President
Larry Hulstrom

As I begin to write this I have to begin by thanking Beth Heesacker for her term as the first ever virtual president. She and the rest of the Executive Board worked through the ongoing effects of the pandemic to keep our organization alive and in contact with as many of you as we could. The rise of the delta variant has slowed our recovery process but many of you strive to keep moving ahead to whatever becomes our new “normal”. Vaccines and boosters shots are now available. I hope that everyone gets those shots so we can all get through this and get back to doing the things we love to do.

The annual meeting was held on September 11 via Zoom after the meeting (and show) in Walla Walla were cancelled. The minutes from that meeting have been distributed to club directors and will be posted on the NFMS website. Your immediate help is needed. There are many open positions at this time where volunteers such as yourself are needed. The list is posted elsewhere in the newsletter. One of those positions, the newsletter editor, is vital for maintaining communication with all of you. Paul Heesacker, who has been doing this job, can give you assistance in getting started. This newsletter may be the last everyone gets unless we can find his replacement. If you know of someone that might be interested have them get in touch with either me or Paul as soon as possible. The other open positions are just as important. Please volunteer your time and energy to help us continue working forward. Leave me a message if you call and I will get right back to you.

We are looking for a club to host the 2022 annual show and convention. The role of the host club is defined in Operation Procedure General-2 in the NFMS By-Laws and Operations Procedures that can be found in either the last Directory that was issued or on the NFMS Website. The Executive Board can work with your club and help you to successfully host the show. If you wish to discuss it please contact me directly. My contact information is found on page 2 of the newsletter. Leave me a message if you call and I will get right back to you.

The Executive Board continues working on other items. A new edition of the Directory is in the works. Please make sure your club gets updated information in as soon as possible, along with your dues for the next year. We plan to have the new directories available at the Mid-Year meeting which is being planned for May 21, 2022 and will be held in conjunction with the 25th Anniversary Show of the Lakeside Gem & Mineral Club (my home club) in Kennewick, WA. In conjunction with the mid-year meeting we are also planning to hold training for people that would like to become NFMS certified judges for evaluation of competitive displays.

I end this edition with sad news on the passing of Chuck Sonner, former NFMS President (2006-2007) and lead of the Stamps committee (another open position). Chuck gave up his duties as stamps coordinator earlier this year as his health continued to decline and his wife Tanya informed us of his passing on September 4. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Tanya and their family. Sadly I also recently learned that Cheri George, former lead for the Website Contest, also passed on October 8. Our thoughts and prayers go out to her family as well.

Please give thought (and action) to volunteering for one of the open positions. If you want to know more about the position feel free to contact me or any of the Executive Board members. We need your help.

NFMS Mid-Year Meeting in 2022
Saturday, May 21, 2022
Kennewick, WA
During the Lakeside Gem & Mineral Club
25th Anniversary Show

By mid next year we should all be in a better place! Since we have not been able to gather for the past 2 years at annual meetings let’s come together for this Mid-Year meeting to be held in conjunction with the 25th Anniversary Show of the Lakeside Gem & Mineral Club in Kennewick, WA. The Mid-Year meeting will be held from 1-3 pm on Saturday May 21. Mark this on your calendars. More details will be coming later.

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1st Vice President
Darrell Coyle

Hello all, not sure when this will be received but I assume it will be after our Annual Meeting at Walla Walla. Which would mean we have a new Second Vice President and at least one new person in the Rules and Awards Committee. I am sure they will be putting something in the Newsletter.

Speaking of welcoming new members I have something I would like to talk about. Over the years in my own club I have heard people say that there’s a clique. I remember feeling that way when I first joined my club. It seemed that during breaks that people grouped up and even though I tried, it seemed I was being ignored. I know that at our meetings that the worker bees of the club do tend to group because we have a lot of business to discuss. The point is you need to circulate and engage the new and the not so new members. If you see someone sitting alone, go talk to them. During break, make it a break and have a snack and a cup of coffee with someone.

If you have a project don’t just count on the regulars to raise their hands. Go and ask “will you be joining us?” Organizations can wither away as the older members have health issues or are just tired of being “the guy who always shows up”. We often have people who join and after a couple meetings don’t show up anymore. Has anyone called and asked them to come? Ask why they quit coming to meetings. Maybe you need to change things up and get guest speakers, demonstrations or show and tell from field trips. Keeping new members involved is vital to your club. Recognizing and publicly thanking those that show up and do the work goes a long way. Don’t get tunnel vision at your meetings, include one and all and make them feel they are welcome and part of the “family”.

