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Darrell Coyle

Hello all, there are so many things to talk about but I will try to be brief. First of all I would like you to look at Page 2 of this newsletter and take note of all the volunteers who serve on our Committees. They do so much for our organization. They are often left out of the spotlight but deserve recognition and thanks for what they do. Without their continued dedication the NFMS would not be able to function. Also note we do have some current vacancies and a few people are looking at bringing someone on board to mentor them in as replacements as they are planning on “retiring” in a few years. Anyone out there with some experience in money management?

Judi Allison and the Billings Show Committee have been working very hard to get things wrapped up so that the NFMS/AFMS can publish all of the information for the Annual NFMS/AFMS Show in August.

There are not many places to park an RV or Trailer and Tourist Season is coming so make reservations early. Many of you will be taking a long trip of two days or more to get there. There are many places of interest on I 90 and I 94 which are the main routes leading to Billings. Montana has many museums dedicated to Paleontology and Minerals. The Dinosaur Trail is a great trip of mostly Eastern Montana. There are many State Parks in addition to the National Parks. Roadside Geology of Montana and Rockhounding Montana are recommended books.

On Google Maps you can type in Rockhounding Locations Idaho or Utah and it is interactive with directions, locations if you plan to do some rockhounding. Donations for the Silent Auction are appreciated. Competitive Cases would be also.

I had mentioned Geology 365 in the last newsletter. It was meant as a casual remark, it was not an endorsement by the NFMS. Also the websites are not free.

NFMS Mid Year Meeting (In Person and via Zoom) on April 29, 2023
1:00 – 3:00 PM PST
Instructions for Calling in via Zoom

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UMPQUA GEM & MINERAL CLUB



“Crazy for Chalcedony”

Saturday, May 6, 2023 – 9am to 5pm
Sunday, May 7, 2023 – 10am to 4pm
Douglas County Fairgrounds
I-5 exit 123 • Roseburg, OR
Food Concession by Roseburg Elks Lodge 326
FREE ADMISSION – donations greatly appreciated

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Jennifer Haley , 1st Vice President



Newsletters are wonderful things. Not only does our NFMS editor and your club’s editor create the magic of every issue by gathering up what is submitted to them, there is also their creativity of putting it all together on everyone’s behalf. Some people may call it, a love’s work and it is, and they do it for you.

I remember being asked years ago by a club editor if I would take on her job, since she was moving out of state. I had never done a newsletter before. When asked how she did it, simply said, she copied and pasted literally with scissors, paste and taking it to a copy shop for print each month. I get a smile when I think about it now, a lot of changes happen over the years about many things.

One thing that doesn’t change, is the great form of communication that newsletters are and what they bring to your federation and club members. Newsletters bring a connection, a bond of belonging and of staying in touch with each other between the meetings and get togethers. Whether presented by email or snail mail, newsletters are wonderful things.

Given the NFMS’ vast territory of many states, I’ve been enjoying reading the newsletters of all the clubs that are online. There are many talented people in your clubs in all the ways talent can show itself, in leadership, craft and in the ways people help their club.

Members have been coming up with additional ideas beyond the traditional, to increase the enjoyment of their clubs, inspire new membership and in ways to give to the community by way of our hobby.

Their ideas can inspire yours. Here’s just a few: New members receive a 5 gallon bucket of rocks; an annual rock tumbling and grab bag sewing contest to help get ready for the show; gifting rock and mineral boxes of identified local or state material for a high school science teacher to use in the class; a welcoming committee to greet the guests; promoting field trips close to home that include not only rocks and geology but fitness too, like yoga for example. I’m looking forward to this year, and hope you are too. There’s so much to look forward to.

Jennifer Haley
1st VP

Lora R. Hall, NFMS 2nd Vice President



With the 2023 show season gearing up, I want to share a problem that my home club here in Missoula has. Each year at our show we sign-up dozens of new members but without fail we never see most of them again. We needed something beyond field trips and monthly meetings to attract new members and keep existing members coming back.

