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## Kathy Moedl President

October means we are approaching the end of the rockhounding season in Southeast Idaho (didn't the season just get started?). I have been able to go on some great hounding field trips and meet more people. Camping and visiting around the campfire, telling our "fish" stories add to overall memorable experiences. It is so great to be a rockhound!!! I need to retire from my daytime job so I can pursue this great hobby full time!

October also means organizing my rock finds and getting ready to hibernate into my garage to work/play with them during the winter. Besides coming indoors physically it also gives me a chance to mentally come indoors and organizing my mind towards the paperwork.

Now, that said. Why do you suppose you are getting a newsletter from some unknown NFMS organization?

Who/What is the NFMS anyway? That is what I thought when I first joined my local club. There was a series of events a few years ago that led to my education of the NFMS and what it is all about. It opened a whole new world for me. I am leaving you with that Cliffhanger until next month...



## NFMS Dues and NFMS Directory List

By Lyle Vogelpohl

**ATTN: Club Membership Chairs and Club Treasurers**

NFMS Annual Dues forms and membership lists from the NFMS Directory Chair's updated files will be mailed in late October to your club's mailing address as listed in the NFMS Directory. If that address has changed, please let me know.

NFMS Dues are based on membership in your club during 2012 – not who pays their dues to your club for 2013. REMEMBER dues are \$3.50 for each adult member and \$1.00 for each junior member. The NFMS sends \$0.75 of that amount for each adult and junior member to the AFMS to support their programs and services.

**Your prompt attention to updating the membership lists we provide and sending your club's dues payment will be greatly appreciated. Thank you.**



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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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Example: 3" x 4" ad = 12 inches

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

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

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## COMMITTEE REPORTS



### Judi Allison Past President

Here are some pics from the Agate Show/AFMS meeting in Minnesota that I thought that you might enjoy.



### Don Innes 1<sup>st</sup> VP

Fall is here! We have a great many Rock Shows, Field Trips and picnic behind us. Quartzite, Tucson and many others are ahead of us. Winter is a time to replenish our energies, thoughts, supplies and plan for next season. It is like finishing the harvest and now it is time for rest and planning for next year.

Did you accomplish all you had planned for this season? We have had many reports of the economy on the shows this year. Some good news some bad news on the economy. I hope you are planning for a great year next year as I am.

I had the pleasure of meeting in Roseburg, OR, some of the recipients of the Youth program sponsored by the YOTMC. The youth group in Roseburg was able to make a field trip July 3<sup>rd</sup> to Central Oregon during the Madras Rock and Gem Show. They went to Peterson Rock Garden in Redmond, OR, The Madras Rock Show, Ochoco National Forest, Lucky Strike Mine, Smith Rocks, (some want to go back and rock climb) and Richardson's Ranch. They camped at night and had a fire and cooked Hot Dogs.

The material they brought back was very good; one boy even found 66# Thunderegg. Each youngster even made a full report with pictures of the trip. This was a very successful use of YOTMC funds. Congratulations to Claudine Chrupalo, the Group Leader of Umpqua Gem and Mineral Club Jr. Leader.

Locally here in Oregon we met with the BLM, Salem office try to open the closed Roger Mountain Petrified Wood area. There had been damage to the area with large holes that had not been recovered. Some of the holes were 25' deep. These holes seemed to me to be from commercial equipment and not by rock hounds. When I saw the damage and the fact the wood was at least 25' deep I thought maybe we should just leave it there, but low and behold a gold claim was filed by a Canadian company. We will know more at our fall meeting with the Oregon Council meeting at Clackamette Show in Oct.

Our people here in the Oregon Beach area have had a great year at the beach, fishing, crabbing, clamming and agate hunting.



### NFMS Junior Achievement Award By Audry Vogelpohl

Monetary awards are available, and awarded at the annual meeting each year to Junior Members who are involved in our hobby, in their school, and in their community. Application information will be in the Newsletter at the beginning of 2013 for awards to be given at the annual convention/show taking place August 16-18, 2013 in Butte, Montana.

REMINDER: The Junior Member must be a paid-up member for 2012 of the NFMS and listed in the club's updated membership list provided to the NFMS Treasurer. Help your Junior members to apply.

Questions? Please give me a call. Audry Vogelpohl, 206-932-3292



## Chuck Sonner Safety Chair

### I can't believe I did that!

When writing a safety column, vehicles are not the first thing that jumps to mind. We all know that your car, suv or truck should get checked out before that long awaited fieldtrip to a special out of the way location. But, sometimes that is not enough.

