

# EFMLS NEWS

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## WILDACRES IN THE SUMMER!

FROM ESTHER DUNN, WILDACRES FUNCTIONING COMMITTEE CHAIR

Our first session of the EFMLS Wildacres Workshop is scheduled for June 26 to July 2, 2004. After many years of asking, the Wildacres Foundation has finally given us "summer dates". I'm excited.

With these dates we hope to see more of our juniors and teachers who have not been able to attend in recent years because of school conflicts. We would love to see a "full house" of 80 to 110 participants. There is a tentative listing of classes we plan to offer on page 6 of this issue.

Our guest speaker will be the ever popular Bob Jones of Cave Creek, Arizona. Bob is the Senior Editor of *Rock & Gem Magazine*. He has been our guest speaker many times and we look forward to having him with us again. He is a lot of fun and his slide programs and lectures give a special "lift" to our week. He'll be accompanied by his lovely wife Carol; an accomplished and well known silversmith.

The fees will be \$280 per person which is very reasonable for a week's vacation that includes room and board. Some of the instructors may charge extra for materials used in class but these fees are nominal.

This is a chance to experience the beautiful mountains of North Carolina and recharge your emotional batteries in a beautiful setting. There are no radios, TV's, boom boxes, or other distractions, so you can just relax and enjoy the fellowship of hobby-oriented friends and



perhaps make new ones, or learn a new skill you can take home with you to share with your club members.

Joining us for the week will be representatives from all seven AFMS regional federations as we host the 2nd "AFMS Judges Seminar" in conjunction with our own Certified Judging class. Our own B. Jay Bowman will teach the class.

Just try the Wildacres experience and you'll love it. I guarantee it won't be your last visit to this magical place. No applications will be accepted before January 1, 2004. This session should fill up rather quickly, so get your application in as soon as you can make arrangements for that special week off.

An application for Wildacres is included on page 11 of this issue. Feel free to duplicate it as needed for yourself or your club members.

We are looking forward to seeing you in June!

[Ed Note: The dates for the fall session of Wildacres have not yet been received from the WA Foundation. Once we receive these we will confirm our guest speaker and notify you of them.]

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**THANKFULNESS, MERRIMENT, AND YOU**

BY MATT CHARSKY, EFMLS PRESIDENT

By the time you read this article, each of you will be in-between festivities. You would have already celebrated a Happy Thanksgiving and now you're beginning to plan your attack for the upcoming year-end crunch of Holiday activities. As hobbyists, we have much to be thankful for and I think we've earned a little time for merriment and good cheer for all the many hours of volunteer work that we do for EFMLS and our local clubs.

Our hobby truly has many people to thank. For one thing, we should be very appreciative for even the ability to collect the material for our hobby - whether it be gemstones, minerals, rough material, micros, or fossils. So thank the land owner, the quarry owner, and anyone else who permits us to collect our treasures on their property. Maybe a nice thank you note would keep these sites accessible for many years to come. We should also thank all those people who got us interested in our hobbies and continue to do so - teachers, instructors, other hobbyists, etc. It's nice to share what you know with people who have the same interests that you do. Sharing information keeps the hobby going and it also gives you a good feeling inside.

At this time, most clubs in the north have finished their field trips for 2003 and are now planning all kinds of gatherings and celebrations. Please try to be part of your club's camaraderie. Lots of clubs are also holding officer elections and so some new crews of officers may need to be introduced to EFMLS. Please send Carolyn Weinberger any changes in officers as soon as you can, so we can keep our roster up-to-date.

Before you start putting your treasures away for the winter, I have a suggestion for each of you. Isn't it about time that you showed off your hobby to a large, diversified audience? I've got just the ticket with the upcoming AFMS/EFMLS Convention in

Syracuse, NY during July 9 - 11, 2004. So start putting together a showcase (either competitive or non-competitive) to show off your hobby. If you don't think you have enough material, then find a friend to share a showcase. If that won't work, how about this idea for a great wintertime exercise for each club - put together an individual club showcase for the convention. Your club may know its area of the country very well and have really talented members, but the American Federation representatives don't have a clue about individual EFMLS clubs. Here's a way for up to 150 showcases to appear in Syracuse and drive the host club wild.