The club had purchased a small cabbing machine and trim saw for our youth group but it was sitting in storage and hadn’t been used for a couple years. The idea was to add two slant laps and with the four pieces of equipment begin a series of “pop-up” workshops. We borrowed the term pop-up with idea that the workshops would pop-up whenever and wherever we could find a room and a handful of volunteers. We were able to piggy-back on our club’s support of Missoula County 4-H and beg the use of the County Extension Office meeting room.

After the first workshop we added two half day wire wrapping classes in a separate “quite” room and another member volunteered to bring his Dremel “wet” drilling set up and another her findings and jewelry make tools. Folks can now pick a slab, cut a blank, make a cab, and go home with a completed project. To date we have held three workshops, each one more successful than the last. After watching participates waiting in line to use the equipment, another club member donated a second saw giving us a fifth piece of lapidary equipment.

The last hurdle was to streamline transporting, setting up, and storing the equipment. Given the nature of a pop-up workshop, everything has to be pulled from storage, transported to the barrowed location, set-up, and taken-down in one day. Once again, a member stepped forward with a solution. He found heavy duty storage totes to hold each piece of equipment complete with everything needed to set up that station including an extension cord,, vinyl tablecloth, water pump, and yes, even cleanup rags. It is a lot easier to load, transport, and store 5 totes than it is to wrestle individual pieces of equipment and all their spare parts.

There are probably other clubs out there who don't have the advantage of a permanent shop that might be able to adapt this idea. It has allowed us reach out to members who otherwise wouldn't attend meeting. It has also given club members an opportunity to share their knowledge not only with other adults but with the kids in our club as well.

Drop me a line if your club has an idea to attract new members and engage existing members. I would like to share it with everyone else.

Lora Hall
2nd VP NFMS
AFMS Junior Programs Chair

ROY NOMINEE

Elisheba Fitch

The Hellgate Mineral Society of Missoula, Montana, would like to nominate Elisheba Fitch to be our AFMS Junior Rockhound of the Year. Elisheba has been a junior in our club for quite a few years, attending club meetings alongside her family. She was very excited when we started our Junior’s program several years ago, and has never lost that excitement. In fact, she now shares that zeal with other kids in the community as she invites them to join our group. Due to her enthusiasm, we have gained several families in our club, as well as more kids in the junior’s group. Elisheba is always volunteering her time, whether it be to help during the meetings or to participate during our annual rock and gem show. All her volunteer work for the club helped her to achieve earning the new AFMS Junior Volunteer Award. Elisheba was the first junior who decided to have an entry in our local show, and her entry last year showed off her rock animal collection. She also enters geology exhibits into our county fair and placed best in show for her volcano entry last summer. In 2021 at the age of 11, Elisheba completed earning ALL of the Future Rockhounds of America badges! Currently, she has been working on earning all of them for a second time and has already achieved six of the twenty! She loves attending field trips and always seems to find some of the best specimens. We are very proud of Elisheba and are very blessed to have her in our club!

Submitted By: Lora Hall - Education Chair and Neil Maier - President, Hellgate Mineral Society, Missoula, MT



Elisheba Fitch



2023 NFMS/AFMS Show

Mark Your Calendars – Make Your Reservations

The 2023 AFMS/NFMS Show and Convention is coming to Billings, Montana August 3-6. The activities will take place at the Billings Hotel and Convention Center, 1223 Mullaney Lane. Our host, The Billings Gem and Mineral Club, is busy working to bring us a special show of “Montana Treasures”.

The AFMS meeting of directors will take place on Thursday, August 3rd. The NFMS meeting will be on Friday. Past Presidents and Committee Chair will have the opportunity to enjoy

some relaxing down time and conversation at the Saturday noon luncheon. Saturday evening’s social hour and banquet is sure to be a crowd pleaser. The editors/webmasters breakfast on Sunday morning will honor all those hard working folks who help keep us informed. Additional meetings, speakers, auctions, displays and sales will interspersed in the mix.

Be sure to get your advance registration in early, as the closing date is June first. The club needs the information to complete their planning process.

Along with a great show venue, plan to do some sightseeing and field collecting. The Billings Gem Club is working to coordinate with other clubs to help provide some great collecting opportunities during the week after the show. Details will be forthcoming.

