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Keith Fackrell President

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you who have assisted so much and spent the time and effort to help keep NFMS (Northwest Federation of Mineralogical Societies) moving forward.

As we enter into a new year (2018) it is an excellent time for each of us to reflect on the past years and take note of what we have accomplished. Lets contemplate improvements we can incorporate into our activities for the coming year. This will work well in NFMS, our local clubs and in our individual lives. I thank each of you for all you do to enhance our Hobby.

Correction for November NFMS News Letter.

(Ken Zahn's comments: The following should state that each club or Society could join a large Recreation organization that has the same desires for multiple use of the public lands. This would create a larger group to be heard by the regulating agencies, such as BLM and Forest Service.)

Start making plans to attend the Yakima Gem & Mineral/ NFMS Federation Show the last week of April, 27, 28 and 29, 2018.

We hope to see you there!
We wish you a very Happy and Prosperous 2018!



1st Vice President Ronna Watkins

I have been very busy getting ready for the AFMS show in Raleigh, North Carolina and the NFMS show, too. I am, also, judging the bulletin contest entries as a committee member. Please be sure

and send me something from your club as soon as possible. I am sad to announce that Mickee Maden decided the Bulletin Editor Aides Chairman (BEAC) opportunity was not a good match for her and so we are still in search for a BEAC. We are sorry if this has caused any confusion with your contest entries. Keep them coming we have several clubs already entered! In absence of a BEAC, Judi Allison has volunteered to host the NFMS Bulletin Editors' Breakfast Saturday morning at our April convention. She has plenty of fun planned. We love to recognize our hard working editors and talented writers for their contributions to our clubs and hobby and will not let anything stop us.

Some important changes are going to be decided at the NFMS Annual Meeting, April 27. Please read about them in this issue and be ready to send your Director and Delegate with a vote to carry to Yakima. We will celebrate our 80th Anniversary together. So, I ran into a rockhound friend the other day: "The Northwest Federation. What does it bring?" this friend of mine asked. It got me thinking, it brings us a closer association with people that like the same stuff we do. It brings a whole northwestern United States of people that like the same kind of stuff we do, together. It brings the wonderful opportunity to forge friendships, to grow together in our hobby, and to share valuable knowledge and resources.

My children grew up in rock club. My sons saw the whole northwest not just the tourist traps. They saw the bushes...the insects...the rocks! They received recognition and encouragement for their work in their areas of interest. We grew in our hobby. We grew friendships. We have been fortunate to have a rock club and to have all that the NFMS offers.

Of course, I told my friend, it is bringing a whole lot of great things to the Yakima show, too! Everyone I tell about the coming attractions is excited and wants to come. The contributions from rockhounds, collectors, prospectors, and artists of the many aspects of geology, mineralogy, paleontology, gemology, and other fields coming together (to share, sell, demonstrate, lecture) will be truly awesome. Can you tell I'm excited? That is what the NFMS can bring.

And, it brings us together...to tell stories of our adventures...to look at beautiful things...to share information about access so we can keep having adventures, treasures, and stories.

As we start this year, let's set a New Year's resolution together that includes a shared goal to contribute more of our time, resources, and efforts to strengthen our rockhound communities.

Let's work together, share, and have a great time doing it! After all it's a great thing that we have!

From Our House to Yours, Happy New Year.

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For matters related to the Newsletter (i.e. content, advertising, etc.) contact the Newsletter Editor. For matters related to the Newsletter circulation (new members, address changes, etc.) contact Circulation.

SHOW COORDINATION. Your Federation provides a free service for NFMS members by listing your show in this Newsletter, on the NFMS website, two magazines ("Rocks and Minerals" and "Rock and Gem") and the on-line calendar from "Lapidary Journal". Please provide the date and time for the show, the club name and show title (if applicable), the location of the show, admission price, and most important a contact person with address, e-mail address and/or phone (e-mail is preferred). Please send your show information four to six months in advance to the Show Coordination Chairperson. If you see an error once your show is listed, or if your show is not listed, contact the Newsletter Editor.

SAVE STAMPS PROGRAM. NFMS members are encouraged to use and save commemorative stamps. The money generated from the sale of these used (cancelled) stamps is then donated to Cancer Research. The collected stamps can be sent to the Stamps Chairman, brought to the NFMS Annual Show or given to your Federation Director in your club.

ATTENTION CLUB TREASURERS

Where to send your money

To NFMS Treasurer for:

1. Dues and supplies
2. Donations for the general fund
3. Donations to Junior Achievement
4. Advertisement in this Newsletter

Send to: Lyle Vogelpohl, see Treasurer this page.

To NFMS Endowment Fund Treasurer for:

1. Donations to Endowment Fund
2. Memorial contributions

Make check payable to NFMS Endowment Fund, send to Endowment Fund Treasurer, 8810 37th Ave SW, Seattle, WA 98126-3617

To NFMS Scholarship Chairperson for:

1. Donations to AFMS Scholarship Fund
2. Memorial contributions to AFMS Scholarship

Make check payable to AFMS Scholarship Fund.

Send to: Evelyn Cataldo (see Scholarship this page).

To AFMS Endowment Fund for:

1. Donations to AFMS Endowment
2. Memorials

Send to: See AFMS Newsletter

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- Memberships, new and renewals
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Members, Non-members, clubs, etc. can advertise in the Northwest Newsletter. This service is provided to help defray the cost of printing and mailing the newsletter and is encouraged by the Federation. The only criteria for the ad is that it be hobby related (e.g. rocks, equipment, grit, shows, etc.).

Ads for the Northwest Newsletter are \$1.50 per square inch.

Example: 3" x 4" ad = 12 inches

12 inches x \$1.50 = \$18 per issue of the Newsletter

For an additional 50% of the cost of the Newsletter ad, you can have the same ad placed on the NFMS website for the same length of time. The Newsletter ad must be purchased to receive this additional advertisement.

