



# CFMS NEWSLETTER

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Kimberly Fiala

Hello CFMS members,

Thank you once again to everyone involved in making the CFMS show in Lodi, CA a success. All the hard work and dedication that went into running the show did not go unnoticed. From the volunteers to the Show Committee/Board members, your efforts were greatly appreciated.

A special thanks goes out to those who helped with the set up in all areas, including cases and snack preparation for volunteers and vendors. We also appreciate those who contributed to the raffle, admissions, kids' booth, security, Cracker Barrel, club information, Endowment Funds, Camp Paradise, and the Banquet.

For those who attended the show, I hope you took the time to shop and interact with the volunteers and vendors. If you missed the Cracker Barrel, you missed out on the chance to win small prizes from the pinata. The banquet and award ceremony were also highlights, as we got to recognize and celebrate those who participated in friendly competitions. Keep November in mind, as you never know what surprises await!

Summer isn't over just yet, and there are still some shows to attend. Take the opportunity to enjoy them and show your gratitude to the hard-working volunteers and vendors. These shows are a significant part of our society, allowing vendors and clubs to showcase their skills and educate the community about rocks, gems, and minerals.

Once again, a big thank you to all the volunteers and clubs that signed up and helped with the June show. Make the most of the remaining summer, and cherish the time spent with your loved ones.

*Kimberly Fiala*



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## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Aug 5. . . . . Deadline for September newsletter  
Aug 20-26. . . . . Camp Paradise Week 1  
Aug 27-Sep 2. . . . . Camp Paradise Week 2  
Nov 10-12. . . . . Vall Business Meeting-Visalia

## CFMS INSURANCE CONTACTS

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Web Site: [www.mcdanielinsuranceservices.com](http://www.mcdanielinsuranceservices.com)

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

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## NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

The deadline for the newsletter is the 5<sup>th</sup> day of the month prior to the month of publication. Articles should be sent to the editor at [bplarue@earthlink.net](mailto:bplarue@earthlink.net). "snail mail"? Please send to the CFMS PO Box 1657, Rialto, CA 92377-1657. Articles without a byline are written by the editor.

## DONATIONS

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

CFMS Scholarship Fund  
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.

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## VISUAL PROGRAMS

By Sharon Rogow

With the ease of internet access and the newer methods of transferring information, it is not surprising that requests for visual programs have significantly decreased. However, please keep in mind that our collection of CDs and DVDs that we offer include rockhounding information with suggestions of collecting locations, mine locations and history. Some programs are instructional with demonstrations on stone cutting, other lapidary arts, crafts, jewelry making, flint knapping, wire wrapping and silversmithing just to name a few. You can order online, in writing or via phone with at least two weeks notice. Each program has a \$10 fee with expected return within ten days of use. Help is available from Sharon Rogow at (702) 499-0272.

## CFMS FALL BUSINESS MEETING

By Pat LaRue, Exec Sec/Treas

The annual Fall Business Meeting and election of 2024 Officers will be held November 10-12, 2023 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 **November 3, 2023**. The group code is 111023CAF. 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 11, at 9 a.m.** Join us at the **Banquet** that Saturday evening. The incoming president will have a brief meeting of the 2024 committees Sunday morning. 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

\$45 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 6, 2023.**

Mail your check payable to CFMS to:

CFMS  
PO Box 1657  
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## JUNIORS ACTIVITIES

By Jim Brace-Thompson, CFMS  
Junior Activities Chair

### FOLLOWING UP ON "STATE OF OUR CFMS KIDS' PROGRAMS" SURVEY

Last year, I conducted a survey to assess the state of our CFMS kids' programs. A little over 50% of our CFMS clubs and societies responded, and I presented results at our Fall Director's Meeting. Those results were bleak. Several clubs struggled to hold together at all during the pandemic, much less sponsor a kids' program. While many were hopeful about the future, few had taken steps to start or re-start a kids' group.

To help, in my Junior Activities articles in the CFMS Newsletter over the course of this year, I've been presenting best practices from successful clubs about how to go about creating and maintaining an active kids program. The biggest take-away? You need a "champion" within your club who will shoulder the task, a champion supported by the whole club. To be clear, a kids' program is not for all clubs. I'm not suggesting we force such a program onto every club. But for those that want one, I'm here to help, and I'll gladly speak with potential kids program chairs in local clubs and guide them to the many free resources available via CFMS and AFMS. So, please: bring me your champion!