The Billings area has a great deal to offer. Take in the Pictograph Cave State Park just a five miles from the city. There are three caves preserved and protected in the 23-acre Park.

ZooMontana is a zoological/botanical garden, accredited arboretum and educational facility in Billings dedicated to the conservation of wildlife. ZooMontana cares for over 80 animals of 56 different species.

The Little Bighorn Battlefield is just sixty miles southeast of Billings. Here you can walk through the area and learn about the two-day battle fought by the American Indians. The Indian memorial, unveiled in 2003, “Peace Through Unity” remembers and recognizes those who fought.

Pompeys Pillar, about thirty miles northeast of the city, served as a meeting place for centuries. William Clark of the Lewis and Clark Expedition carved his name in the stone, right next to American Indian petroglyphs carved there much earlier.

One only has to ask to take in an abundance of sights and history throughout the state. The Museum of the Rockies, including the Taylor Planetarium and Siebel Dinosaur Complex is housed in Bozeman. Butte boasts the World Museum of Mining “Where History Tells a Story”. If you travel further east, you will find Makoshika State Park with badland formations and the fossil remains of a number of dinosaurs. With the richness of Montana history and sites, the list could go on endlessly. Rest assured, there will be plenty to see and experience. So plan to take those extra days and make a real excursion out of your trip to Billings.

We look forward to seeing you all!

Judi Allison NFMS Secretary

Stamp Committee Update

Ed and I are still working on sorting and preparing stamps for upcoming auctions. We had an opportunity to sell some stamps to our stamp club members last month and we had a few interested individuals. One lady is really interested in some of the postcards featuring Native Americans and a gentleman is looking for recent postage to fill some new album pages he has. We raised \$5 more. Well, that's not much compared to some other recent developments, but every bit helps. Our club auction for March is cancelled, so we are aiming to put some big lots in the regional stamp show in Portland in May. That will be our big event for the year. The accumulated total since Ed and I became chairs is \$455.

Regards
Aaron Currier
Stamps Chairman

Rocks & Minerals on Stamps from A to Z

This month's letter is A. Here is a 1994 stamp from Azjerbaijan with an Amethyst.



Northwest Federation of Mineralogical Societies and American
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Annual Show: Hosted by: Billings Gem and Mineral Club
“Montana Treasures”
August 3-6, 2023
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SATURDAY, AUGUST 5th

Past President/Committee Chairs Lunch Buffet 12:00 PM (\$24 per person x number of people) \$ _____
(Roast beef w/ mushroom gravy, herb baked chicken, garlic
roasted red potatoes, corn O'Brien, Tossed Salad fresh fruit bowl)

Social Hour 6:00 PM -7:00 PM

Awards Banquet 7:00PM - 9:30PM (\$40 per person x number of people) \$ _____
(Carved Baron of Beef w/ au jus, roast turkey, BBQ baby back pork ribs,
baked potato w/sour cream & butter, glazed carrots, tossed salad w/ fresh
vegetables or fresh fruit bowl and a dinner roll. Assorted dessert buffet.)

SUNDAY AUGUST 6th

Editors/Webmasters Breakfast Buffet 9:00 AM (\$25 per person x number of people)
(Biscuits & gravy, cinnamon swirl French toast, scrambled eggs w/ cheese, \$ _____
crispy bacon, sausage links, breakfast potatoes, assorted pastries,
and fresh fruit. Coffee, hot tea and orange juice.)

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE: \$ _____

Make check payable to: Billings Gem and Mineral Club.
Mail application and remittance before June 1, 2023 to:

Billings Gem & Mineral Club
PO Box 80134
Billings, MT 59108

(Payments are non-refundable after June 1)

**For questions, please call Deb & Tim Zimbelman at 406-670-7261 or 406-670-6524



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2023 NFMS Mid Year Meeting

Saturday April 29, 2023

The NFMS will hold a Mid-Year meeting in conjunction with the 26th Annual Show of the Lakeside Gem & Mineral Club in Kennewick, WA. The Mid-Year Meeting will be held from 1:00 - 3:00 pm on Saturday April 29 in Building #3 at the Benton County Fairgrounds, 1500 S. Oak Street. The Lakeside Show is being held in the adjacent Building #2, not Building #1 where it has been in the past.

