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PRESIDENTIAL PEARLS

By

Ronna Watkins



“Wisdom”

Good Summer, Rockhounds! Summer has finally arrived and I hope you have already had plenty of chances to get some field collecting done. I hope you have found some great material and some wonderful specimens for your fellow club friends to ogle. Maybe you even picked up a few extras to contribute for your club’s needs. Sharing and swapping is a big part of the fun of our hobby. I am continually blessed by the generosity of my rockhound friends. Wow! ...and Thank YOU!

Before I go into summer activities, let me tell you a little about my spring.

I visited the Everett Rock and Gem Club’s Gem & Jewelry show in Everett, Washington. This wonderful club of rockhounds are very hospitable, and exciting to be around. Everyone at the show was welcoming and ready to share our hobby. The show facility was large with plenty of displays, dealers, and demonstrators. There was a nice variety of material, both rough and finished. Several talented demonstrators were there ready to share. I very much enjoyed their special exhibit the art of the NorthWest Stone Sculptors Association.

I was happy to run into our NFMS Past President Fritz Mack who is doing well and, Mel Buhr, a NFMS Director and their show co-chair who was doing a fine job and sharing some club history with me, too. When you go to the Everett show don’t miss the lighted Montana Agate church handcrafted by Elmer and Clara Hagglund (Both past away now and what a beautiful legacy they left behind.).

I enjoyed some time visiting with their Junior coordinator, Anna Catanzaro, and exchanging ideas (There is more to a rock show than meets the eye!). Anna first came to the Everett Club through their rock show when she and her daughter decided to check out what all the signs were pointing to one day. A teacher by trade, Anna took on the kids because of a vacancy that had caused junior membership to dwindle. Anna is one of those “Rockhound Heroes” that stepped up to keep our hobby vibrant, making geology fun, and growing youngsters into responsible rockhounds. She has help, too: One of her helpers always volunteers to help run the show booth and another was busy sewing badges on sashes. I loved seeing the AFMS Junior Merit Badge Program being implemented. And, the Everett Juniors were wearing their sashes distinguishing them as club rockhounds. The Everett Juniors were helping with the many children’s activities at the booth. There were Junior’ displays to enjoy, too. Way to go, Kids!

Speaking of children’s show activity booths, I, also, had an opportunity to visit with the North Idaho Mineral Club’s (NIMC) children’s activities booth volunteers. Among the many activities, they have a tennis ball string pull that revealed a prize from behind the board when selected, and they have a “secret door”

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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

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- 1. Membership Dues (new & renewal) and supplies
- 2. Donations for the general fund
- 3. Donations to Junior Achievement
- 4. Advertisement in this Newsletter

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- 2. Memorial contributions

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(for the desktop/laptop/tablets)

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NFMS NEWSLETTER AND WEBSITE ADVERTISEMENT

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**



1st VICE PRESIDENTIAL VARISCITES

by
Kenneth Zahn



“Brings Stability”

One of the most important functions of a club when planning their annual show is how to pull off a great Silent Auction. The auctions are one of the most enjoyable show activities for visitors who are relatively new to the hobby – especially those who have children with them. Kids often see “spectacular” in material that “veterans” see as “been-there-and-done-that-and-I-have-a-better-piece-already-or-can-go-get-it-myself.” On the other hand, seasoned collectors And gray-beards (especially those from other clubs who may be visiting) L-O-V-E to check out the auction offerings; they Usually make a quick decision on whether the silent auction is a “go-to” spot or not worth the effort to keep checking during their “day-at-the-show.” The trick is to satisfy all the groups that attend the show, make it a fun experience, --- and --- make some money for the club!

There are lots of different ways to do that, as I’ve been noticing when visiting shows these past four decades or so (yes, I’m old) and being refreshed in my recollections as I attended eight shows in the last three months. Some are worth mentioning, I think.

Material: Most auctions offer donated “average or sub-par” material from local or regional spots or from donated collections by older members. A great source, to be sure, without doing a lot of work months in advance. It still takes effort, however, to sort, select, clean, and segregate those materials just before the show so you are efficient in re-stocking the “offering plates” every 15 minutes or so during the show days. The better auctions seem to always have a “hovering” crowd all day since a mixture of reasonable materials are offered: (1) Along with average materials, there are at least one or two nicer pieces with a reasonable “minimum starting bid prices” clearly marked on the bid sheet. Seasoned bidders (including your own club members [and spouses/helpers of your vendors, too]) who may want the piece will notice that the auctions need to be checked often so as not to miss a real bargain. (2) Hobby-related books, pamphlets, maps, and high-end journals/magazines also sell well and are treasured by the veteran members if they can see future “field collecting trip spots” as a potential payoff. (3) If you do a lot of really unique Local stuff available, don’t just put great pieces out without an appropriate minimum opening bid being set; the supply of that material will dwindle over time – especially if it is no longer collectable. (4) The better auctions also often have good-quality used lapidary-related or field-trip equipment, larger nice specimens, or high-end donated items set aside on one end of the table as silent auctions that close mid-day or early afternoon (so attendees stick around a bit) – or close next day so as to attract bids from returning attendees and club members. (5) If you host a Northwest Federation Show in conjunction with your own annual show (a GREAT option, by the way), specifically seek out and encourage visiting NFMS delegates, attendees, and officers to bring materials from their local areas to donate for your auction. What may be common to them is often unique to your local members. Be sure you have them tell you what the material is called (especially for agate and jasper varieties). (6) “Glitter” and “color” attract the kids and give them a great sense of accomplishment when they successfully win a piece they can display with pride. Treat them right, but tactfully teach them how to bid properly too. (7) A stack of donated journals/magazines (Lap Journal, Rock and Gem, etc.) for purchase at a minimum cost (not an auction) is also a common attractant and an invitation to auction veterans to bid on other items while browsing.