I remember as a young man seeing a twin I beam Ford truck flying down the freeway with one of the I beams being chained up to the frame. I remember my daughter calling me from high school saying the Dodge Ram stopped running and she had to walk to school from where it died. The rear-end froze and I drove it home in 4-wheel drive after removing the rear drive shaft.

These are things that happen close to home. What about that trip that is not close to home? Walking miles on mountain or desert roads to get cell reception puts you at risk. Leaving someone behind because they can't make the walk puts them at even greater risk.

Here are a few of the problems experienced by me or club members:

- Not checking to see if your spare tire is inflated or your spare tire is of the doughnut variety and you are off-roading.
- Carry two spares for the off chance that you might get two flats in the same location at the same time. This is a good idea if you will be traveling by yourself.
- Put together an emergency kit that includes duct tape, hose clamps and wire to fix the leaking hoses. You might want to add coolant, extra oil/atf and a tow rope. The rope comes in handy when the person bring it thinks they will have to pull you and it ends up you pull them.
- Double check your fluid levels and drain plugs. Some of the service location have hired help that thinks about what they are going to do that night than doing the job of the moment right. The drain plug did not fall out and had enough atf to make it to the nearest town.
- Bring along some extra blocks for those locations where the ground is not level to change your tire.

These are a few ideas. The best is not to travel off road by yourself. Know your locations or find out what you can expect as far as road conditions and be safe out there.



## SCRIBE Meeting Update for All Newsletter Editors

The meeting date for the 2013 S.C.R.I.B.E. meeting will be JAN. 26 AT 8:30 A.M. (MST). We will be meeting in the Senior Center on Moon Mountain Road just north of Main Street in Quartzsite, Ariz.



## NORTHWEST ROCKHOUND RETREAT 2012

By Lamar Tilgner

As most of you know, on September 9<sup>th</sup> we just completed our 8<sup>th</sup> year of the Northwest Rockhound Retreat. The weather was warm, the evenings were cool and the days were full of the sounds of a group of Rockhounds engaged in a learning experience. We had 44 participants, some new and some returnees who participated in this year's program.

For those of you that have not been able to join us, on Saturday night we have a show and tell session which includes all workshops and all projects from each one. As in the past this year showed an amazing array of creative items that were created and they showed some real quality workmanship. It appears that a number of the instructors are rubbing off on all of these creative folks.

I am closing out the paperwork for this year's show and then will begin the process of negotiating a new contract with OMSI for next year. When this occurs I will notify all Participants from this year and give them a month to reserve their space for 2013. After that we will open up registration on a first come first serve basis till we have 50 people signed up. Then we look forward to next year and renewing old friendships and looking forward to meeting new folks.

After we closed down I received an email from a first time participant that I want to share with everyone. This person came in to the Lapidary Shop and knew nothing about the process of cutting a cab.

After cutting 2 cabs he decided to challenge himself so he chose a heart for his 3<sup>rd</sup> project. He did a very nice job on the heart and showed the ability to handle a real challenge. Following is the email that I received:

"Camp Hancock has to be one of the great highlights of recent years. I saw and felt what can only be described as pure joy, simple in its nature. The daily enthusiasm of each participant coupled with a positively infectious lapidary addiction, supplied by the entire group. I joked with one of the fellow that I suddenly had an epiphany as to why the human species dragged themselves out of the ancient oceans; it was due to the gems, minerals and rocks on the shoreline.

"One afternoon in the commons while all of the students and teachers were showing projects I noticed the elders had a look usually reserved for the more youthful, exuberant and perhaps pre-adult life. It was like a group of children engaged in pursuit of fun. The attitude was transformed and transforming. Each member of Camp Hancock gave structure, help and encouragement to set a course into the unknown for the novice, or render a goal for the more educated. As students it seemed like we were grinding away the grit of the mundane stress; as if we had become the gems, rocks and minerals we worked upon.

"The food was great. The Canadian faction was very kind. Teachers outstanding. The night sky shimmered like the faceting students were working on them. If there is a way and means to come back next year and each successive one; I will return. I have met so many gracious and kind individuals and will carry the memories and try to spark the same in my children and grandchildren."

With a review such as this, how can you not think about making the trip to the Retreat. See you next year.



