

# EFMLS NEWS

Information for members of the Eastern Federation of Mineralogical & Lapidary Societies



## HAVE YOU REGISTERED YOUR DELEGATE?

by Mary Bateman, EFMLS Secretary

The EFMLS Convention is in November this year, and this is a reminder to every club to send in their delegate registration forms. We want to make sure that each club has the opportunity to register to vote at the convention, November 17-19 in West Palm Beach, Florida. Voter registration forms are due no later than October 17. A Delegate Registration form can be found on page 10 or by contacting the secretary.

According to our Bylaws, each EFMLS club is entitled to two votes at the Annual Meeting. Your club president is automatically a Director of EFMLS and you can also send a Delegate who also has a vote at the meeting. You can choose an alternate for both Director and Delegate in case something happens the original Director and/or Delegate can't go, however, the alternates must also be pre-registered.

Although everyone is welcome to attend the Annual Meeting, only those Directors and Delegates, or their alternates, who are officially registered by **October 17** will be able to vote on the issues presented. Become a part of YOUR Federation! It is important to take part in the Annual Meeting and let your voice and opinion be heard on the issues presented.

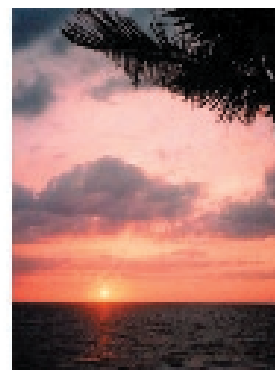
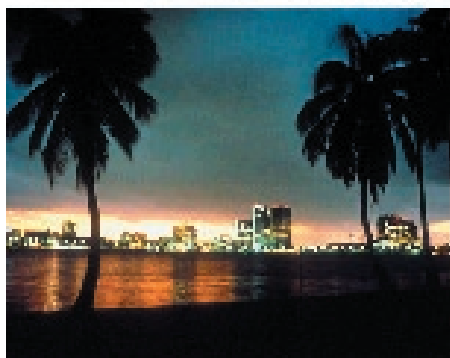
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## NOVEMBER IS LOVELY IN WEST PALM BEACH

by Barbara Ringhiser, EFMLS Convention Chair



November is rapidly approaching, believe it or not, and EFMLS members need to reserve their rooms, banquet tickets, Editor's breakfast tickets, field trip spots and fill out those forms for their exhibits!! I'm talking about the 56<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention and Meeting of the Eastern Federation Mineralogy and Lapidary Societies (Friday, November 17<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>) in West Palm Beach, Florida.

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## GOLDEN SEPTEMBER

by Wayne Sukow, EFMLS President

EDITORS, they are truly a treasure as anyone who reads club newsletters regularly knows. They are among the hardest working volunteers in any organization including gem and mineral clubs. Not only are they hard working but they often have served in the Editor's role for many years and know many of the details that must be attended to by others, which include committee chairs, club officers, and your Eastern Federation officers. Recognize them, they are a club resource. Contribute articles to them, they are appreciative. Get to know them, they are truly a treasure.



CLUB OFFICERS, they are the trimmed specimens and finished lapidary items from cabochons to faceted stones. They are a semi-precious treasures who are always on display, yet never get a ribbon or trophy. They are the hard working volunteers, many of who've served as different club officers over the years. They make the local clubs excel and flourish. Have you ever seen an active, moving-on club, which has no president, vice president, secretary, treasurer....field trip chair...and more? I haven't. Recognize your club officers, they are a club resource. Get to know them, they are truly treasures.

CLUB MEMBERS, they are the raw ore, the specimens in the rough that need some trimming and polishing before going on display. Yet, no club can flourish and continue without them. They too volunteer to work on committees and help put on club shows. Some give presentations to their club and others. They support and push club officers to excel and give the club its vitality. They get to know each other and share interests and skills. They are a club resource; they are truly treasures.