Do not send ads on colored paper because the back-ground will look gray in the ad. The Editor will send a billing statement to the customer which will include instructions to make payment to the NFMS Treasurer. For more information or questions, call, e-mail or write the Newsletter Editor



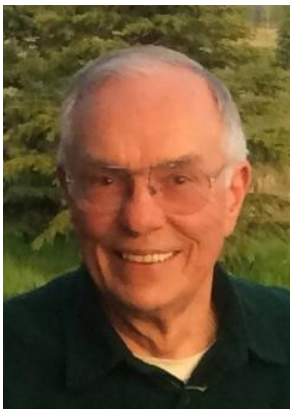
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<https://www.facebook.com/groups/NFMS1>

(for the desktop/laptop/tablets)

<https://m.facebook.com/groups/NFMS1>

(for mobile devices like phones)



2nd Vice President

Kenneth Zahn

One of the least-known -- but extremely valuable -- organized venues for newer or less-experienced NFMS club members to learn lapidary arts techniques from experts is the Federation's "Northwest Rockhound Retreat" held each year (usually near the Labor Day weekend period) at Hancock Field Station, west of Fossil, Oregon. For approximately \$350, one can spend 6 days (including room and board/meals and workshop/material fees) at the retreat camp and learn skills at workshops such as those offered in September 2017: lapidary (cutting, polishing, doublets/triplets, etc), faceting gemstones, silversmithing, wire-wrapping, intarsia, casting, beading, or carving. Types of workshops offered may vary a bit each year, and several are limited as to numbers of persons who can be enrolled because of equipment limitations. The focus in most workshops is geared toward the novice or beginner hobbyist. Contact Lamar Tilgner, Northwest Rockhound Retreat Chair (see contact info on pg. 2 of Newsletter) for projected 2018 dates, workshop offerings, and application details; and watch for 2018 announcement information in future Newsletters. To review the typical details on last year's Retreat workshops, costs, opportunities to camp, etc., see the Northwest Federation webpage (<http://northwestfederation.org/newsletters.asp>), and click open the "NW Rockhound Retreat" tab shown under the right-hand column titled "Other Items to View." (<http://northwestfederation.org/NwRockHoundRetreat.asp>). One can also see much the same info by opening the April 2017 Newsletter tab under the "Newsletters" heading at the top of the NFMS website home page. THIS IS A GREAT AND INEXPENSIVE EDUCATIONAL VACATION, AS WELL. APPLY EARLY!!

I also would like to encourage club leadership teams to support the submission of applications by junior members for competitive, age-group achievement awards this year. Those junior members who prepare and submit their applications may well be the leaders in this hobby or in earth science-related industries in the near-term future as a result of their confidence and enthusiasm while a youth in your club. See the details on submission of award applications in the newsletter, at the "Juniors" heading pull-down tab at the top of the Federation website home page (<http://northwestfederation.org/Juniors.asp>), or call the Juniors Committee Chair, Gayle Butler (see contact info at pg. 2 of this newsletter issue).

Rockhounds of the Year By Laurie Ellis

Greetings! As we dig into the New Year, I'd like to get off to a great start! My name is Laurie Ellis, I am your ROY submission liaison. I am also a member of the Hatrockhounds of Hermiston, Oregon.

I'm reaching out to all the clubs in the NFMS. I have three main topics.

#1 I want to encourage all clubs to think about their choice for 2018 Rockhound Of the Year. Let's give extra recognition to some of our exemplary members. Tell us some highlights about why you are bestowing this honor on your member, or couple. Please try to keep your glowing description to 125 words or less. I believe a photo for the newsletter is acceptable as well.

#2 There has been some confusion on where to send submissions. Please send submissions to Laurie Ellis 65shark@gmail.com

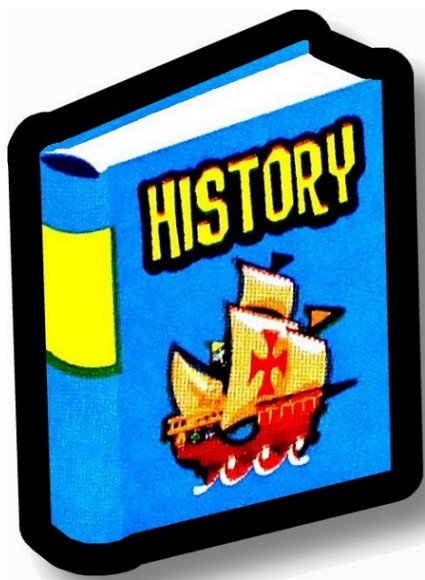
#3 I wanted to personally reach out to clubs, and encourage interaction. We all have gifts and talents. The Hatrockhounds has talent from both within, and from without the club who come in to give demonstrations, and or classes. Schools have an Artist in Residence program where they have an artist come in and stay with a local family while they do a project with the children. I'm curious if there is any interest in doing something along these lines between clubs. Maybe call it the Rolling Stones project.

Feedback, and suggestions welcome! Thank you.

Rockhounds of the Year Submissions:

The Lakeside Gem and Mineral Club of Kennewick, Washington is proud to honor Bert Kae-Je as our AFMS Club Rockhound of the Year. Bert has been club treasurer four years and helped in other roles. She attended and promoted the annual Northwest Rockhound retreat at Hancock. Bert coordinated silversmithing classes for our club, and willingly shares information from jewelry classes she has taken. Bert is always enthusiastic and willing to share what she knows with others. We are delighted to have Bert as a member of our Club.

Marcus Whitman Gem and Mineral nominate our worthy members since 2009, Olan and Norma Long as Rockhounds of the year. Filling functions of NFMS Federation Director and Delegates, and also active leading Club Field Trips. Olan provided electrical, plumbing, and construction support of new meeting hall, lapidary shop, kitchenette, and bathroom - a two year job. Norma supports many activities, our annual Gem & Mineral Show, 4th of July in the Park, collecting stamps for NFMS... We are fortunate to have such dedicated, hard working members as Olan and Norma. Thank you for your service.



NFMS HISTORIAN

By Linda Barlow

Holidays are so steeped in history, individual, family, and worldly. For the Northwest, Rockhounding is difficult in frozen and snow covered grounds. So it is time to turn inside and be grateful and appreciate the rocks we already have. Grateful the earth shared its bounty with me and all my friends, and you.

I choose to remember those happy and sad times to enhance my spirit. **Wishing all of you a Happy Holiday Season;** whatever holiday you celebrate or not. Encouraging you to continue to make and enjoy your history.



NFMS Annual Show and Meeting Yakima, Washington NFMS Show News

Northwest Federation of Mineralogical Societies 80th Anniversary Show & Convention

Central Washington State Fairgrounds Modern Living Building and Pioneer Hall
1301 Fair Ave, Yakima WA

The Yakima Rock and Mineral Club is honored to host the 80th anniversary Northwest Federation Show and Convention April 27-29, 2018. Show hours will be as follows:

Friday	April 27	10:00am-6:00pm
Saturday	April 28	10:00am-6:00pm
Sunday	April 29	10:00am-4:00pm

NFMS 2018 ADVANCE REGISTRATION FORM

Deadline April 6, 2018

Please use one form per person. Forms may be duplicated. Payments may be combined.