## From the Editor's Rockpile By Beth Heesacker

October, a time to reflect on the year's rockhounding and to make tentative plans for the future. We have had some wonderful trips with some wonderful old and new friends. Paul has lots of material to make into more spheres and for me to incorporate into jewelry.

But, I think my focus this winter ought to be on my micro-mounts. I have acquired quite a few over the last spring and summer but have not sat down and catalogued them in my database. I am way behind. So many beautiful pieces that don't take up too much room. ☺ And I need to start working on taking pictures of them and getting them into my database. I think I have a full winter ahead of me. If there are any micro-mounters out there I would love to exchange info and maybe a few specimens that would enhance our collections. Just drop me an email and we can discuss our micro world (heesacker@coho.net).



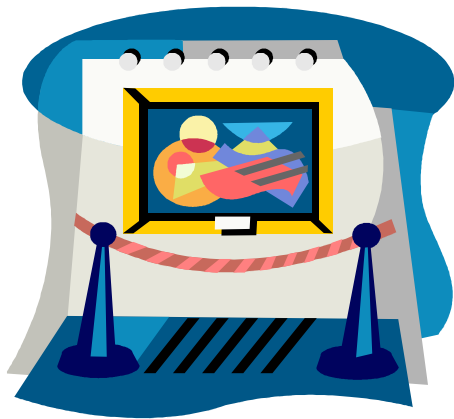
## ALAA - QUARTZSITE IS COMING

For those of you who take a winter break and enjoy the balmy weather in the Southwest each year, please mark your calendar for Friday evening at 6:30pm, January 25th, 2013. The meeting will be at the Quartzsite Alliance Church at 720 Desert Vista. From the north frontage road west of Hiway 95, take Moon Mountain Road north to the end, turn left on Desert Vista to the church. Check the ALAA website: [amlands.org](http://amlands.org) for a map.

ALAA will once again have a forum on what's going on in and around Quartzsite on our public lands. The initial report on the Travel Management Plan for La Posa will be out in November 2012, with a comment period, but will probably be over by the time many snowbirds arrive in Quartzsite.

If you have a problem with the management of public lands in your area, please contact me at the email below. Be part of the solution, get involved.

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## IT'S NOT TOO EARLY....

While the NFMS Show this coming year is in August, it's not too early to begin thinking and preparing for your competitive exhibit. It takes time to put together something special and this year is the NFMS's 75th anniversary. Let's see how many competitive exhibits we can put in to make this a very special occasion.

For those of you who don't attend other regional shows, including the American Federation show each year, you may not know that the Northwest and California are the only regional federations who actually have a substantial showing of competitive exhibits. At the AFMS show this year outside of Minneapolis, Minnesota there were only six competitive exhibits - a sad showing.

You can contact me with any questions you might have on what division, what class, etc. The AFMS Rule Book isn't as hard as it looks, I can make it easier. There were new rules and adjustments to rules voted on at Minnesota, they will be up on the afms website: [amfed.org](http://amfed.org) AFTER Jan 1st, 2013.

You might even consider getting your club to put in a society exhibit. And Ladies, you might consider putting in a case of beading in the newest category.

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## UTAH ALAA Report:

**By Evan Day,  
Golden Spike Gem and Mineral Club**

In Utah, the Bureau of Land Management's Resource Advisory Council (RAC) has been an interesting group for me to work with over the last year. While composed of 15 distinct individuals, each with unique perspectives and constituencies, the RAC functions in a remarkably harmonious and respectful fashion. Accompanying them on field trips and watching their deliberations has been very enlightening; educationally and as a window into the real-world of the BLM. Any concerns that the RAC might be a "rubber-stamp" for State Director Juan Palma were quickly dispelled, he really values their input. They always seem to welcome constructive comments from this "interested citizen" during their "Public Comment" times. Certainly they are glad someone "gives a hoot" about what they are doing. I hope that I am selected as a member in the near future.

In addition, since Utah has had a fully functional RAC for several years, the U.S. Forest Service has co-opted the BLM's existing group as their Utah "Recreational Resource Advisory Council" (ReRAC). Last month's (August 7-8) agenda in St. George thus included USFS concerns on campground fees and amenities, as well as BLM concerns on Sage Grouse, travel plans, routing of roads through a National Conservation Area, and indiscriminate target shooting in Urban/Rural interfaces. The RAC meeting agenda is prepared by Coordinator Sherry Foot in the Salt Lake City Office, but the RAC can add items it chooses. They clearly steer away from political issues like oil and gas leasing, though keeping an eye on cooperative ventures like resolving RS2477 roads by a multi-government and interest group coalition in the Cedar City area.

