



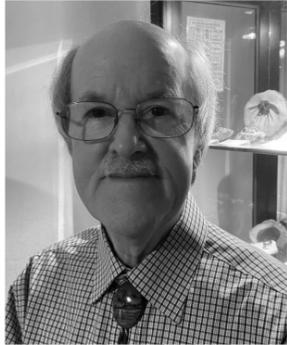
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I hope this finds you enjoying your summer but trying to stay cool and beat the heatwaves that have been rolling through the area. When it is 100+ it is time to stay indoors and stay out of the heat. I hope to see many of you at the annual meeting and show in Hillsboro OR the end of September. There will be lots of things to see and do at the show and in the area. The annual meeting will be held on Friday September 30 at 3:30 pm. The banquet and awards dinner will be Saturday October 1 at 6:30. Hopefully you have already sent in your registration forms. There will also be a special auction at the banquet to benefit the NFMS Scholarship/Endowment Fund. Don't miss it!

It was 2019 in Lewiston ID when you last had an opportunity to enter something as a competitive display. I am sure that all of you have been working on things or have upgraded your collections since that time that you would like everyone to see. Please consider entering a competitive display at the Portland Regional Show coming up. Application forms were included in the last NFMS newsletter or they can be found online at the Portland Regional Show website. Non-competitive forms are also available if you aren't quite ready to compete. Now is your chance!

I am happy to announce that we have found a candidate for NFMS 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President. Lora Hall of the Hellgate Mineral Society of Missoula, MT has accepted the nomination. She is currently also the AFMS Juniors Chairperson as well. For more of her background look for the article and her picture elsewhere in this newsletter. I am also pleased to announce that Robert Dalton of the Tualatin Valley Gem Club in Forest Grove, OR has accepted the role as NFMS Historian. Let's be sure to welcome these individuals in their new roles and provide them any assistance we can.

As we transition to the new slate of officers for 2023 I would like you all to know it has my honor and pleasure to serve you and the NFMS as its president. We must all continue to work to recover from the pandemic by helping our fellow Rockhounds and the clubs in which they belong. Continue to encourage newcomers to the hobby and help them meet and learn from all of the people that we call friends. This is one way to strengthen and insure that this hobby continues to grow.

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### Request for Silent Auction Materials and Support during the Annual Show and Convention

For all of you planning to attend the annual meeting the weekend of September 30 through October 2 in Hillsboro OR, the NFMS Executive Officers would like to request that you bring along some materials to donate to the silent auction that will be going on all weekend at the show. The NFMS benefits from the sale of these items and this is a great way to not only give back to the Federation but also to clean out the garage or back yard of some of the excess rock you have collected. You know what I am talking about!

In addition to the materials, it would be greatly appreciated if you could spend some time working in the silent auction area during the show. Let's help out the folks from the Portland Regional Show committee by helping out with the sales. Stop by and volunteer your time while you are there!

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1. Dues (new and renewal) and supplies
2. Donations for the general fund
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4. Advertisement in this Newsletter

Send to: see Treasurer this page.

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## Darrell Coyle, 1st Vice President



Hello Everyone, it looks like everything is in place for the PRGMS Show, Annual Meetings and Banquet due to the work of many people. I hope to see a great turnout for the meetings, banquet and of course the show. I am looking forward to seeing all of your display cases, especially the Competitive Entries. Don't forget to bring donations for the NFMS Auction table and stick around for the live auction. It should be lively and a fun time.

A few of the much needed positions have been filled but unfortunately we are still in need of a Registrar for the Rules and Awards. If you have thought about it, please step up. It can be a great way to meet new people and learn more about the NFMS. The Annual Show for 2023 will be in Billings Montana and will also be an AFMS Show and Meeting. We still are looking for a Club to Host the 2024 NFMS Meetings and Show. Please think about it. My Club hosted in 2017 and we are a small club that usually does a two day show. Yes it was little extra work, but it can be a big booster for membership and income for your club. It really has benefitted attendance at our shows since.

## Jennifer Haley, NFMS 2<sup>nd</sup> VP, AFMS Historian



Hi Everyone,

I hope you have been having a great summer and enjoying your clubs. I've been having fun getting my new lapidary studio in shape. I had new tables built for my assortment of machines and heavy-duty floor to ceiling shelves to hold rocks and supplies. The building was originally a two-room schoolhouse, so I am enjoying all the room.