### NEWS FROM THE AFMS

The AFMS Future Rockhounds of America Program is starting a new newsletter by kids, for kids. They hope to publish three or four issues per year, depending on the amount of content submitted. That content can be in the form of articles, poetry, drawings/cartoons, and/or photos. For details, check out page 3 of the June issue of the AFMS Newsletter ([https://www.amfed.org/news/n2023\\_06.pdf](https://www.amfed.org/news/n2023_06.pdf)), and direct any kids interested in joining the effort to the following link: <https://www.juniors.amfed.org/juniors-newsletter>. Associated with this is a contest to name the newsletter and create an associated mascot. Info on this may be found in the link just noted. Contest deadline is June 30, so if you have kids in your club, alert them TODAY! Direct any questions to [youth@amfed.org](mailto:youth@amfed.org).

Excerpts from CFMS Convention report

## CFMS ENDOWMENT FUND

By Sharon Rogow

This is our "go to" fund for support and help, if needed, of all the CFMS projects and activities throughout the year. Obviously it is of paramount importance to donate as much as possible so that this fund will be able to function as needed. In memoriam, congratulatory, special occasion and many other categories are appropriate for donations made by individual members and societies in the California Federation.

Checks should be made out to CFMS Endowment Fund. Send to Pat LaRue, PO Box 1657, Rialto, CA 92377-1657 or hand it to Pat or Sharon Rogow at a business meeting.

The Endowment Fund sales table at the Lodi show was a success. Thanks go out to all those folks who donated items for the table and helped out behind the table.

Editors note: The Endowment Fund silent auction at the Cracker Barrel brought in a few more donations. I don't know if another silent auction will be conducted at the Cracker Barrel in Visalia, but you can bring your donations just in case. I have lots of slabs that need a new home. Thank you again to all the successful bidders.



## GOLDEN BEAR 2023

By Bural LaRue, Chairman

It was my pleasure to present the prestigious Golden Bear Award to Sharon Rogow at the Awards Banquet in Lodi. This award is given to those persons who have gone above and beyond in service to the CFMS. Sharon certainly has done this and more. She brought the program library into the modern era by retiring the old slides and VCR tapes. She does wish more clubs would take advantage of this source of programs for their club meetings. She continued the Endowment Fund sales table at our shows, often donating much of her own stuff to the cause when donations are slow. She promotes the fund at every opportunity. Congratulations again!!

## JUNE AFMS PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Cheryl Neary, AFMS President 2023

"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give." ~Winston Churchill

In another president's message I quoted Dolly Parton. This time - Winston Churchill. We earn money so we are able to buy things that are necessary for our lives. This is living, something we do to create the life we want. Giving of our time or money to help better another is also part of life.

Volunteering includes giving of time, knowledge, energy, and at times money. Why volunteer? I am sure many of you have very busy lives and believe there is little time to volunteer for a position within your club or federation. However, for both clubs and federations to succeed, we need volunteers. The stronger the volunteer base, the stronger the club and/or federation.

There are benefits to volunteering! You can form new friendships. You have the opportunity to network with others and learn new skills. I recently read that it is also possible to protect your mental and physical health through volunteering.

How is that possible? Doesn't meeting deadlines increase stress levels? (i.e. writing a report, creating monthly bulletins/newsletters, juggling everything you do) On the other hand, meeting deadlines keeps you mentally stimulated (ah, those new skills?) and provides a sense of purpose. These are things that may reduce stress, combat depression, and boost your self-esteem.

What is sense of purpose? It is what you believe in, what you value in life, and what motivates you. There is evidence that having a sense of purpose maintains health and well-being throughout your lifetime (a study documented in BMC Public Health, online version, July 11, 2017). The study concluded that a positive sense of purpose was associated with "better mental and physical health, life satisfaction, self-esteem, happiness, lower depressive symptoms, ..."

Volunteering does not necessarily involve long-term commitments. Many club and federation positions require a commitment of a year. Once you accept a position you may feel the rewards of the position and may want to stay on, if your bylaws allow consecutive terms. How would you know this? Simply volunteer



and find out what it is all about. I don't encourage anyone to resign from a position without at least trying it for a year, but if you become unable to afford the time to continue or you develop health issues, I am sure there is no real harm done.

I want people to volunteer! I do not want them to volunteer if not willing to perform the responsibilities of the position.