The RAC chooses its own counsel, but usually welcomes written comments from interested parties regarding issues they are considering. For example, at the St. George meeting, Director Palma gave an update on his "Instruction Memorandum" to his field offices regarding preparation of "Travel Plans", the implementation step following approval of their Resource Management Plans. Accordingly, I commented directly at the meeting, but then sent the following email for their consideration:

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Bureau of Land Management Utah State Office  
Attn. Ms. Sherry Foot, RAC Coordinator

Dear Sherry,

During "Public Comment" time at the August 2012 RAC meeting in St George, UT, I pleaded for Director Palma's Travel Plan Instruction Memorandum to include an easy way for vehicle dependent hobbyists, like "Rock Hounds," to gain access to "Closed Routes." On my way home to Brigham City, I found a perfect example of my concerns just northwest of Salina, off of US-50.

Even though the Director's IM had not yet been issued, the Richfield Field Office's excellent RMP process has long since been completed and they have now implemented their Travel Plan and signed most routes. There is a two-track trail at GPS coordinates (38\*58.58' N, 111\*57.90' W to 38\*59.41' N, 111\*57.85' W) extending about 2 miles north from the highway, alongside of which we have historically collected "Salina Blue Agate" for jewelry making. At the cattle fence is a sign "Designated Routes Only", but no route number (therefore closed to travel). In the RFO RMP this route was shown as "open." Just northwest along US-50 is another road, signed with a route designation (therefore open to travel) across the mountains to Fillmore.

We (casual mineral collectors) have typically used this "Salina Blue" route a few times each summer for our field trips, for about 1/2 a day each time. But the RFO doesn't currently have a procedure for us to request that the route be re-designated as "Open to motorized travel", or even to request a simple "one-time trespass permit" by phone or email. There also are no maps of which routes are open or closed (I pleaded for Mr. Palma to "give them some money!"), nor a website yet for us to see updated route info. We and other Off Road Vehicle users clearly need the Utah BLM to institute a simple process for us to make such requests and get needed information to avoid conflicts and misunderstandings.

Evan Day, Rock Hound Enthusiast,  
ALAA Utah Director

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My advice for ALAA members (and all Rockhounds) is to attend as many RAC meetings in your state as you can. Let them know who you are (Juan Palma recognizes me as "that guy that likes rocks!"). Apply for a position on your RAC if it sounds interesting to you; it can have a big impact on our hobby. Issues like whether to "List" Sage Grouse as an endangered species, and route access for Vehicle Dependent activities like ours are not going away.

Via Golden Spike 9/12





## The Future and Availability of Rockhounding in Oregon

by Gary Buss

Over the past number of years all of us have watched more and more of our natural resources disappear and areas we have taken for granted as always being there, going away. As an example, a number of years ago in Crook County, the Prineville Chamber of Commerce maintained some 15-20 claims that were open to rockhounds most of the year and were opened up prior to the Prineville Rockhound Pow Wow once a year. As liability insurance climbed in price and some other resources were absorbed into wilderness areas, more and more of these memories have been lost.

Over the past year, members of the Prineville Rockhound Pow Wow have elected to be a little more pro-active to assure everyone that some sites will be held and maintained for the future. This was done in two ways. Looking into some old dig sites, we have chosen to put claims on two sites that have been real producers for material over the years. One site was the tube agate bed on the south side of the Ochoco and the other was the outright purchase of the White Fir Egg site “the agate egg site”. A field trip this year during the Pow Wow was very productive. It came with the joint effort of the Forest Service and the rockhound community working together. We will have a great deal of restoration to do on both sites, and with the joint effort with the Forest Service, it can be a win, win for them and for us all.

Just a word about both sites, the tube agate is closed to digging because a rare plant and bulb exist there. However, it will change as soon as they do their environmental impact study and they will find an area we can work above the meadow. The White Fir agate area will be under constant restoration with the cooperation of the Forest Service and we will keep all informed as that progresses. Both sites are under claim by the Prineville Rockhound Pow Wow.

Secondly, and this is where all of you come in—we are looking at an opportunity that has been around for a while, but most of us have never looked at it as an option. There are many old sites that have been worked over the years and just sit there. The Forest Service has a plan called “adoption”. The Forest Service has neither the man power nor the money to restore these old digs and are looking to partner with groups that care about restoring and maintaining some of these areas. This is not a “name it and claim it” game for these areas, it is a joint venture with the Forest Service and BLM to keep these areas open to the future of rockhounds. They do care about the future of rock hounding in Oregon.


