posted soon on both the AFMS and CFMS sites. In the meantime, the link below will take to the page on the AFMS site that has the contest forms.

We will let you know when the final 2023 contest forms have been posted on the CFMS website. In the meantime, you can get a head start on getting your club's website contest-ready!

If you have any questions, please contact me at mvoneill@comcast.net

Link to 2022 Website Contest rules on the AFMS site:
[2022 Web Site Contest \(amfed.org\)](https://www.amfed.org/2022-Web-Site-Contest)

THE COST OF SAFETY

Ellery Borow, AFMS Safety Chair

What is the cost of being safe? Visited several stores recently and looked at the safety kits. They all looked quite nice in decorative plastic cases, metal with sealed lids, and cardboard boxes which held various assortments of basic supplies such as bandages, gauze, safety pins, ointments, swabs, adhesive tape, safety scissors, and a guide book of some sort.

Safety kits sometime focus on target situations—kits for car or boat travel, kits for the great outdoors, or kits for home safety. One can also find specific medications for insect bites and stings, burns, abrasions, sun burns and so on. The prices for most safety kits ranged from \$4.95 to over \$60.00 for the more complete kits in airtight sealed metal boxes with sturdy plastic carrying handles. In practice we have seen tool boxes, shoe boxes, paper and plastic bags, as well as "official" safety kits being used to transport safety supplies in the shop, home, car or field trip. The main point is that a safety kit can be had for very little money. For such little outlay how can one afford not to

have a safety kit available? With such afford ability why not have a safety kit in the kitchen, shop, car, truck, office, hike, basement, and meeting place?

Considering the modest cost of safety kits, it is handy to have several. Some injuries respond favorably to quick attention. Having safety kits nearby can be advantageous. Take a burn for example—most people will immediately place a burn under cool water for a moment. Burns however can be deep so it is usually more effective to keep the area of the burn immersed in cool water for 3, 5, 10 or even 20 minutes to mitigate the worst of the effects of a burn. Though one should still seek professional medical attention if a burn is severe.

There is a power with having a safety kit at hand when needed. The power, among other things, is in saving money. Having a first aid booklet, knowing the procedures in the booklet (rather than getting familiar with them after the accident) and being familiar with the contents of the safety kit has the potential to save money. That said, it is still best to prevent an injury before it occurs, rather than have to treat it afterward.

We replace the brake pads on a car before they fail, we repair a roof leak before the damage becomes an issue, we paint the wood before natural elements damage it, we prune the dead branch before it falls on the house. We are used to preventing damage before it occurs—we should try to do the same with our personal well-being. A safety kit can help with that.

Keeping with the car example—fixing the brakes can be far cheaper than being in a traffic accident later. Wearing safety goggles, gloves, study shoes, and otherwise being well prepared for a field trip can be well worth the cost of safety equipment and kit. The prices of being safe are many and varied--and well worth the alternative of being injured. Please consider keeping a safety kit nearby because—Your safety matters.

From *AFMS Newsletter*, 10/22



AWARD WINNING BULLETINS

By Mark Nelson, 2021 AFMS BEAC

How do you produce an award-winning bulletin? A bulletin that members can't wait to read? When I've spoken with editors at conventions and shows, I've noted that one subject gets a lot of discussion—whether or not anyone is reading their bulletin! This is a good time to take another look at the simple things we need to include in our bulletins to make them stand out in the eyes of judges and of our members!