There's still time to buy AFMS Endowment Raffle tickets from Judi Allison before the AFMS Show & Convention in New Orleans this year. Even though we haven't seen photos of donated items in the AFMS newsletter this year like we usually do, the raffle is on! I've purchased tickets and hope you do too.

I want to give a special thank you to our NFMS PLAC chairman, Susie Koppert. She's doing a fine job and is currently a member of two BLM advisory councils. Her dedication is to be admired.

I want to recognize the Oregon Council of Rock & Mineral Clubs. This group is amazing with the work they continue to do with BLM. For all the clubs who belong to the OCRMC, you are doing fantastic work growing positive relationships between BLM management and rockhounds, thank you. Our hobby can use more people like Susie and the OCRMC.

You can't put a limit on the value of working together with BLM and other public land management where there is collecting. Between all the states who are members of the NFMS, there is a lot of territory where our hobby could use more good people who can get involved to help build similar relationships as Susie and the OCRMC have done and are doing. Working together really is working out well, so don't be afraid of exploring what you or your club can do to help recreational rockhounding stay in good standing on public lands.

Rock and gem clubs have always been big on education, for their members and offering programs at schools. I think helping to educate public land management and offering to help them with public programs and projects, is another valuable aspect of the education we can provide. Don't wait to be involved until there is something to fear or something to lose.

You can have enjoyable experiences creating ways to build positive relationships with management. There's a lot we can accomplish together. The future of recreational rockhounding really is up to rockhounds being involved.

## Judi Allison, AFMS ROY Chair

### ***Parables from the Soapbox Lady***

*By Judi Allison*

**To the meetings we can go.  
Where we will not find a foe.  
If we read, we learn.  
Oh, the knowledge we earn.  
Volunteers are the committees, you see.  
They learn so much, and it's free.  
Members submit a little report.  
It can be long or short.  
The active member can stand with pride.  
For he knows there's nothing to hide.  
Just by reading and attending a meeting  
Your comments deserve repeating.  
Volunteering can be so much fun!  
Please join us, everyone.**



## Jennifer Haley, NFMS 2<sup>nd</sup> VP, AFMS Historian

Hi Everyone,

There is a lot of talk on the news lately about schools not having enough teachers coming back to work this Fall season when school reopens. States are working on trying to get retired teachers to come back to work, and are encouraging military veterans to become teachers. This would be a great time for our rock and gem clubs to rise to the occasion, in offering to visit schools to give presentations on what we all know best, rocks, minerals and fossils.

Kids and rocks just go together. We know how to make earth science presentations easy to learn because we make it fun with hands on learning. Everyone could use some more uplifting fun these days. The current educational system could use our help and expertise.

Home Schooling is on the rise. You might think about offering presentations to these groups in your community. If you give them one good experience, the word will get around to all the others. It would be a great way to introduce new parents and kids to your club. If you don't already have a junior group, think about the idea of starting one.

If you have given presentations at schools before, think about bringing another member with you so they can learn the ropes. If you don't have any experience, there's a lot of information on the AFMS Junior website you can get ideas from.

I do know of one club who really grew their school programs within their community of elementary schools. This club's chairman for these kinds of programs is in high demand every year. Because of her success, the club realized they needed to buy a trailer to be able to haul all the rocks and materials for the growing programs. The club applied and got a grant to buy the trailer. There are grants out there but you have to go looking for them.

I really want to encourage you to go out there and do what we do best, and create some wonderful memories.

### ***Yummy Stuff and a Bit More***

*By Judi Allison*

Yes folks, the yummy stuff is the food at the 2022 Annual Awards Banquet on October 1<sup>st</sup> in Hillsboro. But, that isn't the only thing that is "yummy". You get to cheer on those who have won awards, meet the recipients for the AFMS Scholarship from the NFMS. You will hear this year's Honoree, who chose the two students, speak about one of his passions: the mammoth. You will have an opportunity to bid on a couple of fun items. You will receive a place favor and possibly win the opportunity to take home the centerpiece.

So, what is there not to gain? Fun, Food, and Friendly Folks! Get your reservation in now. Below is a copy of the reservation form. You can also access it on the website.