2nd Vice President
Jennifer Haley

FABRIC COVERED GEODES

What do you do if you have a geode that is gorgeous in the inside, but you don’t have the tools or equipment to make the roughness of the outside more beautiful? Cover it in fabric! This is a Morocco geode that I covered with hand quilted velvet fabric over quilt batting. These are very easy and fun to make. I came up with the idea from those wonderful confectionary sugar peep-hole eggs you see at Easter time.

Tools and Supplies Needed: geode, quilt batting, fabric, scissors, tacky glue, sewing pins, needle, sewing thread, toothpicks, miscellaneous beads, trinkets or ribbon.

Instructions:
- Cut a round of quilt batting large enough to hug around the geode except for the front opening. You may need to cut out “V” shapes into the batting towards the opening of the geode so the batting lays smooth against the rock.
- As if you were holding an apple, hold the batting in place against the rock in one hand, as you use your other hand to squirt tacky glue here and there on the geode and underneath the batting to adhere the batting in place. You don’t need a lot of glue, just enough to hold the batting in place.
- Neatly cut the edges of the batting about 1/4” away from the edges of the geode’s opening, this will allow for a smoother edge when you apply the decorative fabric. You may find trimming is easier once the glue dries.
- When the glue is dry, cut a round of decorative fabric to drape and hug over the batting, with enough extra fabric to extend past the batting edge. Use pins to hold the fabric in place on the batting.
- With needle and thread, sew a basting stitch through the edges of the decorative fabric just past the batting. Pull the basting thread tight so that you have a snug and even gather around the opening of the egg. Trim any excess fabric off so you have a very neat edge without cutting into your basting stitches.
- Apply even dabs of glue between the edges of the fabric and geode. Let dry. A tooth pick can help you get the glue just in the right places without getting glue where you don’t want it.
- To cover up the rough fabric edges, glue on a decorative trim or a strand of beads for a wow factor. The decorating is only limited by your imagination. I topped this one off with French wire ribbon flowers, velvet leaves, fancy buttons and a rhinestone butterfly. Seed beads and stone beads are sewn in all over the sides and back for an extra special look. Once you make one of these, you’ll come up with more fun and beautiful ideas. I can also imagine covering a geode with various cabochons which are held in place with fancy beaded bezels. The ideas are endless and the fabric geodes make great gifts. Enjoy!

We Need Your Club
To Host the 2022 Annual Meeting

We need a club to host the 2022 annual meeting. Duties of the host club are found in the NFMS Operation Procedures (OP General-2). If your club is willing to do this the NFMS is willing to help you be successful and discuss what is needed. Not all of the things spelled out are “hard and fast” requirements. We can work with you to make everyone come out ahead. As we all work to get back to having our annual shows please consider this. We would like to do this during the late summer or early fall next year. It’s not too late to add this to your regular club show! If you are interested and have questions please feel free to contact me.

Larry Hulstrom
President NFMS
Past President
Beth Heesacker

I had such a wonderful time being the first virtual NFMS President. I again thank your Executive Board for all their help through all the weird ups and downs this past year.

Your Newsletter Committee (Paul as your editor and me as the committee) also want to thank Tom Burchard, Circulation, and Pat Lambert, Show Coordinator, for their immeasurable help in getting the newsletter out each edition.

Paul and I are retiring from the NFMS and will be spending more time on my mineral collection and the two mineral publications that I edit.

We will be around at various shows, Zoom meetings, etc. so if you see me huddled over the mineral specimens or Paul gabbing with someone at a show, please say hello.

We wish all you rockhounds joy with your rocks, safety in your workshops and health in all you do.

We STILL Really, Really Need You to Help Us Succeed!

The following positions/committee leads are still open. We need your support. More details can be found in the OP Committee Section of the Operation Procedures.

**Historian** – stores historical records and writes reports for the NFMS Newsletter

**Website Contest** – chairs the website contest and writes reports for the NFMS newsletter

**Endowment Committee Chairperson** – oversees the activities of the Endowment Fund Committee

**Endowment Committee Secretary** – assists the Endowment Fund committee

**Rules and Awards Committee Rules Chairman** – administers the show Rules and Awards in conjunction with the AFMS Rules

**Education lead** – promotes education within the NFMS and writes articles for the NFMS Newsletter

**Newsletter Editor** – Edits and produces the NFMS Newsletter – *(this is a vital position!)*

**Stamps** – collects and sells postage stamps for the NFMS to support cancer research

**All American Club** – coordinates with the AFMS to encourage clubs to submit entries for the annual All American Club Award Program

**Directory** – collects member societies information for publication in the Directory, manages and coordinates publication of the Directory

**Public Relations** - encourage member societies to actively participate in community activities and services.

Please volunteer!