Execution/Operation: (1) The best-run auctions have a way to assure that the opening and closing of the individual auctions are announced clearly throughout the day – usually at about 15-minute intervals, although some clubs vary on the interval times. I’ve seen a lighted neon-type sign mounted high on a venue wall that announces the remaining auction time, heard loud cowbells or voices over loud-speaker-system announcements of bid openings for the next round of bidding, or approximate bid-closing times. The announcers at the best auctions have a clear, understandable speaking voice and can be heard throughout the venue, often adding “color” about specific, more unique items up for bid during that bid period. Here, I offer some cautions, too. At many shows, the “announcer” is whoever in the club is available, or one who “has done it for years because no one else will do it, or feels that “that’s my job at the show.” Sometimes this is GREAT for the success of the auction when that person is well-spoken, knowledgeable, and up-beat, but often it is a



2nd VICE PRESIDENTIAL VERDELITES

By

Beth Heesacker

YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE



“Creativity &
Compassion”

We all find ourselves responsible for many things in our lives: to put away our toys as children, to study in school, to get a job (and to do it well), to our families and to our friends. This all leads up to a responsibility that each member club in the NFMS has: to keep the NFMS up to date on their membership.

The NFMS often gets complaints from members that they are not receiving their NFMS Newsletter, sometimes for months at a time. Our Circulation person updates our membership list before each issue to make sure it is current before the NFMS newsletter is sent to the printer for printing and addressing.

But to make sure that the NFMS list **IS** up to date means that whoever it is in each club that is responsible for their club membership list needs to be pro-active in keeping Circulation informed of your club membership changes on a regular basis.

I want to give you an example. When our club prepares its roster at the beginning of the year, the member list with addresses, etc. is sent to the NFMS Circulation. But membership can change every month as new members are added to your club. The NFMS does not want those people to have to wait until the next year before they begin to get their NFMS newsletter. Our club, also, updates the Circulation with these changes each month. Then the members' subscription can start with the very next edition.

Another situation is that the NFMS puts out a directory of all the members once a year. Each club gets a copy and additional copies can be purchased for \$10. We want this directory to be as complete as possible too. When you send your membership list to the Circulation Chair, just add another person to your email, the Directory Chair.

Those email addresses are on the second page of each Newsletter but here they are for your ease of use:

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Directory Chair, Carol Wiley -- going4rocks@outlook.com

The NFMS thanks you for keeping us updated, and for your members, we thank you.

Ken Zahn 1st Vice President Address

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DISASTER if so soft-spoken and “laid back” that their announcements can’t be heard or understood clearly. Show Chairs I’ve talked to generally either **ACTUALLY** carefully select who announces and also checks speaking voice clarity in several parts of the building, adjusting as needed, or just “leave-it-to-Joe, as-he’s-done-it-forever,” regardless of how it sounds or later turns out as to financial success or attendee/dealer feedback. Show leadership Chairs need to think about that one, and figure out how to approach that “announcement” function to have the best outcome but not “ruffle feathers” unnecessarily within your volunteer group. Nurture the good ones.

(2) The most successful auctions also tend to have enough helpers and a fairly knowledgeable local-material or general-mineral “expert” to efficiently prepare samples and bid-sheets (including minimum-bid prices) for the next auction to save on prep-time delays. This seems to also assure that those who are paying for their winnings get to see what is coming up on the next round of items for bid – subtle but good advertising that assures interest — or not -- depending on the offerings.

(3) Substituting announcers or auction staff during the day is necessary, but also needs to be done carefully so that the money-box stays secured and set-up efficiency isn’t compromised.

Bottom Line: Successfully organized and executed silent auctions with reasonable material and variety seem to consistently show **MUCH** better financial results than “ho-hum” auctions. As they say in one insurance company ad on TV: “What’s in your wallet?” as far as your silent auction function is concerned? Good luck — and consider visiting other shows to mentally compare notes; when you see a well-run auction, possibly also speak with staff volunteers or their Show Chairs on “lessons-learned,” and on how well they do financially on their auction function.



SECRETARY’S SAPPHIRES

By
Judi Allison



“Record Keeper”

KNOW YOUR FEDERATION: SCHOLARSHIP

One of the committees that is listed on the second page of the NFMS Newsletter is that of Scholarship. The description from the Operating Procedures of the NFMS and the information following explaining the AFMS Scholarship Foundation best tell the story of how this committee functions. Keep in mind that the end result of donations to this fund is financial assistance to students in a field of study relevant to the rockhounding hobby. Mary Lou Northrup is our NFMS Chairperson.