Name: _____
 Address: _____ Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Email: _____ Phone _____

Club/Federation Affiliations _____

Please mark all that apply:

Past President AFMS _____ Past President NFMS _____ AFMS Officer _____ NFMS Officer _____ Committee
 Chair _____ NFMS Delegate/Director _____ NFMS Alt Delegate _____ Judge _____ Clerk _____
 Demonstrator _____ Speaker _____ Displayer _____ Exhibitor's Guest (Name) _____

Exhibitor: Competitive _____ Non-Competitive _____ Exhibitor's Guest (Name) _____

SHOW ADMISSION Daily Rates 3-day pass Cost
 Student (14 & older) \$3.00 _____ Adult \$4.00 _____ \$10.00 _____ \$ _____

Children 14 and under free with adult admission

Show Times: Friday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m., Sunday 10a.m. - 4p.m.

ALL FOOD EVENTS REQUIRE PRE-REGISTRATION:

Event / Time /Place	Cost	✓	Totals
Friday, April 27th 4 p.m. @ State Fair Park/Pioneer Hall			
NFMS Annual Meeting	No cost		FREE
Saturday, April 28th 8 a.m. @ Ahtanum Best Western Conference Room			
All Editors' Breakfast	\$10.00		\$ _____
OR If you are staying at the Host Ahtanum Best Western, breakfast is	\$3.00		\$ _____
Saturday, April 28th Noon @ Ahtanum Best Western Conference Room			
Officers/Committee Chairs, Judges, & Past Presidents Luncheon	\$15.00		\$ _____
Saturday, April 28th 6 p.m. @ State Fair/Park Pioneer Hall			
Social Hour (No Host) 6 p.m. Cash Bar - Corking Option			
Awards Dinner 6:30 p.m. (___ beef ___ chicken & ___ meatless entrée buffet)	\$35.00		\$ _____
Saturday, April 28th 2 p.m. & Sunday, April 29th 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.			
@ State Fair Park/Modern Living Building			
Metalsmithing Class (Safety Glasses Required)	\$85.00		\$ _____
TOTAL	\$ _____		\$ _____

Show Accommodations: Best Western Plus Ahtanum Inn
 2408 Rudkin Rd, Union Gap, WA 98903 ♦ Hotel Direct Number 509-248-9700. Show rates till March 24.
Camping at the show: State Fair Park, 1301 S Fair Ave, Yakima, WA 98901. Please Contact Directly.
 RV park hookups 30 amp service spaces. \$30.00 per night power, water or dry sites. 509-248-7160
 Make checks payable to: Yakima Rock & Mineral Club, Inc. Mail application and remittance to:
 Yakima Rock & Mineral Club, PO Box 326, Yakima WA 98907
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SILVERSMITHING CLASS REGISTRATION FORM

Deadline March 30, 2018

This class is limited to the first 10 people who register and it is anticipated that it will fill quickly. The class will be offered Saturday April 28 2:00pm-6:00pm and Sunday April 29 10:00am-2:00pm. The minimum age is 16 or 14 if registering with a parent. All participants need to provide their own safety goggles. There will be no refunds after April 15, 2018. Class reservations are transferrable. Class fee includes a 3 day show pass.

Name _____

Address _____

Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____

Phone/cell number _____

Cost \$85:00 All materials and tools needed will be included in this cost.

Fill out this form and submit with a check payable to :

Yakima Rock & Mineral Club P.O. Box 326 Yakima, WA 98907

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COMPETITIVE COMPETITION YAKIMA

Lauren Williams, Competitive Exhibits Registrar

Yakima April 27, 28, 29. Elsewhere in this newsletter is the form for you to fill out and send to me by April 13 so that you can be eligible to enter Competitive Competition. Set up time will be on April 26 and until an hour before the Show opens the next day. Some of us NFMS people have to be in Raleigh, North Carolina the first week of April for the AFMS/Eastern show; so we will only have two and half weeks to get home and get ready and be in Yakima by the 25th or 26th of April, depending on what our job description is.

Read the instructions for filling out the form. Please print, and fill out all the places asked for. If you win we need to be able to read your snail mail address, including zip code because that is how the Post Office delivers your mail coming from California. It is no fun trying to chase you down at the show to get the information because we cannot read your address, especially your zip code, or spaces you decided to leave blank.

Also, print out the 2018 AFMS rules so that you can follow and meet all of the criteria for the Division that you are entering. www.amfed.org. This what you will be judged against. Remember it is you against the Rule Book. My name and address information is printed on the form. I must have both printed pages.

2018 NFMS NON-COMPETITIVE DISPLAY APPLICATION



NFMS 80th Anniversary Convention & Yakima "Parade of Gems" Show

State Fair Park
1301 South Fair Ave., Yakima WA
April 27 – April 29, 2018



NON-COMPETITIVE EXHIBIT ENTRY DEADLINE: April 15, 2018

All entries may be set up beginning Thursday, April 26, 2018 from 8 am to 8 pm.
All entries must be set up by 8:30 am, Friday, April 27th, and may not be removed prior to the close of the show Sunday after 4 pm. All exhibits must be removed by 5:30 pm, Sunday April 29, 2018.

SECURITY WILL BE FURNISHED

You must fill out a separate application for each entry. Exhibitor gets in free and will receive one guest pass to the show.

Cases will be assigned space on display bases approximately 40 inches high. Exhibits are limited to 150 watts of power per case, and if an exhibitor is bringing their own case we suggest supplying a three prong extension cord to reach the power supply under the bases (Normally 10 feet). Loaner cases will have power cords.

Please complete all information on the entry form and mail or email to the exhibit registration chairman, Ronna Watkins, for acceptance and acknowledgment. Mail to: **Yakima Rock & Mineral Club, P.O. Box 326, Yakima WA 98907 or Email to yakima_rockhounds12@yahoo.com**. Call 509-673-0085 with questions.

LIABILITY: It is mutually agreed that the Northwest Federation of Mineralogical Societies and the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies, and the Yakima Rock & Mineral Club, Inc. shall not be liable to any Exhibitor in whole or part. This includes the property of the exhibitor or the injury to their person resulting from any cause. Submitting this signed application for entry constitutes acceptance of these rules and regulations.

NAME _____
(Print Clearly Please)

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ **EMAIL** _____

SOCIETY _____ **State** _____

Do you have your own case? _____ **Size: Width** _____ **Height** _____ **Depth** _____

Do you want to borrow a case? _____ Loaner cases are available on a first come basis. They are standard size: 4 ft. x 2 ft. x 2 ft. Loaner cases do not have risers or liners. Displays without liners will not be allowed.

Description of material to be presented _____

Name of guest (Please print clearly) _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

*****Be sure and make a copy for your use*****

An Open Invitation to All Members of the Northwest Federation Rock and Mineral Clubs.