Club members, club officers, and editors of local clubs can make September 2006 a "Golden September" by working together, sharing responsibilities, sharing interests, and ideas for new programs. Why not have a group of your club members come to the EFMLS Annual Meeting in West Palm Beach in November 17-19? Join your friends for a great experience.

Wayne

## EXPENSE RECORDS & BUDGET REQUEST DUE

from Fran Sick, EFMLS 1st VP

To all EFMLS Officers and Committee Chairpersons:

Expense reports for the 2005-06 fiscal year and budget requests for fiscal year 2006-07 are due no later than September 18, 2006, to 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Fran Sick so that she

can prepare required consolidated record of current year's expenses and budget for next year.

Thanks for your cooperation in submitting these reports in a timely manner.

## WILDACRES - FROM A PARTICIPANTS POINT OF VIEW

by Phil Mathes

What a great week at Wildacres. It's all most too overwhelming to tackle an article that does justice to the weeks events. While the speakers, courses, food and accommodations are great; it's the people that make it so worthwhile. We are new to this community and were welcomed in with unbelievable generosity and open arms. As a practical matter the subsidized accommodations fee and materials at cost presents an opportunity not to be denied. Some folks have been attending for all most 30 years!

HelenSerras-Herman - guest speaker, gem artist, craftsman, and passionate lover of the art spoke for at least 8 hours during the week (and we wished for more) complete with visuals and samples of her work - by itself worth a lot more than the price of admission.

I took Cabochon making and Micromounting as a raw neophyte never having done either. We kidded our Cab instructor, Bernie Emery from Baltimore, that we had sent a letter to the FAA to advise air traffic to divert when his class let out to avoid light reflection distractions from Bernie's approved finished cab surfaces. Carolyn Weinberger, micromounting instructor and other executive positions, and the rest of the accomplished in-class micromounters were outstanding in their efforts to help me understand and thoroughly enjoy this branch of mineral collecting.

Carole took Wire Jewelry and Wire Sculpture with Lisa Roberts. Lisa is a creative and inspiring instructor. The wire jewelry class made a ring, bracelets, earrings and a wire wrapped coin. The wire sculpture class made many silver and onyx pendants and a silver link bracelet. We worked hard, learned many wire



The author with instructor Bernie Emery.  
Photo by Steve Weinberger

jewelry making techniques and had a lot of fun.

Both Carole and I joined the "free day" field trip to a Yancey County mine that had just the day before blasted the wall of a pegmatite. What an opportunity! We'll share our collection at the meetings. Others ventured to the many nearby attractions such as the Biltmore Mansion, local rock/craft stores, and unique Parkway natural attractions. Some simply enjoyed the on-site ambiance of North Carolina's silent, except for bird calls, majestic, tree covered mountains.

The Wildacres staff lives the motto above the great stone fireplace, "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity" and all of us repeated the mantra nightly to absorb it into our consciousness.

*Ed. Note: Carole and Phil Mathes are members of the Richmond Gem & Mineral Society and were first time participants at the Spring session. Their article was originally published in "The Collecting Bag", the club's award winning newsletter.*

## WELCOME!

by Ellery Borow, EFMLS 2nd VP



It is often said that the future of our hobby hinges on gaining new members and encouraging junior members. So, it is with special pleasure that I welcome a new club, comprised primarily of juniors and their adult advisors, to our EFMLS family. They are the Central Maine Junior Geologist Club.

The club has 25 members and is based in Gardiner, Maine. Meetings are held the 2nd Saturday of each month from November through March with field trips scheduled in the intervening months. The 1:00 P.M. fall and winter meetings are held at a club member residence, 44 Harrison Av; Gardiner, ME.

Officers for the club are:

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We wish them every success and a long and happy association with the Eastern Federation.

## REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT ELECTION RESULTS

by Fran Sick, EFMLS 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President

The election of Regional Vice Presidents in the even numbered Regions has been completed and I am honored to announce the results.

