



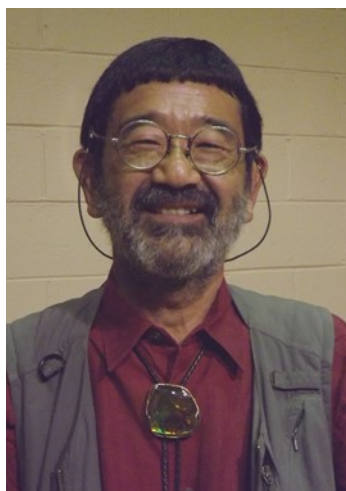
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Hidemi Kira President

Hello to All,

I hope you all are enjoying the rockhounding season and the rock shows that are held in many places.

I recently received an email from the President of the AFMS, Matt Charsky asking if there are any clubs in our Federation that are not listed on the AFMS website (amfed.org) under the "Club Sites" tab and he mentioned that Clubs that have a website should be included in the list as it is a free advertisement and that each regional Federation is paying dues to the AFMS. I first checked the AFMS website and found that it seems like it hasn't been updated for a while. Then I sent out a message to the NFMS clubs listed in my email list and hope they have checked the AFMS site and taken care of it if they needed to. However, there are a few Clubs I believe did not get this message, so please check it out and see if your Club is listed if you have a website and also check if it is listed correctly. If you need to update or make corrections, please send your information to the AFMS Webmaster, Marty Hart at webmaster@amfed.org and ask to add or correct your Club's website. Please keep in mind that it will not be automatically updated.

This was a good opportunity for me to check out the websites of the NFMS Clubs and made a list based on the latest NFMS Directory (2015-2016). I found there were about 20 Clubs that had no websites or were just not listed. I know it is pretty difficult to set up a website and to maintain it when you don't have the right skilled person in the Club and it could be expensive to hire a professional. Even though the Social Network is getting more popular, a website is still good advertisement, a tool to recruit new members, a way to help anyone who may contact your Club asking for help with their rocks and there are many other reasons to have one. So, please talk within your Club and see if you can set one up if you haven't. I also noticed some of the Club's websites were not working as they should. Some Clubs had their website listed, but couldn't be displayed or were not functioning. Among those Clubs, I found some of them did have a website, but not matching the listing in the Directory. This will be a good opportunity for your Club to check your website to see if it is working properly and listed properly in the NFMS Directory.

As I have written several times, I have been asking members of the growing clubs to write an article for the NFMS Newsletter about what they have done to grow their membership. There is another great article in this June issue and another article focused on junior activities in the July issue. I also have got a great writer for the August issue. The August issue will be the last issue during my period of being the president and is the last article I am asking for. I have been combining the articles I received so far into a separate file and planning to distribute them to all the NFMS clubs as one of my last projects during my period hoping it will work like a handbook for growing your club. I truly appreciate the members who have written about their clubs and for the members who are willing to write for the August issue.

I know there are Clubs that are doing great things or interesting things. I would like to see some articles of what kind of special things you have been doing or have done and what kind of results you received. If you can share your stories, we can all grow strong together, so please consider writing for the NFMS newsletter!

I recently received the submitted papers and the score sheets for the Junior Achievement Award from our Juniors Chair, Audrey Vogelpohl. There were seven participants for this year 2016, four from Age Category 8 -11, two from 12 – 15 and one from 16 – 18. It was very sad that there were no participants last year, 2015. I would like to thank Audrey for encouraging the junior members to participate in this program. The judging will be done by the officers and this is a very difficult job. Two years ago when we had nine entrees, I had to go over and over the sheets many times, scratching my head and trying to figure out how I can score the sheets as all the juniors have done so well during the year. It was difficult, but very nice and enjoyable to know about the active juniors. The results will be announced at the Albany Show and hope many of the junior members will participate in this program in future. Not only within this program, but the growth of the number of junior members is one of the biggest key for the growth of the NFMS, so please consider supporting the junior's activities as much as you can.