How would it look? It can be as simple as a rock club that has a once a year field trip to a site they choose to adopt and have its own field day. Half the group digs and produces material, while the others refill old dig sites and sack trash. After a few hours your people shift roles. In the mean time, maybe the barbeque is smelling pretty good for all at the end of the day. Adoption means that you as a club don't have to jump through all the hoops and rules and regulations of going the claim route—yet you maintain the site for your organization.

There will always be old sites for you to look at and see if there is value for the future, or new areas that you would like to see as a future opportunity for your club. I believe that adoption is the

easiest and quickest way to maintain our past and to become a part of our future. It is a unique way for your club to look at the future and what you want to be a part of.

How do we start? If you have some area you have identified as a local club that you would like to preserve for the future, I suggest a sit down visit with your BLM or Forest Service geologist and begin a cooperative effort to hold these dig sites for the future. I know we have built a very good relationship with the Crook County office and will continue to look for more opportunities to save lands and dig sites for all our future. Personally, I believe this is a very good start and a very different way to look at how we maintain our past and future in this hobby. Your children and theirs will be the beneficiary of what we do now. I believe it should be looked at very closely by all of us. It is there for all of us—right now.

Via Rockhound Rumbblings 9/12



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<b>October 6</b> Sat 9 - 4	Eureka Rock and Gem Club	Senior Citizen Center, 1000 N 3rd E Mountain Home, ID	Roger Beck 208-587-9374 <a href="mailto:westbeck@earthlink.net">westbeck@earthlink.net</a>
<b>October 12 -14</b> Fri 10 – 6, Sat 10 – 6 Sun 10 – 5	Portland Regional Gem & Mineral Show	Washington Co. Fairplex, 873 NE 34 <sup>th</sup> Avenue, Hillsboro OR 97124	Josh Heater 971 570 5456 <a href="mailto:j.frankray@hotmail.com">j.frankray@hotmail.com</a> Rose Jackson <a href="mailto:ljeweledrose@gmail.com">ljeweledrose@gmail.com</a>
<b>October 13 - 14</b> Sat 10–5, Sun 10–5	Marysville Rock & Gem Club	Totem Middle School Cafeteria 7 <sup>th</sup> Street and State Avenue, Marysville WA	Brian Murril 425 346 9313 <a href="mailto:bmurril@aol.com">bmurril@aol.com</a>
<b>October 20 - 21</b> Sat 10–6, Sun 10–5	Hells Canyon Gem Club	Nez Perce County Fairgrounds, 1229 Burrell Avenue, Lewiston ID 83501	Steve Rand 208 791 2325 PO BOX 365 Lewiston ID 83501
<b>October 27 - 28</b> Sat 9 – 6, Sun 10 – 5	Clackamette Mineral & Gem Club	Clackamas County Fairgrounds 694 NE 4 <sup>th</sup> Avenue, Canby OR	Rick Mauer 503 691 6395 <a href="mailto:tallerricardo@juno.com">tallerricardo@juno.com</a>
<b>October 27 - 28</b> Sat 10–5, Sun 10–5	Bellevue Rock Club	Vasa Park, 3560 West Lake Sammamish Pkwy SE, Bellevue WA	Bruce Himko PO Box 1851 Bellevue WA 98009 <a href="mailto:bellevuerockclub@comcast.net">bellevuerockclub@comcast.net</a>
<b>November 9 - 11</b> Fri 10–5, Sat 10–5 Sun 10–4	Cascade Mineralogical Society & NW Opal Association	Puyallup Fairgrounds Expo Hall Meridian St. S & 9 <sup>th</sup> Avenue SW Puyallup WA	Lyle Jorgensen 425 483 0557 <a href="mailto:mechanix@comcast.net">mechanix@comcast.net</a>