When I was growing up, my parents gave my sisters and me chores to perform, and each week we rotated. It may sound funny to hear that we had four different chores for after dinner. The first was to clear the table; second was to wash the dishes; third was to dry the dishes; and finally, to put the dry dishes away. (Nowadays, there are dishwasher appliances to handle the second and third tasks). Anyway, my sisters called me the general because as the oldest of the girls, I would say let's get going - especially if that week I was supposed to put away the dishes. I did not want to wait for them and miss out on other things I wanted to do! I like to consider it time management. Today, I believe in the "voluntold" concept. That is what my daughters call it when I ask if they will help and then tell them they will be helping. This concept does work! I have recruited many people to volunteer under a bit of pressure; they find out they do enjoy the tasks and have volunteered to either stay on or move on to another position. I also find that many people will not volunteer, but when asked, they do step up to the plate! A home run for them and for their club/federation! Both the individual and the club can become healthier! There are many positions within clubs and federations that are open - do you need a nudge? I would be glad to volunteer to be the person to provide that nudge.

From *AFMS Newsletter*, June 2023



## SOME WORDS FROM DIANE

By Diane Cook, CFMS Treasurer

Hi fellow rockhounds,

We've just returned from the CFMS Lodi Gem Show, and I couldn't be more thrilled about the experience of meeting new enthusiasts like yourselves. I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to everyone who attended the show, volunteered their time, assisted with the setup and takedown, and lent a hand at the various booths. It was a pleasure to meet all the new members, and I hope that each and every one of you had as much fun as I did.

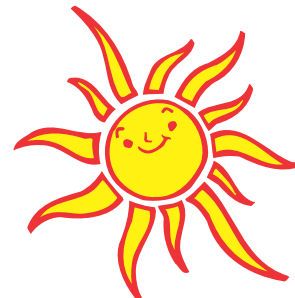
A special congratulations goes out to those who entered exhibit cases and bulletin articles, and emerged victorious! Your dedication and talent deserve recognition.

For those of you whose clubs are interested in hosting a show, I encourage you to reach out to me. CFMS has both a Show Consultant North and South, we are here to provide guidance and fresh ideas for your upcoming events, as well as assist those who wish to submit a bid for a future CFMS show.

Don't forget that we have an active Facebook page. During the show, I announced a drawing for all the likes received from the opening to the end of the event. I will soon be conducting the drawing and announcing the lucky winner on Facebook, as well as in next month's newsletter.

Should your club or you have any questions or require any assistance, please don't hesitate to contact me. While I may not have all the answers, I'm committed to finding someone who does.

Once again, I extend my sincere appreciation to all of you for attending the 2023 CFMS Lodi Show. Your presence made it a memorable and successful event.



## ROCKHOUND OF THE YEAR

By Chris Ward - CFMS ROTY Chair  
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### Jenny Rohl - Searchers Gem & Mineral Society

Jenny Rohl is a key person in the Searchers. Her broad knowledge about chemistry, rocks, minerals, polishing, and lapping is a reliable source for everyone in the workshop and at meetings.

When at the workshop, she is a natural teacher. She will often be asked questions by other members. Without irritation at the interruption, she stops working to answer. When a problem comes up with the workshop equipment, she has a good memory for past solutions and shares vital details from experience. She has high standards for her polished cabochons, and has the aesthetic sense and dexterity to achieve those standards. For every workshop, Jenny verifies the workshop attendance and monies. She provides timely news of the Delver club events, the Mineralogical Society events, and weekend rock sales. She is a skillful photographer. Her photos of polished rocks provide content for the website and Facebook page.

Her business thrives because clients trust her to buy rocks and minerals for them. Elected to be Secretary, she holds an officer position on the Searchers' board. She is conscientious when taking meeting minutes, and consistently sends a summary to the Slab editor. Because she is quiet, her contributions are often overlooked. For these reasons, I would like to nominate her.

Submitted by: Robin Larzelere - President  
Searchers Gem & Mineral Society

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## RULES COMMITTEE REPORT

By Pat LaRue, Committee member

The competitive displays this year were dominated by first time exhibitors. Even though there were no CFMS trophies awarded, the cases were outstanding. All but one were entered by first timers who entered as Novices. Supplemental trophies (privately sponsored awards) were presented: The Bob Stultz Memorial Award for minerals was awarded to Jim Seaton of the Ventura GMS. The Novice Trophy was awarded to Donna Albrecht of the Contra Costra GMS. The Ruth Bailey award was presented to Jim Brace-Thompson who also was the recipient of the President's Trophy.