It is scary how the time flies so fast. Now the NFMS/AFMS combined Show in Albany is coming really close. The deadlines for the display cases and the Advanced Registration Form are both the end of June. Hope you send them in as soon as you can and make sure you don't miss the fun. The forms and the details of the Show are posted on the NFMS website www.amfed.org/nfms. Please click on the "Federation Show" tab on the right. And as posted, there will be field trips in the Prineville area right after the Show, so please plan on having fun collecting rocks as well. If you have any question regarding the Show, please contact Janice Van Cura, Show Chair 541-753-2401 jvancura@peak.org.

Look forward to see many of you there!

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July Deadline: July 18th

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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.

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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.

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1. Donations to Endowment Fund
2. Memorial contributions

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Ads for the Northwest Newsletter are \$1.50 per square inch.
Example: 3" x 4" ad = 12 inches
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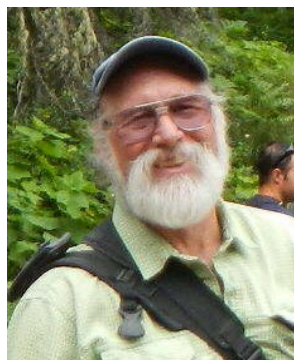
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Jim Bosley 1st Vice-President

On May 2, 2016 Ed Romack, a great friend, mentor and supporter of the NFMS and IFGMS passed away at age 93. Ed is an example of the "can do" spirit of the WWII veterans, who upon returning from the horrors of war set about making their world a better place. Ed's son Greg admired his father's zest for life and his enjoyment of doing and learning all things big and small. Greg also said his father's philosophy was to do things for good of the whole rather than for the individual. This philosophy can be seen in his willingness to take leadership roles in the NFMS (Pres. 1985 and 1986), AFMS (Pres. 1992) and on committees. He shared his love of people, minerals and faceting with his friends and family.

As the next generation it is our responsibility to continue the legacy established by Ed and others of his age (the Greatest Generation). They put the needs of the organization first and worked to make the world a better place. Let us be a friend, mentor and teacher to all people interested in gems, rocks and minerals and we, as an organization, can continue to improve and do great things in the future.



Juniors Are Our Future

By Audrey Vogelpohl
NFMS Junior Program Chair

The Future Rockhounds of America Badge Program was developed as a means of encouraging and cultivating interest in the earth sciences and lapidary arts among our youngest family members. It is a program that motivates with the earning of badges. Rockhounding becomes a hobby and a family activity.

How do you start a program that currently explores earning up to 20 badges? It can be composed of the junior members in your club; or a separate club of only juniors can be formed. What paperwork is required? How do you keep the juniors involved ... "it" doesn't JUST HAPPEN.

A "cracker barrel" session on what this badge program is about is being planned for the AFMS/NFMS convention. The date and time are not confirmed as yet .. it will probably be on Saturday. Please look at the master schedule at the hall and see where we will be meeting. Bring your questions, and share what you and your club have done ... good and failures. Remember, to have a growing club ... Juniors are our future.



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NFMS/AFMS Show

Albany Oregon July 29th to the 31st.

By Janice Van Cura

The show is coming up fast and we hope that all of you will come join us. Dealer space is set, and most of the display space is spoken for and some of the cases sound like they will be spectacular. We will have a special section of 40 cases that represent the various rock and minerals of the northwest so that those visiting or new to rockhounding can see what the northwest has to offer.

Just a reminder that we need your registration by June 30th for any of the meetings that included food. It looks like we have a good turn out from around the country and the Northwest so it should be a fun time for all. We have several speakers lined up and an authors table for those that want to learn more about rocks, rockhounding, fossils and other related topics. Plus the meetings are always informative. We have added a meeting to the agenda on Saturday at 11:30 there will be a Cracker Barrel to discuss Junior's programs. This is open to anyone that is working with juniors, would like to work with juniors or has some input on how to get juniors involved. And for those early birds we will be leading a trip to a petrefied wood site each morning. The group will leave the Fairgrounds at 8, but there will be maps available and people can go later in the day on their own if they prefer.