**Northwest Federation of Mineralogical Societies Hosted by: Portland Regional Gem & Mineral Association "Cascade of Gems"  
September 30 – Oct 2, 2022 Wingspan Event and Conference Center, Hillsboro, OR**

**Advanced Meal Registration Deadline: September 15, 2022**

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**Note: All food events require reservations (All food events at Wingspan Center unless otherwise noted.)**

**FRIDAY September 30, 2022**

**NFMS Annual Meeting 3:30 pm (No charge) # of people attending \_\_\_\_\_**

**SATURDAY October 1, 2022**

**Doors Open at 6:00 PM**

**Awards Banquet Room CR-A 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM \$48.00 x # of meals \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Blackened Salmon and Chicken Parmesan with delicious sides and dessert (No need to choose)**

**SUNDAY October 2, 2022**

**Officers/Committee Chairman, Judges and Clerks, and Past Presidents Lunch**

**(Paid spouses & guests are also welcome) 12 Noon - 1:00 PM \$20.00 x # meals \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

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**Judi Allison**

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### Hello and Greetings from Montana



As the candidate for Second Vice President of the Northwest Federation of Mineralogical Societies, I thought I would take this opportunity to introduce myself. Going back more years than I care to admit, I graduated from Purdue University in my home state of Indiana with a BS in Natural and Cultural Education. And while they may not at first seem related, I also graduated from St. Francis University with a BS in Art.

I spent my early career as a park ranger for the National Park Service in natural and cultural education and retired as the Chief of Resource Management at a little-known National Memorial, Arkansas Post. From the Blue Ridge Parkway to Craters of the Moon National Monument, I worked at 7 different locations. The geological parks were my favorite; the swamps like Big Thicket National Preserve, fell much lower on my list. As a ranger with both an art and an education degree, I was often tasked with writing and illustrating trail guides, park newspapers, and teacher resources.

During my time in North Carolina, I met and married a fellow law enforcement ranger who ultimately went back to school to pursue a second career as a Doctor of Optometry. After 12 years, I retired from the Park Service to be a mostly stay at home Mom and homeschooler for two awesome sons who are both pursuing careers closely allied with geology, paleontology, and GIS. My husband and I currently own a private optometric practice in Missoula, MT. So, if you need glasses, contacts, or just an amazing eye exam; I know a guy.

Other than serving my local club, the Hellgate Mineral Society and being a member of the Bitterroot Mineral Society, I volunteer for Missoula County 4-H as a historic firearms instructor. And as some as you may know, I am currently serving as the AFMS Juniors Chair. When it comes to our hobby, I like to tumble, make cabochons, and collect display specimens, particularly thundereggs. Who doesn't love taking a lumpy, bumpy, ugly, or unremarkable rock and cutting it open to see what surprises are inside?

This will be my first position in the NFMS, and I appreciate the trust members have placed in me. I look forward to meeting new folks from around the northwest and to serving the federation to the best of my ability.

Lora R. Hall, Candidate for Second Vice President

## American Federation of Mineral Societies Club's Rockhound of the Year (ACROY)

*Honor your Club's unsung heroes! So simple anyone can handle the process.*

This is such a simple thing to do for those folks who might not otherwise be recognized. It was created to honor an individual or couple and a Junior in your club who has contributed something special during the year. Your club can have a selection committee, a choice can be made by the executive committee, or perhaps, the current honoree can choose the new recipient. A member might suggest an individual to the selection committee. The method used by a particular club is open to what works for them. The important thing is to choose an honoree.

Each year, any club in the American Federation can submit a name and an article about their honoree via email and have a certificate for presentation within a week or two. The presentation can then be made at a special meeting, a Christmas Party or whatever is convenient for the Club.

Be assured that the snail mail method is also available. The submission should be given to Laurie Ellis, nfmsroy at gmail.com in order to assure that the honoree's name and article will appear in our regional paper. And you are welcome to reach out to me. Jms46 at outlook.com or nfmssec at gmail.com

The certificate reflects membership in AFMS along with the logo and signature of the regional Chair persons. Again, we would love to be flooded with submissions from all the clubs honoring their unsung heroes in such a quick, simple, free and effective manner. So, let's do it!!!

### Submission Check List

- Name of person or couple being honored.
- Submission year (important with end of year submissions)
- Name of club
- Submitted by
- Email address for electronic version or USPS Mailing Address for receipt of AFMS certificate
- Approximately 75 to 100 words of why the club would like to honor the person or couple.
- Picture for publishing (if desired)

by *Judi Allison*

## STAMP UPDATE!

Hello everyone,

Here is your stamp program update. Ed Anderson and I have been working on sorting and organizing the 15 or so boxes of stamps (and yes they are big boxes) that have been donated to NFMS over the years. We have been meeting monthly to work out plans to raise money through the sale of the donated stamps for the Federation Scholarship Program.