By Jim Landon

On April 27-29 the Yakima Washington will be hosting the 80th annual Northwest Federation Show. We would like to invite you to consider bringing the best of your hard won specimens and sharing them with other attendees by entering a competitive display. If you are unfamiliar with how this all works like I am here is some of the information I have found to share. All of the rules and details can be found online at www.amfed.org. This will get you to the web page for the American Federation. Next go to the AMFS Home Page. Next to 2017 Uniform Rules_2017 PDF. This will give you all of the information you will need to decide which of the ten divisions you specimens will fit into. the divisions are Minerals, Lapidary, Jewelry, Educational, Fossils, Petrified Wood, Scrimshaw, Beading and Beadwork, meteorites, and Fluorescent Minerals. I know the directions will look daunting at first, but persistence will pay off if you don't have members of you club who are already familiar with how this all is done.

A copy of the 2018 NFMS competitive entry form is included with this issue of the Federation Newsletter. Please note the deadline for submitting your entry by **April 8, 2018**.





2018 NFMS COMPETITIVE ENTRY FORM



**NFMS 80th Anniversary Convention
& Yakima "Parade of Gems" Show**
State Fair Park
1301 South Fair Ave., Yakima WA
April 27 – April 29, 2018

NAME _____
ADDRESS _____
PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

SOCIETY _____

This display is to be entered in ____ NFMS.

EXHIBITOR GROUP: MASTER____ ADVANCED____ NOVICE____ JUNIOR____
SOCIETY____ JUNIOR SOCIETY____

EXHIBIT DIVISION: _____ EXHIBIT CLASS: _____
If JUNIOR, give birthdate _____

Do you have your own case? _____ Size: Width____ Height____ Depth____
Do you want to borrow a case? _____ Cases will be available on a limited basis.
Basic size: 4 ft. x 2 ft. x 2 ft. Liners or risers may or may not be available.

CERTIFICATION FOR EXHIBITORS

I hereby certify that all material in competition by me is my own property, or if Society all material belongs to members of the society. All work except minor findings or where otherwise allowed by the rules were completed by me. I have read the current rules and agree to abide by them.

Exhibitors Signature _____

PRINT NAME: _____

Exhibitor's Society; _____

I certify, as an officer of the above named Society, that the exhibitor is a member in good standing of that society, and to the best of my knowledge, is eligible to exhibit in the stated classification according to the rules.

Signature: _____

If this is sent email, we need the officer's email _____

Title _____ Date: _____

COMPETITIVE EXHIBIT ENTRY DEADLINE: April 8, 2018

All entries may be set up beginning Thursday, April 26, 2018 from 8 am to 8 pm.
All entries must be ready for judging by 8:30 am Friday the 27th, and may not be removed prior to the close of the show Sunday, April 29, 2018. All exhibits must be removed by 6 pm, Sunday.

SECURITY WILL BE FURNISHED
TWO GUEST PASSES PER EXHIBITOR WILL BE PROVIDED

Cases will be assigned space on display bases approximately 40 inches high. Exhibits are limited to 150 watts of power per case, and exhibitor should supply a three prong extension cord to reach the power supply under the tables (Normally 10 feet). If borrowing a case power cords will be provided.

Please complete all information on the entry form and the certification form and mail or email to the competitive exhibit registration chairman for acceptance and acknowledgment. Mail to: **Lauren Williams 957 E Elva Ave., Idaho Falls, ID 83401, 208-529-6978, slharuir@msn.com**

You must fill out a separate application for each entry.

ENTRY DEADLINE: April 8, 2018

Refer to the AFMS Rules Updated to January 2018 for Competition. For updated rules, go to: www.amfed.org.

If you are uncertain as to the correct class or group you should enter or for clarification of the rules, contact Dee Holland, PO Box 23, Tendency ID 83468, beauholland@centurytel.net or Lauren Williams, 957 E Elva Ave., Idaho Falls, ID 83401, 208-529-6978, slharuir@msn.com

LIABILITY: It is mutually agreed that the Northwest Federation of Mineralogy Societies and American Federation of Mineralogical Societies and the Yakima Rock and Mineral Club shall not be liable to any Exhibitor in whole or part. This includes the property of the exhibitor or the injury to their person resulting from any cause. Submitting this signed application for entry constitutes acceptance of these rules and regulations.

Signature _____ **NFMS COMPETITION ENTRY FORM**
(AFMS RULES)

BOTH PAGES MUST BE SENT BACK.
Be sure and make a copy for your use.



Endowment Fund Committee Needs Your Input

By Jim Brain, Financial Advisor, NFMS Endowment Fund

The Northwest Federation of Mineralogical Societies is organized as a charitable organization. ^{1/} To help fund its activities it established an endowment fund in 1985. Over the years monies raised through donations and fund-raising activities have been invested in the stock market. Currently the Endowment Fund has a balance of approximately \$250,000. There have been limited expenditures to date from the fund.

NFMS Operating Procedures further state the purpose of the Endowment Fund is to provide funds to enhance programs of NFMS and limits expenditures to programs that benefit the NFMS membership. ^{2/} This statement of purpose was reaffirmed nearly unanimously by a vote of Directors at the annual meeting of the Federation in Albany, Oregon in 2016.

The Uniform Management of Institutional Funds Act (UMIFA) of 2009 provides a set of rules to guide charitable institutions in managing and investing their funds, as well as in spending funds donated to them as endowments. The Endowment Fund Committee needs to develop a Spending Policy to come into compliance with that act.

With that as background, the Endowment Fund Committee is seeking suggestions from the member societies of the Federation as to how best to utilize monies from the Endowment Fund. The Committee currently estimates that the Federation could spend around \$12,500 (5% of the fund's market value) annually to enhance programs of the NFMS with minimal risk to the invested principle. In the past, Endowment Fund monies have been used to upgrade equipment used at the Rock Hound Retreat at Camp Hancock, to cover printing costs of the Northwest Newsletter, and most recently to offset a portion of the annual dues charged member societies of the Federation.

The committee would like to have a Spending Policy put together to share at the Annual Meeting in Yakima in April 2018. To meet that timeline the committee is asking each society, at one of their upcoming meetings, to discuss possible ways Endowment Fund monies could be used on programs or activities that benefit the general membership of NFMS and forward their suggestions to the committee for consideration. Please include a brief description of your proposal, an estimated cost, and state how it would benefit the NFMS membership. Jim Brain, Endowment Fund Financial Advisor, will be consolidating the responses for the committee. He needs your response by April 1, 2018. His contact information is on page 2 of the Federation Newsletter under the Financial Advisor.

^{1/} The Articles of Incorporation of the Northwest Federation of Mineralogical societies, Inc state the organization is a "corporation organized exclusively for charitable, educational and scientific purposes, including such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code".