### Region 2

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Michael is a member of the Mineralogical & Lapidary Society of the Raritan Valley and of the Mineralogists Guild. He has been reelected for a third term.

### Region 4

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Bill is a member of the Richmond Gem and Mineral Society and the Gem & Mineral Society of Lynchburg. He was nominated by a large majority of the clubs in his region and in talking with Bill it is easy to understand why.

### Region 6

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Doug is a member of the Gaston Gem, Mineral and Faceters Club. He has agreed to begin his term of office early, effective August 1, 2006, due to the resignation of the previous Regional Vice President.

### Region 8

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Barbara is a member of the Gem and Mineral Society of the Palm Beaches and is currently serving as co-chairman for the 2006 EFMLS Convention in West Palm Beach in November.

With the exception of Region 2 all of these Regional VP's are new to their position. We extend a warm welcome to each of them and to all four we say thank you.

Your Regional Vice Presidents serve as a members of the EFMLS Executive Board. They are an important link between your club and the Federation. Please welcome them, add them to your club newsletter mailing list, invite them to club events and share with them your concerns and successes.

## ALL AMERICAN NEWS

from Hazel Remaley, AACA Chair

Greetings to all ,

Now that summer has almost come to a close, it is really time to seriously start thinking about your club's entry for the All American Club Award. The entry that you will send in this year will contain information for the year 2006. It will be judged and awards made at the EFMLS and AFMS conventions in 2007.

In previous articles I have walked you through the sections of the form. At the fall session at Wildacres, Fran Sick will be presenting a sharing program on the "how to's" of putting all the information together for your club scrapbook. So, hope you all attend and glean from her knowledge. Those of you who will not have a club member at Wildacres can look forward to my articles in this newsletter. Or, for more personal attention, call me or email me. (see page 11).

## NEW OFFICERS?

from the AFMS Central Office

Some clubs elect new officers in June or September. Is your club one of them? Have you sent in the names and addresses of your new officers so that the AFMS mailing list can be updated to reflect the changes?

Please take a minute to do so!

The AFMS Newsletter contains valuable information for you and your club members and we'd like for each issue to be delivered to the correct people in your club.

In the September issue for example, you'll find two good safety articles, information about the latest federal legislation and how it will or could affect our collecting rights, and some information that your club should know about what financial records need to be kept and for how long.

If your officers have changed since the printing of the 2006 EFMLS Directory, please take a few minutes and send me the name, address and phone number for each of the following elected or appointed officers:

President  
Secretary  
Editor  
Liaison

and of course the name of your club.

Thanks for your help. We want to be certain that we can keep the lines of communication open.

## E-MAIL UPDATE

Scholarship Coordinator  
Bob Livingston has a new e-mail:

<gemguy@verizon.net>

Hope all of you had a good summer and fared well with the heat and storms.



The November convention is only about 10

weeks away, the trophies and certificates are all ready to go to Palm Beach—are you? This is the first time in a long time that we have met in the South. We hope to have a good attendance. The West Palm Beach Club continues to work hard in anticipation of our arrival. Let's show them how much we appreciate all their efforts by attending. If you need a registration packet, let us know and we will see that you get one (or you can download the information by visiting <[www.gemandmineral.cc/efmls.html](http://www.gemandmineral.cc/efmls.html)>.

If you are not already a member of the Decade Club and have been an editor of your newsletter for ten or more years, please let me know so that you can be recognized. Also, this year we would like to honor the editor who has edited their newsletter for the longest period of time. If you have been editing your newsletter for 15 or more years, please let me know your name, club, newsletter name and the number of years you have been editor.

I know that the above paragraph appeared in an earlier Newsletter, but this is the last call for this information. If you have already sent this information, you need not do it again. If you have not, please submit it no later than October 1.

It is time to get back to business and time to get our newsletters up and running at full speed. This issue is going to concentrate on e-mailing your newsletter.