SCHOLARSHIP shall: *Accept and acknowledge donations and maintain records of all contributions to the AFMS Scholarship Foundation made by Societies or individuals of the NFMS. These contributions, with any change in percentage standing, are to be forwarded promptly to the NFMS Treasurer. *Publicize the work of the Foundation through the Northwest Newsletter and at the Annual Meeting. * Report annually to the AFMS Audit Committee all donations received and forwarded. (Amended 7/19/2002)



AFMS Scholarship Foundation - A Resume to Refresh Our Memories

The establishment of the Scholarship foundation was authorized by the addition of an Article to the By-Laws of the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies in 1958. The AFMS Scholarship Foundation, Inc. was set up as a separate corporation with its own officers and directors.

Organization: The Foundation was incorporated as the AFMS SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION, INC., a Minnesota Corporation on March 18, 1964. A Tax Exemption Certificate was obtained from the Internal Revenue Service on November 6, 1964.

The Board of Directors consists of: The President of the AFMS who is automatically both the Vice-President and a Director of the Foundation. The other Directors are: the AFMS President-Elect, and the President and the Vice-President of each of the six participating Regional Federations. The Board of Directors has the management of the Foundation.

The Board elects a President, a Treasurer, and a Secretary, each for two-year terms, the President being elected one year, the Treasurer and Secretary being elected the next year, to insure continuity of experienced management. It will be seen that the Foundation, while an independent Corporation, is entirely in the control of AFMS Federation personnel.

Purpose of the Foundation: The object of the Foundation is to accumulate a Fund, using only the income from the Fund to be used to finance Scholarships. The principal cannot be used for any purpose whatever, hence the usefulness of the Fund is perpetual.

Awards to Beneficiary Students: Beginning in 1965, one student received a scholarship grant of \$300.00 per year for two years to help achieve an advanced degree in any of the Earth Sciences. In 1966, the grant was increased to \$400.00 per year for two years; in 1967, the grant was increased to \$500.00 per year for two years.

As the Fund, and hence the income from it, increased, the grants were increased and, subsequently, more students received scholarship grants. By 1972, each Regional Federation received one grant of \$750.00 per year for two years. Grants were increased to \$1,000.00 per year in 1976; to two scholarship grants per each Regional Federation in 1981. In 1983, each grant was increased to \$1,500.00 per year for two years; and the amount was increased to \$2,000.00 per year for each grant in 1988. In 2009-2010 additional funds were raised to allow the educational grants to increase to a single \$4,000 educational grant starting with 12 students selected in the 2009-10 school year.

Grants are restricted to Graduate students to avoid the possible waste of money on students who are not committed to Earth Science subjects, or who drop out before graduation (Any student working toward an advanced degree is presumed to have definitely decided to follow that field for his/her lifetime vocation, insofar as such decision is possible). Since our joint interests lie in that field, grants are restricted to Earth Science students who are U.S. Citizens.

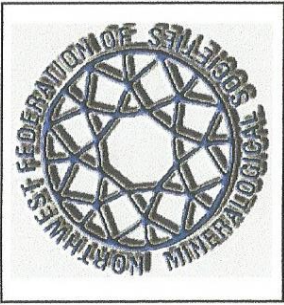
Selection of Beneficiary Students: Until 1972, one person of prominence in the Earth Science field was selected from among twelve nominees, 2 from each Regional Federation. That person, normally associated with a prominent University or College, selected the schools, and the students who received the grants. Since 1972, each participating Regional Federation has selected their own Honorary Award Winner who then selected the school(s) and assisted with the selection of the student, or students, who then received the scholarship grant(s).

This indirect method has served our purpose perfectly in that it benefits needy students, yet avoids the enormous task and expense of receiving, sifting through and evaluating applications from hundreds of applicants, which would otherwise be necessary if selections were made by ourselves in the conventional manner.

The Fund: In the beginning, Betty Crocker coupons were accepted and turned in to General Mills at 1/2¢ per point until December 31, 1974., when the program was discontinued by General Mills. Coupons accounted for approximately 10% of the Fund at that time. Since that time, the trust fund has been supported by donations and memorials from "rockhounds", nationwide. The market value of the investments of the Foundation, as of October 31, 2010, stood at just over \$1,024,170.00. With the exception of a few hundred dollars received from outside organizations, the entire amount has been donated, by Earth Science Clubs and Societies throughout the entire nation, and by individual members of such groups.

Gifts: All gifts to the AFMS Scholarship Foundation are held to be tax-deductible to the donor, and are normally added to the "trust" account. Gifts should be sent to each Regional Federation's Scholarship Chairman, who will see that the donor receives proper credit, and will forward the gifts to the proper Foundation Officer. Founder's Certificates are issued to individuals, dealers, or firms that contribute \$500.00 or more to the Fund, either as one gift or cumulatively, but the individual's club does not receive credit for such gifts.