From the Editor's Rockpile

By Beth Heesacker

My hubby and I just got back from the Northern California Mineralogical Association meeting in El Dorado, California. This is a group of people who collect, analyze and love micro minerals. There were at least 8 people there who have minerals named after them. Wow, what an elite group of collectors. We all sat around the tables looking at minerals through microscopes, attended a number of presentations, and sorted through the \$1 tables and freebie tables to find new additions to our collections. I was really looking forward to the meeting and it did not disappoint.

The only drawback was the heat but from what I gather, it was hot even at home. One day we ran the air-conditioning and fans too long and had to ask someone kindly give our battery a jump in order to get our rv started. After the meeting we headed north on highway 49 to follow the gold mines. Took a tour of the Gold Bug mine and saw the Kentucky mine (museum was closed that day). There are lots of old buildings along that route which I took pictures of as we passed by. Stopped at the Cool Cave Mine and picked up some samples of their limestone and greenstone.

We went as far as the connection between Highway 49 and Highway 70 and then came back a bit south on Highway 70 through the Feather River Canyon. Beautiful scenery and rock formations. Granite and serpentine for miles. Paul stopped at many of the road cuts for me so I could see what was there. We brought home some samples of the different kinds of serpentine - blue and green, gold and green, tan and green. It is quite something to drive along and the whole road cut shines in the sun. Some larger pieces came home with us and Paul is going to attempt to make some spheres for me out of the serpentine.

We stopped at quite a few rock shops along the way. There is a new one in Coos Bay a few blocks from WalMart and others sprinkled here and there along Highway 101 on our scenic trip home.

There are a few places we did not get to that I wanted to visit. Next year I want to go south on Highway 49 to Mariposa to the mineral museum there so instead of going north after the meeting we will head further south and catch some of the sights. Possibly head over to Nevada for some mineral collecting too. We will see.

Hope you are all having a wonderful rock and mineral summer and see you in Albany for the AFMS/NFMS show.



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. Please submit all show information (including admission charge to Pat Lambert, Show Coordinator. Her information can also be found on the second page of this newsletter. Thank you.



Important Notice

2016 AFMS Annual Meeting

Date: Thursday, July 28, 2016

Time: 9 am

**Place: Linn County Fair & Expo Building
Albany, Oregon**

**(before the Willamette Agate and Mineral Society's
Annual Show)**

NFMS Annual Meeting

Date: Friday, July 29, 2016

Time: 4pm

**Place: Linn County Fair & Expo Building
Albany, Oregon**

**(During Willamette Agate and Mineral Society's Annual
Show)**

MEMBERSHIP GROWTH

By Evelyn Cataldo

Lakeside Gem & Mineral Club

President Kira has done it again!! Somehow he has persuaded me to attempt to share some ideas that I believe are helping to keep our Lakeside Gem and Mineral Club in Kennewick, Washington growing. The Lakeside Club is approximately 200+ members strong plus we have an active Juniors Club.

The Club's monthly newsletter, *The Geode*, is an essential part of maintaining our membership. Communication of the Club meeting dates, meeting minutes, Board minutes, upcoming programs and events, classes and activities is essential to keep members invested in the Club. The Club also has a website and a Facebook group.

We always start our monthly meeting promptly at 7:00 pm and we try to hold the business portion of the meeting to 30 or 40 minutes. The past few years we have worked hard on having business discussions and decisions done at the Board level rather than at the Club meeting. We do have a program planned for each meeting. The program will feature a speaker or activity.

Approximately three years ago, the Board came to the conclusion that our group size was so large that it was impossible to adequately grow relationships during our 15- minute refreshment breaks at the meetings. We added a social mixer time to our meetings. From 6:30 pm to 7:00 pm, the building is open and this is a time that members can meet and greet each other. Members share recent finds and get help with identifying their mystery rocks during this social time. It has proven to be very popular and most members are now arriving at 6:30 or earlier!