Allow me to say a few words about the recent EFMLS Convention in Poughkeepsie, NY. The host club, Mid-Hudson Valley Gem and Mineral Society, was very gracious to us and put on an EFMLS Convention that they can be proud of. Many thanks to Jack Rowland and his fellow members for all their hard work. On the flip side, I was quite disappointed in the number of attendees at the Cracker Barrel, Awards Dinner, and Editor's Breakfast. This is supposed to be EFMLS's showcase, where we are receptive to individual club concerns, we recognize exceptional achievements, and we reward writers of all kinds of hobby-related articles. Why weren't YOU there? If you have an idea of how I can boost participation at any of these functions, please let me know. I WANT A GOOD SHOWING IN SYRACUSE!

In closing, I hope each of you will be able to take some time out your hectic schedules this month to appreciate what your hobby means to you, what your club does for you, and what the EFMLS represents for you. Can you as a club or EFMLS member do something better in 2004 than

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## ALL-AMERICAN CLUB AWARD

FROM HAZEL REMALEY

The All-American Club Recognition Program is a wonderful idea for you to take note of the things your club has done during 2003. By compiling an entry for the award, clubs get to take stock and note things which might need improving and things that need to be continued because they've worked successfully. Why not take advantage of this not too difficult way of evaluating your own club....and enter the AFMS "contest" at the same time.

The entry is really a scrapbook showing the activities of your club. The book is divided into various sections, each showing one facet of your club and its activities. You have one month remaining in the year to ask your members for information that you will use in your scrapbook. Look at your members and their activities both in our hobby and in their everyday lives. The entry form is printed on page 9 of this issue and the deadline for getting your entry to me will be March 1, 2004. I am looking for some great club scrapbooks.

## PRESIDENT

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what you did in 2003? Remember, volunteerism, is what makes the system work either on the EFMLS or club level. In-person participation at EFMLS and club functions convinces everyone of your dedication to your hobby and to your organization.

Be safe in your travels and just say no to that second piece of cake.

See you in 2004.

*Matt*

## EACH ONE TEACH ONE

FROM FRAN SICK

Over the years I have been associated with many organizations - some business and some leisure interest. But never have I been a part of anything like the rock and mineral hobby. Everywhere I go and every new group or person I meet is so generous in sharing information, teaching what they have learned and answering my questions. In this hobby people who are willing to help, to teach and to share are so commonplace we have almost come to expect it and we take them for granted.

What, you may wonder, does this have to do with the Each One Teach One Award. The answer, of course, is that this is precisely what the EOTO Award is all about. Teaching classes, conducting seminars, giving lectures, writing articles, doing demonstrations, leading field trips or in any way helping to increase the knowledge of one person or one hundred people are activities which qualify a person for nomination for the Each One Teach One Award.

The deadline for receipt of nominations for the 2004 award is March 15, 2004. Forms must be postmarked or e-mailed to me no later than this date. You will find a nomination form in this issue of the newsletter with my address and e-mail listed. As noted on the form, you may attach an extra sheet to list the activities of your nominee. Please use the extra sheet

allowed. The top award winners always have this extra sheet included since all the things they do simply will not fit on one sheet of paper.

In the November EFMLS Newsletter the 2003 award winners were listed. I have repeatedly said in previous articles that anyone who did not win the top award may be nominated again. In the five years I have been associated with the Each One Teach One Award only two people who did not win the top award on their first nomination were nominated again and both of them subsequently won the top award. There were five nominations received for 2003 and they were all very good nominations. However, only one could win the top award. This means there were four people nominated in 2003, and several more in the years prior to 2003, who may be nominated again. So add a little more information about your nominee, contact me for help or tips if you wish, but please resubmit nominations for those folks who have not yet won the top award.

With the combined AFMS and EFMLS Conventions being held in Syracuse, New York, in 2004 it sure would be nice to see a record number of Each One Teach One nominations this year. So please put this article on the 'fridge or wherever you keep your list of things to do and get your nominations sent by March 15, 2004.