### e-Mailing Your Newsletter

I am delighted that I receive so many of your newsletters via e-mail. It is a fact that with today's costs of printing and mailing increasing, it seems practical and cost efficient to send out our newsletters via e-mail. The cost is miniscule and the savings can be substantial.

Another positive side to having an e-mail list is that it is already in place when a club emergency comes up--such as a last minute cancelled meeting or a change in speaker and you need to get a message to the membership now.

A few considerations and cautions are in order about creating, maintaining and sending to an e-mail list.

1. How do we get members e-mail addresses? You can ask through your newsletter, at club meetings and even through your membership application form.
2. Do all the members of your club have e-mail? Probably not. You will still need to send some copies out the old fashion way - "snail" mail.
3. There are members who do have e-mail who may, for whatever reasons, prefer to get the hard copy in the mail, others may want to get it both ways.
4. Who is going to maintain the e-mail list for accuracy? Much like addresses and phone numbers, people do change their e-mail address. Some are because they have changed internet providers and others because they want a new e-mail address. Someone will need to follow-up on the e-mails that bounce (come back as undeliverable or unknown) and get corrected addresses. Unlike the US Postal Service, returned e-mails do not give you a forwarding address. The follow-up person could be the editor, membership chairman or another person in the club.
5. Who will be responsible for

sending out the e-mails containing the newsletter? In most cases this will be the editor, but it could be anyone.

Once you decide to send out your newsletter via e-mail and have addressed the administration problems, you also need to keep in mind what format you will be using for the newsletter—pdf, Word for Windows (and which version), Corel Word, etc. A major consideration in determining which format to use is that not all operating systems and office suites will be able to read all formats. The newer versions of both Corel and Microsoft office suites convert to and from each others formats. Older versions, such as Windows 95 or 98, do not. Outlook, Foxfire, Navigator and most other browsers recognize pdf files. If you decide to go the pdf route, include with the e-mail text the URL/site where your readers can download a free Adobe pdf reader.

You can always cut and paste your newsletter into the e-mail. If you have a lot of pictures and graphics, this could take a very long time to open and may not be the best way to go. Graphics and pictures in an e-mail can take a long time to download on older browsers and computers and even some of the newer computers can have problems depending upon the memory of the computer.

If your newsletter appears on the club website, you can always just send the URL in the e-mail.

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## EDITOR'S CORNER

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When you send out your newsletter, ask members to get in touch with you if they have difficulty reading or opening the file. This will give you the opportunity to know there is a problem and to troubleshoot it. If the problem turns out to be the browser or computer of the recipient, you can always send them a hard copy in a timely manner.

You have your newsletter attachment ready to go and know what you are going to say in the body of the e-mail. In the age of privacy concerns, you need to be cautious about how you send out your distribution list. How can you send it out without the whole list seeing who else got the newsletter? Just send out the distribution list under the bcc option. Only that person name will appear on his/her e-mail. Another option is to create a distribution list through your mail browser. Since each one uses a different method of set-up, just open up your e-mail program and search for "setting up a distribution list" or just "distribution list." This should give you the directions for doing this.

Let me know if you have any questions regarding e-mailing your newsletter. I will try to address them in a future issue.

Remember to sign up for the convention. Until next month...

## WE'RE PROUD TO RECOGNIZE....

from Cathy Gaber, AFMS Club Rockhound of Year Chair

I nominate *Hazel and Marvin Remaley* as Che-Hanna Rock and Mineral Club's AFMS Club Rockhounds of the Year. Hazel is currently Vice President and is a Past President of the club.



Marv is currently a board member and is a Past Vice President. Both have served on the board for many years and have worked tirelessly on behalf of the club. In their roles as Vice-President they have arranged excellent club meeting programs. They also arrange the club Holiday Party and many other events, such as museum exhibits for the club show, and they take a lead role in all aspects of the show. When Che-Hanna hosted the EFMLS Convention in 2005 they made most of the arrangements with the host hotel for rooms and events. Hazel is Show Publicity Chairperson and does a fabulous job on an almost non-existent budget. They are always willing to step up and take charge wherever needed and can be counted on to do a great job at whatever they do. These are just a few of the many reasons why I think they are the obvious choice for our 2006 Rockhounds of the Year.