**Treasurer’s Message**

By Linda Harvey, NFMS Treasurer

Thank you to all the clubs able to pay dues for the 2020-2021 year. I’m sure some of the clubs were not even meeting over the last year and some clubs waived membership dues for the members. A few did not send in membership dues for participation in the NFMS: **Montana**: Butte Mineral & Gem Club; **Oregon**: Malheur County Rock & Gem Club; Oregon Trail Gem & Mineral Society; Rock & Arrowhead Club; Umpqua Gem & Mineral Club; **Washington**: Bellevue Rock Club; Grays Harbor Geology & Gem Society.

Now that we are starting our 2021-2022 year I will be sending out, by email, the new membership documents and last year’s rosters in a few weeks. If email doesn’t work for you please let me know in advance and I will snail mail things to you. Email helps keep costs down and with the postal service problems encountered over the last year it makes more sense to use when possible. Once again there will be $1.00 off adult dues. Instead of the $4.50 per adult member it is $3.50. If you belong to one of the clubs mentioned above, please send an updated contact for me *(dggr1910@gmail.com)* to send the worksheet and roster to. Thank you!

In hopes that all clubs, when possible, are or will soon be starting to meet in person or at least until that time have figured out
We are saddened to report the loss of two of our own.
Past President, Chuck Sonner lost his battle with cancer on September 4th. We also have just learned of the passing of Cheri George.

Chuck most recently was our Stamp Chairman. He used E-bay to help increase the proceeds for the stamps, which ultimately goes to help with cancer research or related activities to further advancements in combating cancer. He served as NFMS President in fiscal year 2006-2007. After the lack of a host for a show/convention in 2010, Chuck vowed not to let it happen again. He pulled together all the resources in his community to create a very successful Show and Convention in Chehalis, Washington in 2011.

Volunteerism was obviously a large part of his life, as I found a 2017 article from the Centralia Chronicle. “After three decades of volunteering in Lewis County, most recently at the Winlock/Vader Food Bank, Chuck Sonner’s efforts have caught the eye of the Governor’s Office. On April 11, Sonner is set to receive a Governor’s Volunteer Service Award . . .” Perhaps the words he offered about the honor sum up who Chuck really was. “. . . If I can help, why not?”

Cheri was a longtime member of the Palmdale, California Gem & Mineral Club (CFMS). She was well known for her exquisite and elaborate bead weaving talent. She taught beading at California’s Camp Paradise & Camp Zzyzx for many years. She believed in the spirit of competition as a learning experience and, as such, was an active Certified AFMS Uniform Rules Judge. Her interests and participation in Federation activities won her a place as an AFMS Scholarship Foundation Honoree.

Although Cheri lived in California, she purposely joined the NFMS Club At Large so she could serve as Chairperson of the NFMS Website Contest. She saw a need and created a way to fulfill that need. She worked hard to encourage club webmasters to enter the contests, explaining that entry could be a way of learning about how to improve one’s site and make the most of the exposure. The contest isn’t just whether or not one wins, but a learning experience. Cheri followed through with that belief with her service as the AFMS Website Contest Chairman.

Thank you to these two fine folks who helped enrich our lives. Our thoughts and prayers go out to their families.

The Rules and Awards Committee
Still Needs Your Help
By Darrell Coyle

There is still a need for one more individual to join the Committee. Ronna Watkins and Joshua Hulstrom have volunteered to be on the Rules and Awards Committee. Thank You so much. The Committee consists of three individuals. Normally a three year term in which people advance from Registrar to Judging Director and finally the Chair position. I believe we will have a Zoom meeting with the volunteers and see who is filling what position. There is still an ongoing effort to have a Federation Show in 2022. If this is successful we will need all three positions filled if there are to be Competitive Displays and Judging.

There is also a need for Judges and Clerks. Hopefully there will be Judges Training at the Mid Year Meeting this coming Spring. There has been some discussion about Junior Members who want to be involved being utilized as Clerks for the Judges. We are remaining optimistic and want to be prepared if we manage to have a 2022 Show.

Things are changing rapidly as we adjust to electronic meetings and local governments restrict meetings. It is important to keep up with these changes. Monitor the website and Facebook page regularly. Club representatives who are on the email list need to stay on top of this and keep club members informed also.
We Zoomed Around Again:  
Annual Meeting Report  
by Judi Allison

In the eleventh hour, we found the need to bring yet another NFMS Annual Meeting into the electronic mode. We attempted to let everyone know, but if you were one who “fell through the cracks”, we are very sorry. We managed to gather fifteen representatives from ten clubs in four states, as well as Officers and Chairperson. So, with that we plodded forward.