## PLEASE READ

"The Los Angeles Times has published an article on Rockhounding and the Mojave Trails National Monument (MTNM). Louis Sahagun wrote it as a follow-up to his 2016 article.

Here is the link to the article:

<https://www.latimes.com/environment/story/2023-07-16/rockhounds-fight-for-access-to-jewels-of-california-desert>

Please share, link, post, read the article, get eyeballs on it any way you can think of.

The next step will be for us to review the BLM's draft and then we will have another opportunity to comment in the Fall.

Editor's Note: You can cut and paste the link into your browser if you are reading this on line. If reading hard copy you can usually retype the link in your browser to access the article. It is well written. Anyone who is even remotely concerned with future access to some of the premier collecting destinations in the Monument should make their thoughts known. Check with recent emails sent from Electronic Communications (Marcia Goetz) for where to address your comments.



## 2023 CFMS SHOW DATES

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*(click on Shows)*

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

## CLUB/SOCIETY SHOWS ARE LISTED HERE

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### 2023

#### July 8-9, 2023 – Culver City, CA

Culver City Gem and Mineral Society  
Culver City Veteran's Memorial Auditorium,  
4117 Overland Ave., Culver City 90203  
Hours Sat 10-6, Sun 10-5  
Contact: [lexyhunter@aol.com](mailto:lexyhunter@aol.com)  
Website: <http://culvercityrocks.org/fiesta/>

#### August 4, 5 & 6, 2023 – Nipomo, CA

Orcutt Mineral Society  
Nipomo High School, 525 N. Thompson Ave.,  
Nipomo, CA 93444  
Hours: Fri. & Sat 10-5, Sun. 10-4  
Contact: [nipomocowgirl55@yahoo.com](mailto:nipomocowgirl55@yahoo.com)  
Website: <http://www.omsinc.org>

#### August 5-6, 2023 – Roseville, CA

Roseville Rock Rollers Gem & Mineral Soc.  
Roebbelen Event Center, @the Grounds –  
Roseville, 700 Event Center Dr., Roseville, CA  
95678  
Hours: Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-4  
Contact: [gloriarosevilleroockrollers@gmail.com](mailto:gloriarosevilleroockrollers@gmail.com)  
Website: <https://www.rockrollers.com/index.html>

#### August 19-20, 2023 – Tehachapi, CA

Tehachapi Valley Gem and Mineral Society  
500 East "F" Street, Tehachapi, CA 93561  
Hours: 9-5  
Contact: (661) 972-1117,  
[travis462@outlook.com](mailto:travis462@outlook.com)  
Website: <https://www.tvgms.orcks>

August 26-27, 2023 – Arcadia, CA  
Pasadena Lapidary Society  
Arcadia Masonic Lodge, 50 W. Duarte  
Rd., Arcadia, CA 91007  
Contact: (626) 260-7239  
Website: <https://pasadenalapidary.org>

#### September 16-17, 2023 – Monterey, CA

Carmel Valley Gem & Mineral Society  
Monterey Fairgrounds, Monterey, CA  
Hours: 10-5  
Contact: (831) 801-5887  
Website: <http://cvgms.rock>

#### September 16-17, 2023 – Reno, NV

Reno Gem and Mineral Society  
Reno/Sparks Convention Center, 4590 S.  
Virginia St., Reno  
Hours: Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-4  
Contact: (775) 229-4420,  
[sailondan55@aol.com](mailto:sailondan55@aol.com)  
Website: [www.renogms.org](http://www.renogms.org)

#### September 16-17, 2023 – San Luis Obispo, CA

San Luis Obispo Gem and Mineral Club  
San Luis Obispo Veteran's Memorial  
Building, 801 Grand Ave., San Luis  
Obispo, CA 93401  
Hours: Sat. & Sun 10 - 5  
Website: <http://slogem.org>

#### October 7-8, 2023 – Grass Valley, CA

Nevada County Gen and Mineral Society  
Nevada County Fairgrounds, 11228  
McCourtney Rd., Grass Valley, CA 95949  
Hours: Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-4  
Contact: [4vanclan5@att.net](mailto:4vanclan5@att.net)