I want to give a shout out to whomever initially sorted many of the stamps donated over the past few years. Whether it was Hermina, Chuck, or someone else, a huge amount of time and research went into sorting and documenting values. We are developing a system to process these stamps for sale. There is a big regional stamp auction coming up in May that much of it will be offered. Some of the more interesting (and valuable) stamps will be sold locally with the Salem Stamp Society members and other topical projects.

Recently, we have received some more stamp donations. Thanks to Gary Tiffen, a local stamp dealer, who donated a box of topical stamps to support our project. Thanks also to Scott and Andree Kraker, Larry Ferguson, and Ron Edwards from WAMS, Dean Burkhart from Springfield, and others. I will keep better track of donors and pass along our appreciation in future updates.

I'd like to close with a special story. A good friend of mine, Chuck Hunt, was a member (and past president) of the Willamette Agate & Mineral Society. He volunteered tirelessly with youth activities at the River of Gems Show hosted by WAMS every year. Both he and his wife Barb really enjoyed being a part of educating youth in the geological and paleontological sciences. They both passed away a number of years ago. At that time I acquired Chuck's stamp collection from the estate and agreed to send some money to his family after I assessed the value of the collection. I recently was in touch with his children, Chris and Trina, and they agreed that they would like the money offered for his collection to go to the rock club. I told them about the scholarship program and they were in favor of designating those funds to help youth... as Chuck would have appreciated. Thanks to Chuck Hunt and his family, \$200 will be sent to the Northwest Federation on behalf of the Willamette Agate & Mineral Society for the youth scholarship program.

Additionally, Ed Anderson has raised \$100 and I have raised \$50 so far from the sale of the donated material. That brings our initial (total) contributions to the youth scholarship program to \$350.

Sincerely,  
Aaron Currier and Ed Anderson  
Stamp Committee Chairs

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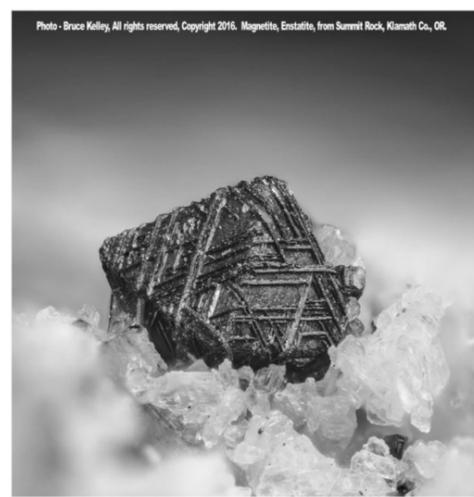


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## Scholarship/Endowment Fund Auction at the NFMS Banquet October 1

There will be a special auction of two items at the banquet and awards dinner.

Jennifer Haley, NFMS 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President has crafted a gorgeous version of what the Coyote Canyon Mammoth might have looked like. It has the natural bump on the forehead and above the trunk. It even comes with a hairbrush since the faux fur is at least 2" long and the hair is easily styled and can be shaped in any way you want. It is 22" long by 15" wide and 13" high. It is tightly stuffed so it stands up on its own four feet. It even sports a clear vial pendant necklace that contains strands of real mammoth hair.

Judy Allison, NFMS Secretary had created a "Gem of a Tree" that will also be auctioned off. The tree is a combination of white and silver beads mounted on a copper tree. The tree rests on a petrified wood base which is thought to have come from the Roosevelt WA area. The tree stands about 6" tall.

Funds from the auction of these items will be given to the NFMS Scholarship/Endowment Fund. Please join us for the auction (and banquet). And have some fun bidding on these worthy items!



### Join us at the NFMS annual meeting and banquet October 1

George Last, Geology Research Coordinator and Adjunct Faculty at WSU Tri-Cities, and the AFMS Scholarship Foundation Honoree for 2022, will be the **guest speaker at the annual NFMS banquet to be held on Saturday October 1**. The banquet will be held in one of the rooms of the Wingspan Event Center (801 NE 34<sup>th</sup> Ave) in Hillsboro OR, in conjunction with the Portland Regional Gem and Mineral Show Association annual show that weekend. (Doors open at 6:00 pm with dinner buffet served at 6:30 pm). George will present some of the latest geologic research at the **Coyote Canyon Mammoth Site**, which is located on private land south of Kennewick, Washington. Formal excavation and scientific study have been ongoing since the Fall of 2010. Thus far, more than 152 mammoth bone specimens have been recovered from the site, with several others still in place. These skeletal elements are located in fine-grained Late Pleistocene Missoula flood deposits in a distal canyon of the former glacial Lake Lewis.