^{2/} Federation Operating Procedures (Ops General-3) states that "The NFMS will form an NFMS Endowment Fund. Its purpose is to provide funds to enhance programs of the NFMS." Federation Operating Procedures (Ops Committee-3) further states in part that "These funds shall be used for the general benefit of the NFMS membership (e.g. Northwest Newsletter)."



From the Editor's Rockpile

By Beth Heesacker

We have a new year!! What are we going to do with it.? Each person has their own priorities, but it is so easy to get distracted from them. I NEVER make New Year's resolutions because I can NEVER keep them. Instead maybe make a list of your priorities. What would you like to spend your time on? What would you like to see accomplished this year?

Maybe it seems like a very fine line between a list of resolutions and a list of goals but maybe that fine line is important. There will not be any fear or shame in failure for instance. To resolve to do something lays a burden on yourself if you do not follow through this year whereas a goal can be long term. No failure if the goal is multi-year. It gives you time to plan how you are going to reach the goal, what steps to take, how many tangents you can afford to take in reaching the goal.

One of my goals this year are to make progress on cataloging my mineral collection. I will probably never complete the catalog since I am always acquiring new specimens and that search for new ones is more fun than the cataloging. :-). Cataloging is necessary part of the process so needs to be a goal. To go along with that goal is another one that is to photograph some of my minerals. I do not have to do them all since I have too many to picture in a lifetime and to photograph a micro-mineral is a lengthy and complicated process so my goal is to pick a few and get them done. This is a multi-year goal.

Another of my goals is to make sure I do the best job I can at editing the 4 newsletters I am responsible for and to modify my schedule to make sure that this happens. To go along with this goal is to make sure I am open to changes in my schedule so while my aging body and mind slows down I can still have fun and excitement traveling, attending meetings and enjoying time with friends.

So what are you going to do with your year? Resolutions. Or goals. Or whatever you want to call them can help you make sure that you do not waste the year just flowing along. Even streams and rivers that flow along have a goal - the sea. Give yourself a goal and live it.

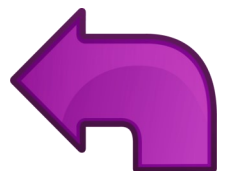
IMPORTANT NOTICE

Please submit all membership and address changes to Tom Burchard, Circulation Chair, and to Carol Willey, Directory Chair. Their contact information can be found on the second page of this newsletter.

You **MUST** submit all show information (including admission charge) to Pat Lambert, Show Coordinator. **FUTURE SUBMISSIONS MADE DIRECTLY TO THIS EDITOR WILL BE IGNORED!**

Pat's information can be found on the second page of this newsletter.

THANK YOU.





NFMS OP AMENDMENTS 2018 To be voted on at the Annual Meeting in Yakima

The Golden Spike Gem & Mineral Society moves to amend Operating Procedure:
OP Committee – 2 Rules & Awards Committee,
Part B Specific Duties of Committee Members,

Section 4 Memorial Trophy,
To add Subsection 2, to read:

“2. Depending on appropriate exhibits being displayed at the NFMS Annual Show, the Committee may award the following Memorial and Special Trophies:

- The Lester Ziehen Memorial Trophy for best “Mineral” exhibit.
 - The John T. Heddon Memorial Trophy for best “Petrified Wood or Wood Casts” exhibit.
 - The Rodney J. (Rod) Smith Memorial Trophy for best “All Northwest Material” exhibit.
 - The Isabelle B. Mattison Memorial Trophy for the best exhibit by a Junior Member or Junior Society
 - The Lucille Lindner Junior Achievement Award (to be administered by the NFMS Junior Committee.)
- A special Sweepstakes Trophy may be awarded to the most outstanding exhibit at the Show.

Rationale for OP amendment:

At the 2017 NFMS Show in Hamilton, the Rules & Awards committee searched our fallible collective memories for what Special and Memorial Trophies were in place for presentation at the Awards Banquet. Since there seemed to be no written list anywhere, we recommend this Operating Procedure change to correct this omission.

Lyle Vogelpohl has done some research from the treasurer's records about the awards and clubs/persons that established them:

“The JOHN T HEDIN MEMORIAL was established in June 1973 by Mrs. John T Hedin for the "best display of petrified woodd or wood casts at our annual NFMS Show". The initial trophy was presented at the 1973 NFMS Show in Lewiston, Idaho.

Mrs. Rodney J (Jane F) Smith established the RODNEY J (ROD) SMITH TROPHY for malachite.The first trophy was presented at the 1980 NFMS Show in Boise, Idaho. Sometime later because of limited number of malachite exhibits and same persons receiving the award, the trophy was changed to "All Northwest Material" that is materials from within the boundries of the NFMS.

The ISABELLE B MATTISON TROPHY was established in July 1990 by the Three Rivers Mineralogical Society, Kennewick, Wash- ington, for the best exhibit by a Junior Member or Junior Society. The minimum score of 60 points is to be used to qualify for the trophy.

The LUCILLE LINDNER JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT AWARD was established by the Rock Rollers Club, Inc. of Spokane, Washing- ton in August 1997, and was to be administered by the NFMS Junior Committee. This award was in the form of a petrified wood desk pen set with a brass plate engraved with the awardee's name. A supply of polished petrified wood slabs and pen sets were donated with the Trust Money for the plates. Unfortunately, during the transfer of Junior Committee Records and Materials all of the Records and the Materials donated by the Spokane Rock Rollers was lost.

The DARRELL DALTON TRUST FUND was established in April 1998 by the Tualatin Valley Gem Club for the best display of obsid- ian. This trust fund was reclaimed by the Tualatin Valley Gem Club for lack of awardees in February 2007.

In May 1999 the LESTER ZEIHEN TRUST was established. I do not have a copy of the contract establishing the award, so do not know what materials the award covers. If someone has a copy of the agreement, I would like to have a copy.”

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The Golden Spike Gem & Mineral Society moves to amend Operating Procedure:
OP Committee – 2 Rules & Awards Committee,
Part B Specific Duties of Committee Members,
Section 2, JUDGING DIRECTOR,
To add a sentence after “Prepare judging teams ofspecial and memorial trophy awards” To read:

“The Judging Director shall request the NFMS Treasurer to reimburse participating Judges and Clerks for their entrance fees paid to the Host Club at the NFMS Annual Show.”

Rationale for OP amendment:

At the 2017 NFMS Show in Hamilton, the Rules & Awards committee discussed proposing an Operating Procedure change to recognize the contribution that Judges and Clerks make to the Federation at the Annual Show, by having the NFMS reimburse their entrance fees.