#### October 7-8, 2023 – Signal Hill, CA

Long Beach Mineral & Gem Society  
Signal Hill Library, 1800 E. Hill St.,  
Signal Hill, CA 90755  
Hours: Sat. 10-5, Sun 10-4  
Contact: (562) 253-1390,  
[lbmineralgemsociety@gmail.com](mailto:lbmineralgemsociety@gmail.com)  
Website:  
<http://www.facebook.com/LBMGS>

#### October 7-8, 2023 – Anderson, CA

Shasta Gem and Mineral Society  
Shasta District Fairgrounds  
1890 Briggs Street, Anderson, CA 96007  
Hours: Sat. 9-5, Sun. 9-4  
Contact: [sgmsrocksredding@gmail.com](mailto:sgmsrocksredding@gmail.com)  
Website: <http://shastagemandmineral.org>

#### October 8, 2023 – Fallbrook, CA

Fallbrook Gen and Mineral Society  
123 W. Alvarado St., Fallbrook, CA  
Hours: 9-4  
Contact: (760) 728-1130, [info@fgms.org](mailto:info@fgms.org)  
Website: <http://www.fgms.org>

October 14-15, 2023 – Redwood City, CA  
Peninsula Gem & Geology Society AND  
Sequoia Gem & Mineral Society  
Redwood City Community Activities  
Building, 1400 Rosevelt Ave., Redwood  
City, CA 94061

Hours: 10-5

Contact: (650) 575-3144, [cci@pacbell.net](mailto:cci@pacbell.net)

Website:

<http://sequoiagemandmineralsociety.org>

#### October 21-22, 2023 – Santa Rosa, CA

Santa Rosa Mineral & Gem Society  
Santa Rosa Veterans Memorial Building,  
1351 Maple Ave., Santa Rosa, CA 95404  
Hours: Sat. & Sun 10-5  
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[jolene4srmgs@gmail.com](mailto:jolene4srmgs@gmail.com)  
Website: <http://srmgs.org>

#### October 28-29 – San Diego, CA

San Diego Mineral & Gem Society  
Liberty Station Conference Center/Point  
Loma Nazerene University, 2660 Lanir, San  
Diego, CA 92106  
Hours: Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-4  
Contact: [luannz@att.net](mailto:luannz@att.net)  
Website: <http://sdmg.org>

#### October 28-29, 2023 – Orange, CA

American Opal Society  
Velvet Rose Event Center, 300 S. Flower  
St., Orange, CA 92868  
Hours: Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-5  
Contact: (714) 501-9959,  
[info@opalsociety.org](mailto:info@opalsociety.org)  
Website: <http://opalsociety.org>

#### November 3,4 & 5, 2023 – Eureka, CA

Humboldt Gem & Mineral Society  
3750 Harris St., Eureka, CA 95503  
Hours: Fri. 9-6, Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-5

#### November 18-19, 2023 – Lakeside, CA

El Cajon Valley Gem & Mineral Society  
12584 Mapleview St., Lakeside, CA 92040  
Hours: Sat 9-5, Sun 9-4  
Contact: (619) 277-4981,  
[ecvgms@gmail.com](mailto:ecvgms@gmail.com)  
Website: <http://ecvgma.org>

#### December 2-3, 2023 – Barstow, CA

Mojave Desert Gem and Mineral Society  
Cora Harper Community/Fitness Center  
841 Barstow Rd., Barstow, CA 92311  
Hours: Sat. & Sun. 10-5  
Contact (760) 979-6138,  
[MDGMSsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:MDGMSsecretary@gmail.com)  
Website: <http://www.mdgms.net>

## **National/Regional Shows:**

*California Federation/AFMS*  
*May 24-26, 2024*  
*Ventura, CA*

*Eastern Federation*  
*July 7-9, 2023*  
*Syracuse, NY*

*Midwest Federation*  
*September 16-17, 2023*  
*Howell, MI*

*Northwest Federation*  
*AFMS 2023*  
*August 3-6, 2023*  
*Billings, MT*

*Rocky Mountain Federation*  
*July 14-16, 2023*  
*Casper, WY*

*South Central Federation*  
*Oct. 13-15, 2023*  
*New Orleans, LA*

*Southeast Federation*  
*October 21-22, 2023*  
*Port St. Lucie, FL*

## **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.***

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

**Check for show links at [www.cfmsinc.org/shows](http://www.cfmsinc.org/shows)**



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