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Northwest Federation
of
Mineralogical Societies

Annual Convention & Show

October 18th, 19th & 20th
2019

Host: Hells Canyon Gem Club

P. O. Box 365

Lewiston, Idaho 83501

Site: Nez Perce Co. Fairgrounds

1229 Burrell Ave.

Lewiston, Idaho 83501

Advance Registration Form...One form per person...Payments may be combined

Name: _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____

Club Affiliation _____

Ph. _____

Please mark all that apply: Free Admission to the Following:

Past President NFMS _____ NFMS Officer _____ Committee Chair _____ NFMS Delegate/ or Alt. _____

Judge _____ Clerk _____ Demonstrator _____ Exhibitor: Competitive _____ Exhibitor: Non-Competitive _____

Show Times: Friday 10:00AM-6:00PM Saturday 10:00AM-6:00PM Sunday 10:00AM-4:00PM

Show Admission:

Adult: Daily Rate \$3.00 Three day pass \$8.00 Twelve & under free Total \$ _____

All food events require pre-registration:

Friday, October 18th:

NFMS Annual Meeting: 4:00P.M. @ Little Red Barn, Fairgrounds No cost

Saturday October 19th:

All Editors Breakfast: 8:00A.M. @ Little Red Barn, Fairgrounds \$14.00/plate \$ _____

Officers/Chairs/Judges/Past Presidents Lunch Noon @ Little Red Barn, Fairgrounds \$14.00/plate \$ _____

Social Hour (No Host) 6:30 P.M. @ Red Lion Hotel \$ _____

Awards Banquet: 7:00 P.M. @ Red Lion Hotel \$40.00/plate \$ _____

Buffet with both chicken and beef.

Total Amount Due \$ _____

Show Accommodations:

Headquarters Hotel: Red Lion Hotel 621 21st Street, 1-208-748-1042. Show rates available.

Camping at the show: Nez Perce Co. Fairgrounds, 1-208-743-3302 for reservations and cost.

Mail application and remittance (checks made out to Hells Canyon Gem Club To: Marylou Northrup 1623 Powers Ave., Lewiston, Id. 83501 mlandil@yahoo.com

Submit Registration by Sept. 21st, 2019

Show Co-Chairmen:


Randy Squires 208-413-1806 rlsquires@cableone.net

Rick Westerholm 208-746-2101 rkweste@cableone.net

Linn Enger 208-746-4957 engerocks@yahoo.com

Club Use:

Date received _____ Check # _____ Amount _____ By _____



Northwest Federation
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Mineralogical Societies

Annual Convention & Show

October 18th, 19th & 20th
2019

Host: Hells Canyon Gem Club

P. O. Box 365

Lewiston, Idaho 83501

Site: Nez Perce Co. Fairgrounds

1229 Burrell Ave.

Lewiston, Idaho 83501

Non-competitive Exhibit Entry Form: Deadline, October 12th, 2019

Entries may be set up beginning Thursday October 17th, 2019 from 10:00 am to 8:00 pm and Friday October 18th from 8:00 am to 9:00am. All entries must be ready by 9:00am Friday the 18th.

Entries may not be removed prior to 4:00 pm Sunday the 20th without permission of the Show Chairmen.

Please fill out a separate application for each exhibit: Exhibitors will receive two free 3-day passes.

Case location will be assigned by the Display Committee. Each display will be limited to 150 watts.

Security will be provided during the show by members of Hells Canyon Gem Club.

Liability: It is mutually agreed that the Northwest Federation of Mineralogical Societies and Hells Canyon Gem 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.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ E-Mail _____

Society _____ City-State _____

Do you have your own case? _____ Size: Four foot _____ Six foot _____

Do you need to borrow a case _____ Cases available on a first come basis: Four foot only.

Loaner cases can be with or without liners and risers. _____

Brief description of display to be presented. _____

Signature: _____

Please complete this form and return to the Non-Competitive Display Chairman before October 12th 2019.

Linn Enger

475 Knollcrest Ct.

Lewiston, Id. 83501

E-mail engerocks@yahoo.com



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Competitive Exhibit Entry Form:

Deadline, October 1st, 2019

Rules:

All competitive exhibits must comply with the AFMS Rules updated to January 2018.

For complete rule book or updates go to: www.amfed.org.

Setup:

Exhibits may be set up beginning Thursday October 17th, 2019 from 10:00 am to 8:00 pm and Friday October 18th from 8:00 am to 9:00 am. All entries must be ready for judging by 9:00am Friday the 18th, and may not be removed prior to 4:00 pm Sunday the 20th. Cases will be assigned space on display bases approximately 40” high and are limited to 150 watts of power per case. All power cords will be provided by host society. Exhibitors will receive two free 3-day passes.

Entry forms:

Please complete all information on the entry form and certification form and mail or e-mail to the Competitive Exhibit Registrar for acceptance and acknowledgment.

Mail to: Darrell Coyle P.O. Box 52, Corvallis, Mt. 59828
1-406-274-6874 coyled@bresnan.net

If you are uncertain as to the correct class or group you should enter or for clarification of the rules. Contact: Lauren Williams 957 E Elva Ave., Idaho Falls, Id. 83401
1-208-529-6978 slharuir@msn.com

Liability:


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

Security:

Security throughout the show will be provided by Hells Canyon Gem Club.

Signature

Include both pages with entry application



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Name

Address

Phone

e-mail

Society (Club)

Exhibitor Group: Master

Advanced

Novice

Society

Junior

(Birthday)

Junior Society

Exhibit Division

Exhibit Class

Do you have your own case? Yes

No

Size: Four foot

Six foot

Loaner cases are Four foot only: Recommend exhibitor furnish own liners and riser.

Certification for Exhibitors

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

Exhibitor's 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 AFMS rules.