Essentially, the guidelines are at our fingertips! A number of very knowledgeable and talented professionals gathered together over the years to identify what features needed to be present in a hobby bulletin to make for an effective publication. They used this set of features to develop criteria by which bulletins could be judged. At the AFMS Convention in New Orleans this October, we will see a number of very good bulletins which will win top prizes! What makes these bulletins so good? They met or exceeded the criteria! YOU can improve your bulletin to award-winning status by making sure that your bulletin has the items on this checklist:

- neat and attractive
- bulletin title, club name, city, state, publication date on cover or front page AND on every page
- return address on outside mailing cover
- editor's name & contact information
- club officers, club address or contact info, dues, purpose, club federation
- date, time, place of regular meeting
- pages numbered (except for cover page), dated and containing the bulletin name
- headings, margins, white space, spacing good, neat and clean
- orderly & interesting arrangement of subjects
- spelling & grammar acceptable
- all articles credited to writers/publications
- info/articles appear correct—good use of illustrations, graphics, maps, club logo, cartoons, etc.
- variety of material that fulfills the needs of this club
- no apparent copyright violations
- club programs announced, previous program reviewed
- highlights of minutes of last club meeting
- committee/board meeting reports, president's message
- field trips, workshops/classes, community/federation projects announced, reported
- coming events or calendar of club activities

- events/shows/news of other clubs
- news of members
- American Federation news
- club's Regional Federation news
- articles that are educational, hobby-related
- articles of hints & tips, safety info, book reviews, humor, etc. as appropriate to your club
- original articles & items submitted by club members
- articles from exchange bulletins and/or other sources

This isn't difficult, but the results make a bulletin so much more professional and effective! You can refer to this checklist yourself by going to the AFMS website (www.amfed.org). Then, at the very top of the home page is a little blue tab called Site Map. Click on it and look down at the third bullet (Bulletin Editors' Contest). Scroll down and click on the tenth listing (editor/BEAC/Forms/FillableBulletins.pdf).

There you will see the things that you will include in your bulletin to make it both interesting and an award-winner!

Excerpts from *AFMS Newsletter* 10/22

AFMS ALL AMERICAN CLUB AWARDS

By Mary Boesdorfer, AFMS AACA Chair

FIRST PLACE GOLD Award for the Ventura Gem and Mineral Society—with an average of 101 pts. This club always does an amazing job, not only with their club and activities, but also documenting it in their yearbook! This year they continued to do a great job of promoting online resources and meetings but were able to get some in-person activities going again as well. This included an entire line-up of monthly junior meetings each with a different theme/talk.

HONORABLE MENTION for the Vallejo Gem and Mineral Society—with an average of 49 pts. This club did a great job of updating their Covid safety guideline to help get their workshop back open, which even includes a neat silver smithing area! They also took a big step and filed for their club to become a 501(c)(3).

Excerpts from *AFMS Newsletter*, 10/22

Note: There were only 3 entries—2 were from CFMS!

2022 CFMS SHOW DATES

Shows and Events

*Sponsored by
CFMS Clubs & Societies!*

*Please submit your
Show or Event as soon as possible
to receive maximum advertising value!*

*Email to:
SHOW DATES*

*Use the Online Show Form
at www.cfmsinc.org
(click on Shows)*

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

CLUB/SOCIETY SHOWS ARE LISTED HERE

2022

November 6, 2022 – Mason, NV
Mason Valley Gem & Mineral Club
55 Bridge St., Mason NV
Hours: 1 PM till over
This event will be held at the VFW Hall in
Mason, NV. Do not turn on Bridge St., in
Yerington
Contact: srheid@usa.net

November 6, 2022 – Lake Elsinore
Lake Elsinore Gem & Mineral Society
32097 Corydon Rd, Lake Elsinore, CA
Hours: 10-4
Contact: berylman50@aol.com
Find us on Facebook

2023

February 18-19, 2023 – Antioch, CA
Antioch Lapidary Club
Contra Costa County Fairgrounds, 1201 West
10th St., Antioch, CA 94509
Hours: Sat and Sun 10-5
Contact Brenda Miguel, (925) 301-6957
Website: <http://www.antiochlapidaryclub.com>

February 25-26, 2023 – Vallejo, CA
Vallejo Gem and Mineral Society
Solano County Fairgrounds, McCormack Hall,
900 Fairgrounds Dr, Vallejo, CA
Hours: 10-5
Contact: (415) 254-1506
Website: <http://vjgems.co>