*submitted by Fran Sick  
President Che-Hanna Rock and Mineral Club*

Ever since *Mary Bateman* was recruited to be our newsletter editor about 10 years ago, she has been a loyal and energetic member of the Gem, Lapidary and Mineral Society of Washington, DC. She gave up the award-winning newsletter to take up the presidency a few years ago and has done an outstanding job. She has been working hard for the last year trying to help get a new location for our club show, and she organizes the work teams for the club table, ticket sales and the children's area and often works the shifts herself. Prior to the show, she sends out thousands of post cards to prospective attendees and keeps track of this huge list from year to year. Mary has also been instrumental in the GLMS-DC's effort to award annual scholarships to deserving students at the University of Maryland. There is no aspect of the club in which she has not participated, from legal issues and setting up special tours for Maryland Day at the University of Maryland to bringing refreshments to monthly meetings, picnics, and holiday parties. It is a pleasure working with Mary and she deserves to be our AFMS Club Rockhound of the Year. In addition to her club duties, Mary has been actively involved in Eastern Federations activities, such as the time consuming Bulletin Editors Advisory Committee Chair and recently as EFMLS Secretary.

*submitted by Matt Charsky  
past president GLMS-DC*

## UPCOMING EFMLS CONVENTIONS

**2006**

**NOVEMBER 17 - 19**

**WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA**

**HOSTED BY THE**

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**2007**

**OCTOBER 5 - 7**

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**FEBRUARY 22 - 24**

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**MISSISSIPPI GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY**

The Gem and Mineral Society of the Palm Beaches, located in beautiful, world famous Palm Beach County Florida (where the average November temperature is 72 degrees with an average high of 79 and an average low of 63), is pleased to host this year's meeting. This is also the year of our 40<sup>th</sup> annual show (Saturday & Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>). The Society, located in West Palm Beach Florida, was founded in the mid-1960's.

The EFMLS Convention will be headquartered at the Airport Holiday Inn in West Palm Beach. All EFMLS events will be located there—the Friday afternoon annual meeting, the Friday night Cracker Barrel, the Saturday night Banquet and the Sunday morning Editor's Breakfast.

This Holiday Inn is located at  
1301 Belvedere Road  
West Palm Beach, Florida 33405  
Phone 561-659-3880  
or 800-792-3880

The rate for Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> is \$119 per night + 10.5% tax. A block of rooms has been reserved. After these are gone, the rate will be based on availability.

To obtain this rate you must say you are with the EASTERN FEDERATION OF MINERALOGICAL AND LAPIDARY SOCIETIES, INC.

The deadline for reservations is Monday, October 16<sup>th</sup>.

Our show will be located about 5 miles from the hotel at the South Florida Fairgrounds. Show hours will be 9 am- 6 pm on Saturday and 10 am - 5 pm on Sunday. At the show, there will be over 60 dealers, many educational exhibits, competitive exhibit judging, the EFMLS auction, a mini-mine, a mini-fossil dig, gem identification by a graduate gemologist, a Chinese auction, hourly

door prizes, and a demo area with glass bead making, faceting, capping, chain making, and bead stringing in addition to others. We've scheduled three speakers during the two-day show who will speak on a variety of topics, including gem prospecting and fossils.

There will be food for sale at the show and there are also many other restaurants located near the show. Watch our website ([www.gemandmineral.cc](http://www.gemandmineral.cc)) for updates on other area attractions, camping facilities, other nearby hotels, other dining locations, maps, convention schedule, prices, show exhibiting and Holiday Inn reservation information.