Registration will start at **12:30 PM**. There will be a food vendor available for lunch and dinner that day in conjunction with the ongoing Show. Hours for the Show on Saturday are from 10 AM to 5 PM and on Sunday from 10 AM to 4 PM.

RV camping is available at the Fairgrounds with electricity and water available for \$10/night. If you plan to use these facilities please send an email to Larry Hulstrom at rockhound132@charter.net prior to April 15 indicating date of arrival and duration of stay so an accurate count can be kept and space can be planned. Payment will be collected upon arrival at the Fairgrounds. There are a number of motels throughout the immediate area in Kennewick. Information about a few of these has been provided below.

The members of the Lakeside Gem and Mineral Club would like extend a warm invitation to join us for the NFMS Mid Year meeting and encourage you to stay over to attend our annual show. In addition to 16 dealers, we will have about 50 displays, a fluorescent mineral display, a silent auction, a Kid’s Corner, demonstrations, and door prizes. On Sunday morning from 8 AM to noon there will also be tailgating outside the show building for anyone interested. Come join your fellow rockhounds for a weekend of fun and fellowship and take in the sites that the area has to offer.

The following motels are available within 5 miles of the Benton County Fairgrounds.

Visit the Tri-cities webpage at <http://www.visittri-cities.com>, or call the Tri-Cities Visitor and Convention Bureau at 509-735-8486 or 800-254-5824 for more information.



2023 GEM SHOW

Hosted By Lakeside Gem & Mineral Club
26th Annual Show

NEW DATES!
Saturday, April 29th – 10 am to 5 pm
Sunday, April 30th – 10 am to 4 pm

**Benton County Fairgrounds
NEW LOCATION - Building #2
1500 S. Oak St., Kennewick, WA**



Adult Admission \$5 (good for both days)
Children 14 and under FREE
with paid adult admission
No ATM available – bring cash for admittance



Events & Activities Include:
40 Collectors' Exhibits
Great Door Prizes
Gem, Mineral, Fossil & Jewelry Dealers
Fluorescent Displays
Kid's Korner – Games & Crafts
Silent Auctions
Geode Cracking
Tailgating – Sunday 8:00am to Noon

Demonstrations Include:
Cabochon Fashioning
Gemstone Faceting
Gem Trees
Sphere Making
Silversmithing
Wire Wrapping
Jewelry Fabrication

Follow the Lakeside Gem and Mineral Club
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Best Western Plus Kennewick	LaQuinta Inn & Suites	Comfort Suites	Kennewick Suites
4001 W. 27 th Ave	2600 S. Quillan Pl	3703 Plaza Way	321 N. Johnson
Kennewick, WA 99337	Kennewick, WA 99337	Kennewick, WA 99338	Kennewick, WA 99337
509-586-1332 or 1-800-528-1234	509-736-3656	509-579-0897	509-735-6385
Baymont Inn & Suites	Hampton Inn Kennewick at Southridge	Motel 6/ Studio 6	
4220 W. 27 th Pl	3715 Plaza Way	2811 W. 2 nd Ave.	
Kennewick, WA 99337	Kennewick, WA 99338	Kennewick, WA 99337	
509-736-3326	509-820-3023	509-735-9511	

Directions to the Mid Year Meeting in Kennewick, Washington at the
Benton County Fairgrounds on April 29, 2023

Coming into the Tri-Cities area from the south on Highway 395 turn right (east) onto 10th Ave (the third stop light coming into town). Follow this about 3 miles. The fairgrounds will be visible on the right side just past and behind a park. Once at the Fairgrounds gate you will see theShow building to the right in Building #2. RV camping will be available near that building or in an adjacent area. Walk over to the show to obtain more specific drections for parking. Ask for the RV Camping Coordinator. The Mid Year Meeting will be held in Building #3 which is adjacent to Building #2.

From anywhere else coming into Kennewick it would be best to find your way to Highway 395 and take the turn east onto 10th Ave and then follow it down to the Fairgrounds.



If your club is one mentioned above
please contact me at 503.310.3036 so
I can resend the information
(instructions, worksheet & end of year
club roster) to your club contact.
Payment for 2023 NFMS membership
is due now.