Signature

Title

Date

If sent via e-mail include officer's e-mail

Include both pages with entry application

SECRETARY’S SAPPHIRES By Judi Allison

KNOW YOUR FEDERATION: SCHOLARSHIP

(Continued from page 5) educational grants to students instead of using the investment income only from the trust (investment) account, for the educational grants.

Goals for the Future: Our first goal was to establish a Fund of \$50,000.00 which would provide an annual scholarship in Earth Science. This goal was reached in 1968. Having attained that goal, do we stop when such attractive vistas and horizons appeared? By no means!

The Fund has now achieved over twenty times it first goal and we are providing a single year scholarship grant of \$4,000.00 each year to two students selected by each of the six participating Regional Federations. What do we see ahead? Wonderful additional opportunities for service and help for more and more students.

Remember, the Fund itself is not consumed - only the income from it. Whatever is in the "restricted trust fund" keeps working year after year, indefinitely into the future. The larger it grows, the more good it can do - not only once, but time after time as the years go by. After the 2010-11 educational grants were paid out, 566 students have received financial educational assistance because of your generosity. At that time, the total dollar amount of grants paid out since the program inception in 1964 totaled \$1,540.6500.00.

First written by W.H. DeHewi President (10/69); updated by Glenn Lee, President (10/83); updated (7/93) by Louellen Montgomery, President; updated (12/04) by Dee Holland, AFMS Scholarship Foundation President; updated (7/11) by Jon Spunaugle, Treasurer and Foundation Past President

PRESIDENTIAL PEARLS by Ronna Watkins

(Continued from the front page)

activity that has a hidden prize behind every door. A couple of really great ideas!

I had an excellent time at the North Idaho Mineral Club’s 59th Annual show in Coeur d’Alene. Friday night we joined over 70 dealers, volunteers, and NFMS’ attendees for a yummy chicken potluck dinner and on Saturday we perused the 27 dealers offering everything from beads to fossils.

Some other exciting things to see at this show included volcano eruptions by Lisa Sanphillippo (an Earth Science and communications double major at Lewis-Clark State College), Charles Tiblow’s collections (one which catalogues his turquoise), and a Champsosaurus (Crocodile lizard) found in the Eastern Montana part of the Hell Creek Formation.

Show cases included projects made by NIMC members, a beautiful amethyst collection by MaryLou, and Mario’s knives and carvings from Liberty Lake, Washington. Outstanding!

Thank you to our NFMS Midyear meeting hosts for a job well done: Mike Rose, Show Chairman; President Mike McConnell, Dealer Chairman; Diane Rose, my right hand and chief organizer; and the many, many others that it takes to put on a great show.

Now, for some business:

Wow. What happened? The weather was perfect, the location was central, the show was exciting, the accommodations and camping were reasonable, the Midyear meeting announcement was made shortly after the last annual meeting, the reminders were in the newsletter, the chairs were rented...so where were your Directors and Delegates? What about your alternates? Some very important business is being conducted. Does your club have someone to give you the details? Will you ask them why they did not attend?

“It was a good meeting and I enjoyed seeing you. Thank you for spending your time and resources to contribute and participate. “

Perhaps your club does not offer a stipend to help with travel expenses? Maybe that would help your club Director to participate. Hopefully I can convey what you need to know here, but it is just not the same. Your representatives should be present to ask questions so they can fully understand what is going on, and to share with you the information available through the NFMS meetings. They should also find out how your club wants them to vote at the annual meeting regarding important things...like how money is spent and what the NFMS does and can do for you and your club.

We have talked a lot about what the NFMS does in recent issues of the *Northwest Newsletter*, but these things are not accomplished by just a few people, they are accomplished by members of over 60 clubs. Promoting our hobby at a regional and national level, scholarships for geology students, recognition of outstanding Rockhounding Club Members, memorializing those that have made their mark in our rockhound hearts, keeping rock collecting and showmanship a viable hobby, and passing on our talents and knowledge to the next generation are all important reasons for us to organize and congregate. So, please resolve to get your Directors and Delegates (or Alternates) to the NFMS meetings so we can continue to serve with excellence.

There have been questions raise about why we hold our meetings in the afternoon. This is to allow your representatives to drive in and get home in the same day if they want to. We realize this won’t work for our outlying clubs, but it will for many. Although we have little control regarding the location of the annual meeting, we try to centralize the mid year meeting. This Midyear meeting was pretty central and our next meeting in Lewiston is also, so I hope to see you at the Hells Canyon Gem Show. Wow!

I don’t want to quit on my spring till I have the chance to thank all of you that showed up to the Midyear. It was a good meeting and I enjoyed seeing you. Thank you for spending your time and resources to contribute and participate. See you again soon...



Past President Fritz Mack & I at the Everett Gem & Jewelry Show



HISTORIAN HIDDENITES

BY

Linda Barlow




“Connection with Knowledge”

Linda is on her summer adventure. We can’t thank her enough for filling in when needed. She has done an excellent job keeping our *Northwest Newsletter* up and running, and is a “NFMS Hero”. She even left us something interesting for this issue before her journey. It is an almost half a century old Letter of Invitation submitted to the October 1972 issue of our *Northwest Newsletter* by the Hells Canyon Gem Club’s 1973 Show Chairman Margarite Cline, highlighting their show. It is a little difficult to decipher, but readable. Of interest to me is the expectation of 300 displays and the offering of 400 to 500 camper spaces available. Just this tidbit makes me curious to find out more. Ronna Watkins


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NORTHWEST NEWSLETTER

1973 SHOW
OCTOBER 1972



HELLO ROCKHOUNDS



HELLS CANYON GEM CLUB INC.