**Be sure to complete the advanced registration form by September 10 and send it to Judi Allison, NFMS Secretary, to reserve your place.**



## NFMS Clubs' Show Schedule -- 2022 - 2023

<b>2022</b>			
Sept 10-11th Sat 10-5 Sun 10-5	Marcus Whitman Gem and Mineral Society	Walla Walla County Fairgrounds Community Center Building 831 Orchard St. Walla Walla WA	Warren Rood warren.Rood@wwcc.edu (509) 876 7498
Sept 10-11th 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 _kmsjes@olympen.com (360) 460 0827 (360) 681 3811
Sept 24 - 25th Sat 10 - 5 Sun 10-3	Springfield Thunderegg Rock Club	64nd Annual Rock and Gem Show Willamalane Adult Activity Center 215 W C Street, Springfield OR 97477	Pat Engelmann (541) 6508253 macsbest13@gmail.com
Sept 30, Oct 1 - 2 Fri 10 - 6 Sat 10 - 6 Sun 10 - 5	PRGMSA  Hosting the Annual Northwest Federation of Mineralogical Societies Meeting	41st Annual Portland Regional Gem and Mineral Show Wingspan Event and Conference Center At the Westside Commons 801 NE 34th Avenue, Hillsboro OR 97124	Linda Harvey lindaharvey2010@gmail.com www.PortlandRegionalGemandMineral
Oct 1 - 2nd 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 <a href="http://www.marysvillerockclub.com">http://www.marysvillerockclub.com</a>
Oct 8th Sat 9 - 5	Idaho Falls Gem and Mineral Society	Bonneville Co. Fairgrounds 1542 East 73rd South, Idaho Falls ID South of Sandy Downs Racetrack on Woodruff Ave	Bill Thielbahr (208) 524-0139 tbar@srv.net
Oct 15 & 16th Sat 10 - 5 Sun 10 - 4	Hells Canyon Gem Club	Nez Perce County Fair Grounds 1229 Burrell Ave Lewiston ID 83501	Mary Lou Northrup (208) 816-8329 mlandjl@yahoo.com
Oct 29 - 30 Sat 10 - 7 Sun 12 - 6	Chugach Gem and Mineral Society	Midtown Mall 600 E Northern Lights Blvd Anchorage AK	Paul Burger cavemonpaul@hotmail.com
<b>2023</b>			
Feb 11th & 12th 2023 Sat 9 - 5 Sun 9 - 5	Whidbey Island Gem Club	57th Annual Sweetheart of Gems The Center in Oak Harbor 51 Jerome St, Oak Harbor WA	Victoria Lovett vick_o_rama@hotmail.com
Feb 25th - 26th 2023 Sat 10 - 6 Sun 10 - 5	Idaho Gem Club	Expo Idaho 5610 Glenwood Boise ID 83714	Brent Stewart (208) 342-1151 rocksbybrent@gmail.com
Feb 25th - 26th 2023 Sat 10 - 7 Sun 12-6	Chugach Gem and Mineral Society	Midtown Mall 600 E Northern Lights Blvd Anchorage AK	Paul Burger cavemonpaul@hotmail.com
Mar 4th & 5th 2023 Sat 10 - 7 Sun 12-6	Chugach Gem and Mineral Society	Midtown Mall 600 E Northern Lights Blvd Anchorage AK	Paul Burger cavemonpaul@hotmail.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	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 18th & 19th Sat 9 - 6 Sun 10 - 5	Hellgate Mineral Society Missoula 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 <a href="http://hellgatemineralsociety.org">http://hellgatemineralsociety.org</a>
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 <sup>th</sup> Avenue SW West Seattle WA	Annette Nelson (206) 379-3677 www.westseattlerockclub.org
Aug 3rd - 6th Thur 10 - 5 Fri 10 - 5 Sat 10 - 5 Sun 10 - 4	Billings Gem and Mineral Club	Billings Hotel and Convention Center 1223 Mullowney Ln Billings MT	Doug True <a href="https://billingsgemclub.com/contact-us">https://billingsgemclub.com/contact-us</a> (406) 200-8778