NFMS Clubs’ Show Schedule -- 2023

Mar 4th & 5th 2023 Sat 10 - 7 Sun 12-6	Chugach Gem and Mineral So- ciety	Midtown Mall 600 E Northern Lights Blvd Anchorage AK	Paul Burger cavemonpaul@hotmail.com
Mar 3rd - 5th 2023 Fri 9:30 - 5:30 Sat 9:30 - 5:30 Sun 9:30 - 5	Oregon Agate and Mineral So- ciety	72nd Oregon Agate and Mineral Society Annual Show OMSI (Oregon Museum of Science and Industry) Auditorium 1945 SE Water Avenue Portland OR	Sonia Watt sonywatt@yahoo.com
Mar 3rd - 5th 2023 Fri 10 - 5 Sat 10 - 5 Sun 10 - 5	Tualatin Valley Gem Club	64th Annual Rock and Gem Show Forest Grove National Guard Armory 2950 Taylor Way Forest Grove OR	William Harvey Jr. WLHARVEYJR@msn.com www.tvgc.org
Mar 4th & 5th 2023 Sat 10 - 6 Sun 10 - 5	East KingCo Rock Club	Pickering Barn 1730 10th Ave NW Issaquah WA	Kim Villines (425) 828-3872 earthlightgems@gmail.com www.EastKingCo.org
Mar 4th & 5th 2023 Sat 10 - 6 Sun 10 - 5	Owyhee Gem & Mineral Society	O'Conner Field House 2207 Blaine Caldwell ID 83605	Paul Deveau (208) 994-8025 PO Box 1053 Caldwell ID 83605 devidaho@q.com www.OwyheeRocks.com
Mar 10th & 11th 2023 Fri 9 - 6 Sat 9 - 5	Panorama Gem and Mineral Club	Northeast Washington Fairground 317 West Astor Colville WA	Johnie Pitman jgpitman@outlook.com
Mar 11th & 12th Sat 10 - 5 Sun 10 - 4	Magic Valley Gem Club	73rd Annual Rock, Gem, Mineral and Jewelry Show Twin Falls County Fairgrounds 215 Fair Avenue, Filer ID	Sam Marsh bigdawg66@yahoo.com magicvalleygemclub.org
Mar 11th & 12th Sat 9 - 6 Sun 10 - 5	Northwest Montana Rock Chucks	Flathead County Fairgrounds Expo Building 265 North Meridian Road Kalispell MT	Lloyd Fager (608) 436-0780 oldgrayelf@sbcglobal.net
Mar 17th, 18th & 19th Fri 10 - 7 Sat 10 - 7 Sun 10 - 5	Timpanogos Gem and Miner- al Society	Annual Rock, Gem, & Mineral Show Spanish Fork Fair Grounds 475 South Main Street Spanish Fork, UT	Jerry Davis (801) 830-9228 carpetman405@gmail.com Website timprocks.weebly.com
Mar 18th & 19th Sat 9 - 6 Sun 10 - 5	Hellgate Miner- al Society Mis- soula MT	28th Annual Gem, Mineral, Fossil, and Lapidary Sale Hilton Garden Inn 3700 North Reserve St., Missoula MT	Neil Maier or Lora Hall info@hellgatemineralsociety.org http://hellgatemineralsociety.org
Mar 25th & 26th Sat 10 - 5 Sun 10 - 5	South East Idaho Gem and Mineral Society (SEIGMS)	Bannock County Fairgrounds 10588 Fairground Dr Pocatello ID 83201	Joe Rodriguez rodrider4@msn.com