March 4-5, 2023 – Ventura, CA
Ventura Gem & Mineral Society
Ventura County Fairgrounds, 10 W.
Harbor Blvd., Ventura, CA 93001
Hours: Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4
Contact: (805) 312-8467
Website: <http://www.vgms.org>

March 3, 4 & 5, 2023, Newark CA
Mineral and Gem Society of Castro
Valley
Newark Pavilion, 6430 Thornton Ave.,
Newark, CA
Hours Fri-Sat 10-6, Sun 10-5
Contact: showchair@mgscv.org
Website: <http://mgscv.org>

March 10-12, 2023 – Stoddard Wells
Victor Valley Gem and Mineral Club
47th Annual Stoddard Wells Rockhound
Tailgate
Contact (760) 245-2330 - leave a message
Website: <http://vvgmc.org>

March 11-12 2023 – Turlock, CA
Mother Lode Mineral Society
Mother Lode Mineral Show
Stanislaus County Fairgrounds, 900 N.
Broadway, Turlock, CA
Hours: Sat 10-5, Sun 10-5
Contact: bwendx2@yahoo.com
Website:
<http://www.turlockgemshow.com>

March 18-19, 2023 – Lemoore, CA
Lemoore Gem & Mineral Club
Lemoore Gem & Mineral Show
Trinity Hall, 470 Champion St., Lemoore,
CA
Hours: Sat 10-6, Sun 10-4
Website:
<https://facebook.com/AndLemoore>

March 25-26, 2023 – Angeles Camp, CA
Calaveras Gem and Mineral Show
Calaveras County Fairgrounds, 2465 Gun
Club Rd., Angeles Camp, CA 95222
Hours: Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4
Contact: (262) 348-6804,
clairemathison1@gmail.com
Website:
<http://calaverasgemandmineralsociety.net>

June 10-11, 2023 – Escondido, CA
Palomar Gem and Mineral Club
The Convention Center at the California
Center for the Arts, 340 N. Escondido,
CA 92025
Hours: Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4
Contact: tonifloyd41615@gmail.com
Website: <http://palomargem.org>

National/Regional Shows:

California Federation TBA

Eastern Federation TBA

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Marietta, GA*

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

Check for show links at
www.cfmsinc.org/shows

REMINDER

Advertise your Show in as many Free locations as possible!

- **Local newspapers**
- **Current events sections!**
- **Local TV stations,**
- **Community calendars!**
- **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.

**THIS SPACE IS FOR
YOU!!**

A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

Clubs are reminded that space does not allow us to include show flyers and other promotional materials to advertise your show. We are also not able to send email blasts to promote an individual club show. If you wish to let nearby clubs know about your upcoming show or special event, a listing of CFMS affiliated clubs/societies is maintained on the CFMS website. We encourage you to use this resource to help promote your show. We do depend on YOU, the CFMS membership to help us keep this information current. If you need to update the information on your club listing, send an email with the new information to Marcia Goetz, who maintains this section of the website. Her email address is marciagoetz195@gmail.com.

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

The CFMS Endowment Fund was formed to provide a stable source of income to financially assist the programs and services the CFMS provides to its members. All donations remain as principal and only earnings are available for distribution to the CFMS. The Fund is open to receive most types of assets. *(Non-cash items will be converted to cash as is prudent. Donating depreciated assets offers a charitable tax deduction with capital gains tax.)*

Fund Categories:

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

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

Booster: A person having donated \$25 to the Fund. The Booster pin, which was designed by the late Chuck Davis, is given to any person upon donating \$25 to the Fund.

The Endowment Fund benefits the now generation and generations to come. Join in and support the Earth Sciences by sending in your check or pledge in support of the CFMS Endowment Fund.

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\$5 ____ \$10 ____ \$15 ____ \$20 ____ \$25 ____ \$50 ____ \$100 ____ or \$ ____

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