It is universally recognized that both Competitive and Non-competitive Exhibits add a great deal of direct benefit to the attractiveness of the Show to the public. Host Societies have always extended the courtesy of free admission to Exhibitors, and occasionally to Judges. The Judges and Clerks do not supply a direct benefit to the Show and Host Society, but certainly do so to the NFMS by facilitating competitive awards and consequential eligibility for National (AFMS) awards. Most Judges have expended considerable effort and money traveling to AFMS Uniform Rules seminars, and keeping up with changes to the complex rules. They also spend a lot of time at each Show working to evaluate the competitive exhibits, and to select Memorial and Special Trophy winners. This OP change represents a small “Thank You” to them.

[Editor’s Note: I only printed one of the amendments to be voted on in the last issue. Here are both of them. My apologies.]

Organizational Meeting Report

Judi Allison, NFMS Secretary

The meeting that was arranged to take place during the Hells Canyon Show on October 21st was quite fruitful. Approximately thirty people were able to come for the gathering.

We were able to fill a number of vacant positions thanks to the volunteerism of some willing people. Jack Edwards from the Marcus Whitman Club stepped up to fill the position of Endowment Fund Chairman that had been previously filled by Edna Nelson. Gayle Butler from the Willamette Facetors and Club at Large took on the position for Junior Chairman vacated by Audrey Vogelpohl. Audrey, in turn volunteered to act as Resolutions Chairperson. Fred Burton had formerly held the position. (Evan Day actually also volunteered, but Audrey had already spoken.)

We spent some time working on a solution to the Bulletin Aids Chair position. We managed a temporary solution for this year, but happily, with some searching after the meeting we were able to find a worthy volunteer for the position. Mickee Madden of the Lakeside Club will be our new BEAC.

We still have a vacancy for a Public Lands Access Chairman (PLAC). Ken Zahn spoke to this issue pointing out how much one must understand about the government and regulations in order to wade through all the rhetoric. He suggested we (as clubs and individuals) try to shirt-tail onto other larger groups who have the same interests as us. Evan mentioned having attended a meeting in Utah with four-wheelers in strong attendance. This would be an example of a much stronger, larger group to align with.

The other position we need filled is Education, although the primary purpose for this position is to facilitate the All American Award which is given by the AFMS. The guidelines for that can be found on the AFMS Website. If you are someone who enjoys creating a "historical picture" of your club's activities, you might just find this position something you would enjoy doing. Check it out.

Judi Allison presented a copy of a Resurrected, Retyped and Revised Manual for putting on a Federation Show. She left a number of places with red ink as needing input or answers to questions. Since the manual she used to recreate was from the 1970's there were things that needed to be changed. Larry Ferguson requested that the manual be sent to the directors (which it was after the meeting-via email) so they could look at it, have things validated and all red ink be turned into black ink so the Manual can be voted on at the annual meeting and become an "official" manual for putting on a show.

We are continuing to work on finding Clubs committed to Host our annual shows in the future. Hopefully, we have one in the works for 2019, but we can plan ahead and be ready for further down the road.

All the attendees happily agreed that the dollar per adult member break on the dues for 2018 was a great way to use some of the endowment funds. Jim Brain reminded folks that people can come up with suggestions on how the money could be used. With the business finished all enjoyed the show and the comradery and friendship of our Hosts and each other.



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Don't Let the Smoke Get In Your Eyes

By Bert Kae-Je'

Reflections on the Sept. 2017 Rock-Hound Retreat

Don't let the smoke get in your eyes,
And the Moon, though orange, will not break your heart,
When you spend the week at OMSI, Hancock Station,
There you will see so many of your creative kin,

Just a workin away to make somethin beautiful,
Carved stones, intarsia, faceted garnets and Safire,
Slabbed limb casts, jade, and red and yellow Jasper,
Unusual wire wraps and 3 hole odd shaped beads,

Casts of trilobites, acorns, slippers, and leaves,
Fabricated rings and sculptured jewelry of silver,
Broom casts and bracelets of spoons and forks,
Cabochons of jasper, agate, wood and Gary Green.

Huge grinders, gigantuous saws, little saws, and trim saws,
Running and jamming, and impossible to pull back.
More than scrap in the left over bucket are found,
More than rock is cut...porcelain and who knows what,
Night comes, and no stars can be seen.

3 Canadians dumped the bench at lunch and others hooted,
Angee touted owls and snakes with Peggy in the Lion's Den,
A precarious and perilous place to live and move for those
Of limited mobility, with canes, ageing bones and Asthma,
Smoke & fires all around and in hand, safe but never sure.

Jan, processed everything out loud, entertaining as a radio,
Leslie, slabbed as many rocks as Bert,
Lyle & Audrey brought buckets of rock and biscuits of love,
Roseann fashioned FOUR beautiful intarsias,
Still they saw the moon right through the smoke.

Worked so hard that half way through the week,
We slept, whether we thought we could nor not,
Hallucinating and fretting about how we'll ever get done,
Snoring, talking to the lizards, frogs, raccoons and roommates.
Smoke gets in your lungs and wheezing is what you do.

Lots of frolicking deer on the way home, along with Quail,
Sparrows, old barns, windmills and blown tires everywhere,
Cell phones nary a connection, only an alarm clock function,
Having put away life as usual, ignored Facebook and Twitter,
We smelled like smoke but not with broken heart.

Weary, and worn, oiled and torn, but joy has lifted,
The heart of all who learned, yet more, from their Leaders.
Instructors, who gave so generously of their knowledge and skill,
Plus an incredible team of OMSI staff with Janet as their Senior,
And a Creator who brought us refreshing rain and cooler weather.

Now, may the fires dim and die, silence and be put to rest,
Until again we meet as creative friends with abounding ideas,
See and hear from those we enjoy and welcome their tales,
May Instructors, student and Staff, all be well, and
Don't let the smoke fog your vision or the moon break your heart,

Meanwhile keep sharing those chocolate pretzels and salami,
Drink more, more water, and don't let the smoke get in your eyes,
Forgive one another, and don't let the moon beak your heart,
Even when the stars cannot be seen, keep on loving and LEARNING!

Note: Every year the Hancock Station OMSI Rock Hound Retreat holds a signature of its own for all of us. This year I hope I've captured some of it. Always so much joy and growing relationships with such creative and caring people. Plan now.