The ADVANCE REGISTRATION FORM is printed on page \_\_\_ and can also be found on our website. Fill out this form to sign up for the Friday Cracker Barrel and the Annual meeting, the Saturday Awards Dinner Buffet, the Sunday Editors Breakfast, the field trip and advance show tickets.

The Field Trip will be a visit to Rucks Pit in Okeechobee, Florida on Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>. The pit is a source of rare calcite crystals encased in large clams, other fossilized shells AND animal fossils (various teeth, bones, vertebrates, etc. of marine and land animals). The pit is located about 90 miles away, and it takes about two hours to get there. Watch the website for information. We'll add a map to the website and print one in the newsletter as November nears.



By the way - our weather is still warm, but not too warm in November. We're looking forward to seeing you in the Palm Beaches!!

Although not that many people are interested in micro-minerals - those tiny, wonderful specimens that can only be appreciated through the use of some form of magnification, there is a dedicated cadre of people throughout the world who are.

The first micromounts were created by Rev. George Rakestraw, a Pennsylvania minister who used his microscope to uncover the hidden beauties lurking in tiny vugs in the specimens he found in the area where he lived. Rakestraw crafted small cardboard boxes and affixed his tiny treasures in the boxes as a means of protecting them and allowing them to be viewed with ease. Since Rakestraw began, countless others have taken up this delightful pastime.

Fifty years ago a number of micromount enthusiasts decided that it would be prudent to hold a weekend conference dedicated to micro-minerals. Thus, through the energies of the Baltimore Mineral Society, the very first conference in the US (and perhaps the world) was held. The conference flourished, was renamed in honor of Paul Desautels, the former curator at the Smithsonian and an avid micromounter, and today also sponsors the prestigious Micromounters Hall of Fame.

Being inducted in the Hall of Fame for 2006 is none other than Cynthia Payne, EFMLS Certified Judge, former member of the Uniform Rules Committee, Wildacres instructor and EFMLS Citation Awardee (1983). Other noted EFMLS members who have been inducted include Paul Desautels, Paul Seel, Neal Yedlin, Ben-Chromy (Pres., 1954), Fred Schaefermeyer (Pres., 1990), Ruth Cole Wertz (Pres. 1980) and Paul Smith.

The 50th Anniversary conference is scheduled to be held over the weekend of October 6-8 at Elkridge, MD (see listing in the show calendar).



## HAMMER SAFETY

Hammers used by rock hounds come in every size, type, and construction. They include rock hammers, bricklayer's hammers (also known as mason's hammers), Blacksmith's (Sledge) hammers, machinist's peen hammers, setting hammers, lead or copper faced hammers, trimmer's hammers, and welder's hammers. Rawhide, rubber, and tinner's mallets are also used. I have also seen napping hammers (a 3 pound high carbon steel hammer with tapering faces used for forming stones for road construction) and railroad track mauls, used by rockhounds in the field.

General safe practices for hammers are:

1. Always select the proper type, size, and weight of hammer for the task.
2. Always wear eye protection, safety shoes, and protective clothing.
3. Always strike a hammer blow squarely, avoiding glancing blows, and over or under strikes. A hammers striking face should be parallel with the surface being struck.
4. When striking a chisel, punch, or wedge, the striking face should be 3/8" larger than the struck face of the tool. Both the striking face of the hammer and struck face of the tool should be free of oil.

5. Do not strike another hammer with a hammer.

6. Do not strike a harder surface with a hard surfaced hammer.

7. Never use a hammer or struck tool with dents, cracks, mushrooming, or excessive wear. Do not redress a hammer head-replace it.

8. Replace worn or damaged handles. A qualified individual should replace hammer handles. Most hardware stores will replace hammer handles for a nominal fee. They can also provide a rubber sleeve for sledge hammers, which will prevent handle damage adjacent to the head.

9. Be aware of others in the vicinity of the hammers arc of swing and ensure that they are also wearing safety eye protection, safety shoes, and protective clothing.