Mar 24th, 25th & 26th Fri 10 - 6 Sat 10 - 6 Sun 10 - 4	Rock Rollers Club of Spo- kane WA	62nd Annual Gem, Mineral, & Jewelry Show Spokane County Fair & Expo Center 404 N. Havana at Broadway Spokane WA	Steve Koon, Show Chairman silakoondioxide@yahoo.com www.rockrollers.org See us on Facebook: Spokane Rock Roll- ers Gem Mineral & Jewelry show
Mar 25th & 26th Sat 10 - 6 Sun 10 - 5	Mt. Baker Rock and Gem Club	61st Annual Rock and Gem Show Pioneer Pavillion 2007 Cherry St, Ferndale, WA	Wes Gannaway debnwes@comcast.net www.mtbakerrockclub.org
April 1st & 2nd Sat 10 - 6 Sun 10 - 5	Sweet Home Rock and Min- eral Society	73rd Annual Sweet Home and Mineral Show Sweet Home High School Gym 1641 Long Street, Sweet Home, OR	Joe Cota (541) 451-2740 Ed Anderson (541) 451-1577 ela4rocks@gmail.com
April 7th, 8th & 9th 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	Margie Miller (385) 205-9187 Website: goldenspikegem.org
April 14th, 15th & 16th Fri 9 - 5 Sat 9 - 5 Sun 10 - 4	Willamette Agate and Mineral Society	WAMS River of Gems 66th annual rock show Polk County Fairgrounds 520 S Pacific Hwy W Rickreall OR 97371	Ken Stubenrauch wams.riverofgems@gmail.com www.WAMSI.net
April 15th & 16th Sat 10 - 6 Sun 10 - 5	Idaho Falls Gem and Mineral Society	Idaho Falls Center Corner of Memorial Drive and B Street 520 Memorial Drive, Idaho Falls ID	Tom Strong (337) 384-6820 wildlandlapidary@gmail.com
April 21st, 22nd & 23rd Fri 10 - 4 Sat 10 - 5 Sun 10 - 4	Yakima Rock and Mineral Club	"Sparkling Parade of Gems - 2023" Central Washington State Fair Park Modern Living Building 1301 South Fair Avenue, Yakima WA 98901	Marti Sondgeroth (509) 910-3484 marthams@q.com www.yakimarockclub.com www.facebook.com/ YakimaRockandMineraClub
April 29th & 30th Sat 10 - 5 Sun 10 - 4:30	Grays Harbor Rock and Gem Club	Grays Harbor County Fair and Event Center 43 Elma-McCleary Road Elma WA	Gary Emberley (360) 533-6196 melissa624@hotmail.com
April 29th & 30th Sat 10 - 5 Sun 10 - 4	Lakeside Gem and Mineral Club	Benton County Fairgrounds BLD 2 1500 South Oak Kennewick WA	Larry Hulstrom (509) 308-8312 rockhound132@charter.net
April 29th & 30th Sat 10 - 5 Sun 10 - 5	West Seattle Rock Club	Alki Masonic Temple (West Seattle) 4736 40. Avenue SW West Seattle WA	Annette Nelson (206) 379-3677 www.westseattlerockclub.org