Don't miss it 2018 Labor Day Week. Bert K-J
9/13/17



NFMS Clubs' Show Schedule

February 10 & 11 Sat - 9 - 5 Sun - 9 - 4	Whidbey Island Gem Club	Oak Harbor Senior Center 51 SE Jerome Oak Harbor WA	Keith Ludemann 360 675 1837 rock9@whidbey.net
February 23, 24, & 25 Fri - 9:30 - 5:30 Sat - 9:30 - 5:30 Sun - 9:30 - 5:30	Oregon Agate and Mineral Society	OMSI (Oregon Museum of Science and Industry) Auditorium, 1945 SE Water Avenue, Portland OR	Sonia Watt sony watt@yahoo.com 4821 Grant St., Portland OR 97215
February 24 & 25 Sat - 10 - 6 Sun - 10 - 5	Idaho Gem Club	Expo Idaho 5610 Glenwood Boise ID 83714	Brent Stewart 208 342 1151 rocksbybrent@gmail.com
March 3 & 4 Sat - 10 - 6 Sun - 10 - 5	East King Co Rock Club	Pickering Barn 1730 10th Avenue NW Issaquah WA	CindySmith showchair@eastkingco.org 206 953 3456
March 3 & 4 Sat - 10 - 6 Sun - 10 - 5	Owyhee Gem & Mineral Society	O'Conner Field House 2200 Blaine, Caldwell, Idaho	Darell Ehlers 208-674-1213 ddehlers@fntc.com
March 9 & 10 Fri - 8:30 - 6 Sat - 9 - 5	Panorama Gem and Mineral Club	Colville Fairground Colville Ag and Trade Center 317 West Astor, Colville WA	Bill Allen 509 936 2446 Sago2@hotmail.com
March 10 & 11 Sat - 9 - 5 Sun - 10 - 4	Magic Valley Gem Club	Twin Falls County Fairgrounds 215 Fair Avenue Filer ID	Chris Funk 208 539 5369 or Jon Cromer 208 293 5846 rmetts@cableone.net Magic Valley Gem Club PO Box 725 Twin Falls ID 83303
March 10 & 11 Sat - 9 - 5 Sun - 9:30 - 4	Rock and Arrowhead Club	Klamath Co. Fairgrounds 3531 South 6 th Street Klamath Falls OR	Laura Limb 541 281-8058 POB 1803 Klamath Falls Or., 97601 or Garwin Carlson 541 882-8276
March 10 & 11 Sat - 10 - 6 Sun - 10 - 4	Northwest Montana Rock Chucks	Flathead County Frgrnds Expo Building, 265 North Meridian Road, Kalispell MT	Lloyd Fager oldgrayelf@sbcglobal.net 608 436 0780
March 16, 17, & 18 Fri & Sat - 10 - 7 Sun - 10 - 5	Timpanogos Gem and Mineral Society	Spanish Fork Fair Grounds 475 South Main Street Spanish Fork, UT	Keith Fackrell at 801-592-0410 krfackrell@gmail.com Karl Brough at 435-660-0032 jkbrough@gmail.com
March 17 & 18 Sat - 9 - 6 Sun - 10 - 5	Hellgate Mineral Society Missoula MT	Hilton Garden Inn 3720 North Reserve St. Missoula MT	Bob Riggs 406 543 3667 robert.riggs3@gmail.com
March 23-25 Fri, Sat - 10 - 6 Sun 10 - 4	Rock Rollers Club of Spokane, WA	Spokane Fair & Expo Center, N.604 Havana at Broadway, Spokane WA	Mike Shaw 509 251 1574 showchair@rockrollers.org
March 31 & April 1 Sat - 10 - 6 Sun - 10 - 5	Sweet Home Rock and Mineral Society	Sweet Home High School Gym, 1641 Long Street Sweet Home OR	Ed Anderson 541 451 1577 ela4rocks@gmail.com or Bob Rose, bobrasay@gmail.com
April 7 & 8 Sat - 9 - 5 Sun - 10 - 3	Springfield Thunderegg Rock Club	Goshen Grange 85628 Dillard Access Rd. Eugene, OR 97405	Trish Adams cadnshac2@comcast.net 541 517-3617
April 7 & 8 Sat - 10 - 5 Sun - 10 - 5	South East Idaho Gem and Mineral Society	North Bannock County Frgrnds, 10588 Fairground Dr., Pocatello ID 83201	Joe Rodriquez joe.rodriquez@itd.idaho.gov , PO Box 3089 West Neeley Loop, American Falls ID 83211
April 13, 14, & 15 Fri - 9 - 6 Sat - 9 - 6 Sun - 10 - 4:30	Willamette Agate and Mineral Society	Polk County Fairgrounds 520 S Pacific Hwy W Rickreall, OR 97371	Mimi Surgeon PO Box 13041 Salem OR 97309 wams.riverofgems@gmail.com www.WAMSI.net
April 13, 14, & 15 Fri - 9-6 Sat - 10 - 6 Sun - 10 - 4	Golden Spike Gem and Mineral Society	Golden Spike Event Center Weber County Fairgrounds 1000 N 1200 W Ogden UT 88440	Deborah Blake 385 205 9187 gemshow@goldenspikegem.org
April 14 & 15 Sat - 9 - 5 Sun - 10 - 5	Maplewood Rock and Gem Club	Maplewood Rock and Gem Clubhouse, 8802 196 th ST SW, Edmonds WA	Mary Ann Collins 206 714 3922 collma1@comcast.net
April 21 & 22 Sat - 10 - 5 Sun - 10 - 4	Lakeside Gem and Mineral Club	Benton County Fairgrounds 1500 South Oak Kennewick WA	Mary Lou Omstead 509 783 2798 PO Box 6652 Kennewick WA 99336
April 27 - 29 NFMS Show and Convention Fri - 10 - 6 Sat - 10 - 6 Sun - 10 - 4	Yakima Rock and Mineral Club	Central WA State Fair Park Modern Living Building and Pioneer Hall 1301 South Fair Avenue Yakima WA 98901	Ken Junt or Ronna Watkins yakima_rockhounds12@yahoo.com 509 433 7841 Yakima Rock and Mineral Club PO Box 326 Yakima WA 98907 www.yakimarockclub.com www.facebook.com/YakimaRockandMineralClub
April 27, 28, & 29 Fri - 10 - 5 Sat - 10 - 5 Sun - 10 - 4	Mt Hood Rock Club	Jackson Armory 6255 NE Cornfoot Road Portland OR 97218	Wayne King mhrcdc@gmail.com 503 284 7195 www.mthoodrockclub.com
April 28 & 29 Sat - 10 - 5 Sun - 10 - 5	West Seattle Rock Club	Alki Masonic Temple 4736 40 th Avenue SW Seattle WA	Diane Christensen dchristensen59@gmail.com 206 582 2267, www.westseattlerockclub.org
April 28 & 29 Sat - 10 - 5 Sun - 10 - 4:30	Grays Harbor Gem and Geology Society	Elma County Fair and Event Center 43 Elma-McCleary Road Elma WA	Gary Emberley 624 Fairmont Place Aberdeen, WA 98520 360 533 6196 melissa624@hotmail.com
May 5 & 6 Sat - 9 - 5 Sun - 10 - 4	Umpqua Gem & Mineral Club	Douglas County Fairgrounds I-5 Exit 123 Roseburg OR	Jim Barber PO Box 1264 Roseburg OR 97470 541 378 8264 www.facebook.com/Umpquagem
May 5 & 6 Sat - 10 - 6 Sun - 10 - 5	Everett Rock and Gem Club	Everett Community College Walt Price Student Fitness Center, 2206 Tower Street Everett WA	John Peterson 425 402 9227 PO Box 1615 Everett WA 98206 Website: www.everettrockclub.com
May 19 & 20 Sat - 10 - 6 Sun - 10 - 4	Bitterroot Gem and Mineral Society	Ravalli County Fairground 100 Old Corvallis Road Hamilton MT	Deb Strickland mtpiper@pci.net 406 363 3194
May 26 & 27 Sat - 10 - 5:30 Sun - 10 - 4:00	Oregon Coast Agate Club	National Guard Armory 541 SW Coast Hwy, Hwy 101, Newport OR 97365	George Mazeika 541 991 0311 georgemaze58@gmail.com PO Box 818, Yachats OR 97498
June 1, 2, & 3 Fri - 10 - 5 Sat - 10 - 5 Sun - 10 - 5	Puyallup Valley Gem and Mineral Club	Swiss Park 9205 198 th Avenue East Bonney Lake WA 98390	Nancy LeMay beesknees369@gmail.com PVGMC, % Club Show, PO Box 134 Puyallup WA 98371 info@puyallupgemclub.org