<b>November 9- 11</b> Fri 5–9, Sat 10–5, Sun 11–4	Chugach G and M Society and Alaska Miners Association	Sheraton Anchorage Hotel 401 East 6 <sup>th</sup> Avenue, Anchorage AK, 2 <sup>nd</sup> floor	Anita Williams 907 345 2541 <a href="mailto:awilliam@alaska.net">awilliam@alaska.net</a>
<b>November 10 - 11</b> Sat 9–5, Sun 10–5	Skagit Rock and Gem Club	Sedro Woolley Community Center, 720 State Street, Sedro Woolley WA	David Britten 360 755 0741 PO Box 244 Mt. Vernon WA 98273
<b>November 10 - 11,</b> Sat 9–5, Sun 10–4	Maplewood Rock & Gem Club	Maplewood Rock Club Clubhouse, 8802 196 <sup>th</sup> Street SW, Edmonds WA 98026	Lauryn MacGregor 425 742 0650 <a href="mailto:little-toad@att.net">little-toad@att.net</a>
<b>Feb. 9-10, 2013</b> Sat 9 – 5, Sun 9 – 4	Whidbey Island Gem Club	Oak Harbor Senior Center, 51 SE Jerome Street, Oak Harbor WA	Keith Ludemann 360 675 1837 <a href="mailto:rock9@whidbey.net">rock9@whidbey.net</a>
<b>Feb. 16-17, 2013</b> Sat 10–4, Sun 10–4	North Lincoln Agate Society	Lincoln City Cultural Center 540 NE Hwy 101, Lincoln City OR 97367	Laura Joki 541 351 8423 <a href="mailto:laura@rockyourworldgems.com">laura@rockyourworldgems.com</a>
<b>Feb. 23-24, 2013</b> Sat 10–6, Sun 10–5	Idaho Gem Club	Expo Idaho, 5610 Glenwood Boise ID	Charlie Smith PO Box 1264 Riggins ID 83549 208 628 4002
<b>March 2 – 3, 2013</b>	East Kingco Rock and Gem	Pickering Barn, 1730 10th Ave NW Issaquah, WA 98027, Across from Costco	Heather King 425-883-6519 <a href="mailto:secondwindcharms@msn.com">secondwindcharms@msn.com</a> <a href="http://www.eastkingco.org">www.eastkingco.org</a>
<b>March 8 - 10, 2013</b> Fri 10–6, Sat 10–6 Sun 10–5	Tualatin Valley Gem Club	Washington Co. Fairplex, 873 NE 34 <sup>th</sup> Avenue, Hillsboro OR	Mitch Metcalf <a href="mailto:mitch@myenoaddress.com">mitch@myenoaddress.com</a> PO Box 641, Forest Grove OR 97116
<b>March 9 - 10, 2013</b> Sat 9 – 5, Sun 9 – 5	Magic Valley Gem Club	Twin Falls County Fair Grounds, 215 Fair Avenue, Filer ID, (just east of Filer on Highway 30)	Shirley Metts 208 423 4827 <a href="mailto:imetts@centurylink.net">imetts@centurylink.net</a> or Jon Cromer <a href="mailto:rokcutter@hotmail.com">rokcutter@hotmail.com</a>
<b>March 9 - 10, 2013</b> Sat 9–5, Sun 10–4	Rock and Arrowhead Club	Klamath Co. Fairgrounds 3531 South 6 <sup>th</sup> Street, Klamath Falls OR	Marv Stump 541 882 8341 POB 1803 Klamath Falls OR 97603 Or Garwin Carlson 541 882 8276
<b>March 30-31, 2013</b> Sat 10 –6, Sun 10-5	Sweet Home Rock & Mineral Society	High School Gym, 1641 Long St., Sweet Home OR	Joe Cota 541 451 2740 POB 2279 Lebanon OR 97355
<b>April 19-21, 2013</b> Fri 9–6, Sat 10–6 Sun 10–4:30	Willamette Agate and Mineral Society	Polk County Fairgrounds 520 South Pacific Hwy West Rickreall OR	Contact: Etheleen Flippo 503 623 4247 <a href="mailto:reflippoo@hotmail.com">reflippoo@hotmail.com</a>
<b>April 20 &amp; 21, 2013</b> Sat 10 – 6, Sun 10– 4	Yakima Rock & Mineral Club	Washington National Guard Amory 2501 Airport Lane, Yakima WA 98903	Marti Sondgeroth 509 248 6401 (evenings) <a href="mailto:marthms@q.com">marthms@q.com</a>
<b>April 27- 28, 2013</b> Sat 10–5, Sun 10–5	West Seattle Rock Club	Alki Masonic Temple, 4736 40 <sup>th</sup> Avenue SW, Seattle WA	Lyle & Audrey Vogelpohl 206 932 3292 <a href="mailto:avogelpohl@comcast.net">avogelpohl@comcast.net</a> <a href="http://www.westseattlerockclub.org">www.westseattlerockclub.org</a>