## MINERAL THEFT

Gene Rydall, past president of the Gem & Mineral Society of Syracuse had his home burgled over this past weekend and lost most of his inventory of minerals. He trades under the name "Gem Hunter Minerals".

As you attend shows be on the lookout for any individual attempting to sell minerals with the "Gem Hunter Minerals" label or someone who is not a dealer at the show you're attending trying to sell.

If you should encounter such a situation, please notify the local police immediately.

## LAPIDARY SAFETY

1. Wear Protective Glasses when chipping or grinding rocks. Goggles and Safety Shields should be used in addition to safety glasses when using caustic liquids, dressing grinding wheels, or creating large flying chips of rocks.

2. Run grinding wheels no faster than the speed recommended by the manufacturer. If you are unsure, run the wheel no faster than 2,500 sfpm (surface feet per minute). Polishing and buffing wheels are operated at a speed of 3,000 to 7,000 sfpm with 4,000 sfpm a good speed for most purposes.

3. Do not let the wheel become waterlogged. Keep it running until all the water has been thrown out, otherwise it could have a heavy spot and be out of balance. Out of balance wheels could disintegrate upon starting. The floor in front of a grinder or polishing machine should be of rough cement or a non slip rubber mat to prevent falls on the wet surface.

4. Keep grinding wheels true. They will wear longer and there will be less chance of a wheel parting while in use. Grinding should be done near the center plane of the wheel and moved back and forth across the face of the wheel to produce even wear. Do not force the work and take too heavy of a cut. Wear appropriate eye, hand, and body protection when using dressing tools. Follow the manufacturer's instructions for the dressing tool being used. Only the periphery or circumference of standard grinding wheels are designed for grinding-never grind on the sides of a grinding wheel. Insure the work rest and peripheral guard are properly installed and only adjust them when the equipment is not running.

5. Keep all belt pulleys and belts covered by guards to protect fingers and keep clothing from getting caught.

6. Use dop sticks whenever possible

to protect the fingers. Small pieces may also be placed in a simple jig or fixture.

7. A dust mask or suction blower should be used when dry sanding to avoid the inhalation of fine silica dust which could lead to silicosis, a serious lung condition which can not be cured. It may well be prudent to wear a chemical mask when wet grinding or sanding if the water is being recirculated and could have dangerous compounds in it from the material being sanded or materials previously sanded.

8. Be careful with alcohol lamps that could cause a fire.

9. Keep all containers properly labeled. Putting polishing powders in baking powder cans, for instant without a proper label, can be dangerous. Tin Oxide can cause illness if used in place of baking powder.

10. The proper use of Oxalic Acid greatly facilitates the polishing of agates. Oxalic Acid is caustic to the skin, as well as a poison if ingested or inhaled. Oxalic acid can also burn the cornea of the eyes, resulting in impaired eyesight. Use the following safety precautions.

A. Wear protective glasses with drip proof or mist proof goggles over them to protect the eyes.

B. Apply the polish to the wheel with a brush, a good policy for all polishing compounds.

C. Wear protective gloves and a rubber apron to protect clothing and skin.

D. Wash any contact with the skin immediately with soap and water. Medical attention may also be advisable.

11. Sulfuric and Nitric Acid are sometimes mixed with polishing compounds when faceting sapphire and may be used on lead laps. These acids are severe caustics and will cause severe burns if they come in contact with the skin or eyes. Any contami-

nated areas must immediately be washed with soap and water. If any gets in the eyes, thoroughly irrigate with water, and seek medical attention. The application of a baking soda pack is advisable, or sponging with a solution of baking soda in water to the burned area.

12. The polishing compounds used today are relatively non-toxic to most individuals. The use of detergents added to the polishing compounds may cause a dermatitis in some individuals and can be avoided by using masks, goggles, gloves and rubber aprons.

13. Epoxy Resins are very irritating to the skin and may cause severe cases of dermatitis if contact is not avoided. Acetone will remove resin from the skin.