In years past, the Club would have a Silent Auction meeting once a year. We now have a Silent Auction at every meeting and the table area is expanding. This auction action takes place prior to the start of the meeting and is closed shortly after the conclusion of the business portion of the meeting and prior to the start of the program. The Club does not retain any of the auction proceeds. Each seller and buyer takes care of the money exchanges. In addition to money, a huge amount of information is exchanged – a great learning opportunity for both new and experienced members.

As a way to further relationships within the Club, we have just recently formed some mini-interest-groups for members. We now have a fossil group that meets once a month and we have a group that meets monthly to work on jewelry type projects. A mini-group is being formed to network ideas on how to sell lapidary produced items. There is interest in forming a group on sphere making and a petrified wood group. Time will tell if these are viable additions to our Club.

Although the Club does not have a workshop, we do have two members that allow their garage to be used twice a month for cabbing classes. The Club owns a trim saw and several cabbing machines. This allows new members to become involved in working stones. The same couple is allowing their garage to be used for knapping sessions. Several of the Club members have been organizing workshops for gem tree making, wire wrapping, and chain maille. From time to time, we arrange for a special class. Recently, we had a three-day workshop on silversmithing. Participating members bear the cost of any fees associated with these classes. These learning opportunities strengthen and expand our Club.

In conclusion, our annual gem and mineral show not only brings new members, it broadens our members' relationships. Planning a show, setting up a show, displaying in a show and working at a show provide opportunities for members to get to know each other and become contributing members. A big profit is not the goal of our show. The Club provides lunch for the setup crews, the main dish for the evening potluck, and drinks and snacks for the members, demonstrators and vendors during the show. On Sunday morning from 8 to noon, we have tailgating in the parking lot for Club and Federation members. This is one of the highlights of our Show. The goal is to have fun and get to know each other; leading to a stronger commitment to the Club.

AFMS and NFMS

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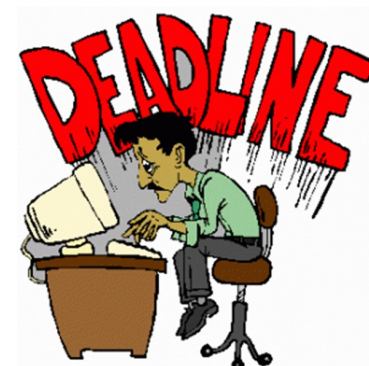
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June 29, 2016

AFMS/NFMS

Meeting Registration:

June 30, 2016



A REMINDER AND REQUEST FROM THE
CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

CREDENTIALS FOR ANNUAL MEETING

Clara & Del Walker, Committee Chairpersons, must receive the NFMS Credentials (**the NAMES only**), of Club Directors and Delegates, as soon as possible (ASAP) for planning purposes for the meeting.

The annual meeting will be held in Albany, OR, on Friday, July 29th, at 4 pm in the Linn County Fair & Expo Building.

The Credential forms below must be completed by the designated director/delegate, signed by the Club President and Secretary, and **BROUGHT BY THE DIRECTOR AND DELEGATE** to the annual meeting.

Or, this should be done by the alternate delegate(s), if necessary.

Give us the name(s) (not the credentials forms) at least two weeks prior to the meeting.

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12377 SE Davis Loop
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Call 503-812-6540 or email to cdwalker@q.com
(note email address is new.....and that is a "Q" not a "G")

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Name of Club _____
City, State _____
Club President Signature _____
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Date _____

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City, State _____
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Club Secretary Signature _____
Date _____

Must be **completed** and **signed** to be seated with voting rights at the Northwest Federation of Mineralogical Societies Annual Meeting

Lower Umpqua Gem and
Lapidary Society presents the



**Reedsport
Annual Rock and
Gem Show**

July 15-16-17 ---- 10 to 5 daily
Community Center
451 Winchester Avenue
Reedsport

Admission is free — Donations are accepted
*The first 50 adults each day will receive a gift
when they get their door prize drawing ticket*

Saturday, July 16 is Kids' Day

Lots of free kids' activities
(Children under 15 must be
accompanied by an adult)

Gems & Minerals & Fossils
Jewelry / Beads
Local Artisans / Demonstrations
Kid's Games & Prizes
Raffle, Door Prizes & Silent Auctions
Gold Panning Equipment
Displays / New Vendors
Enjoy our new kitchen menu!