Bricklayer's or mason's hammers are designed for setting or splitting bricks, masonry tile, and concrete blocks. Never use them to strike or drive tools, such as chisels. The blade of a bricklayer's hammer



should be kept sharp by redressing at a 40 degree angle with a bench grinder. Keep the metal cool while grinding by quenching often in water, which will protect the blades tempering.

Hand drilling hammers are used with chisels, star drills, and hardened nails. Never use common nail (claw) hammers for striking tools, such as chisels, as they are designed for driving unhardened nails and their shape, depth of face, and balance make them unsuitable for other uses.

Machinist's peen hammers (ball, cross, or straight) are designed for striking chisels, drills, and punches and riveting, straightening, and shaping metal.



Blacksmith's, or sledge hammers, are designed for striking wood, metal, and concrete or stone, depending on size, weight, and shape.



When using a hammer, grip the handle near the end where it is designed for gripping. This will give the best control and impact with the least effort. Watch your hands, shins, and feet. Wear gloves, a long sleeve shirt, apron, safety glasses with face shield, and high lacing safety shoes for protection from flying debris and sharp shards.

When storing hammers for a period of time, lightly lubricate metal parts, but wipe any oil or grease from rubber mallets or rubber handle grips to prevent damage to the hammer. Before using a hammer, wipe away all oil from the striking surfaces.





# ADVANCE REGISTRATION FORM EASTERN FEDERATION CONVENTION West Palm Beach, Florida - November 17 - 19, 2005



Primary Registrant (*Registration will be recorded under this name - please print as name will appear on name badge*)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Federation or Club Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Check all that apply:</b>	AFMS Officer _____	Delegate _____	Judge _____
Demonstrator _____	EFMLS Officer _____	Alt. Delegate _____	Competitive Exhibitor _____
Dealer _____	Past President _____	Editor _____	Non-competitive Exhibitor _____

Additional Registrants: (*please print as name will appear on a name badge. Print additional names on back*)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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<b>Check all that apply:</b>	AFMS Officer _____	Delegate _____	Judge _____
Demonstrator _____	EFMLS Officer _____	Alt. Delegate _____	Competitive Exhibitor _____
Dealer _____	Past President _____	Editor _____	Non-competitive Exhibitor _____

Advance Registration Fees	Number	Amount
Attendance at EFMLS Meeting 1pm, Friday, November 17th	_____	N/A
Attendance at Cracker Barrel 7pm, Friday, November 17th	_____	N/A
Eastern Federation Awards Saturday Dinner Buffet @ \$35.00	_____	_____
Eastern Federation Sunday Editors Breakfast Buffet @ \$16.00	_____	_____
Two Day Gem & Mineral Show Tickets @ \$9.00 each. Children 12 & under free	_____	_____
Interest in Field Trip to Rucks Pit, Okeechobee FL Sunday, November 19 <sup>th</sup> . Entrance fee of \$20 payable at gate. Children under 12 are free.	_____	N/A
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# DIRECTOR, DELEGATE & ALTERNATE INFORMATION

56<sup>TH</sup> Annual EFMLS Board of Directors' Meeting

West Palm Beach, Florida  
November 17, 2006

*Please print clearly all information requested*

NAME OF SOCIETY: \_\_\_\_\_

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(The president of each society is a Director of EFMLS. Please list the president's name only if the president plans to attend this meeting.)

DIRECTOR'S ALTERNATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
(To represent the society if the president cannot attend the meeting)

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(Elected by society members)

ALTERNATE DELEGATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
(To represent the society if Delegate cannot attend meeting)

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SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF SOCIETY OFFICER

**From the EFMLS Constitution**

(Article V, Sec. 3):

*It shall be the responsibility of each Member Society to notify the Secretary in writing of the names of its Director, Delegate and Alternate who expect to attend the Annual Meeting at least thirty (30) days prior to the convening date.*

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## VISIT A SHOW

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### August:

26-27: Annual Show sponsored by the St. Lawrence County Rock & Mineral Club. Canton Sportsman's Club, Nickerson Rd.; Canton, NY

### September:

2-3: 17<sup>th</sup> annual Rockhounds Gem & Mineral Show sponsored by the Kennebec Rocks and Minerals Club. National Guard Armory, Western Avenue, Augusta, ME

9 - 10: 56<sup>th</sup> annual show, Gem, Mineral & Jewelry Show sponsored by the Danbury Mineralogical Society. New Milford High School, Danbury Road, New Milford, Connecticut.