14. Cutting oils are a primary skin irritant as well as a potential fire hazard.

15. Do not overload electrical outlets. If in doubt, have the circuits checked by an electrician. *An electrician's fee is a small price for one's own safety!*

16. Keep switches and motors in a dry place, where the water from grinding and sanding will not splash on them. The shut off switch or plug should be within reach of the operator. Stand to the side of a grinding machine when starting up and allow at least one minute of warm up time before starting to sand or grind.

17. Have all motors and outlets grounded. In case of faulty wiring or a short circuit, the ground will absorb the shock, not the operator. Standing on a rubber mat will provide some protection, but the mat will be wet and still transmit electrical cur-

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rent, which could be fatal. Circuit Breakers and Ground Fault (GFI) circuit breakers are highly recommended over plug fuses. If a person suffers electrical shock, it is important to separate them from the source with a stick or other non-conductive item before beginning resuscitation. Shutting off the power source, if known, will also decrease the hazard to all concerned.

18. Use proper lifting techniques while moving items in the shop.

## CALLING ALL JUNIOR ROCKHOUNDS

FROM KATHY HRECHKA, JUNIOR ACTIVITIES CHAIR

There seems to be a growing concern amongst mineral clubs of how to obtain more youth. Between homework and sports, their time is already occupied. Furthermore, many club meetings are often held too late at night for youngsters. The Northern Virginia Mineral Club may have found a balance to include our youth.

I agreed to volunteer each third Saturday morning at our Nature Center (where our club meets) to instruct juniors. My philosophy is, "it just takes one person to say yes" to coordinate junior meetings. The other club members will help in other ways. By making the meeting time suitable for the youth is the first step. We don't meet in the summer, or December. That requires only eight meetings each year. The EFMLS Slide/Video Library offers great visual tools to enhance your programs. I will provide a list of program ideas in the upcoming newsletters. If your club has any success stories, feel free to submit them to me. I would like to share them with our membership.

## EDITOR'S CORNER

FROM MARY BATEMAN

Packets for the 2004 Bulletin Editor's Contest are in the mail. You may already have received yours. The upcoming contest are for materials printed by your club in their newsletter during 2003. The deadline for submission is December 30.

With a combined EFLMS and AFMS convention in 2004, we want to make it a banner year for our BEAC contest. This past year no new editors entered the contest. If you are a new editor, we encourage you to send in your bulletin. Or, if you have been an editor for more than one year and did not enter your bulletin for the 2003 contest, we hope you will do so for the 2004 contest. And, for those of you who entered in 2003, just keep those bulletins coming. It is a rewarding feeling to have yourself and your contributors receive acknowledgement for a job well done.

Poughkeepsie in October was great and for those who attended the editors' breakfast, a fun time was had by the 40 who attended. We started with introductions, thank yous and

announcements. Carolyn Weinberger (editor of both the EFMLS and AFMS newsletters and the "Gem Cutters News") was our featured speaker. Carolyn spoke on how to produce a better newsletter and get written material virtually out of nothing. She encouraged the use of the spell check feature and warned about copying material from other publications and quotes in articles submitted for publication. She went to explain why our contest rules appear tough, when in fact, they are assuring that your bulletin or submission will meet the AFMS judging standards—a sure way to receive an AFMS award.

Trophies and certificates (202) were given out after a brief break for breakfast and some social time. The entire breakfast meeting took about two hours. (See the November EFLMS News for a listing of the awards.)

Our thanks to Jack Rowland the entire Mid-Hudson Valley Gem & Mineral Club for their planning and hospitality—it was wonderful. Our thanks, also, goes to S.C.R.I.B.E. for

the donation of the door prizes.

If you or a member of your club was not present at the editors' breakfast to receive the awards, you should have received them in the mail by now. Wouldn't it have been nice to have received them in person or to have your contributors receive them in person? You/they can, you know.

The BEAC committee encourages you and your contributors to mark your calendars for Syracuse July 9-11 when the Syracuse club will have its show and EFMLS and AFMS will have a joint convention. Both EFMLS and AFMS awards will be given out at the convention. This is a great opportunity for those who have never attended an AFMS convention to attend one in our own Federation. Watch EFMLS News for more information.