A couple of resolutions were passed. One added a section to the By-laws to allow electronic gatherings for committee purposes and even the annual meeting if emergencies deemed such as necessary. The resolution creates the ability to conduct such meetings. Additions and/or changes to the operating procedures can spell out exactly how that will be accomplished; as for example, the process of credentialing the Directors and Delegates. The second resolution spelled out the need to include authorization of how to deal with unused unrestricted Endowment Funds. The following will be added to the Fund Management Spending Policy Section. “Any unobligated portion of an annual authorization will be rolled over to the following budget year and will be treated as an addition to the authorization for that year.”

Doug True spoke to a number of his activities. He sponsored rock and gem shows in both Great Falls and Miles City, Montana and took names of individuals who would be interested in forming a club in those areas. Seventy-six were interested in the Great Falls area and eighty-seven in the Miles City area. He suggested perhaps others could do the same thing in underserved areas. He has chaired a couple of committees in the AFMS, working to create a user-friendly website with a more comprehensive interactive focus on the Junior program. Those who were able to see the presentation at the AFMS Show in Big Pinney, Wyoming agreed that the process, although onerous, is coming along in an impressive manner. As ALAA President, he stated they are taking a different direction in working WITH entities. They have been working closely with BLM and others.

A big piece of Doug’s news was that the Billings Gem and Mineral Club will host the combined NFMS/AFMS show in 2023. He gave an overview of the club’s plans thus far. He said they are looking at a couple of facilities. They are hoping for a date near the first part of May. So, keep your eyes and ears open. This is sure to be a good one!

Susie Koppert is our Public Lands Advisory Committee Chair. She reported that she has been attending a lot of ZOOM meetings with BLM, Forest and USDA. They have been really positive. There seems to be a record number becoming excited about and beginning to collect rocks. The BLM has been especially positive. She continues to attempt to get a seat on their advisory committee. She keeps applying and checking. Thanks, Susie, for helping keep us visible.

Darrell Watkins continues to work toward getting the most valuable slides reproduced into a usable format. He has asked for assistance with costs, perhaps coming from the unrestricted interest in the Endowment Fund. It costs about $100 to convert a slide show with approximately 80 slides. Programs vary from perhaps 100 slides to a much greater number. There are three costs: transfer, editing and adding audio. The majority of the cost is editing. It is felt that a number of these slide programs are a historical treasure we don’t want to lose.

We bade Beth Heesacker a fond farewell, as with her tenure complete, she is moving on to exclusively put her efforts toward the mineral world, where her heart truly lies. Thanks, Beth, for all you have given to the Federation over the years. Beth handed the leadership over to a collection who will continue to keep the wheels of the Northwest Federation running. Our new Treasurer, Linda Harvey has gotten her feet wet last this year, so she is prepared for the coming year. Second Vice President, Darrell Coyle is already behind the scenes taking care of business so he will be prepared to step into the President’s role next year. Our newly elected President, Larry Hulsrom, has the wheels turning toward seeking volunteers to fill vacant positions, hosting a Judges training next spring and working with all the membership. Our newest member, Second Vice President, Jennifer Haley, is no stranger to the work that needs to be done. Some of you may have seen her face in the AFMS Newsletter’s Historian column. We are happy to have her join us! As for me, I just keep plugging along, giving thanks for your continued support.

With that said, I will now take up my soapbox. I am sure you are aware that we have a number of vacancies in the NFMS Chairperson positions. Some of these positions take little time, some take more. Many can be done without leaving home. If you just put that one foot forward, or raise your hand, I assure you, you will get a lot more out of being an active part in the Federation than you could ever imagine. Sometimes people think they don’t have the qualifications. But you would be surprised at how simple the process can be. Our Operating Procedures give guidelines on the positions, but those are just that: guidelines. You have some flexibility within those guidelines, so you can add your own shine. Volunteers, in my opinion, are the salt of the earth, so consider becoming even a few grains of salt. We will help anyone who is a willing volunteer. And you couldn’t meet a better bunch of folks than a bunch of rockhounds!

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Geology Professor Honoree - Update  
By Beth Heesacker, NFMS Past President

Paul and I made a pilgrimage to Ellensburg, WA to present the Geology Professor Award plaque to Nick Zentner of Central Washington University (CWU).

As background information the AFMS asks that each President of the member Federations to choose a geology professor who then selects two Masters level students from the geology program to each receive a $4,000 scholarship from the AFMS. I chose Nick Zentner because of his outreach to the world in the field of Geology. This last year he videoed his classes, field trips, etc. and posted them on YouTube. These videos allowed me and thousands of others to focus on something other than the pandemic.

We have also received a thank you from each of the students at CWU, Joshua Stone and Lourdes Garcia,
Please note that due to the Covid-19 virus, schedules may be changed. Please check with the show contact for any updates.

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