This is just a note to invite you, one and all, to the 33rd Annual Northwest Federation's 1973 Convention and Garnet, Star of Idaho, Gem & Mineral Show, to be held in Lewiston, Idaho, Sept. 1,2,43, 1973, at the Nez Perce County Fairgrounds. Lewiston and Clarkston Valley has a population of 40,000 people. On the same dates of our convention, is the National American Legion Baseball Tournament. From their records, they will draw 20,000 people. Most of them never having an opportunity to attend and buy rough or finished gems.

We have the largest White Pine Saw and Paper Mill in the World and will arrange for tours through the mill, transportation by bus from the show. The Luna House Players will be playing at the show with a local historic show from the turn of the century-(The McGruder Murder).

Twelve miles up the Clearwater River from Lewiston, is the Nez Perce Reservation and Museum and Spaulding Park where Rev. Spaulding set up a Mission in 1836 for the Nez Perces. They will hold their ceremonial dances and the shop will be open, especially for the NWFFS show, as we have had a program to help them demonstrate and sell at every local show.

We are located at the base of the famous Hells Canyon of the Snake River as the Clearwater and Snake Rivers converge at Lewiston and Twin City, Clarkston, named for the famous explorers, Lewis and Clark, who camped at the site in 1805. Boat trips will be available before, during and after the show, for anyone wishing to make reservations for one or two day trips. They will take you 90 miles up the river, through the famous Hells Canyon Gorge and return.

We are 45 miles from Shoshone Dam and largest Steelhead Fish Hatchery in the world; 60 miles from Willows Mountains, "The Little Alps of America", (with rides to the top of Mt. Howard via Gondola); also right in the seat of Snake River Picture Rock and about 60 miles from the Star Garnet diggings. Field trips to be arranged before, during and after the show, according to requests.

We will have about 20 dealers with a wide variety of choice supplies, four equipment dealers, several wholesalers and demonstrators. We hope to have at least 300 displays, so please everyone, we need your displays, competitive and non-competitive alike. We have a limited number of cases on hand so please get your reservations in early.

We have trailer and camper spaces available for four or five hundred, so please ask for these early. The tournaments will be the same time and we hope to have room for all, but make sure yours are early. Other accommodations and maps on request, and will be in your brochures sent to your local Gem Club in your name. Be sure your 1973 dues are paid up before Jan.1st, so your address is available in the DIRECTORY as this is our only source for your packet.

There was no way to change our dates, but hope attendance and business will be to our advantage. Please write me for any information.

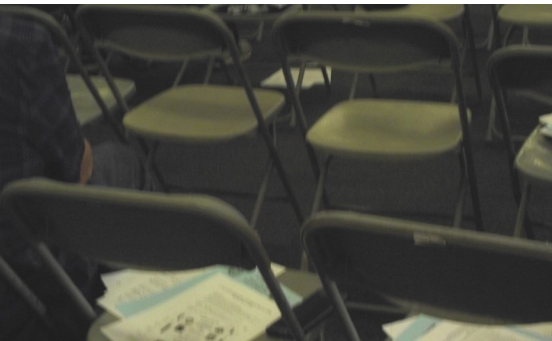
Sincerely yours,
Margarite Cline
Margarite Cline, Show Chairman
1911 Ripon Ave
Lewiston, Idaho 83501

LEWISTON-CLARKSTON EMPIRE

News from the Midyear Meeting in Coeur d’Alene, Idaho, June 1, 2019

By Ronna Watkins

- ♦ A moment of silence for cancer victims and their families was given. North Idaho Mineral Club’s Junior Member, William, held the flag for our pledge.
- ♦ The NFMS is continuing to up-dating operating procedures. The up-dated Rules and Awards Committee operating procedures is complete after two years in the works. Copies of the up-to-date document were passed out at the meeting. After looking closely at the operating procedures for the Newsletter Editor and Directory Chair, it has been decided to create a Circulation Chair. This addition to the by-law will require your society’s vote and is on page 11 of this newsletter.
- ♦ The following slate of nominees to the NFMS Executive Board for the term of Sept. 1 2019 to August 31, 2020 was announced: **President, Ken Zahn; 1st Vice President, Beth Heesacker; 2nd Vice President, Larry Hulstrom; Executive Secretary; Judi Allison; Treasurer, Lyle Vogelpohl.**
- ♦ We still have several chair and committee positions open that need to be filled. They are: Bulletin Aids, Education, Junior Committee Members from each state within the NFMS, Newsletter, Public Land Advisory, Public Relations, Safety, Rules & Awards Committee needs one person starting in September, Endowment Committee needs a Chair & Secretary, and the Nominating Committee needs one member from each NFMS area (Idaho/Utah, Montana, Oregon, and Washington/Alaska). If you want to get on board with us, just give me a call. If you have questions check out the operating procedures (these are on our website and in the back of your club’s directory).
- ♦ New directories were handed out at the Midyear Meeting.
- ♦ Our historian has compiled a comprehensive list of museums of interest to rockhounds by state that will be sent to each society.