## PLANNED WILDACRES CLASSES

FROM GINGER POSTHUMUS, DIRECTOR

Here are the classes being planned for the 2004 EFMLS Wildacres Workshops. Use this list to make your selections for pre-registration on the application form. If you select a 4 day class you will not be able to take another class during the session. Two day classes afford you the opportunity of taking two different disciplines during the week.

### June Session:

#### 2 Day classes:

Cabbing (Basic level)  
Cabbing (Intermediate level)

Chain making (Basic level)  
Chain making (Intermediate)

Silversmithing (Basic)  
Silversmithing (Intermediate)

Wirecraft Jewelry (Basic)  
Wirecraft Jewelry (Intermediate)

Beading

Mineral ID

Soapstone Carving (Basic)  
Soapstone Carving (Intermediate)

#### 4 Day classes:

Faceting  
Certified Judging  
Micromounting

### Fall session: (Dates to be announced)

#### 2 Day classes:

Cabbing (Basic level)  
Cabbing (Intermediate level)

Silversmithing (Basic)

Forging

Wirecraft Jewelry (Basic)  
Wirecraft Jewelry (Intermediate)

Soapstone Carving (Basic)  
Soapstone Carving (Intermediate)

#### 4 Day classes:

Faceting  
Judging  
Wax modeling and casting  
Micromounting

Applications for either session will be accepted by Registrar Debbie Bard beginning January 1, 2004. Remember, sessions fill up early, so don't delay in sending your registration in as soon as possible. Should all spaces be filled, you will be placed on a waiting list in the order that your application is received.

We're looking forward to seeing you at Wildacres this summer or fall.

## E-MAIL CORRECTION

The correct E-mail for Program Librarian Richard Harrison is:  
<rlh-ss@infoblvd.net>.

Please correct your Directory and Committee Listings.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

JULY 9 - 11, 2004

(AFMS MEETINGS JULY 7 & 8)

GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY OF  
SYRACUSE ANNUAL SHOW PLUS  
EFMS AND AFMS ANNUAL  
CONVENTIONS

SYRACUSE, NEW YORK

## AFMS ROCKHOUND OF THE YEAR

FROM CATHY GABER



The Presidential Gem and Mineral Society in New Hampshire wishes to recognize Jim Holmes as the AFMS Club Rockhound of the Year. Jim, a club member since 1993, has tirelessly served the club in the positions of president, secretary, librarian, education coordinator and long time field trip coordinator. His knowledge of gems and minerals is freely shared in formal club programs and on field trips! The club members thank Jim and wish to recognize him for his dedication.

*nominated by Lawrence Underhill*

Do you know that every EFMLS member club can "nominate" someone as their Rockhound of the Year? We have 140+ clubs in the Federation and therefore should have 140+ "rockhounds" to tell you about in 2004.

Select an individual or couple from your club that you would like to tell everyone else about. Why is this person (or couple) important to your club? What contributions have they made? Tell us about them in 50 words or less. The process is that simple.

We'll print your "Rockhound" in the next EFMLS Newsletter as well as the AFMS Newsletter so that everyone gets to know why your club is so lucky. Send your submissions to:  
Cathy Gaber  
<bg@his.com>  
5707 Northfield Rd  
Bethesda, MD 20817

Happy Holidays

## LAPCRAFT BUYING PROGRAM

FROM LARRY VANDERGRIFT, PAST PRESIDENT

Just a reminder that Lapcraft Inc. of Powell, Ohio continues to offer Eastern Federation member clubs and members discounts on equipment and supplies which they sell.

Here are the requirements for participation:

1. You must be a member in good standing of an EFMLS member club.
2. Your club must be a member in good standing of the EFMLS.
3. You must purchase items directly from the Lapcraft, Inc. catalog.
4. Payment and financial arrangements will be made directly with Lapcraft, Inc.
5. You must use Customer #EF100 when purchasing items. Additional ordering and shipping instructions are contained in the price list available from Lapcraft.
6. Orders can be placed by calling 614-764-8993.

Members of the EFMLS will enjoy a discount on the catalog price of 20% or greater depending on the item and number of each item purchased. Check with Lapcraft for additional discounts. Individual members will receive the entire benefit of the discounted price.