NFMS Clubs' Show Schedule

June 2 & 3 Sat - 9 - 5 Sun - 10 - 4	North Idaho Mineral Club	Kootenai County Frgrnds 4060 North Government Way, Coeur d'Alene ID	Mike Rose Showchair2018@gmail.com PO Box 1643 Hayden ID 83835
June 9 & 10 Sat - 10 - 5 Sun - 10 - 5	Butte Mineral and Gem Club	Butte Civic Center Annex 1340 Harrison Avenue Butte MT	Pete Knudsen 406 490 5828 PO Box 4492 Butte MT 59702
June 15 - 17 Fri - 10 - 5 Sat - 10 - 5 Sun - 10 - 4	Lower Umpqua Gem & Lapidary Society	Reedsport Community Building 451 Winchester Avenue Reedsport OR	Bill Hendrickson 541 271 6816 Aga-teLicker44@outlook.com Website: ReedsportRockandGemShow.com
August 4 & 5 Sat - 10 - 5 Sun - 10 - 5	Darrington Rock and Gem Club	Mansford Grange 28806 463rd Avenue NE Darrington, WA	Troy Lehman 360 391 1153 littleexplorers@juno.com
August 11 & 12, Sat - 9 - 5 Sun - 10 - 5	Maplewood Rock and Gem Club	Maplewood Rock and Gem Clubhouse, 8802 196 th ST SW, Edmonds WA	Mary Ann Collins 206 714 3922 collmal@comcast.net
September 8 & 9 Sat - 9 - 5 Sun - 10 - 4	Clallam County Gem and Mineral Association	Vern Burton Community Center 308 East 4 th Street Port Angeles WA	Kathy Schreiner 360 681 3811 or Kathy Bach- man 360 681 3994 PO Box 98 Sequim WA 98382
September 22 & 23 Sat - 10-6 Sun - 10-4	Cascade Mineralogical Society	Green River College, Student Union Building 12401 SE 320 th Street Auburn WA	Mark Hohn, 32009 199th Ave. SE, Kent, WA 98042, (253)-332-3736, showchair@cascademineralogicalsociety.org , www.cascademineralogicalsociety.org
October 12 - 14, Fri - 10 - 6 Sat - 10 - 6 Sun - 10 - 5	Portland Regional Gem & Mineral Show Association	Washington County Fair Complex, 873 NE 34 th Ave., Hillsboro OR 97124	Linda Harvey lindaharvey2010@gmail.com 503-310-3036., PO Box 5401 Portland, OR 97228 www.PortlandRegionalGemandMineral.com
October 27-28 Sat: 9 - 6 Sun: 10 - 5	Clackamette Mineral and Gem	Clackamas County Fair-grounds, 694 NE 4th Ave, Can- by, OR 97013	Beth Heesacker, heesacker@coho.net, 4145 NW Heesacker Rd., Forest Grove, OR 97116
October 27 & 28 Sat - 10 - 6 Sun - 10 - 5	Bellevue Rock Club	Vasa Park 3560 West Lake Sammamish PKWY SE Bellevue WA 98008	Bruce Himko PO Box 1851 Belle- vue, WA 98009 bellevuerockclub@comcast.net
November 10 & 11 Sat - 9 - 5 Sun - 10 - 5	Maplewood Rock and Gem Club	Maplewood Rock and Gem Clubhouse, 8802 196 th ST SW, Edmonds WA	Mary Ann Collins 206 714 3922 collmal@comcast.net
December 8 & 9 Sat - 9 - 5 Sun - 10 - 5	Maplewood Rock and Gem Club	Maplewood Rock and Gem Clubhouse, 8802 196 th ST SW, Edmonds WA	Mary Ann Collins 206 714 3922 collmal@comcast.net



AFMS Code of Ethics

I will respect both private and public property and will do no collecting on privately owned land without the owner's permission.

I will keep informed on all laws, regulations of rules governing collecting on public lands and will observe them.

I will to the best of my ability, ascertain the boundary lines of property on which I plan to collect.

I will use no firearms or blasting material in collecting areas.

I will cause no willful damage to property of any kind - fences, signs, buildings.

I will leave all gates as found.

I will build fires in designated or safe places only and will be certain they are completely extinguished before leaving the area.

I will discard no burning material - matches, cigarettes, etc.

I will fill all excavation holes which may be dangerous to livestock.

I will not contaminate wells, creeks or other water supply.

I will cause no willful damage to collecting material and will take home only what I can reasonably use.

I will practice conservation and undertake to utilize fully and well the materials I have collected and will recycle my surplus for the pleasure and benefit of others.

I will support the rockhound project H.E.L.P. (Help Eliminate Litter Please) and Will leave all collecting areas devoid of litter, regardless of how found.

I will cooperate with field trip leaders and those in designated authority in all collecting areas.

I will report to my club or Federation of officers, Bureau of Land management or other authorities, any deposit of petrified wood or other materials on public lands which should be protected for the enjoyment of future generations for public educational and scientific purposes.

I will appreciate and protect our heritage of natural resources.

I will observe the "Golden Rule", will use "Good Outdoor Manners" and will at all times conduct myself in a manner which will add to the stature and Public "image" of rockhounds everywhere.