NFMS Clubs’ Show Schedule -- 2023 continued

May 6th & 7th Sat 9 - 5 Sun 10 - 4	Umpqua Gem & Mineral Club - Roseburg OR	Douglas County Fairgrounds 2110 Frear Ave I-5 Exit 123 Roseburg OR	Jason Jakubos (541) 580-7584 rockandwool@gmail.com www.facebook.com/Umpquagem
May 13th & 14th Sat 10 - 6 Sun 10 - 4	Bozeman Gem and Mineral Club	Gallatin County Fairgrounds 901 North Black Bozeman MT	Linda Johnson (406) 580-3419 lindajohnson.montana@gmail.com
May 13th & 14th Sat 10 - 5 Sun 10 - 4	Hatrockhound Gem and Mineral Society	Eastern Oregon Trade and Event Center 1705 East Airport Road Hermiston OR 97838	Mike Filarski (541) 571-2593 stonemorlin1@netscape.net
May 19th, 20th & 21st Fri 10 - 5 Sat 10 - 5 Sun 10 - 3	Mt Hood Rock Club	Mt Hood Rock Club's Rock and Gem Show Kliever Memorial Armory 10000 NE 33rd Dr. Portland OR 97211	Darrell Engelhard mhrcdc@gmail.com www.mthoodrockclub.com
May 20th & 21st Sat 9 - 5 Sun 10 - 4	Butte Mineral and Gem Club	Annual Rock and Gem Show Butte Civic Center Main Arena 1340 Harrison Ave, Butte MT	Pete Knudsen (406) 490 5828 PKnudsen@mtech.edu -
May 27th & 28th Sat 9 - 6 Sun 10 - 4	Clackamette Mineral and Gem Corp	Clackamas County Fairgrounds 694 NE 4th Ave Canby OR 97013	Karen McAllister (503) 351-9918 gmarktmc@gmail.com www.clackamettegem.org
May 27th & 28th Sat 10 - 6 Sun 10 - 5	Everett Rock and Gem Club	Evergreen State Fairgrounds Weikel Event Center 18359 Cascade View Drive Monroe WA	Fritz Mack (425) 232-0809 www.everettrockclub.com
June 3rd & 4th Sat 9 - 5 Sun 10 - 4	North Idaho Mineral Club	North Idaho State Fairgrounds Jacklin Building 4056 North Government Way Coeur d'Alene ID	Diane Rose (208) 659-6173 Look for NIMC on Facebook
June 15th, 16th, 17th & 18th Thur 9 – 5 Fri 9 - 5 Sat 9 - 5 Sun 9 - 4	Prineville Rockhounds	Prineville Rockhound Pow Wow Crook County Fairgrounds 1280 S Main Street Prineville OR	Jim McCoy Jimmcoy57@yahoo.com Fieldtrip contact: Joe Van Cura jvancura@peak.org
June 16th, 17th & 18th Fri 10 - 5 Sat 10 - 5 Sun 10 - 4	Lower Umpqua Gem & Lapidary Society	Annual Father's Day Weekend Rock and Gem Show Reedsport Community Center/City Hall 451 Winchester Ave Reedsport OR	Bambi Darling (541) 420-8014 (please leave a message) Website: ReedsportRockandGemShow.com
August 3rd - 6th Thur 10 – 5 Fri 10 - 5 Sat 10 – 5 Sun 10 – 4	Billings Gem and Mineral Club	NFMS and AFMS Show Billings Hotel and Convention Center 1223 Mullaney Ln Billings MT	Doug True https://billingsgemclub.com/contact-us (406) 200-8778
August 18th, 19th & 20th Fri 9 - 5 Sat 9 - 5 Sun 10 - 4	Willamette Agate and Mineral Society	End of Summer Rock Show Polk County Fairgrounds 520 S Pacific Hwy W Rickreall, OR 97371	Ken Stubenrauch wams.riverofgems@gmail.com www.WAMSI.net
Sept 9th & 10th Sat 9 - 5 Sun 10 - 4	Clallam County Gem and Mineral Association	Vern Burton Community Center 308 East 4th Street Port Angeles WA	Kathy Schreiner (360) 460-0827 kmsjes@olypen.com Sequimrocks.org
Sept 16th & 17th Sat 10 - 5 Sun 10 - 4	Cascade Mineralogical Society - Kent WA	Green River College Phys Ed Facility 12401 SE 320th Street Auburn WA	Kat Koch (425) 765-5408 vendor-chair@cascademineralsociety.org Web site: www.cascademineralsociety.org
Oct 6th, 7th 8th Fri 10 - 6 Sat 10 - 6 Sun 10 - 5	Portland Regional Gem & Mineral Show Association	42nd Annual Portland Regional Gem and Mineral Show Wingspan Event Center Building At the Westside Commons 801 NE 34th Avenue, Hillsboro OR 97124	Linda Harvey lindaharvey2010@gmail.com For more information go to: www.PortlandRegionalGemandMineral.com
Oct 7th Sat 10 - 5	Idaho Falls Gem and Mineral Society	Annual Members Rock, Gem, Jewelry Bonneville Co. Fairgrounds 1542 73rd S, Idaho Falls, ID	Monique Lake (208) 757-8036 moniquelake1@gmail.com
Oct 7th & 8th Sat 10 - 5 Sun 10 - 5	Marysville Rock and Gem Club	The Evergreen State Fairgrounds Display Bldg #500 14405 179th Ave, SE Monroe, WA (Off Hwy 2, Just west of Monroe, WA)	Christina Morrissey cmvw@frontier.com Website: http://www.marysvillerockclub.com facebook.com/Marysville-Rock-and-Gem-Club-213484905338173