You can obtain a Lapcraft catalog by contacting Lapcraft at:  
Lapcraft, Inc.  
PO Box 389  
Powell, OH 43065

Remember that you must use the special code when ordering to receive the discount.

### DEADLINE

FOR THE NEXT ISSUE IS  
DECEMBER 1

## OFFICER CHANGES

FROM LOU BUDELL, TREASURER

Within the next few weeks each club will be receiving the annual EFMLS "Call for Dues" letter along with an information form requesting updates on your membership and officers. Please return these promptly so that your Federation membership can remain in force and the appropriate members may continue to receive both the EFMLS and AFMS Newsletters.

Dues for EFMLS remain at \$1.25 per member. Of this sum, \$.50 is sent on to the AFMS. The remaining \$.75 is used to fund EFMLS programs - the slide and video library, the newsletter and Directory, certificates and awards for the various contests and miscellaneous expenses.

Membership in the Eastern Federation allows your club to obtain reasonably low cost liability insurance, borrow slide and video programs from our library at no cost (except for return postage and insurance), attend the Wildacres Workshops, participate in the Lapcraft Buying Program plus a variety of other activities and programs.

When the letter arrives, please fill out the forms quickly, write the dues check and return them quickly so they won't be forgotten.

## USEFUL? FACTS

CONTRIBUTED BY CATHY GABER

Mosquito repellents don't repel. They hide you. The spray blocks the mosquito's sensors so they don't know you're there.

No piece of paper can be folded in half more than 7 times.

You burn more calories sleeping than you do watching television.

The first product to have a bar code was Wrigley's gum.

The king of hearts is the only king without a mustache.

A Boeing 747's wingspan is longer than the Wright brother's first flight.

American Airlines saved \$40,000 in 1987 by eliminating 1 olive from each salad served in first-class.

Venus is the only planet that rotates clockwise.

Apples, not caffeine, are more efficient at waking you up in the morning.

Most dust particles in your house are made from dead skin.

The first owner of the Marlboro Company died of lung cancer.

Marilyn Monroe had six toes.

All US Presidents have worn glasses. Some just didn't like being seen wearing them in public.

Walt Disney was afraid of mice.

Pearls melt in vinegar.

The three most valuable brand names on earth: Marlboro, Coca-Cola, and Budweiser, in that order.

It is possible to lead a cow upstairs...but not downstairs.

# EACH ONE TEACH ONE NOMINATION FORM

Please type or print all information clearly  
Use a separate form for each nominee  
Forms may be duplicated as needed

Name of Club or Society: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominates the following named Club member to receive the Each One Teach One Award for the year 2004

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone, including area code: \_\_\_\_\_

Explain briefly why this person should receive this award. ( A single page may be attached.)

Name of Club or Society that nominee is affiliated with: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Club officer presenting nominee's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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*APPLICATIONS DUE BY MARCH 15, 2004*

# ALL AMERICAN ENTRY FORM

## Section I - Club Information (No Points Awarded)

Club Name and Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Date organized \_\_\_\_\_ Federation \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of Members: Adult \_\_\_\_\_ Type of Application: Large \_\_\_\_\_  
Honorary \_\_\_\_\_ (check one) Small \_\_\_\_\_  
Life \_\_\_\_\_ Junior \_\_\_\_\_  
Juniors \_\_\_\_\_

Meeting Place \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Name, Address, and Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Mission or Purpose of Club \_\_\_\_\_

## Section 2 - Service to Members & Guests (30 Points Possible)

General Meetings: Number of meetings \_\_\_\_\_ Average Attendance \_\_\_\_\_ Guests \_\_\_\_\_

Door Prizes: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Programs: Include list for the year, naming type of program, speaker, etc.