Find out more with your Director here!

Columbia-Willamette



Faceters Guild’s 44th

Gemstone + Jewelry

Fundraising

Auction

Saturday, November 2, 2019

Preview 5:00 PM

Auction 6:00 PM

OMSI Auditorium

1945 SE Water Ave

Portland, OR 97214

\$10 Entry, Credited toward purchase

For more information, please visit:

<https://facetersguild.com/auction>

Coming in the Fall:

NFMS Show & Convention hosted by Hells Canyon Gem Club, Inc.

Nez Perce Co. Fairgrounds 1229 Burrell Ave, Lewiston, Idaho

Friday, October 18: NFMS Annual Meeting: 4 PM @ Little Red Barn, Fairgrounds

Saturday, October 19: All Editors Breakfast: 8AM @ Little Red Barn, Fairgrounds

Officers Luncheon: Noon @ Little Red Barn, Fairgrounds

Social Hour (No Host) 6:30 PM @ Red Lion Hotel

Awards Banquet: 7:00 PM @ Red Lion Hotel

Please Get Your Registrations, Reservations, and Credentials taken care of ASAP!

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 of the meeting. The annual meeting will be held in Lewiston, ID, on Friday, Oct 18th, at 4 pm, at Little Red Barn/Nez Perce Co. Fairgrounds.

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 name(s) of attendees (not credentials forms) at least two weeks prior to the meeting. Call, email, or send to:

Clara & Del Walker

12377 SE Davis Loop

Prineville, OR 97754

Call 503-812-6540 or email to cdwalker@q.com

(note email address that is a "Q" not a "G")

NFMS DIRECTOR’S CREDENTIALS

Name of Director _____

Name of Club _____

City, State _____

Club President Signature _____

Club Secretary Signature _____

Date _____

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

NFMS DELEGATE’S CREDENTIALS

Name of Delegate _____

Name of Club _____

City, State _____

Club President Signature _____

Club Secretary Signature _____

Date _____

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

JUDGING OP CHANGE PROPOSAL FOR LEWISTON

Proposed by Lauren Williams
Judging Director, Competitive Exhibits

The OP for Competitive Exhibits is very much out of date. This is a meatball surgical change to the entire Rules and Award Committee OP. An OP can be changed from the floor at the Annual NFMS Meeting. A Resolution is required for any change to any of the By-Laws. I see nothing in the By-Laws that needs to be changed. This Proposed OP change does not change or affect the change that was voted on at last year’s meeting. That change provided a much needed new paragraph to the OP, a Memorial Trophy list.

The first change is to remove the word “chairman” and replace it with the word “chair”. The second change is to remove the word “supplementary”. I have never seen any “Supplementary Competitive Rule”. The only Rule I have seen is the “Rule Book” from the AFMS. Third, the NFMS Rules Committee has nothing to do with any Non-Competitive display cases or displays, nor does any one of the Rules and Awards Committee people have to belong to a host society, for the show. The Host Club for the show controls everything to do with the show including furnishing all Ribbons and badges and passes for the show . The Rules Committee furnishes its own “Judge” ribbon. The Rules Committee just tells the Host Club how many Competitive displays that there will be and if the Host Club needs to furnish display cases for any of the Competitors.

Since the “whole” of the OP is being changed and to prevent the Annual Meeting from becoming too long I am asking that you accept the “is condition” of the OP that you see in your NFMS Directory. And for the Changes that will be made to the OP, to be as published and disseminated at the Mid-Year meeting in Coeur d’Alene. This information was also presented last year in Yakima.

This information was given out and discussed at the Mid-Year meeting in Coeur d’Alene.

Northwest Federation of Mineralogical Societies

By-Laws

ARTICLE X
Committees, Section 2 (a)
Add Circulation

If the above resolution is passed at the Annual Meeting we need to proceed to the following.

Operation Procedures


OP COMMITTEE - 1 ALL STANDING COMMITTEES


Add CIRCULATION
Chair shall:

1. Manage list of member households,
2. Shall provide data for “mailing labels” to the firm who mails the Northwest Newsletter.
3. Update mailing information from annual club membership lists from Directory Chair.
4. Update by deleting and adding members’ info received from the individual clubs during the calendar year.
5. As needed, use a service to obtain correct address data when US Postal Service sends a “not deliverable as addressed”.
6. Submit a financial report to the NFMS Treasurer.

Delete from DIRECTORY the third line: “Print and provide mailing laels for the Northwest Newsletter to the firm who mails the newsletter.: All else remains as printed.”

Submitted June 1, 2019
West Seattle Rock Club, Inc.