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Contact us at: AgateLicker44@outlook.com
or call 541-271-6816

**Oregon Coast
Agate Club
53rd Annual Gem & Mineral Show
"Rock'n the Coast"**

Saturday June 25, 2016 10:00- 6:00

Sunday June 26, 2016 10:00- 4:30

**National Guard Armory,
541 SW Coast Hwy, Hwy 101,
Newport Oregon 973654**

**Dealers, Door Prizes, Raffle, Displays,
Silent Auction, The "Rock Doc"**



**Admission – Adults \$2.00, children 12
and under Free**

More info at www.coastagates.org or
Facebook- Oregon Coast Agate Club

Field Trips! Potlucks!! Swap and Auction!!! After the NFMS/AFMS Meetings

Prineville, Oregon August 3-7, 2016

By Doug True, NFMS Field Trip Chair

Trips will leave on August 3, 4, 5 and 6th. There will be a number of locations looking for Agate, Petrified Woods and Thunder eggs. Trips will go to Richardson Ranch, Alex McDonalds Ranch, Friends Egg Beds (has been closed for awhile) Hampton Butte, Bear Creek, Maury Mountain and several other locations. Several locations will be fee collecting and some will be free. All collectors will have to sign a liability waiver to attend the trips.

Base camp will be at the Crook County Fair Grounds, you will need to call (541) 447-6575 and make arrangements for RV camping or Dry Camping. We will try and have several potlucks. Bring items you would like to sell or swap, setup Sunday morning the 7th. Bring something for the live auction, to benefit the NFMS, which will be held after the swap.

If you have any Questions call (406) 670-0506, or email dtruefossils12@yahoo.com. On 5 June I will be traveling to Spain and Portugal for a month, I will return on the 5th of July. I WILL NOT RESPOND DURING THIS TIME. Thanks





AFMS/NFMS Show

July 29 - 31, 2016

Albany Oregon

By Janice VanCura, Show Chair

We are really looking forward to having all of you coming to the show. Whether it is for just a day or the entire show. To help you plan your trip here is a recap of when the major meetings are. The Judges start us off with a meeting on Wednesday then Thursday morning at 9 the AFMS meetings kick off and run through mid-day. Thursday is also the day that the displays and dealers will be setting up. Friday we kick off the actual show. There will be speakers during the day and the NFMS Delegate meeting is at 4. Saturday starts with the editors breakfast at 8 with the S.C.R.I.B.E. meeting following, then the ALAA meeting is at 1:30 with a guest speaker and the evening banquet festivities start at 5. Sunday continues with more speakers throughout the day and various Committees of the NFMS meeting. All

meals and events are held in the same building as the show on the Linn County Fairgrounds in Albany.

In addition we will be providing a fieldtrip each day Friday through Sunday to Hollywood Ranch near Sweet Home, for petrified wood. Just a short half hour away from the show. This is a fee dig. But it has produced some nice pieces of wood. We will meet in the parking lot and leave at 8 a.m. to take a caravan out to the ranch.

If you are planning to attend the delegate meeting or any of the meals please remember that reservations are required by June 30th. The registration form is available on the NFMS website. WAMS, regrettably has had a major problem with our website that necessitated the club in setting up a new one. This meant that our website has a new address we are now: wamsi.net. By the time this newsletter is published our site should be up and have forms and information there as well.

Or if you have any questions you can contact me at jvancura@peak.org or 541-753-2401

REMINDER OF MEETINGS THAT I HAVE SOMETHING TO DO WITH . . .