Board Meetings: Number of meetings \_\_\_\_\_ Average Attendance \_\_\_\_\_ Guests \_\_\_\_\_

List officers, directors, and committee chairmen

Junior Meetings: Number of meetings \_\_\_\_\_ Average Attendance \_\_\_\_\_ Guests \_\_\_\_\_

Adult Leader \_\_\_\_\_

Special Group Meetings: Number Attending: Cabbing \_\_\_\_\_ Faceting \_\_\_\_\_

(established groups) Metal Working \_\_\_\_\_ Beading \_\_\_\_\_

Social Events: Number Attending: Summer Picnic \_\_\_\_\_ Installation Dinner \_\_\_\_\_

Holiday Dinner \_\_\_\_\_ Other (Identify) \_\_\_\_\_

Show Conducted: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Members Attended \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Dealers \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Members helping \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Demonstrations \_\_\_\_\_

Field Trips: Number of Field Trips \_\_\_\_\_ List locations, duration, and attendance

Special Features: Club Library: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Books \_\_\_\_\_

Workshops or Classes: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ List kinds

Permanent or Traveling Displays: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ List Type & Locations

## Section 3 - Publications and Publicity (15 Points Possible)

Bulletin Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Editor Name \_\_\_\_\_

Were meeting notices posted in libraries, stores, etc.? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Were meeting notices published in local newspapers? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Were show fliers posted in public places? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

*ALL AMERICAN ENTRY FORM, CONTINUED*

Were show notices published in local papers? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Were meetings or shows announced on radio or TV? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Copies of any supporting material such as printed articles about club or members show announcements or fliers, meeting and show notices from newspapers should be submitted.

*Section 4 - Support for the Federations (Regional and American) and other clubs (20 Points Possible)*

Members served as Federation officers or on committees, Regional Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

National Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Members attended: Regional Convention/Show Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

National Convention/Show Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Club or members contributed to Scholarship fund or Endowments Fund Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Members gave programs for other clubs Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Members attended other club shows/swaps/workshops Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Members displayed cases at other club show Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Monthly bulletin exchanged with other clubs Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Joint field trips with other clubs Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Supporting material should include a list of all above persons, positions, and other activities and could include pictures, copies of certificates, etc.

*Section 5- Community Relations (15 Points Possible)*

Talks or demonstrations given at schools, youth groups, etc. Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Displays at libraries or other public locations Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Booth or other activity at local fairs or events Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Support for other community activities Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Donations of materials to schools, nursing home, groups, etc. Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Supporting material should provide details for all above items and could include pictures, thank you cards, Certificates of appreciation, etc.

*Section 6- Government Agency and Legislative Relations (10 Points Possible)*

Members served on agency committees Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Members provided comments on agency proposals and drafts Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Members contacted congressmen concerning legislation affecting access or collection Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Club or members supported access/collection-lobbying organization Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Supporting material should provide details for all above items and could include copies of letters sent.

*Section 7 - Overall Format & Presentation of Submission (10 Points Possible)*

This will be judged on neatness, organization, grammar and spelling, and the overall presentation of the material.

*Scoring and Awards*

Gold All American Club - 90 - 100 points

Silver All American Club - 80 - 89 points

Bronze All American Club - 70 - 79 points

Deadline for receipt of materials  
March 1, 2004

Mail to:

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# 2004 EFMLS Wildacres Registration

PLEASE, ONLY one person per form per session.

CIRCLE ONE: Spring Session - Fall Session

Please fill out a separate registration form for each person attending and return to DEBBIE BARD, Registrar at 8085 Old 126; Warfordsburg, PA 17267. No registration will be accepted prior to January 1, 2004. (To make it easier for the registrar and others, please do not change or revise this form. You may photocopy it as needed.)

Name (as you wish it to appear on your name badge): \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number with area code: \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Club/Society Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

*Fee for each session is \$280.00 per person. Deposit is \$140 per person, payable with registration.*

*Make checks payable to "EFMLS". Balance of \$140 is due 30 days prior to start of session.*

*Cancellation policy: If unable to attend, fees paid will be refunded if notification is given prior to one month before the session begins. No refund will be made after that date.*

Circle appropriate responses:

Have you been to Wildacres before? Yes No Is your Club sponsoring you? Yes No

Do you need a roommate? Yes No Are you: Male Female (No single rooms are available)

Do you have any physical handicaps and / or special dietary needs? Yes No  
If YES, please explain on reverse side.

Do you have material for exhibiting that you would be willing to display at Wildacres? Yes No  
If YES, please contact Esther Dunn at 334-774-2172. Lined display cases are available.