Brooke Babcock, President


Audrey Vogelwohl, Federation Director

NFMS Clubs’ Show Schedule

July 21 & 22 Sat 10-5 Sun 10-5	Darrington Rock & Gem Club	Mansford Grange 1265 Railroad Avenue (behind IGA) Darrington, WA	Troy Lehman 360 391 1153 littleexplorers@juno.com Ed Lehman 425 334 6282 wsmced@hotmail.com
July 26, 27 & 28 Fri. 9-6 Sat. 9-6 Sun 9-5	Washington Agate and Mineral Society Annual Rock & Gem Show	Parkside Elementary School 301 Central Avenue E corner of Central Avenue & Stage St. South Tenino WA 98589	Daniel De Boer keylock1@live.com website: https://wamsolympia.wordpress.com
August 2, 3, & 4 Fri 10-5 Sat. 10-5 Sun. 10-4	Far West Lapidary & Gem Society 57th Annual Gem and Mineral Show	North Bend Community Center 2222 Broadway North Bend, OR	Don Innes 541-396-5722 doninnes.innes20@gamil.com
August 10 & 11 Sat. 9 – 5 Sun. 10 – 5	Maplewood Rock and Gem Club - Rock and Mineral Sale	Maplewood Rock and Gem Clubhouse, 8802 196 th ST SW, Edmonds WA	Mary Ann Collins, 206 714 3922 collma1@comcast.net
September 7 & 8 Sat. 10-5 Sun. 10-5	Marcus Whitman Gem and Mineral Society 50th Annual Gem & Mineral Show	Walla Walla County Fairgrounds Community Center Building 363 Orchard St. Walla Walla, WA	Jack L. Edwards Cell: 509 520 1182 jcedwards1475@hotmail.com
September 7 & 8 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 360 681 3811 or Scott Thornhill 360 912 2987 PO Box 98 Sequim WA 98382
September 21 & 22 Sat. 10-6 Sun. 10-4	Cascade Mineralogical Society Kent WA	Green River College Phys. Ed. Facility 12401 SE 320th Street Auburn, WA	Mark Hohn markhohn@gmail.com Website: www.cascademineralogicalsociety.org
September 21 & 22 Sat. 10-5 Sun. 10-4	54th Annual Show Southern Washington Mineralogical Society	Castle Rock Fairgrounds 120 fair Lane Southwest Corner of HWY 411 & Cowlitz River, Castle Rock WA	Vicki Johnson 360-751-8031 vickijrocks@msn.com
October 5 & 6 Sat. 10-5 Sun. 10-5	Marysville Rock and Gem Club 45th Annual “Rocktobefest”	Totem Middle School Gymnasium 605 7th Street NE 7th Street and State Avenue Marysville, WA	Brian Murril 425 346 9313 bmurril@aol.com http://www.marysvillerockclub.com
October 11, 12 & 13 Fri. 10-6 Sat. 10-6 Sun. 10-5	39th Annual Portland Regional Show of Gems, Minerals & Fossils	Jackson Army National Guard 6255 NE Cornfoot Road Portland, Or	Linda Harvey 503 310 3036 Lindaharvey2010@gmail.com Website: www.portlandregionalgenandmineral.com
October 18, 19, & 20 Fri. 10-6 Sat. 10-6 Sun. 10-4	Hells Canyon Gem Club NW Federation of Mineralogical Societies Annual Convention	Nez Perce County Fair Building 1229 Burrell Avenue Lewiston, ID 83501	Randy Squires 208-413-1806 rlsquires@cableone.net Rick Westerholm 208-746-2101 rkweste@cableone.net Linn Enger 208-746-4957 engerocks@yahoo.com Remit To: Mary Lou Northrup 1623 Powers Ave, Lewiston ID 83501
October 26 & 27 Sat. 9-6 Sun. 10-5	Clackamette Mineral and Gem Club 55th Annual Rock & Mineral Show—Nature’s Art	Clackamas County Fairgrounds 694 NE 4th Ave Canby, OR 97013	Karen McAllister 503 655 2527 gmaktmc@aol.com www.clackamettegem.org
October 26 & 27 Sat. 10-6 Sun. 10-5	Bellevue Rock Club “Octoberfest of Gems”	Vasa Park 3560 West Lake Sammamish PKWY SE Bellevue, WA 98008 www.vasaparkresort.org	Bruce Himko PO Box 1851 Bellevue, WA 98009 bellevuerockclub@comcast.net Website: http://www.bellevuerockclub.org
November 9 & 10 Sat. 9-5 Sun. 10-4	Skagit Rock & Gem Club “Treasures of the Earth” Annual Rock & Gem Show	Sedro Woolley Community Center 703 Pacific Street Sedro Woolley, WA	Debbie Franks kagitrockandgem@gmail.com
November 9 & 10 Sat. 9 – 5 Sun. 10 – 5	Maplewood Rock and Gem Club - Show	Maplewood Rock and Gem Clubhouse, 8802 196 th ST SW, Edmonds WA	Mary Ann Collins 206 714 3922 collma1@comcast.net
December 7 & 8 Sat. 9 – 5 Sun. 10 – 5	Maplewood Rock and Gem Club - Rock and Mineral Sale	Maplewood Rock and Gem Clubhouse, 8802 196 th ST SW, Edmonds WA	Mary Ann Collins 206 714 3922 collma1@comcast.net
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February 8 & 9 Sat. 9-5 Sun. 9-4	Whidbey Island Gem Club 55th Annual “Sweetheart of Gem’s” Show	Oak Harbor Senior Center 51 SE Jerome Street Oak Harbor WA	Keith Ludemann 360 675 1837 rock9@whidbey.net

National Park Service
Announces 2019 Fee Free Days

The five entrance fee-free days for 2019 will be:
Sunday, August 25 – National Park Service Anniversary
Saturday, September 28–National Public Lands Day
Monday, November 11 – Veterans Day
<https://www.nps.gov/orgs/1207/11-19-2018-fee-free-days.htm>