By Lauren Williams

RULES MEETING – Wednesday July 27 at 3:00. This is the meeting where the Judging Rules are made and changed. Meteorites will be one of the subjects that will be discussed this year. If you want input to the Judging Rules this is the meeting to get your input heard.

AFMS SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION MEETING – Will start 15 minutes after the AFMS Business meeting ends on Thursday July 28. So to all regional Presidents and Vice Presidents please stay for that short meeting. We need to nominate a Secretary for the next two years, any volunteers.

JUDGING – Friday Morning at 9:00. Please volunteer to be a Judge or a Clerk. Remember this is also an AFMS Meeting as well as a NFMS one.

AMERICAN LANDS ACCESS ASSOCIATION (ALAA) – Saturday July 30 at 1:30. Mike Hunerlach will talk about Access to our Federal Lands through the Law. Mike just retired from the government where this was his career. Mike is the current ALAA Public Lands Advisor.

AWARDS BANQUET – Saturday July 30. Register now for Happy Hour, Dinner, and stay and see who wins the NFMS Awards and the AFMS Awards.

Don't forget to check about Field Trips for the time and place for meeting. Remember Madras is not just across town, so allow plenty of time to get there. BE SAFE!

AFMS/NFMS Show Meeting Schedule

Please note: information gathered from various sources. Please verify dates and timing with your group since there seems to be at least one possible conflict on Thursday.