Do you have a skill to demonstrate or a program to share (up to 40 minutes)? Yes No  
If YES, please contact Cathy Gaber at <bg@his.com>, or 301-654-7479.

*Class Pre-registration. See EFMLS Newsletter or Website for class offerings. <www.amfed.org/efmls/wildacres.htm>*

*Which of the classes being offered would you like to take? We will be preregistering you for classes you indicate. When a class is full NO others will be assigned to that class, and you will be assigned your next class choice(s). You will have an opportunity to make changes once you arrive at Wildacres.*

1st \_\_\_\_\_ 3rd \_\_\_\_\_

2nd \_\_\_\_\_ 4th \_\_\_\_\_

(No registrations accepted prior to January 1, 2004)

Mail to: debbie Bard, Wildacres Registrar  
8085 Old 126  
Warfordsburg, PA 17267

If you have any questions, please contact either

Debbie Bard, Registrar at <ddbard@nb.net> 717-294-3667 or

Ginger Posthumus, Director at <postente@brinet.com> or 828-926-3022.

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## VISIT A SHOW

FROM WILLIAM LEMA

If you are an EFMLS member club and would like to have your show or swap listed here, send information to William Lema, EFMLS Show Coordinator at 65 Sheldon St; Providence, RI or e-mail him at <williamlema@cox.net>.

### November:

21-23: The Carnegie Gem & Mineral Show, Carnegie Museum of Natural History, Pittsburgh, PA.

22 - 23: 28th Annual Jewelry, Gem, Mineral & Fossil Show, sponsored by the Worcester Mineral Club. National Guard Armory, 701 Lincoln Street, Worcester, MA.

28-30: 24th Annual Roanoke Valley Mineral and Gem Show at the Salem Civic Center, Salem, VA sponsored by the Roanoke Valley Mineral & Gem Society.

### February:

21-22: 11th Annual James Campbell Memorial Gem & Fossil Show & Sale, co-sponsored by the New York State Academy of Mineralogy and the Capital District Mineral Club. Concourse level, south end of the Empire State Plaza, Madison Avenue, Albany, NY

27-28: 45th Annual Gem, Mineral, Fossil, and Jewelry Show, sponsored by the Mississippi Gem & Mineral Society. A & I Buildings, State Fairgrounds, Jackson, MS.

### March:

6 - 7 :New York City Gem & Mineral Show Hosted by the New York Mineralogical Club Holiday Inn Midtown Manhattan 440 W. 57th St., New York City

20-21: 40th Annual Gem-Mineral-Fossil Show sponsored by the Gem, Lapidary, & Mineral Society of Montgomery County, MD, Inc. Montgomery County Fairgrounds, 16 Chestnut Street. Gaithersburg, MD

27-28, 2004: 14th Annual Jewelry, Mineral & Fossil Show, sponsored by the Southern Maryland Rock and Mineral Club. Harmony Hall Regional Center, Fort Washington, MD

### April:

2 - 4: 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Atlantic Micromounters Conference. Tyson's Westpark Hotel, McLean, VA. Info and registration: Steve Weinberger, PO Box 302; Glyndon, MD 21071-0302

3 - 4: 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Gem, Mineral & Fossil Show, sponsored by the Buffalo Geological Society. Erie County Fairgrounds, Hamburg, NY.

### July:

9-11: Combined EFMLS/AFMS Convention & Show sponsored by the Gem & Mineral Society of Syracuse. NY State Fairgrounds, Syracuse. NY. (AFMS meetings July 7 & 8).

### September:

25-26: 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Atlantic Coast Gem, Mineral & Jewelry Show sponsored by the Gem Cutters Guild of Baltimore, Inc. Howard County Fairgrounds, I-70 at MD 32, W. Friendship, MD.

### December:

6 - 7: 31st Annual Gem and Mineral Show, sponsored by the Bristol Gem & Mineral Club. Senior/Community Center, 240 Stafford Ave., Bristol, Connecticut.

Happy Hanukkah  
Merry Christmas  
Seasons Greetings

from Ye Olde Editor,  
Assistant Editor and  
Chief Gopher