9 & 10: Annual Gem & Mineral Show sponsored by the Northern Berkshire Mineral Club. VFW Hall, Rt. 2 (at the base of the Mohawk Trail, North Adams, MA.

16-17: 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Gem & Mineral Show sponsored by the Central Pennsylvania Rock & Mineral Club. NEW LOCATION: Central Dauphin Middle School, Locust Ln, Harrisburg, PA.

23-24: 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Atlantic Coast Gem, Mineral & Jewelry Show hosted by the Gem Cutters Guild of Baltimore. Howard Co. Fairgrounds, Md Rt. 32 at I-70, West Friendship, MD.

23-24: 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Hiddenite Gem & Mineral Show sponsored by the Western Piedmont Mineral & Gem Society. Hiddenite Educational Complex, Sulphur Springs Rd; Hiddenite, NC.

23-24 - 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Franklin-Sterling Hill Mineral, Gem & Jewelry Show sponsored by the Franklin Mineral Museum and Sterling Hill Mining Museum. Franklin School, Washington Av; Franklin, NJ

23: Annual Gem & Mineral Show sponsored by the Saco Valley Gem & Mineral Club. Albany Town Hall, Albany, NH.

30 - October 1: Annual Gem & Mineral Show sponsored by the Wayne County Gem & Mineral Club. St. Michael's School, 320 S Main St; (Rt. 88), Newark, NY

### October:

6-8: 50th Paul Desautels Micromount Symposium. MHA Conference Center, Elkridge, MD. Info & Registration: Cal Pierson <[cperson@mhaonline.org](mailto:cperson@mhaonline.org)>

7: Fall Mineralfest hosted by the Pennsylvania Earth Sciences Association. Macungie Memorial Park (8 miles southwest of Allentown, PA).

7 - 8: 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Festival sponsored by the Capital Mineral Club. Sunapee Ski Area, Rte 103; Newbury, NH.

14 - 15: 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Gem & Mineral Show and Sale sponsored by the Bristol Gem and Mineral Club. Beals Community Center, 240 Stafford Ave; Bristol, CT

21-22: 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Gem & Mineral Show & Sale sponsored by the Mid-Hudson Valley Gem & Mineral Society. Rhinebeck Dutchess Co. Fairgrounds, Rt. 9, Rhinebeck, NY.

### November:

4 - 5: 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Gemarama 2006, "The World of Opals" sponsored by the Tuscarora Lapidary Society. CFS, School at Church Farm, Business Rte 30 at Rte 202, Exton, PA

4 -5: 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Gem & Mineral Show sponsored by the Stamford Mineral Society. Greenwich Civic Center, 90 Harding Rd; Old Greenwich, CT.

18-19: Annual Gem & Mineral Show and 56<sup>th</sup> EFMLS Convention sponsored by the Gem & Mineral Society of the Palm Beaches. So. Florida Fairgrounds, West Palm Beach Florida. EFMLS Annual Meeting - November 17

24-26: 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Show and Sale sponsored by the Roanoke Valley Gem & Mineral Society. Salem Civic Center, 1001 Boulevard; Salem, VA.

### March-April:

30-April 1: Atlantic Micromounters Conference hosted by the Micromineralogists of the National Capital Area. Maryland Hospital Association Conference Center, Elkridge, MD. For Registration & Info contact S. Weinberger <[cscrystals2@verizon.net](mailto:cscrystals2@verizon.net)>.

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