All meals and meetings held in the same building as the show

Wednesday, July 27

Rules Meeting, 3 pm

Thursday - July 28

AFMS Meeting, 9 am

AFMS Scholarship Foundation, following the AFMS meeting

Display and Dealer Setup

Friday - July 29

Field Trip to Hollywood Ranch, 8 am

Show opens

Speakers throughout the day

NFMS Meeting, 4 pm

Saturday - July 30

Field Trip to Hollywood Ranch, 8 am

Editor's Breakfast, 8 am with SCRIBE Meeting to follow

ALAA Meeting, 1:30 pm

Banquet, 5 pm

Sunday, July 31

Field Trip to Hollywood Ranch, 8 am

Show continues

Speakers throughout the day

NFMS Committee meetings

Wednesday - Sunday, August 3-7 - Field trips out of Prineville

NFMS Clubs' Show Schedule

June 25 & 26 Sat - 10 - 6 Sun - 10 - 4	Oregon Coast Agate Club	National Guard Armory 541 SW Coast Hwy Hwy 101	George Mazeika 541 991 0311 george-maze58@gmail.com PO Box 818
July 15, 16, & 17 Fri & Sat - 10 - 5 Sun - 10 - 5	Lower Umpqua Gem & Lapidary Society	Reedsport Community Building, 451 Winchester Avenue, Reed- sport OR	Bill Hendrickson 541 271 6816 irlinda-barr@hotmail.com
July 16 - 17 Sat - 10 - 5 Sun - 10 - 5	Darrington Rock and Gem Club	Manford Grange 1265 Railroad Avenue Darrington, WA	Ed Lehman 9120 20 th Street SE Lake Ste- vens WA 98258 wsmced@hotmail.com 425 334 6282 (cell 425 760 2786) or Angela Moore ange-la51726@gmail.com 360 436 2107
July 22, 23, & 24 Fri - 9 - 6 Sat - 9 - 6 Sun - 9 - 5	Washington Agate and Mineral Society of Olympia and the Tenino Rock Cruisers	Parkside Elementary School, 301 Central Avenue (corner of Central Avenue and Stage St. South) Tenino WA 98589	Daniel De Boer keylock1@live.com 5107 Brenner Road NW Olympia WA 98502
July 29-31 Fri - 10 - 6 Sat - 10 - 6 Sun - 10 - 4	Willamette Agate and Mineral Society AFMS and NFMS MEETINGS	Linn County Expo Center, Albany Oregon	Janice Van Cura 541-753-2401 jvancura@peak.org , www.wamsi.org
August 5 - 7 Fri & Sat - 10 - 5 Sun - 10 - 4	Far West Lapidary & Gem Society	North Bend Community Ctr., 2222 Broadway North Bend OR	Don Innes 541 396 5722 don-innes.innes20@gmail.com
August 13 & 14 Sat - 9 - 5 Sun - 10 - 5	Maplewood Rock and Gem Club	Maplewood Rock and Gem Club- house, 8802 196 th ST SW, Ed- monds WA	Bev Ryder 425 338 4184 FAMRYD@aol.com
September 10 & 11 Sat - 9 - 6 Sun - 10 - 4	Clallam County Gem and Mineral Association	Vern Burton Community Ctr., 308 East 4 th Street Port Angeles WA	Jennie Bourassa 360 681 0372 or Kathy Schrinier 360 681 3811 PO Box 98 Sequim WA 98382
September 10 & 11 Sat - 10 - 5 Sun - 10 - 5	Marcus Whitman Gem and Mineral Society	Walla Walla Cnty Frngds Community Cntr Bldg., 363 Or- chard St., Walla Walla WA	Keith Bacus, 509 529 1248 1829 Howard St Walla Walla WA 99362
September 17 & 18 Sat - 10 - 5 Sun - 10 - 4	The Southern Wash- ington Mineralogical Society	Castle Rock Fairgrounds 120 Fair Lane SW Corner of Highway 411 and Cowlitz River Castle Rock WA	Nicole Doiron 360 785 4417 raknad@q.com
October 1 & 2 Sat - 10 - 5 Sun - 10 - 5	Marysville Rock and Gem Club	Totem Middle School Gym, 7 th Street and State Avenue, Marysville WA	Dottie Haage gdhaage@gmail.com 425 330 7865
October 15 & 16 Sat - 10 - 6 Sun - 10 - 5	Hells Canyon Gem Club	Nez Perce County Fair Building 1229 Burrell Avenue Lewiston ID 83501	Linn Enger 208 746 4957 engerocks@yahoo.com
October 22 & 23 Sat: 9 - 6 Sun: 10 - 5	Clackamette Mineral and Gem Club	Clackamas County Fairgrounds, 694 NE 4th Ave, Canby, OR 97013	Beth Heesacker, heesacker@coho.net , 4145 NW Heesacker Rd., Forest Grove, OR 97116
October 22 & 23 Sat - 10 - 6 Sun - 10 - 5	Bellevue Rock Club	Vasa Park, 3560 West Lake Sammamish PKWY SE, Belle- vue, WA	Bruce Himko bellevuerockclub@comcast.net PO Box 1851 Bellevue, WA 98009
November 12 & 13 Sat - 9 - 5 Sun - 10 - 4	Skagit Rock & Gem Club	Sedro Woolley Comm Center, 703 Pacific Street Sedro Woolley, WA	Debbie Frank skagitrockandgem@gmail.com PO Box 244 Mount Vernon WA 98273
November 12 & 13 Sat - 9 - 5 Sun - 10 - 5	Maplewood Rock and Gem Club	Maplewood Rock and Gem Club- house 8802 196 th ST SW Edmonds WA	Cindy Wright cindykw1@hotmail.com or Beverly Ry- der 425 338 4184 FAMRYD@aol.com
December 10 & 11 Sat - 9 - 6 Sun - 10 - 6	Maplewood Rock and Gem Club	Maplewood Rock and Gem Club- house 8802 196 th ST SW Edmonds WA	MaryAnne Collins 650 383 7625 in- fo@maplewoodrockclub.com
March 24 - 26, 2017 Fri - 10 - 6 Sat - 10 - 6 Sun 10 - 4	Rock Rollers Club of Spokane WA	Spokane County Fair & Expo Cen- ter, N.604 Havana at Broadway Spokane WA	Vonnie Dillon 509 951 8173 showchair@rockrollers.org

